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Program

Friday, November 6, 2015

9:00am – 10:30am

Session 1A
Asset Pricing

Chairperson: Charles A. Trzcinka, Indiana University

Back-Running: Seeking and Hiding Fundamental Information in Order Flows
Liyan Yang, University of Toronto
Hoaxing Zhu, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Discussant: Jerry C. Yu, University of Baltimore

Alpha Signals, Smart Betas and Factor Model Alignment
Terry Marsh, University of California Berkeley
Paul Pfleiderer, Stanford University
Discussant: Yangru Wu, Rutgers Business School

Price Discrimination against Individual Investors: Evidence from U.S. Options Market
Yubin Li, Southwestern University of Economics and Finance, China
Chen Zhao, Southwestern University of Economics and Finance, China
Zhaodong (Ken) Zhong, Rutgers Business School
Discussant: Ronald Sverdlove, New Jersey Institute of Technology

Session 1B

Information, Beliefs & Capital

Chairperson: Lakshmana Krishnamoorthy, Rutgers University

Private Ownership and the Cost of Debt: Evidence from the Bond Market
Brad A. Badertscher, University of Notre Dame
Dan Givoly, Penn State University
Sharon P. Katz, Columbia University
Hanna Lee, University of Maryland
Discussant: Ningzhong Li, University of Texas at Dallas

Firm Life Cycle, Heterogeneity in Investor Beliefs, and Stock Price Crash Risk
Lars Hamers, Maastricht University School of Business and Economics
Annelies Renders, Maastricht University School of Business and Economics
Patrick Vorst, Maastricht University School of Business and Economics
Discussant: Judson Caskey, UCLA

The Source of Information in Prices and Investment-Price Sensitivity
Alex Edmans, London Business School
Sudarshan Jayaraman, University of Rochester
Discussant: Valentin Dimitrov, Rutgers Business School
Management Disclosures & Investor Reactions,  Chairperson: Feng Gao, Rutgers Business School

**What Does Reputation Buy in the Options Market? The Effect of Reporting Consistency on Ex Ante Uncertainty**
Thaddues Neururer, Boston University
George Papadakis, Boston University
Edward J. Riedl, Boston University
Discussant: Nk Chidambaran, Fordham University

**Peer Firms' Reporting Incentives and Enhanced Overall Comparability Under IFRS: A Test Using IPO Underpricing**
Donal Byard, Baruch College – The City University of New York
Masako Darrough, Baruch College – The City University of New York
Jangwon Suh, Long Island University
Discussant: Don Monk, Rutgers Business School

**Financial Market Developments and Management Compensation**
Daniel Bens, INSEAD
Scott Liao, University of Toronto
Barbara Su, University of Toronto
Discussant: Mincherng Deng, Baruch College

10:30am – 10:45am  Break

10:45am – 12:15pm

Session 2A:  Room 5085
Asset Pricing  Chairperson: Phillip A. Cartwright, PSB Paris School of Business

**Using Equity, Index and Commodity Options to Obtain Forward-Looking Betas and Conditional-CAPM Expected Crude-Oil Spot Prices**
Ehud I. Ronn, University of Texas at Austin
Christopher F. Baum, Boston College
Paola Zerilli, University of York
Discussant: Phillip A. Cartwright, PSB Paris School of Business

**Falling into Traps? Patent Thickets and Stock Returns**
Po-Hsuan Hsu, University of Hong Kong
Hsiao-Hsu Lee, University of Hong Kong
Tong Zhou, University of Hong Kong
Discussant: G. Nathan Dong, Columbia University
News Momentum
Hao Jiang, Michigan State University
Sophia Zhengzi Li, Michigan State University
Hao Wang, Michigan State University
Discussant: RenRaw Chen, Fordham University

Session 2B: Room 4085
Accounting Disclosures and Firm Strategies Chairperson: Siva Nathan, Georgia State

Downside Risk, Capital Flexibility and Operating Leases
Jose M. Carabias, London School of Economics
Discussant: Teri Yohn, Indiana University

Have SFAS 166 and SFAS 167 improved the financial reporting for securitizations?
Samuel Bonsall and Zahn Bozanic, The Ohio State University
Yiwei Dou, New York University
Gordon Richardson, University of Toronto
Dushyantkumar Vyas, University of Toronto
Discussant: Divya Anantharaman, Rutgers Business School

Rewards and Reputation from the Managerial Labor Market and Strategic Information Distortion
Qianqian Huang, City University of Hong Kong
Feng Jiang, University at Buffalo- SUNY
Fei Xie, University of Delaware
Discussant: Paul Ma, University of Minnesota

Session 2C: Room 3087
Corporate Finance Chairperson: Frank C. Jen, University of Buffalo, SUNY

Product Market Competition and CEO Pay Benchmarking
Ivan E. Brick, Rutgers Business School
Darius Palia, Rutgers Business School
Discussant: Kai Wu, Cornell University

