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A call for papers and participants for the 2018 Conference of the Western Finance Association appears at the end of this program.

REGISTRATION AND HOTEL INFORMATION

All sessions and conference functions will be held in the The Fairmont Chateau Whistler. On-site registration for the conference will be located in the Frontenac Foyer on:

Sunday, June 25, 2017, 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm Monday, June 26, 2017, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm Tuesday, June 27, 2017, 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

PRE-REGISTRATION

Registration is available at http://westernfinance.org. We encourage you to pre-register as soon as you can. This facilitates our event planning and reduces your time at the conference registration desk. For discounted registration fees, please register prior to May 22, 2017.

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	Early Registration	Registration
WFA member	\$75	\$125
Non-member	\$125	\$175
Student	No Charge	\$30
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2015–16	Laura Starks	University of Texas-Austin
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WFA Annual Meeting Speakers 1979 – 2017

Year	Location	Speaker
1979	San Francisco	Nils Hakansson
1980	San Diego	Kenneth Arrow
1981	Jackson Lake	Eugene Fama
1982	Portland	Stephen Ross
1983	Long Beach	Myron Scholes
1984	Vancouver	Richard Roll
1985	Scottsdale	Robert Litzenberger
1986	Colorado Springs	Merton Miller
1987	San Diego	Edward Kane
1988	Napa	Sanford Grossman
1989	Seattle	William Sharpe
1990	Santa Barbara	Michael Brennan
1991	Jackson Lake	Fischer Black
1992	San Francisco	Myron Scholes
1993	Whistler	Alan Kraus
1994	Santa Fe	Mark Rubinstein
1995	Aspen	Kenneth French
1996	Sunriver	Joseph Williams
1997	San Diego	Richard Thaler
1998	Monterey	Milton Harris
1999	Santa Monica	Andrei Shleifer
2000	Sun Valley	Kenneth Singleton
2001	Tucson	Robert Shiller
2002	Park City	Albert S. "Pete" Kyle
2003	Los Cabos	Richard Kihlstrom
2004	Vancouver	Michael C. Jensen
2005	Portland	Douglas Breeden
2006	Keystone	Douglas Diamond
2007	Big Sky	John Y. Campbell
2008	Waikoloa	René M. Stulz
2009	San Diego	Chester Spatt
2010	Victoria	Mark Grinblatt
2011	Santa Fe	Maureen O'Hara
2012	Las Vegas	Campbell Harvey
2013	Lake Tahoe	Darrell Duffie
2014	Monterey Bay	Stewart C. Myers
2015	Seattle	Francis Longstaff
2016	Park City	Peter DeMarzo
2017	Whistler	Robert Stambaugh

BEST PAPER AWARDS

THE USC MARSHALL SCHOOL OF BUSINESS TREFFTZ AWARD FOR THE BEST STUDENT PAPER

Auction-Based Liquidity of Last Resort Eric Moore, University of Pennsylvania

CHARLES RIVER ASSOCIATES AWARD FOR THE BEST PAPER ON CORPORATE FINANCE

Kinky Tax Policy and Abnormal Investment Behavior Qiping Xu, University of Notre Dame Eric Zwick, University of Chicago

NASDAQ OMX AWARD FOR THE BEST PAPER ON ASSET PRICING

Risk Premia at the ZLB: A Macroeconomic Interpretation Francois Gourio, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago Phuong Ngo, Cleveland State University

BEST PAPER AWARDS

QMA AWARD FOR THE BEST PAPER ON INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

Understanding the Behavior of Distressed Stocks

Yasser Boualam, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill Joao Gomes, University of Pennsylvania Colin Ward, University of Minnesota

WHARTON SCHOOL - WRDS AWARD FOR THE BEST EMPIRICAL FINANCE PAPER

What is the Expected Return on a Stock? Ian Martin, London School of Economics and Political Science

Christian Wagner, Copenhagen Business School

BEST PAPER AWARDS

CUBIST SYSTEMATIC STRATEGIES PHD CANDIDATE AWARDS FOR OUTSTANDING RESEARCH

Xiang Fang, University of Pennsylvania Anastassia Fedyk, Harvard University Pouyan Foroughi, Boston College Marco Giacoletti, Stanford University Yunzhi Hu, University of Chicago Shikha Jaiswal, Emory University Stephanie Johnson, Northwestern University Mete Kilic, University of Southern California Chen Lian, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Yang Liu, University of Pennsylvania Yueran Ma, Harvard University Eric Moore, University of Pennsylvania

Yue Qiu, University of Minnesota Arkodipta Sarkar, London Business School Lin Shen, University of Pennsylvania Kandarp Srinivasan, Washington University-St. Louis Carmen Wang, Harvard University Chaojun Wang, Stanford University Kairong Xiao, University of British Columbia Sheng-Jun Xu, University of British Columbia Irene Yi, University of Southern California Junyuan Zou, University of Pennsylvania

