EUROPEAN SUMMER SYMPOSIUM IN ECONOMIC THEORY

Generously hosted by
Study Center Gerzensee

Monday 29 June–Friday 10 July 2009

PROGRAMME

WEEK 1

MONDAY 29 JUNE

Morning Session

08.30 - 10.00  Coarse Matching with Incomplete Information  
*Heidrun Hoppe (University of Hannover and CEPR)  
Benny Moldovanu (University of Bonn)  
Emre Ozdenoren (University of Michigan)

Evening Parallel Session

20.30 - 21.30  Housing and Debt over the Life Cycle and over the Business Cycle  
*Matteo Iacoviello (Boston College)  
Marina Pavan (University College Dublin)  
Choice in Tree-Based Decision Problems  
Saptarshi Mukherjee (Indian Statistical Institute)

TUESDAY 30 JUNE

Morning Session

08.30 - 10.00  Herding and Contrarian Behavior in Financial Markets  
Andreas Park (University of Toronto)  
*Hamid Sabourian (University of Cambridge)

Evening Parallel Session

20.30 - 21.30  Securitization of Mortgage Debt, Asset Prices and International Risk Sharing  
*Mathias Hoffmann (University of Zurich)  
Thomas Nitschka (University of Zurich)  
Higher Vote Thresholds for Incumbents, Effort and Selection  
Hans Gersbach (ETH Zurich and CEPR)
WEDNESDAY 1 JULY

**Focus Session:** The Subprime Innovation and the Housing Crisis: What happened? What next?

**Chair:** François Ortalo-Magné (University of Wisconsin-Madison)

08.30 - 09.15

*House Prices, Mortgages, and the U.S. Economy – Some Perspectives*

Morris Davis (University of Wisconsin-Madison)

09.15 - 10.00

*Equilibrium Subprime Lending*

*Igor Makarov (London Business School)*
Guillaume Plantin (London Business School)

10.15 - 11.00

*Mortgage Innovation and the Foreclosure Boom*

Dean Corbae (University of Texas at Austin)
*Erwan Quintin (Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas)*

11.00 - 11.45

*Renegotiating Home Mortgages: Evidence from the Subprime Crisis*

Manuel Adelino (MIT and Federal Reserve Bank of Boston)
Kristopher S. Gerardi (Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta)
*Paul Willen (Federal Reserve Bank of Boston)*

**Discussion:** The Subprime Innovation and the Housing Crisis: What happened? What next?

Chair: François Ortalo-Magné (University of Wisconsin-Madison)

Evening Parallel Session

20.30 - 21.30

*Liquidity Hoarding and Illiquidity in Interbank Markets*

Prasanna Gai (Australian National University)
*Sujit Kapadia (Bank of England)*

*Relying on Non-Selfserving Statements: Full Information Revelation in Cheap-Talk Games with Multiple Senders*

Sven Feldmann (Melbourne Business School)

THURSDAY 2 JULY

**Morning Session**

08.30 - 10.00

*Spatial Asset Pricing: A First Step*

François Ortalo-Magné (University of Wisconsin-Madison)
*Andrea Prat (London School of Economics and CEPR)*

Evening Parallel Session

20.30 - 21.30

*Agglomeration and Productivity: New Estimates and Macroeconomic Implications*

*Morris Davis (University of Wisconsin-Madison)*
Jonas D.M. Fisher (Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago)
Toni M. Whited (University of Wisconsin-Madison)

*Dynamic Duopoly with Inattentive Firms*

*Markus Reisinger (University of Munich)*
Ludwig Ressner (University of Munich)
### FRIDAY 3 JULY

**Morning Session**

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| 08.30 - 10.00 | Regulating a Multi-Attribute / Multi-Type Monopolist  
*Deszö Szalay (University of Bonn)* |
| 10.00 - 10.30 | Break                                                                                                                            |

**Morning Parallel Session**

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| 10.30 - 11.30 | Priors and Desires: A Model of Payoff-Dependent Beliefs  
Guy Mayraz (London School of Economics)  
Certification and Exchange in Concentrated Markets  
*Konrad O. Stahl (University of Mannheim and CEPR)  
Roland Strausz (Humboldt University Berlin)* |