Financing Decisions of Privately and Publicly Traded Firms: Evidence from Quasi-Natural Experiment
Giorgo Sertsios, Universidad de los Andes, Chile
Gordon Phillips, University of Southern California
Discussant: Kelly Wentland, University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill

Labor Unions and Payout Policy: A Regression Discontinuity Analysis
Jie He, University of Georgia
Xuan Tian, Indiana University
Huan Yang, University of Georgia
Discussant: Serdar Dinc, Rutgers Business School
Lunch 12:15 pm – 2:00 pm 5th floor Lounge

2:00pm – 3:30pm
Session 3A Room 5085
Hedge Fund and Bond Fund Chairperson: Stephen J. Brown, New York University

Managerial Talent and Hedge Fund Performance
  Turan G. Bali, Georgetown University
  Stephen J. Brown, New York University
  Mustafa O. Caglayan, Özyeğin University, Turkey
  Discussant: Sugata Ray, University of Florida

Investor Flows and Fragility in Corporate Bond Funds
  Itay Goldstein, The Wharton School of Business
  Hao Jiang, Michigan State University
  David T. Ng, Cornell University
  Discussant: Yan Li, Temple University

Tail Risk in Hedge Funds: A Unique View from Portfolio Holdings
  Vikas Agrawal, Georgia State University
  Stefan Ruenzi, University of Mannheim, Germany
  Florian Weigert, University of St. Gallen, Switzerland
  Discussant: Jack Francis, Baruch College

Session 3B Room 4085
Analytical Research Chairperson: Suresh Govindaraj, Rutgers Business School

How Often Do Managers Withhold Information?
  Jeremy Bertomeu, Baruch College
  Paul Ma, University of Minnesota
  Iv´an Marinovic, Stanford University
  Discussant: Joe Gerakos, University of Chicago

Tacit Collusion and Voluntary Disclosure: Theory and Evidence from the U.S. Automotive Industry
  Jeremy Bertomeu, Northwestern University
  John Harry Evans III, University of Pittsburgh
  Mei Feng, University of Pittsburgh
  Ayung Tseng, Indiana University
  Discussant: Meng Xiaojing, New York University

Firm Fundamentals and Variance Risk Premiums
  Matthew R. Lyle, Kellogg School of Management
  James P. Naughton, Kellogg School of Management
  Discussant: Suresh Govindaraj, Rutgers Business School
Session 3C  
Room 3087  
Earnings Management and Conservatism, Chairperson: Larry Brown, Temple University

Management Earnings Forecasts and Accounting Conservatism
Bikki Jaggi, Rutgers Business School  
Joshua Ronen, New York University  
Xin Hua, University of Louisville  
Discussant: Rajib Doogar, University of Washington

Securities Lawsuits as a Disciplining Mechanism: Evidence from Mergers and Acquisitions
Thomas Bourveau, HKUST  
Francois Brochet, Boston University  
Sven Michael Spira, Boston Consulting Group  
Discussant: Xin Dai, Drexel University

Analysts’ Monitoring Incentives across the Business Cycle
Dan Dhaliwal, University of Arizona  
Stephen Hillegeist, Arizona State University  
An-Ping Lin, Singapore Management University  
Laura Wellman, Northwestern University, University of Illinois at Chicago  
Discussant: Donal Byard, Baruch University

3:30pm – 3:45pm  
Coffee Break  
5th floor Lounge

3:45pm – 5:15pm
Session 4A  
Room 5085  
Corporate Finance, Chairperson: Simi Kedia, Rutgers Business School

Do Pension Plans Manipulate Pension Liabilities?
Michael Kisser, Norwegian School of Economics  
John Kiff, International Monetary Fund  
Mauricio Soto, International Monetary Fund  
Discussant: Irina Stefanescu, Federal Reserve Board

Management Risk and the Cost of Borrowing
Yihui Pan, University of Utah  
Tracy Yue Wang, University of Minnesota  
Michael S. Weisbach, Ohio State University  
Discussant: Oded Palmon, Rutgers Business School
Is There Performance-Based Turnover on Corporate Boards?
Thomas W. Bates, Arizona State University
David A. Becher, Drexel University
Jared I. Wilson, Drexel University
Discussant: Yifei Mao, Cornell University

Session 4B Room 4085
Banking and Banking Management Chairperson: Jay Choi, Temple University

Financial Advice and Bank Profits
Daniel Hoechle, Zurich University, Switzerland
Stefan Ruenzi, University of Mannheim, Germany
Nic Schaub, University of St. Gallen, Switzerland
Markus Schmid, University of St. Gallen, Switzerland
Discussant: Jay Choi, Temple University

Banks and Biased Regulatory Disclosure
Andrew Bird, Carnegie Mellon University
Stephan A. Karolyi, Carnegie Mellon University
Thomas G. Ruchti, Carnegie Mellon University
Austin C. Sudbury, Carnegie Mellon University
Discussant: Ben Sopranzetti, Rutgers Business School

