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PROGRAM
Day One: Friday, March 9, 2012

7:30-8:00 Registration

Friday Morning Session: CREDIT MARKETS

8:00-8:45
Stochastic Time-Change of Default Intensity Models: Pricing and Estimation
Authors: Ovidiu Costin, Michael B. Gordy, Min Huang, Pawel Szerszen
Presenter: Michael Gordy, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System
Discussant: Aytek Malkhozov, McGill University

8:45-9:00 COFFEE BREAK

9:00-9:45
Capital Structure and Stock Return Volatility
Authors: Hui Chen, Hao Wang, Hao Zhou
Presenter: Hui Chen, MIT
Discussant: Redouane Elkamhi, University of Toronto

9:45-10:00 COFFEE BREAK

10:00-10:45
Beliefs About Inflation and the Term Structure of Interest Rates
Authors: Paul Ehling, Michael Gallmeyer, Christian Heyerdahl-Larsen, Philipp Illeditsch
Presenter: Philipp Illeditsch, University of Pennsylvania
Discussant: Harjoat Bhamra, University of British Columbia

Friday Afternoon Session: SYSTEMIC RISK

4:30-5:15
VAR for VaR: Measuring Systemic Risk Using Multivariate Regression Quantiles
Authors: Halbert White, Tae-Hwan Kim, Simone Manganelli
Presenter: Simone Manganelli, European Central Bank
Discussant: Rossen Valkanov, University of California, San Diego

5:15-5:30 COFFEE BREAK

5:30-6:15
Enhanced Stress Testing and Financial Stability
Author: Matthew Pritsker
Presenter: Matthew Pritsker, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston
Discussant: Jean-Sébastien Fontaine, Bank of Canada

7:15
CONFERENCE DINNER
Saturday Morning Session: MODELS FOR VOLATILITY AND SKEWNESS

8:00-8:45
A Functional Filtering and Neighborhood Truncation Approach to Integrated Quarticity Estimation
Authors: Torben G. Andersen, Dobrislav Dobrev, Ernst Schaumburg
Presenter: Torben Andersen, Northwestern University
Discussant: Christian Dorion, HEC Montréal

8:45-9:00 COFFEE BREAK

9:00-9:45
Risk Premium, Variance Premium and the Maturity Structure of Uncertainty
Authors: Bruno Feunou, Jean-Sébastien Fontaine, Abderrahim Taamouti, Roméo Tédongap
Presenter: Jean-Sébastien Fontaine, Bank of Canada
Discussant: Liuren Wu, City University of New York

9:45-10:00 COFFEE BREAK

10:00-10:45
Conditional Skewness of Stock Market Returns in Developed and Emerging Markets and its Economic Fundamentals
Authors: Eric Ghysels, Alberto Plazzi, Rossen Valkanov
Presenter: Rossen Valkanov, University of California, San Diego
Discussant: Kris Jacobs, University of Houston

Saturday Afternoon Session: DERIVATIVES

4:30-5:15
Is There Price Discovery in Equity Options? (Appendix)
Authors: Dmitriy Muravyev, Neil D. Pearson, John Paul Broussard
Presenter: Dmitriy Muravyev, University of Illinois
Discussant: Chay Ornthanalai, Georgia Institute of Technology

5:15-5:30 COFFEE BREAK

5:30-6:15
Simple Robust Hedging with Nearby Contracts
Authors: Liuren Wu, Jingyi Zhu
Presenter: Liuren Wu, City University of New York
Discussant: Feng Zhao, University of Texas at Dallas
### Sunday Morning Session: CREDIT MARKETS (II)

#### 8:00-8:45
**CDS Credit-Event Auctions**
Authors: Sudip Gupta, Rangarajan K. Sundaram  
Presenter: Sudip Gupta, Indian School of Business  
Discussant: Alexandre Jeanneret, HEC Montréal

#### 8:45-9:00 COFFEE BREAK

#### 9:00-9:45
**Economic Catastrophe Bonds: Inefficient Market or Inadequate Model?**
Authors: Haitao Li, Feng Zhao  
Presenter: Feng Zhao, University of Texas at Dallas  
Discussant: Christopher Parsons, University of California, San Diego

#### 9:45-10:00 COFFEE BREAK

#### 10:00-10:45
**CVA and Wrong Way Risk**
Authors: John Hull, Alan White  
Presenter: John Hull, University of Toronto  
Discussant: Sébastien Betermier, McGill University