### WEEK 2

**MONDAY 6 JULY**

**Morning Session**

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| 08.30 - 10.00 | Institutions, Investing, and Fighting: A game-free result about the odds of war  
*Adam Meirowitz (Princeton University)  
Kris Ramsay (Princeton University)* |

**Evening Parallel Session**

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| 20.30 - 21.30 | Natural Resource Distribution and Multiple Forms of Civil War  
*Dominic Rohner (University of York)  
Massimo Morelli (Columbia University)*  
Outside and Inside Liquidity  
*Patrick Bolton (Columbia University)  
Tano Santos (Columbia University)  
Jose Scheinkman (Princeton University)* |

### TUESDAY 7 JULY

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| 08.30 - 10.00 | Democratic Peace and Electoral Accountability  
*Paola Conconi (ECARES and CEPR)  
Nicolas Sahuguet (HEC Montréal and CEPR)  
Maurizio Zanardi (Université Libre de Bruxelles, ECARES and Tilburg University)* |

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| 20.30 - 21.30 | Bargaining and Conflict with Biased Beliefs  
Kristóf Madarász (London School of Economics)  
Voting and the Role of Having a Status Quo  
Salvador Barbera (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona)  
*Matthew Jackson (Stanford University)* |
**WEDNESDAY 8 JULY**

**Focus Session:** International Conflict, Bargaining and War  
Chair: Clara Ponsati (Institut d’Anàlisi Econòmica CSIC)

- **08.30 - 9.15**  
  **War and Endogenous Democracy**  
  *Davide Ticchi (University of Urbino)*  
  Andrea Vindigni (Princeton University)

- **9.15 - 10.00**  
  **Strategic Militarization, Deterrence and Wars**  
  Matthew Jackson (Stanford University)  
  *Massimo Morelli (Columbia University)*

- **10.15 – 11.00**  
  **Decoding Terror**  
  *Sandeep Baliga (Northwestern University)*  
  Tomas Sjöström (Rutgers University)

- **11.00 – 11.45**  
  **Linking Conflict to Inequality and Polarization**  
  *Joan Maria Esteban (Institut d’Anàlisi Econòmica CSIC)*  
  Debraj Ray (New York University)

**Discussion:** International Conflict, Bargaining and War

**Evening Parallel Session**

- **20.30 - 21.30**  
  **Fishing for Fools**  
  Ulrike Malmendier (UC Berkeley)  
  *Adam Szeidl (UC Berkeley)*  
  **Decolonization: the Role of Changing World Factor Endowments**  
  Roberto Bonfatti (London School of Economics)

**THURSDAY 9 JULY**

**Morning Session**

- **08.30 - 10.00**  
  **Conflict and Deterrence under Strategic Risk**  
  Sylvain Chassang (Princeton University)  
  *Gerard Padro (London School of Economics)*

**Evening Parallel Session**

- **20.30 - 21.30**  
  **Does Local Violence Explain Differences in Crop Prices Paid to Farmers? Evidence from Coca Farming in Colombia**  
  Maria Cecilia Acevedo (Harvard Kennedy School)  
  **Foundations of Spatial Preferences**  
  Jon Eguia (New York University)

**FRIDAY 10 JULY**

**Morning Session**

- **08.30 - 10.00**  
  **Conflict, Settlement, and the Shadow of the Future**  
  Michael McBride (University of California, Irvine)  
  *Stergios Skaperdas (University of California, Irvine)*
## Morning Parallel Session

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<td>On Collective Action with Pairwise Externalities</td>
<td>Joan de Martí (Universitat Pompeu Fabra and Barcelona GSE)</td>
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<td>A Vindication of Responsible Parties</td>
<td>Dan Bernhardt (University of Illinois) John Duggan (University of Rochester) Francesco Squintani (University of Essex)</td>
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* Indicates the presenter.

For the morning sessions, speakers have 70 minutes to present, leaving 20 minutes for general discussion.

For the parallel sessions, speakers have 50 minutes to present, leaving 10 minutes for general discussion.

For the focus sessions, speakers have 35 minutes to present, leaving 10 minutes for general discussion.

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