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Programme

Thursday 11 December

- 09.00-10.00 **Norms of Mediocrity - Tall Poppies and the Law of Jante**
*Sten Nyberg (Stockholm University)
Karl Wärneryd (Stockholm School of Economics)

Discussant: Thierry Verdier (Paris School of Economics and CEPR)
- 10.00-11.00 **Taboos: Considering the Unthinkable**
* Chaim Fershtman (Tel Aviv University and CEPR)

Discussant: Giacomo Corneo (Frei Universität Berlin and CEPR)
- 11.00-11.30 **Coffee Break**
- 11.30-12.30 **Schelling Redux: An Evolutionary Dynamic Model of Residential Segregation**
Emin Dokumacı (University of Wisconsin)
*William Sandholm (University of Wisconsin)

Discussant: Daisuke Oyama (Hitotsubashi University and visiting Paris School of Economics)
- 12.30-13.30 **Searching for the Best Neighborhood: Mobility and Social Interactions**
Yannis M. Ioannides (Tufts University)
*Giulio Zanella (Università di Siena)

Discussant: Eleonora Patacchini (Università di Roma La Sapienza)
- 13.30-14.30 **Lunch**
- 14.30-15.30 **Regulation and Distrust**
Philippe Aghion (Harvard University and CEPR)
* Yann Algan (CEPREMAP, IZA and Paris School of Economics)
Pierre Cahuc (CREST-INSEE and CEPR)
Andrei Shleifer (Harvard University)

Discussant: Andrew Postlewaite (University of Pennsylvania)

15.00-16.30 **Doux Commerces: Does Market Competition Cause Trust?**
Patrick Francois (University of British Columbia and CEPR)
*Tanguy van Ypersele (GREQAM)

Discussant: Eric Uslaner (University of Maryland)

16.30-16.45 **Coffee Break**

16.45-17.45 **The Demise of Social Insurance**
* Emmanuel Frot (SITE, Stockholm School of Economics)

Discussant: Sten Nyberg (Stockholm University)

20.00 **Dinner**
Restaurant 'La Coupole'

Friday 12 December

09.00-10.00 **Intergenerational Cultural Transmission as an Evolutionary Game**
* James Montgomery (University of Wisconsin-Madison)

Discussant: Alberto Acerbi (Università degli Studi di Bologna)

10.00-11.00 **Culture as Learning: The Evolution of Female Labor Force Participation over a Century**
*Raquel Fernández (New York University and CEPR)

Discussant: Luigi Guiso (European University institute and CEPR)

11.00-11.30 **Coffee Break**

11.30-12.30 **Product-Based Cultural Change: Is the Village Global?**
Nicolas Maystre (University of Geneva)
Jacques Olivier (Hautes Etudes Commerciales, Jouy-en-Josas and CEPR)
*Mathias Thoenig (University of Geneva and CEPR)
Thierry Verdier (Paris School of Economics and CEPR)

Discussant: Paola Giuliano (UCLA Anderson)

12.30-13.30 **The Use of Diversity in Cultural Economics: Theoretical and Applied Considerations**
*Françoise Benhamou (CEPN, University of Paris 13)
Renato G. Flôres Jr (Fundação Getulio Vargas)
Stéphanie Peltier (Université de La Rochelle)

Discussant: Jacques Olivier (Hautes Etudes Commerciales, Jouy-en-Josas and CEPR)

13.30-14.30 **Lunch**

14.30-15.30 **The Role of Geography and History in Cultural Diffusion: A Gravitational Approach**
*Pauline Grosjean (University of California, Berkeley)

Discussant: Alberto Bisin (New York University)

15.30-16.30 **Cultural Identity and Knowledge Creation in Cosmopolitan Cities**
Gianmarco I.P. Ottaviano (U Bologna, FEEM and CEPR)
*Giovanni Prarolo (Università di Bologna and FEEM)

Discussant: Mark Gradstein (Ben Gurion University of the Negev and CEPR)

16.30-17.00 **Coffee Break**

17.00-18.00 **Building Multicultural Societies: Some Evidence**
Andreas Georgiadis (London School of Economics (LSE))
*Alan Manning (London School of Economics (LSE))

Discussant: Paolo Masella (European University institute)

20.00 **Dinner**
Restaurant 'Le Mauzac'

Saturday 13 December

09.00-09.30 **A Role For Cultural Transmission in Fertility Transitions**
* Thomas Baudin (Université de Paris I)

09.30-10.00 **Gender Inequality, Endogenous Cultural Norms and Economic Development**
* Victor Hiller (Université Paris I)

10.00-10.30 **Unequal Longevities and Lifestyle Transmissions**
* Gregory Ponthiere (École Normale Supérieure, Paris, and PSE)

10.30-11.00 **Coffee Break**

11.30-12.00 **School Sorting: The Effects of Immigration**
*Lucila Berniell (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid)

12.00-12.30 **Unemployment Insurance and Cultural Transmission: Theory and Application to European Unemployment**
*Jean-Baptiste Michau (London School of Economics (LSE))

End of programme

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