PROGRAM SUMMARY

Sunday, June 25, 2017

4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

On-site Registration – Frontenac Foyer

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Research Affiliates LLC Reception – Woodland Terrace

Monday, June 26, 2017

8:00 am – 4:00 pm

On-site Registration – Frontenac Foyer

8:15 am – 10:00 am

Market Liquidity – *Frontenac A* Asset Pricing and Market Efficiency – *Frontenac B* Financial Crisis and Monetary Policy – *Frontenac C* Household Finance and Credit – *Empress A&B* Financial Advising – *Macdonald E* Tail Risks – *Macdonald F*

10:00 am – 10:30 am

Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis Coffee Break – Frontenac Foyer and Macdonald Foyer

10:30 am – 12:15 pm

Housing and Mortgage Markets – *Frontenac A* Empirical Asset Pricing 1 – *Frontenac B* Financial Aspects of Monetary Policy – *Frontenac C* Asset Pricing Models with Frictions – *Empress A&B* Corporate Finance and Employment – *Macdonald E* Executive Compensation and Behavior – *Macdonald F*

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm

NASDAQ OMX Luncheon – Macdonald A-D

2:45 pm – 4:30 pm

Finance and Real Economy – *Frontenac A* Hedge Funds and Institutional Investing – *Frontenac B* Financial Sector and the Economy – *Frontenac C* Household Borrowing and the Regional Economy – *Empress A&B* Finance and Fiscal Policy – *Macdonald E* Microstructure of Bond Markets – *Macdonald F*

5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

WFA Executive Committee and Board of Directors Meeting (Invitation Only) – *Beausejour*

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Cornerstone Research Reception – Woodland Terrace

Tuesday, June 27, 2017

7:00 am – 8:10 am

AFFECT (Academic Female Finance Committee) Breakfast – Macdonald A-D

8:00 am - 12:00 pm

On-site Registration – Frontenac Foyer

8:15 am – 10:00 am

Corporate Governance – *Frontenac A* Market Microstructure Theory – *Frontenac B* Credit Supply and Macroeconomy – *Frontenac C* Empirical Lessons for Asset Pricing Models – *Empress A&B* Finance and Political Influences 1 – *Macdonald E* News and Asset Prices – *Macdonald F*

10:00 am – 10:30 am

Wharton Research Data Services Coffee Break - Frontenac Foyer and Macdonald Foyer

10:30 am – 12:15 pm

Information and Asset Prices – *Frontenac A* Empirical Asset Pricing 2 – *Frontenac B* Systemic Risk and Banking Supervision – *Frontenac C* Exchange Rates and International Finance – *Empress A&B* Corporate Finance and the Labor Market – *Macdonald E* Lending Decisions – *Macdonald F*

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm

WFA Annual Luncheon Sponsored by Navigant Economics – Macdonald A-D

Distinguished Speaker: Robert Stambaugh, University of Pennsylvania

2:45 pm – 4:30 pm

Entrepreneurship and Innovation – *Frontenac A* Empirical Asset Pricing 3 – *Frontenac B* Asset Prices and Macroeconomy – *Frontenac C* Corporate Finance Theory – *Empress A&B* Governance and Cash Policy – *Macdonald E* Network Analysis of Financial Markets – *Macdonald F*

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

BlackRock Reception – Woodland Terrace

Wednesday, June 28, 2017

8:15 am – 10:00 am

Firms, Government and Macroeconomy – *Frontenac A* Household Financial Decisions – *Frontenac B* Behavioral Finance – *Frontenac C* Externalities in Financial Markets – *Empress A&B* Real Effects of Corporate Finance – *Macdonald E* Bond Markets – *Macdonald F*

10:00 am – 10:30 am

Elsevier Coffee Break – Frontenac Foyer and Macdonald Foyer

10:30 am – 12:15 pm

Informed Trading – *Frontenac A* Derivatives – *Frontenac B* Volatility Within and Across Borders – *Frontenac C* Does Private Equity Add Value? – *Empress A&B* Finance and Political Influences 2 – *Macdonald E* Market Coordination: Models and Evidence – *Macdonald F*

PROGRAM DETAILS

Monday, June 26, 2017, 8:15 am – 10:00 am

Market Liquidity – Frontenac A Avanidhar Subrahmanyam, University of California-Los Angeles

Funding Constraints and Market Liquidity in the European Treasury Bond Market

Sophie Moinas, University of Toulouse Minh Nguyen, Newcastle University Business School Giorgio Valente, Hong Kong Institute for Monetary Research

