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Opening Ceremony

March 8th, 2018, 9:00 AM –10:40 AM

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Eon Nigel Harris Council Room

Welcome & Opening Remarks: 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM

Prof. David Tennant - Head, Department of Economics, UWI, Mona

Prof. Dale Webber - Pro Vice Chancellor, UWI

Prof. Ian Boxill - Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, UWI, Mona

Introduction of Keynote Speaker: 9:30 AM - 9:40 AM

Dr. Nadine McCloud-Rose - Department of Economics, UWI, Mona



Keynote Address: 9:40 AM -10:40 AM

Prof. Elie Tamer - Harvard University

“Thoughts on Causal Inference in Games”

DAY 1: MARCH 8, 2018

Coffee Break: 10:40 - 10:55

Panel 1: Firm Dynamics & Market Structures (11:00 - 12:30)

Chair: Edward Ghartey, Department of Economics, UWI, Mona

Fang, Shengnan: "An Empirical Test of Market Power in Dairy Industry: The Case of Dean Foods and Foremost Farms USA"

Gayle, Philip: "Measuring Merger Cost Effects: Evidence from a Dynamic Structural Econometric Model"

Lin, Ying: "Cost Pass-Through in Commercial Aviation"

Faheem, Adeel: "Mergers, Competitive Conduct, and Vertical Relationships between Firms: Evidence from US Beer Industry"

Panel 2: Finance/Monetary I (11:00 - 12:30)

Chair: Winston Moore, Department of Economics, UWI, Cave Hill

Keil, Jan: "The Value of Lending Relationships When Creditors are in Control"

Boothe, Durrónjae: "Remittances and Economic Growth in Floating and Fixed Exchange Rate Economies: The Case of Latin America and the Caribbean"

Orhan, Mehmet: "Testing the Validity of the Lucas Critique around the Global Financial Crisis"

Mamingi, Nlandu: "The Impact of Banking Deregulation on the Banking System: Exploring the facts for Barbados"

Lunch: 12:30 - 1:25

Panel 3: Econometrics (1:30 - 3:00)

Chair: Shakeeb Khan, Department of Economics, Duke University

McCloud, Nadine: "Calculating Degrees of Freedom in Multivariate Local Polynomial Regression"

Racine, Jeffery: "Bootstrap Model Averaging Unit Root Inference"

Henderson, Daniel: "Nonparametric Multi-dimensional Fixed Effects Panel Data Models"

Ozabaci, Deniz: "Additive Nonparametric Sample Selection Models with Endogeneity"

Panel 4: Government, Governance & Taxation (1:30 - 3:00)

Chair: Denarto Dennis, Department of Economics, UWI, Mona (Western Campus)

Williams, Kevin: "Workers' Remittances and Government Size"

Small, Oronde: "The Effect of Public Goods Messaging on Personal Income Tax Compliance among the Self-Employed: Evidence from a Field Experiment in Jamaica"

Bernal, Richard: "Brexit: Caribbean Amicus Curia Brief"

Coffee Break: 3:00 - 3:10

Panel 5: Resource & Environment I (3:15 - 4:45)

Chair: Nadia Grant-Reid, Department of Economics, UWI, Mona (Western Campus)

Mamingi, Nlandu: "Assessing the Total Economic Value of Barbados Welchman Hall Gully"

Spencer, Nekeisha: "Moving Closer to or Further from the Frontier? Hurricanes and Production Efficiency"

Campbell, Alrick: "Effects of Oil Price and Global Demand Shocks on Small Island Developing States"

Strobl, Eric: "Biodiversity and Economic Land Use"

Lyn, Gary: "Climate Change, International Trade and Factor Reallocation"

Panel 6: Health, Labour & Education I (3:15 - 4:45)

Chair: Peter John-Gordon, Department of Economics, UWI, Mona

Delgado, Michael: "Socioeconomic Heterogeneity of Racial Income and Mobility Gaps in the United States"

Whitely, Patrice: "The Economic Cost of Hypertension Among the Elderly in Jamaica"