Shadow Banking and Asset Pricing
Jinji Hao, Washington University in St. Louis
Discussant: Jonathan Ross, Binghamton University

Session 4C Room 3087
Collective Impact of Individual Decisions Chairperson: Don Monk, Rutgers Business School

The Economic Impact of the Employment of Foreign-born Graduates in the Auditing Industry
Daniel Aobdia, Northwestern University & PCAOB, Center for Economic Analysis
Anup Srivastava, Dartmouth University
Erqiu Wang, Northwestern University
Discussant: Bharat Sarath, Rutgers Business School

Directors from Related Industries and Management Forecast Properties: An International Study
Herita Akamah, University of Oklahoma
Ervin L. Black, University of Oklahoma
Dipankar Ghosh, University of Oklahoma
Discussant: Li Zhang, Rutgers Business School
Cheating When in The Hole: The Case of New York City Taxis
Shivaram Rajagopal, Columbia Business School
Roger White, Emory University
Discussant: Siva Nathan, Georgia State University

5:30pm – 6:15pm Keynote Speech Room 1095
Welcome and Introduction of Keynote Speaker Dean Lei Lei, Rutgers Business School
“Risk, Innovation and Corporate Governance” Kose John, New York University

7:00pm – 9:00pm Dinner Hyatt Regency, 2 Albany St., New Brunswick,
Garden State Ballroom
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Program Saturday, November 7th, 2015

9:00am – 10:30am
Session 5A Room 5085
Bond and Investment Analysis Chairperson: Thomas Chiang, Drexel University

Liquidity Risk and Expected Municipal Bond Returns
Yao-Tsung Chen, Penghu University of Science and Technology, Taiwan
Chunchi Wu, State University of New York at Buffalo
Chung-Ying Yeh, National Chung Hsing University, Taiwan
Discussant: Michael B. Imerman, Lehigh University

An Inquiry into the Nature and Sources of Variation in the Expected Excess Return of a Long-Term Bond
Gurdip Bakshi, University of Maryland
FousseniChabi-Yo, Ohio State University
Xiaohui Gao, University of Maryland
Discussant: Yuzhao Zhang, Rutgers Business School

Investor Attention: Seasonal Patterns and Endogenous Allocations
Hongqi Liu, Baruch College, CUNY
Lin Peng, Baruch College, CUNY
Discussant: Oleg Sokolinskiy, Rutgers Business School
Session 5B
Information and Market Structure

Chairperson: Bikki Jaggi, Rutgers Business School

On the Disparity between Corporate Profits and Economic Growth
Urooj Khan, Columbia Business School
Suresh Nallareddy, Columbia Business School
Ethan Rouen, Columbia Business School
Discussant: Partha Mohanram, University of Toronto

Do Industry Leading Auditors Earn Fee Premia?
Rajib Doogar, University of Washington- Bothell
Manju Jaiswall, Indian Institute of Management Calcutta
Padmakumar Sivadasan, Tulane University
Discussant: Xin Hua, University of Louisville

Information Disclosure and Insider Trading around Board Meetings
Seil Kim, New York University
Discussant: Kara Wells, Southern Methodist University

10:30am – 10:45am

10:45am – 12:15pm
Session 6A
Corporate Finance

Chairperson: Dan Weaver, Rutgers Business School

Are Non-Peculinary Factors Priced? Evidence from Target Family Firms Trade Legacy for Premium
James Ang, Florida State University
Dominique Gehy, Hofstra University
Arinna Yang, University of Florida
Discussant: Kevin Tseng, University of Kansas

Confidential Voting, Institutional Dual Holders, and the Cost of Debt
Sattar Mansi, Virginia Tech
Maryam Nazari, University of Texas at San Antonio
John Wald, University of Texas at San Antonio
Discussant: Wan-Jiun Chiou, Northeastern University

Policy Uncertainty, Political Capital, and Firm Risk-Taking
Pat Akey, University of Toronto
Stefan Lewellen, London Business School
Discussant: Darius Palia, Rutgers Business School
Emerging Topics

**The Power of Economic Network: Investor Recognition through Supply-Chain Relationships**
Ling Cen, University of Toronto
Erfan Danesh, University of Toronto
Chayawat Ornthalalai, University of Toronto
Xiaofei Zhao, University of Texas at Dallas
Discussant: Shunlan Fang, Temple University

**Shareholder Activism and Political Spending**
Vishal P. Baloria, Boston College
Kenneth J. Klassen, University of Waterloo
Christine I. Wiedman, University of Waterloo
Discussant: Xi Li, Temple University

**The Role of Accounting Information in Equity Crowdfunding**
John Donovan, Washington University in St. Louis
Discussant: Vishal Baloria, University of Waterloo

12:15pm – 2:30pm    Lunch and Presentation    Room 1144

“NJ Local Government Revenue Challenges in the Face of NJ Economics Realities”  Raphael J. Caprio, Ph.D. Rutgers University