ETF Arbitrage Under Liquidity Mismatch

Kevin Pan, *Harvard University* Yao Zeng, *University of Washington*

Can ETFs Increase Market Fragility? Effect of Information Linkages in ETF Markets

Ayan Bhattacharya, Baruch College Maureen O'Hara, Cornell University

Discussants:

Ruslan Goyenko, *McGill University* Zheng Sun, *University of California-Irvine* Aditya Kaul, *University of Alberta*

Asset Pricing and Market Efficiency – *Frontenac B* Andrew Lo, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology*

Agnostic Fundamental Analysis Works

Sohnke Bartram, University of Warwick Mark Grinblatt, University of California-Los Angeles

Misvaluation of Investment Options

Evgeny Lyandres, Boston University Egor Matveyev, University of Alberta Alexei Zhdanov, Pennsylvania State University

Slow-Moving Capital and Execution Costs: Evidence from a Major Trading Glitch

Vincent Bogousslavsky, École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne Pierre Collin-Dufresne, Swiss Finance Institute Mehmet Saglam, University of Cincinnati

Discussants:

Christopher Hrdlicka, University of Washington Richard Thakor, University of Minnesota Shomesh Chaudhuri, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Financial Crisis and Monetary Policy – *Frontenac C* Annette Vissing-Jorgensen, *University of California-Berkeley*

Auction-Based Liquidity of Last Resort

Eric Moore, University of Pennsylvania

Whatever it Takes: The Real Effects of Unconventional Monetary Policy

Viral Acharya, New York University Tim Eisert, Erasmus University Christian Eufinger, University of Navarra Christian Hirsch, Goethe University Frankfurt

Taper Tantrums: QE, its Aftermath and Emerging Market Capital Flows

Anusha Chari, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill Karlye Dilts Stedman, University of North Carolina Christian Lundblad, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill

Discussants:

Manuel Adelino, *Duke University* Matteo Crosignani, *Federal Reserve Board of Governors* Winston Dou, *University of Pennsylvania*

Household Finance and Credit – *Empress A&B* Jialan Wang, *University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign*

Bank Branch Supply and the Unbanked Phenomenon Claire Celerier, *University of Toronto* Adrien Matray, *HEC Paris*

Pockets of Poverty: The Long-Term Effects of Redlining Ian Appel, *Boston College*

Jordan Nickerson, Boston College

Real Effects of Search Frictions in Consumer Credit Markets

Bronson Argyle, Brigham Young University Taylor Nadauld, Brigham Young University Christopher Palmer, University of California-Berkeley

Discussants:

Hoai-Luu Nguyen, *University of California-Berkeley* Constantine Yannelis, *New York University* Anthony DeFusco, *Northwestern University*

Financial Advising – *Macdonald E* Simon Gervais, *Duke University*

> **Connections and Conflicts of Interest: Investment Consultants' Recommendations** Shikha Jaiswal, *Emory University*

The Market for Financial Adviser Misconduct

Mark Egan, Harvard University Gregor Matvos, University of Chicago Amit Seru, Stanford University

Selling to Advised Buyers

Andrey Malenko, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology* Anton Tsoy, *Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance*

Discussants:

Richard Evans, University of Virginia Christopher Parsons, University of California-San Diego Christian Opp, University of Pennsylvania

Tail Risks – *Macdonald F* Bryan Kelly, *University of Chicago*

Failing to Forecast Rare Events

James Dow, London Business School Philip Bond, University of Washington

Equilibrium Asset Pricing in Directed Networks

Nicole Branger, University of Muenster Patrick Konermann, BI Norwegian Business School Christoph Meinerding, Deutsche Bundesbank Christian Schlag, Goethe University Frankfurt

Asset Pricing with Endogenously Uninsurable Tail Risks

Hengjie Ai, University of Minnesota Anmol Bhandari, University of Minnesota

Discussants:

Stavros Panageas, University of California-Los Angeles Bernard Herskovic, University of California-Los Angeles Barney Hartman-Glaser, University of California-Los Angeles

Monday, June 26, 2017, 10:30 am – 12:15 pm

Housing and Mortgage Markets – *Frontenac A* Paul Willen, *Federal Reserve Bank of Boston*

An Equilibrium Model of Housing and Mortgage Markets with State-Contingent Lending Contracts Tomasz Piskorski, *Columbia University*

Alexei Tchistyi, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign

Regulating Household Leverage

Anthony DeFusco, Northwestern University Stephanie Johnson, Northwestern University John Mondragon, Northwestern University

Are Mortgage Regulations Affecting Entrepreneurship? Stephanie Johnson, Northwestern University

Discussants:

Pedro Gete, *Georgetown University* Barney Hartman-Glaser, *University of California-Los Angeles* Pascal Noel, *Harvard University*

Empirical Asset Pricing 1 – *Frontenac B* Ravi Jagannathan, *Northwestern University*

What is the Expected Return on a Stock?