Dacass, Tennecia: "Intergenerational Effects of Mass Incarceration"

Wright, Nicholas: "Perform Better, or Else: Academic Probation, Public Praise and Students Decision-Making"

DAY 2: MARCH 9, 2018

Panel 7: Frontier Econometrics (8:30 - 10:00)

Chair: Elie Tamer, Department of Economics, Harvard University

Arthur Lewbel, Professor of Economics, Boston College

“Keeping Up With Peers in India: A New Social Interactions Model of Perceived Needs”

Shakeeb Khan, Professor of Economics, Duke University

“Identification and Estimation of Treatment Effects in Weakly Separable Models”

Coffee Break: 10:00-10:15

Panel 8: Resource & Environment II (10:20 - 11:50)

Chair: Alrick Campbell, Department of Economics, UWI, Mona

Grant-Reid, Nadia: “The Economic Impact of Hurricanes on Sea Island Cotton”

Gautier, Luis: “The Role of Non-zero Conjectural Variation in Pollution Abatement and Output in the Design of Emission Taxes”

Nielsen, Rasmus: “The Political Economy of Uranium Extraction in Greenland: It’s Not Elemental At All”

Dixon Hamil, Kelly-Ann: “Analysis of Data of Different Spatial Scales: A Multivariate Process Approach”

Panel 9: Health, Labour & Education II (10:20 - 11:50)

Chair: Patrice Whitely, Department of Economics, UWI, Mona

Beuermann, Diether: “Universal Public Health Insurance, Adult Health Status and Labor Supply in Jamaica”

Moore, Winston: “Unemployment Duration and Green Jobs”

Henry, Michael: “Do More Globally Engaged Firms Really Pay Higher Wages? Empirical Evidence from Chinese Firms”

Panel 10: Finance/Monetary II (12:00 - 1:30)

Chair: David Tennant, Department of Economics, UWI, Mona

Christie, Jason: “Identifying Countercyclical Capital Buffer Indicators for Excessive Credit Growth in the Case of Jamaica”

Boamah, Mustapha: “Real Interest Parity: Evidence from some Regional Trade Agreements”

Ghartey, Edward: “Exchange Rate Pass-through: Asymmetrical Empirical Evidence in Non-members of the ECCU”

Haughton, Andre: “Oil Price and Exchange Rate Dynamics: New Evidence”

Panel 11: Economic Growth & Development (12:00 - 1:30)

Chair: Kevin Williams, Department of Economics, UWI, St Augustine

Clarke, Christine: “Sport Policy: Has It Mattered to Developing Countries? A Case Study of Jamaica”

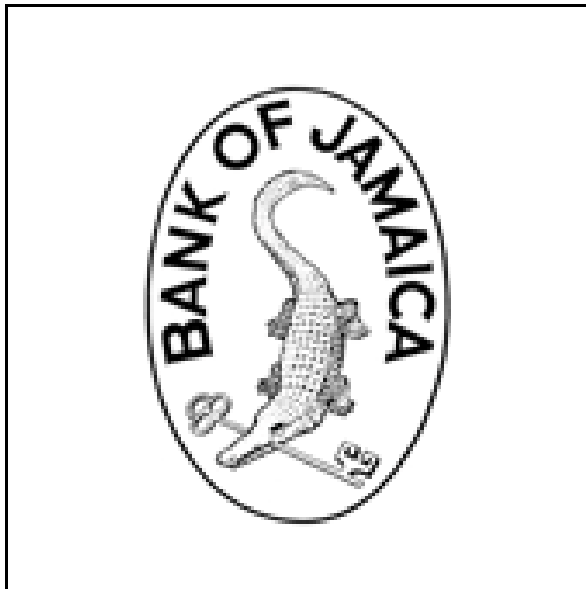
Schwartz Rosenthal, Moises: “Institutions in the Caribbean: Engine or Obstacle for Development?”

Ivey, Wendel: “Resilience and Small Island States: Are They Heeding the Message?”

REFRESHMENTS: 1:30

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