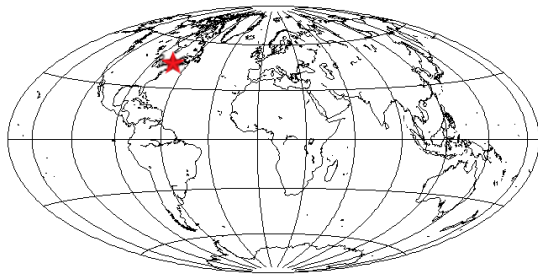


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## SUNDAY, MAY 6

18:30 – WELCOME DINNER (by invitation)

## MONDAY, MAY 7

7:30-8:30 – BREAKFAST

Morning Meetings

8:30-9:30 – Information Efficiency

**Does private information from options markets forecast aggregate stock returns?**

Christopher Jones (USC)

Haitao Mo (Louisiana State University)

Tong Wang (University of Iowa)

*Discussant: Neil Pearson, University of Illinois*

**Up-Cascaded Wisdom of the Crowd**

Will Cong (University of Chicago)

Yizhou Xiao (Chinese University of Hong Kong)

*Discussant: Jiasun Li, George Mason University*

9:30-10:00 – COFFEE BREAK

10:00-11:00 – Portfolio Choice

**The Leased Capital Premium**

Kai Li (HKUST)

Chi-Yang Tsou (University of Hong Kong)

*Discussant: Jun Li, University of Texas - Dallas*

**A Portfolio Perspective on the Multitude of Firm Characteristics**

Victor DeMiguel (London Business School)

Alberto Martin-Utrera (Lancaster University)

Javier Nogales (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid)

Raman Uppal (EDHEC)

*Discussant: Christian Lundblad, University of North Carolina*

11:00-11:30 – COFFEE BREAK

11:30-12:30 – Foreign Exchange

**The Value of Volume in Foreign Exchange**

Antonio Gargano (University of Melbourne)

Steven Riddiough (University of Melbourne)

Lucio Sarno (Cass Business School and CEPR)

*Discussant: Rosen Valchev, Boston College*

**The Quanto Theory of Exchange Rates**

Lukas Kremens (London School of Economics)

Ian Martin (London School of Economics)

*Discussant: Adrian Buss, INSEAD*

12:30-14:00 – LUNCH

Afternoon Meetings

14:00-15:00 – Mutual & Hedge Funds

**Groomed for Selling and Sold for Grooming: Strategic Behavior Surrounding Sales of Mutual-Fund Management Companies**

Eduard Inozemtsev (Gaidar Inst. for Econ. Policy)

Zoran Ivkovich (Michigan State University)

Andrei Simonov (Michigan State University)

*Discussant: David Schumacher, McGill University*

**Hedge Fund Activism and Internal Capital Markets**

Sehoon Kim (University of Florida)

*Discussant: Mila Getmansky Sherman, University of Massachusetts*

15:00-15:30 – COFFEE BREAK

15:30-16:30 – Exchange-Traded Funds

**Speculation Sentiment**

Shaun Davies (University of Colorado)

*Discussant: Chotibhak Jotikasthira, Southern Methodist University*

**Smart Beta, “Smarter” Flows**

Jay Cao (Chinese University of Hong Kong)

Jason Hsu (UCLA & Rayliant Global Advisors)

Zhanbing Xiao (University of British Columbia)

Xintong Zhan (Erasmus University Rotterdam)

*Discussant: Jawad Addoum, Cornell University*

18:30 – CLOSING DINNER (by invitation)