Ian Martin, London School of Economics and Political Science Christian Wagner, Copenhagen Business School

Spectral Portfolio Theory

Shomesh Chaudhuri, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology* Andrew Lo, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology*

Location Choice, Portfolio Choice

Jiangmin Xu, Peking University Harrison Hong, Columbia University Ioannis Branikas, Princeton University

Discussants:

Binying Liu, Hong Kong University of Science & Technology Ian Dew-Becker, Northwestern University Selale Tuzel, University of Southern California

Financial Aspects of Monetary Policy – *Frontenac C* Burton Hollifield, *Carnegie Mellon University*

> **The Federal Reserve and Market Confidence** Nina Boyarchenko, *Federal Reserve Bank of New York* Valentin Haddad, *Princeton University* Matthew Plosser, *Federal Reserve Bank of New York*

Shadow Banks, Deposit Competition, and Monetary Policy Kairong Xiao, *University of British Columbia*

Fundamental Disagreement about Monetary Policy and the Term Structure of Interest Rates

Shuo Cao, Shenzhen Stock Exchange Richard Crump, Federal Reserve Bank of New York Stefano Eusepi, Federal Reserve Bank of New York Emanuel Moench, Deutsche Bundesbank

Discussants:

Francisco Palomino, Federal Reserve Board of Governors Tetiana Davydiuk, University of Pennsylvania Michael Gallmeyer, University of Virginia

Asset Pricing Models with Frictions – *Empress A&B* Lorenzo Garlappi, *University of British Columbia*

Competition, Markups, and Predictable Returns

Alexandre Corhay, University of Toronto Howard Kung, London Business School Lukas Schmid, Duke University

Heterogeneity and Asset Prices: A Different Approach

Nicolae Garleanu, *University of California-Berkeley* Stavros Panageas, *University of California-Los Angeles*

The Lost Capital Asset Pricing Model

Daniel Andrei, *University of California-Los Angeles* Julien Cujean, *University of Maryland* Mungo Wilson, *University of Oxford*

Discussants:

Berardino Palazzo, *Boston University* Pietro Veronesi, *University of Chicago* Zhenyu Wang, *Indiana University*

Corporate Finance and Employment – *Macdonald E* Andres Almazan, *University of Texas-Austin*

Business Groups and Employment

Mara Faccio, *Purdue University* William O'Brien, *University of Illinois-Chicago*

Patent Trolls and Small Business Employment

Ian Appel, Boston College Joan Farre-Mensa, Harvard University Elena Simintzi, University of British Columbia

Skilled Labor Risk and Compensation Policies

Yue Qiu, University of Minnesota Tracy Wang, University of Minnesota

Discussants:

Rajesh Aggarwal, Northeastern University Alan Crane, Rice University Jonathan Cohn, University of Texas-Austin Executive Compensation and Behavior – *Macdonald F* Alexander Ljungqvist, *New York University*

> **The Role of Peer Firm Selection in Explicit Relative Performance Awards** John Bizjak, *Texas Christian University* Swami Kalpathy, *Texas Christian University* Zhichuan Li, *University of Western Ontario* Brian Young, *Southern Methodist University*

CEO Horizon, Optimal Duration and the Escalation of Short-Termism

Ivan Marinovic, *Stanford University* Felipe Varas, *Duke University*

CEO Personality and Firm Policies

Ian Gow, Harvard University Steve Kaplan, University of Chicago David Larcker, Stanford University Anastasia Zakolyukina, University of Chicago

Discussants:

Dirk Jenter, London School of Economics and Political Science Gustavo Manso, University of California-Berkeley Daniel Metzger, Stockholm School of Economics

Monday, June 26, 2017, 2:45 pm – 4:30 pm

Finance and Real Economy – *Frontenac A* Paige Ouimet, *University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill*

> **Recovery Dynamics: An Explanation from Bank Screening and Entrepreneur Entry** Yunzhi Hu, *University of Chicago*

Capital Share Dynamics When Firms Insures Managers

Barney Hartman-Glaser, *University of California-Los Angeles* Hanno Lustig, *Stanford University* Mindy X. Zhang, *University of Texas-Austin*

In the Shadow of Banks: Wealth Management Products and Issuing Banks' Risk in China

Viral Acharya, New York University Jun Qian, Shanghai Jiao Tong University Zhishu Yang, Tsinghua University

Discussants:

Thomas Chemmanur, Boston College Hengjie Ai, University of Minnesota Robert Marquez, University of California-Davis Hedge Funds and Institutional Investing – *Frontenac B* Jonathan Berk, *Stanford University*

