CIDE-ThReD Conference on Development Theory

16-17 November 2012

Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas, Mexico City

Conference Program

November 16, Friday:

09:00-09:20 Registration

09:20-09:30 Welcome notes: Fausto Hernández Trillo (CIDE) and Jean-Marie Baland (ThReD)

09:30-11:30 **Session 1: Microfinance I**

Chair: Gustavo Del Angel (CIDE)

Jon de Quidt (LSE), Thiemo Fetzer (LSE) and **Maitreesh Ghatak** (LSE) *Microfinance, For-Profit Lending, and Endogenous Social Capital*

Christian Ahlin (Michigan State University)

Group Size Matters in Microlending under Adverse Selection or Moral Hazard

11:30-11:45 Coffee break

11:45-12:45 Session 2: Microfinance II

Chair: Sonia Di Giannatale (CIDE)

Jean-Jacques Laffont (IDEI) and **Patrick Rey** (Toulouse School of Economics)

Moral Hazard, Collusion and Group Lending

13:00-14:30 Lunch

14:30-17:45 **Session 3: Labor**

Coffee break

Chair: Carlos Urrutia (ITAM)

Garance Genicot (Georgetown University) and Debraj Ray (New York University)

Measuring Upward Economic Mobility

Oded Galor (Brown University), Kaivan Munshi (Brown University) and

Nicholas Wilson (Williams College)

Identity, Occupational Choice, and Mobility

Jean-Marie Baland (University of Namur) and Cédric Duprez (University of Namur)

'Made in Dignity': The Redistributive Impact of Social Labeling

November 17, Saturday:

09:15-11:15 Session 4: Political Economy

Chair: Enrique Seira (ITAM)

Matthias Doepke (Northwestern University) and Michèle Tertilt (University of Mannheim)

Does Female Empowerment Promote Economic Development?

Alejandro Casteñada (El Colegio de México) and Cesar Martinelli (ITAM)

Media vs Politicians: Who Buys Whom?

11:15-11:30 Coffee break

11:30-13:30 Session 5: Microfinance III

Chair: Susan Parker (CIDE)

Kaniska Dam (CIDE) and Prabal Roy Chowdhury (Indian Statistical Institute)

Competition and Incentives in the Microfinance Institutions

Dilip Mookherjee (Boston University) and Alberto Motta (University of New South Wales)

A Theory of Interactions Between Microfinance Institutions and Informal Lenders

13:30-14:45 Lunch

14:45-18:00 **Session 6: Topics in Development Economics**

Chair: Arturo Antón (CIDE)

Karna Basu (Hunter College, CUNY) and Jonathan Conning (Hunter College, CUNY)

Time-Inconsistency, Renegotiation, and Firm Ownership

Stefan Klonner (Goethe University) and Ashok S. Rai (Williams College)

Financial Fragmentation Despite Arbitrage

Coffee break

Zaki Wahhaj (University of Kent)

Social Norms, Higher-Order Beliefs and the Emperor's New Clothes

19:30 Conference dinner