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Schedule of Sessions

Friday, September 28, 2007

4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Registration (*Willard Foyer*)

6:00 p.m. Welcome Reception (*Willard*), sponsored by Schulich School of Business, York University

Saturday, September 29, 2007

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Publishers' Exhibits (*Willard Foyer*)

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m., Breakfast (*Willard Foyer*), sponsored by Stock-Trak Inc.

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m., Concurrent Sessions

Asset Pricing I, *Room: The Portman*
Volatility and Option Pricing, *Room: The Barclay 2*
Governance and Liquidity, *Room: The Boardroom*
Corporate Investment, *Room: The Barclay 1*
Capital Structure and Dividends, *Room: The Mayfair*
Banking Regulation, *Room: The Britannia*

10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m., Coffee Break (*Willard Foyer*), sponsored by AGF Funds Inc.

10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m., Concurrent Sessions

Derivatives I, *Room: The Barclay 2*
Momentum Strategies, *Room: The Barclay 1*
International Finance, *Room: The Boardroom*
Credit Risk, *Room: The Mayfair*
Syndicated Loans, *Room: The Britannia*
Going Private and SEOs, *Room: The Portman*

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Lunch (*Willard*), sponsored by the Canadian Institute of Chartered Business Valuators; Keynote Speaker: Anthony Saunders, New York University, *Are Banks Still Special?*

1:45 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

Asset Pricing II, *Room: The Barclay 1*
Term Structure of Interest Rates, *Room: The Mayfair*
Portfolio Choice I, *Room: The Portman*
Stock Index/Exchange Issues, *Room: The Barclay 2*
Family Ownership and Venture Capital, *Room: The Britannia*
Analyst Coverage, *Room: The Boardroom*

3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Coffee Break (*Willard Foyer*), sponsored by Desjardin Securities

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

Derivatives II, *Room: The Barclay 2*
Individual Investors, *Room: The Britannia*
Portfolio Choice II, *Room: The Portman*
Financial Institutions and Markets, *Room: The Boardroom*
Capital Markets, *Room: The Barclay 1*
Debt and Financial Distress, *Room: The Mayfair*

5:15 p.m. Reception (*Willard*), co-sponsored by CPP Investment Board and McGraw-Hill Ryerson; Best Paper Award

5:45 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Keynote Speaker: Stephen Ross, MIT, *A Neoclassical Look at Behavioral Finance*, sponsored by McGraw-Hill Ryerson

Sunday, September 30, 2007

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Publishers' Exhibits (*Willard Foyer*)

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast (*Willard Foyer*), sponsored by the Individual Finance and Insurance Decision (IFID) Centre, Fields Institute

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Concurrent Sessions

Personal Wealth Management, *Room: The Britannia*
Institutional Investors, *Room: The Barclay 1*
Executive Compensation II, *Room: The Barclay 2*
IPOs II, *Room: The Portman*
Small and Family Business, *Room: The Mayfair*
Corporate Social Responsibility, *Room: The Boardroom*

10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Coffee Break (*Willard Foyer*), sponsored by Dynamic Funds

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

Information and Trading, *Room: The Britannia*

Trading Strategies and Portfolio Management, *Room: The Mayfair*

Corporate Finance and Governance, *Room: The Boardroom*

Corporate Finance, *Room: The Barclay 1*

Executive Compensation I, *Room: The Barclay 2*

IPOs I, *Room: The Portman*

Sessions by Room

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The Portman	Asset Pricing I	Going Private and SEOs	Portfolio Choice I	Portfolio Choice II	IPOs II	IPOs I
The Barclay 1	Corporate Investment	Momentum Strategies	Asset Pricing II	Capital Markets	Institutional Investors	Corporate Finance
The Barclay 2	Volatility and Option Pricing	Derivatives I	Stock Index/Exchange Issues	Derivatives II	Executive Compensation II	Executive Compensation I
The Britannia	Banking Regulation	Syndicated Loans	Family Ownership and Venture Capital	Individual Investors	Personal Wealth Management	Information and Trading
The Mayfair	Capital Structure and Dividends	Credit Risk	Term Structure of Interest Rates	Debt and Financial Distress	Small and Family Business	Trading Strategies and Portfolio Management
The Boardroom	Governance and Liquidity	International Finance	Analyst Coverage	Financial Institutions and Markets	Corporate Social Responsibility	Corporate Finance and Governance

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2007

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m., Concurrent Sessions

Asset Pricing I, Room: The Portman

Chair: Kevin Wang, University of Toronto

Cross-sectional tests of CAPM and Fama-French three-factor model

Robert R. Grauer, Simon Fraser University*

Johannus A. Janmaat, Acadia University

Discussant: Xiaolu Wang, University of Toronto

Liquidity and Investment Styles

Jeff Brown, Highstreet Asset Management Inc.