Hedge Fund Activists' Network and Information Flows

Pouyan Foroughi, Boston College

Does Scale Impact Skill? Campbell Harvey, *Duke University* Yan Liu, *Texas A&M University*

Financial Conglomerate Affiliated Hedge Funds: Risk Taking Behavior and Liquidity Provision

Francesco Franzoni, *Swiss Finance Institute* Mariassunta Giannetti, *Stockholm School of Economics*

Discussants:

Vincent Glode, *University of Pennsylvania* Lubos Pastor, *University of Chicago* David Musto, *University of Pennsylvania*

Financial Sector and the Economy – *Frontenac C* George Pennacchi, *University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign*

China's Model of Managing the Financial System

Markus Brunnermeier, Princeton University Michael Sockin, University of Texas-Austin Wei Xiong, Princeton University

Financial Sector Origins of Economic Growth Delusion

Frederic Malherbe, *London Business School* Michael McMahon, *University of Warwick*

Regulating a Model

Yaron Leitner, Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia Bilge Yilmaz, University of Pennsylvania

Discussants:

Mariano Croce, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill Vadim Elenev, New York University Ansgar Walther, University of Warwick Household Borrowing and the Regional Economy – *Empress A&B* Gordon Phillips, *Dartmouth College*

Import Competition and Household Debt

Jean Noel Barrot, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology* Erik Loualiche, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology* Matthew Plosser, *Federal Reserve Bank of New York* Julien Sauvagnat, *Università Bocconi*

Household Credit and Local Economic Uncertainty

Rodney Ramcharan, University of Southern California Amir Kermani, University of California-Berkeley Marco Di Maggio, Harvard University Edison Yu, Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia

Personal Bankruptcy Protection and Household Debt Severino Felipe, *Dartmouth College*

Meta Brown, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

Discussants:

Jialan Wang, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign Pascal Noel, Harvard University John Mondragon, Northwestern University

Finance and Fiscal Policy – *Macdonald E* Manuel Adelino, *Duke University*

> Level and Volatility Shocks to Fiscal Policy: Term Structure Implications Lorenzo Bretscher, London School of Economics and Political Science Alex Hsu, Georgia Institute of Technology Andrea Tamoni, London School of Economics and Political Science

Government as Customer of Last Resort: The Stabilizing Effects of Government Purchases on Firms Jim Goldman, University of Toronto

Inflating Away the Public Debt? An Empirical Assessment Jens Hilscher, *University of California-Davis* Alon Raviv, *Bar-Ilan University* Ricardo Reis, *London School of Economics and Political Science*

Discussants:

Howard Kung, London Business School Ran Duchin, University of Washington Carolin Pflueger, University of British Columbia Microstructure of Bond Markets – *Macdonald F* Lawrence Harris, *University of Southern California*

QE Auctions of Treasury Bonds

Zhaogang Song, Johns Hopkins University Haoxiang Zhu, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Price and Size Discovery in Financial Markets: Evidence from the U.S. Treasury Securities Market

Michael Fleming, Federal Reserve Bank of New York Giang Nguyen, Pennsylvania State University

Capital Commitment and Illiquidity in Corporate Bonds

Hendrik Bessembinder, Arizona State University Stacey Jacobsen, Southern Methodist University William Maxwell, Southern Methodist University Kumar Venkataraman, Southern Methodist University

Discussants:

Joel Hasbrouck, New York University Charles Jones, Columbia University Erik Sirri, Babson College

Tuesday, June 27, 2017, 8:15 am – 10:00 am

Corporate Governance – Frontenac A Andrea Eisfeldt, University of California-Los Angeles

Are Shareholder Votes Rigged?

Daniel Metzger, *Stockholm School of Economics* Laurent Bach, *Stockholm School of Economics*

Governance Changes through Shareholder Initiatives: The Case of Proxy Access

Tara Bhandari, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission Peter Iliev, Pennsylvania State University Jonathan Kalodimos, Oregon State University

Why do Boards Exist? Governance Design in the Absence of Corporate Law

Charlotte Ostergaard, BI Norwegian Business School Mike Burkart, London School of Economics and Political Science Salvatore Miglietta, BI Norwegian Business School

Discussants:

Nadya Malenko, *Boston College* Daniel Bergstresser, *Brandeis University* Peter Koudijs, *Stanford University* Market Microstructure Theory – *Frontenac B* Bradyn Breon-Drish, *University of California-San Diego*

Signaling in Over-the-Counter Markets: Benefits and Costs of Transparency

Kerry Back, *Rice University* Ruomeng Liu, *Rice University* Alberto Teguia, *Rice University*

