

ThReD Conference 2015

Conference Program

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Theoretical Research in Development Economics

ECARES, Université Libre de Bruxelles
June 19th through 21st, 2015

FRIDAY JUNE 19

<i>Time</i>	<i>Presentation</i>	<i>Authors/Presenter</i>
8:45 - 9:10 AM	Coffee	
9:10 - 9:15	Conference Welcome	
SESSION ONE		
Chair: Andy Newman (BU)		
9:15 - 10:15	Parenting with Style: Altruism and Paternalism in Intergenerational Preference Transmission	Matthias Doepke , Northwestern University; Fabrizio Zilibotti, University of Zurich
10:30 - 11:30	Household Consumption When the Marriage is Stable	Laurens Cherchye, University of Leuven; Maastricht University; Bram De Rock , ECARES - Université Libre de Bruxelles; Frederic Vermeulen, University of Leuven
11:45 AM - 12:45 PM	Relational Contracts, Financing Constraints and Social Welfare	Oscar Contreras , CUNEF
12:45 - 2:15	Lunch	
SESSION TWO		
Chair: Philip Verwimp (ECARES)		
2:15 - 3:15	A Theory of Minimalist Democracy	Chris Bidner , Simon Fraser University; Patrick Francois, University of British Columbia; Francesco Trebbi, University of British Columbia
3:30 - 4:30	Bureaucrats and Politicians: How Does Electoral Competition Affect Bureaucratic Performance?	Anusha Nath , Boston University
4:45 - 5:45	Asymmetric Punishment as an Instrument of Corruption Control	Karna Basu , Hunter College, CUNY; Kaushik Basu, The World Bank and Cornell University; Tito Cordella, The World Bank



SATURDAY JUNE 20

<i>Time</i>	<i>Presentation</i>	<i>Authors/Presenter</i>
8:45 - 9:15 AM	Coffee	
	SESSION THREE Chair: Rajiv Sethi (Barnard)	
9:15 - 10:15	Assortative Matching of Exporters and Importers	Yoichi Sugita, Institute of Developing Economics; Kensuke Teshima , Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México; Enrique Seira, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México
10:30 - 11:30	Self-selection in School Choice: Theory and Evidence from Mexico City High School Match	Li Chen , ECARES - Université Libre de Bruxelles; Juan Pereyra, ECARES - Université Libre de Bruxelles
11:45 AM - 12:45 PM	Wealth Distribution and Human Capital: How Borrowing Constraints Shape Educational Systems	Marti Mestieri , Toulouse School of Economics
12:45 - 2:15	Lunch	
	SESSION FOUR Chair: Debraj Ray (NYU)	
2:15 - 3:15	The Development Impact of Financial Regulation: Evidence from Ethiopia and Antebellum USA	Nicola Limodio , London School of Economics; Francesco Strobbe, The World Bank
3:30 - 4:30	Lending in Developed and Developing Economies: Theory and Evidence from Hyderabad	Xiao Yu Wang , Duke University
4:45 - 5:45	The Allocation of Talent: Finance versus Entrepreneurship	Kirill Shakhnov , European University Institute

SUNDAY JUNE 21

<i>Time</i>	<i>Presentation</i>	<i>Authors/Presenter</i>
8:45 - 9:15 AM	Coffee	
	SESSION FIVE Chair: Dilip Mookherjee (BU)	
9:15 - 10:15	Estimating Changes in Marginal Utility from Disaggregated Expenditures	Ethan Ligon , University of California, Berkeley
10:30 - 11:30	The Agency Problem, Trade Liberalization and Within- Firm Productivity Gains: Theory and Evidence	Cheng Chen , The University of Hong Kong
11:45 AM - 12:45 PM	Aspirations and Inequality	Garance Genicot , Georgetown University; Debraj Ray, New York University
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