A Dynamic Model of Circuit Breakers

Hui Chen, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Anton Petukhov, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Jiang Wang, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Voluntary Disclosure in Bilateral Transactions

Vincent Glode, University of Pennsylvania Christian Opp, University of Pennsylvania Xingtan Zhang, University of Pennsylvania

Discussants:

Efstathios Avdis, University of Alberta Daniel Andrei, University of California-Los Angeles Briana Chang, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Credit Supply and Macroeconomy – *Frontenac C* Anjan Thakor, *Washington University-St. Louis*

The Securitization Flash Flood

Kandarp Srinivasan, Washington University-St. Louis

Credit Allocation Under Economic Stimulus: Evidence from China Will Cong, *University of Chicago*

Jacopo Ponticelli, University of Chicago

Financial Globalization and Bank Lending: The Limits of Domestic Monetary Policy?

Jin Cao, Norges Bank Valeriya Dinger, University of Osnabrück

Discussants:

Amiyatosh Purnanandam, University of Michigan Janis Skrastins, Washington University-St. Louis Mark Egan, Harvard University

Empirical Lessons for Asset Pricing Models – *Empress A&B* Dmitry Orlov, *University of Rochester*

Uncertainty Premia for Small and Large Risks Martin Puhl, *Vienna University of Technology* Pavel Savor, *Temple University* Mungo Wilson, *University of Oxford*

(Almost) Model-Free Recovery

Paul Schneider, *Swiss Finance Institute* Fabio Trojani, *Swiss Finance Institute*

One-Factor Asset Pricing

Stefanos Delikouras, University of Miami Alex Kostakis, University of Manchester

Discussants:

Hengjie Ai, University of Minnesota Bjorn Eraker, University of Wisconsin-Madison Bryan Routledge, Carnegie Mellon University

Finance and Political Influences 1 – *Macdonald E* Nandini Gupta, *Indiana University*

The Political Economy of Bank Bailouts: Evidence from the Real Consequences of Decentralization

Bo Bian, London Business School Rainer Haselmann, Goethe University Frankfurt Thomas Kick, Deutsche Bundesbank Vikrant Vig, London Business School

Politics and Hidden Borrowing: Electoral Cycles and State Defined Benefit Pension Plans Sheng-Jun Xu, *University of British Columbia*

The Marginal Propensity to Consume Out of Credit: Evidence from Random Assignment of 54,522 Credit Lines Deniz Aydin, *Washington University-St. Louis*

Discussants:

Pat Akey, University of Toronto Irina Stefanescu, Federal Reserve Board of Governors Eitan Goldman, Indiana University

News and Asset Prices – *Macdonald F* Hendrik Bessembinder, *Arizona State University*

> **The Kinks of Financial Journalism** Diego Garcia, *University of Colorado-Boulder*

Front Page News: The Effect of News Consumption on Financial Markets Anastassia Fedyk, *Harvard University*

Does it Pay to Pay Attention? Antonio Gargano, *University of Melbourne* Alberto Rossi, *University of Maryland*

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> Liquidity vs Information Efficiency Sergei Glebkin, INSEAD

A Tale of Two Uncertainties: Financial Sector Transparency and Real Investment Michael Sockin, *University of Texas-Austin*

The Information in Fire Sales

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What Information Drives Asset Prices?

Anisha Ghosh, *Carnegie Mellon University* George Constantinides, *University of Chicago*

Improving the Evaluation of Asset Pricing Models by Expanding the Set of Test Portfolios Laurent Barras, McGill University

Prepayment Risk and Expected MBS Returns

Peter Diep, AQR Capital Management Andrea Eisfeldt, University of California-Los Angeles Scott Richardson, London Business School

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Relative Performance Banker Compensation and Systemic Risk

Rui Albuquerque, Boston College Jose Guedes, Universidade Católica Portuguesa

The Economics of Bank Supervision

Thomas Eisenbach, *Federal Reserve Bank of New York* David Lucca, *Federal Reserve Bank of New York* Robert Townsend, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology*

Money Runs

Jason Donaldson, Washington University-St. Louis Giorgia Piacentino, Washington University-St. Louis

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Anat Admati, *Stanford University* Vincent Glode, *University of Pennsylvania* Dmitry Orlov, *University of Rochester*

Exchange Rates and International Finance – *Empress A&B* Chris Telmer, *Carnegie Mellon University*

Currency Manipulation

Thomas Mertens, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco Tarek Hassan, University of Chicago Tony Zhang, University of Chicago

The Missing Risk Premium in Exchange Rates

Magnus Dahlquist, *Stockholm School of Economics* Julien Penasse, *University of Luxembourg*

Nowhere to Run, Nowhere to Hide: Asset Diversification in a Flat World

John Cotter, *University College Dublin* Stuart Gabriel, *University of California-Los Angeles* Richard Roll, *California Institute of Technology*

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Irina Zviadadze, Stockholm School of Economics Robert Richmond, New York University Hugues Langlois, HEC Paris

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Do Labor Markets Discipline? Evidence from RMBS Bankers

Samuel Kruger, University of Texas-Austin John Griffin, University of Texas-Austin Gonzalo Maturana, Emory University

Slashing Liquidity through Asset Purchases: Evidence from Collective Bargaining

Irene Yi, University of Southern California

Debt Structure as a Strategic Bargaining Tool

Yue Qiu, University of Minnesota

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Lending Decisions – *Macdonald F* Amiyatosh Purnanandam, *University of Michigan*

Do Loan Officers Impact Lending Decisions? Evidence from the Corporate Loan Market

Janet Gao, Indiana University Xiumin Marin, Washington University-St. Louis Joseph Pacelli, Indiana University

Estimating Informational Frictions in Sticky Relationships Olivier Darmouni, *Columbia University*

Shock Propagation and Banking Structure

Mariassunta Giannetti, Stockholm School of Economics Farzad Saidi, Stockholm School of Economics

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Entrepreneurship and Innovation – *Frontenac A* Gustavo Manso, *University of California-Berkeley*

> Destructive Creation at Work: How Financial Distress Spurs Entrepreneurship Tania Babina, Columbia University

The Consequences of Household Shocks on Employee Innovation Shai Bernstein, *Stanford University* Timothy McQuade, *Stanford University* Richard Townsend, *University of California-San Diego*

A Text-Based Analysis of Corporate Innovation

Gustaf Bellstam, University of Colorado-Boulder Sanjai Bhagat, University of Colorado-Boulder J. Anthony Cookson, University of Colorado-Boulder

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Debarshi Nandy, Brandeis University Sabrina Howell, New York University Gerard Hoberg, University of Southern California

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Absolving Beta of Volatility's Effects

Jianan Liu, *University of Pennsylvania* Robert Stambaugh, *University of Pennsylvania* Yu Yuan, *Shanghai Jiao Tong University*

Understanding the Behavior of Distressed Stocks

Yasser Boualam, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill Joao Gomes, University of Pennsylvania Colin Ward, University of Minnesota

YOLO: Mortality Beliefs and Household Finance Puzzles

Rawley Heimer, *Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland* Kristian Myrseth, *University of Dublin* Raphael Schoenle, *Brandeis University*

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Michael O'Doherty, *University of Missouri* Zhi Da, *University of Notre Dame* Alessandro Previtero, *Indiana University*

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> **Risk Premia at the ZLB: A Macroeconomic Interpretation** Francois Gourio, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago Phuong Ngo, Cleveland State University

Asset Pricing Implications of Hiring Demographics Mete Kilic, *University of Southern California*

The Leading Premium

Mariano Croce, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill Tatyana Marchuk, Goethe University Frankfurt Christian Schlag, Goethe University Frankfurt

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Dongho Song, Boston College Andres Donangelo, University of Texas-Austin Jun Li, University of Texas-Dallas

Corporate Finance Theory – *Empress A&B* Marcus Opp, *University of California-Berkeley*

Leverage Dynamics Without Commitment

Peter DeMarzo, *Stanford University* Zhiguo He, *University of Chicago*

Profit Sharing: A Contracting Solution to Harness the Wisdom of the Crowd Jiasun Li, *George Mason University*

Rating Under Asymmetric Information: Inflation Despite Best Intentions Christian Hilpert, *University of Hamburg*

Stefan Hirth, *Aarhus University* Alexander Szimayer, *University of Hamburg*

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Josef Zechner, Vienna University of Economics and Business Katrin Tinn, Imperial College London Sivan Frenkel, Tel Aviv University

Governance and Cash Policy – *Macdonald E* Dirk Jenter, *London School of Economics and Political Science*

Consistent Good News and Inconsistent Bad News

Rick Harbaugh, Indiana University John Maxwell, Indiana University Kelly Shue, University of Chicago

Proxy Advisory Firms: The Economics of Selling Information to Voters Andrey Malenko, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology* Nadya Malenko, *Boston College*

Firm Selection and Corporate Cash Holdings

Juliane Begenau, *Harvard University* Berardino Palazzo, *Boston University*

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> **Core-Periphery Trading Networks** Chaojun Wang, *Stanford University*

A Network Map of Information Percolation

Björn Hagströmer, *Stockholm University* Albert Menkveld, *VU University Amsterdam*

The Relevance of Broker Networks for Information Diffusion in the Stock Market

Marco Di Maggio, Harvard University Francesco Franzoni, Swiss Finance Institute Amir Kermani, University of California-Berkeley Carlo Sommavilla, Università della Svizzera Italiana

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Artem Neklyudov, *University of Lausanne* Joel Hasbrouck, *New York University* Burton Hollifield, *Carnegie Mellon University*

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Government Debt and the Returns to Innovation

Mariano Croce, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill Thien Nguyen, Ohio State University Steve Raymond, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill Lukas Schmid, Duke University

Misallocation Cycles David Schreindorfer, *Arizona State University* Lars-Alexander Kuehn, *Carnegie Mellon University*

The Cross-Section of Labor Leverage and Equity Returns

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Idiosyncratic Risk in Housing Markets

Marco Giacoletti, Stanford University

Rich Pickings? Risk, Return, and Skill in the Portfolios of the Wealthy

Laurent Bach, *Stockholm School of Economics* Laurent Calvet, *EDHEC Business School* Paolo Sodini, *Stockholm School of Economics*

Payday Borrowing and Household Outcomes; Evidence from a Natural Experiment

Brian Baugh, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

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Behavioral Finance – *Frontenac C*

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Low Interest Rates and Risk Taking: Evidence from Individual Investment Decisions

Chen Lian, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Yueran Ma, Harvard University Carmen Wang, Harvard University

The Importance of Behavioral Factors in the Exercise and Valuation of Employee Stock Options

Jennifer Carpenter, New York University Richard Stanton, University of California-Berkeley Nancy Wallace, University of California-Berkeley

Saving for Retirement, Annuities and Procrastination

Jeffrey Brown , University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign Alessandro Previtero, Indiana University

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Internalizing Governance Externalities: The Role of Institutional Cross-ownership

Jie He, University of Georgia Jiekun Huang, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign Shan Zhao, Grenoble School of Management

Do Market Prices Improve the Accuracy of Court Valuations in Chapter 11?

Ryan Lewis, University of Colorado Cem Demiroglu, Koç University Julian Franks, London Business School

Bankruptcy Spillovers

Shai Bernstein, Stanford University Emanuele Colonnelli, Stanford University Xavier Giroud, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Benjamin Iverson, Northwestern University

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Jarrad Harford, University of Washington Andras Danis, Georgia Institute of Technology Katherine Waldock, New York University

Real Effects of Corporate Finance – *Macdonald E* Itay Goldstein, *University of Pennsylvania*

Kinky Tax Policy and Abnormal Investment Behavior

Qiping Xu, University of Notre Dame Eric Zwick, University of Chicago

Mergers and Acquisitions, Technological Change and Inequality

Wenting Ma, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill Paige Ouimet, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill Elena Simintzi, University of British Columbia

How Sensitive is Young Firm Investment to the Cost of Outside Equity? Evidence from a UK Tax Relief

Juanita Gonzalez-Uribe, London School of Economics and Political Science Daniel Paravisini, London School of Economics and Political Science

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Insurer Investment Commonality: Fire Sale Risk and Corporate Yield Spreads

Vikram Nanda, University of Texas-Dallas Wei Wu, California State Polytechnic University-Pomona Xing Zhou, Federal Reserve Board of Governors

Institutional Rigidities and Bond Returns Around Rating Changes Matthew Spiegel, Yale University Laura Starks, University of Texas-Austin

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Information, Imperfect Competition, and Volatility

Mahdi Nezafat, *Michigan State University* Mark Schroder, *Michigan State University*

Back-Running: Seeking and Hiding Fundamental Information in Order Flows

Liyan Yang, University of Toronto Haoxiang Zhu, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Dynamic Information Acquisition and Strategic Trading

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How do Informed Investors Trade in the Options Market?

Patrick Augustin, *McGill University* Menachem Brenner, *New York University* Gunnar Grass, *HEC Montréal* Marti Subrahmanyam, *New York University*

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Volatility Within and Across Borders – *Frontenac C* Jules Van Binsbergen, *University of Pennsylvania*

Contractionary Volatility or Volatile Contractions?

David Berger, Northwestern University Ian Dew-Becker, Northwestern University Stefano Giglio, University of Chicago

Volatility, Intermediaries, and Exchange Rates

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Jonathan Cohn, *University of Texas-Austin* Nicole Nestoriak, *U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics* Malcolm Wardlaw, *University of Texas-Dallas*

Is Private Equity Good for Consumers?

Cesare Fracassi, University of Texas-Austin Alessandro Previtero, Indiana University Albert Sheen, University of Oregon

Venturing Beyond the IPO: Venture Capitalists' Investments in Newly Public Firms

Peter Iliev, *Pennsylvania State University* Michelle Lowry, *Drexel University*

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