Doug Crocker, Highstreet Asset Management Inc.

Stephen Foerster, University of Western Ontario*

Discussant: Lukasz Pomorski, University of Toronto

Model Comparison Using the Hansen-Jagannathan Distance

Raymond Kan, University of Toronto*

Cesare Robotti, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta

Discussant: Fousseni Chabi-Yo, Bank of Canada

Volatility and Option Pricing, Room: The Barclay 2

Chair: Peter Klein, Simon Fraser University

Implied Volatility Anomaly, Illiquidity, and Options Market Misreaction

George Jiang, University of Arizona

Yisong Tian, York University*

Discussant: Jason Wei, University of Toronto

Option Pricing using Realized Volatility: An Empirical Investigation

Lars Stentoft, HEC Montréal*

Discussant: Timothy Simin, Pennsylvania State University

Jump and Volatility Risk Premiums Implied by VIX

Jin-Chuan Duan, National University of Singapore and University of Toronto*

Chung-Ying Yeh, National Taiwan University

Discussant: Wulin Suo, Queen's University

Governance and Liquidity, Room: The Boardroom

Chair: Thomas Chemmanur, Boston College

Concentrated Control: A Comparative Analysis of Single and Dual Class Structures on Corporate Value

Ben Amoako-Adu, Wilfrid Laurier University

Brian F. Smith, Wilfrid Laurier University

Madhu Kalimipalli, Bloomberg and Wilfrid Laurier University*

Discussant: David McLean, University of Alberta

Liquidity Risk and Limited Arbitrage: Why Banks Lend to Opaque Hedge Funds

Evan Gatev, Boston College*

Discussant: Puneet Prakash, Virginia Commonwealth University

Do Voting Rights Affect Institutional Investment Decisions? Evidence from Dual-Class Firms

Kai Li, University of British Columbia

Hernan Ortiz-Molina, University of British Columbia

Xinlei Zhao, Kent State University*

Discussant: Karthik Krishnan, Boston College

Corporate Investment, Room: The Barclay 1

Chair: George Georgopoulos, York University

Stock Market Misvaluation and Corporate Investment

Ming Dong, York University*

David Hirshleifer, University of California

Siew Hong Teoh, University of California

Discussant: Jung-Wook Kim, University of Alberta

Leaders, Followers, and Risk Dynamics in Industry Equilibrium

Murray Carlson, University of British Columbia

Engelbert J. Dockner, University of Vienna

Adlai Fisher, University of British Columbia

Ron Giammarino, University of British Columbia*

Discussant: Yonggan Zhao, Dalhousie University

Equilibrium Investment Decisions in A Real-Options Sequential Bargaining Game with Network Effects

Yuanshun Li, University of Calgary*

Gordon Sick, University of Calgary

Discussant: Anna Dodonova, University of Ottawa

**Capital Structure and Dividends, Room: The Mayfair
Chair: Marie-Claude Beaulieu, Université Laval**

Do Firms Adjust Toward a Target Leverage Level

Zhaoxia Xu, University of Toronto*

Discussant : Iwan Meier, HEC Montreal

What Can We Learn from Empirical Tests of the Pecking Order Theory?

Iwan Meier, HEC Montreal*

Vefa Tarhan, Loyola University, Chicago

Discussant : Marie-Hélène Gagnon, Université Laval

Rethinking Lintner: An Alternative Dynamic Model of Dividends

Larry Bauer, Memorial University of Newfoundland

Nalinaksha Bhattacharyya, University of Alaska Anchorage

Presented by Alex Faseruk, Memorial University of Newfoundland*

Discussant: William Sadjahin, Université Laval

**Banking Regulation, Room: The Britannia
Chair: Nadia Massoud, York University**

International Regulatory Policy Coordination: Microeconomics versus Macroeconomics

John C. Pattison, CIBC*

Discussant: Barry Scholnick, University of Alberta

Do Banks Overstate Their Value-at-Risk?

Christophe Perignon, Simon Fraser University*

Zi Ying Deng, Simon Fraser University

Zhi Jun Wang, Simon Fraser University

Discussant: Saif Ullah, University of Alberta

Evidence of Differences in the Effectiveness of Safety-Net Management in European Union Countries

Santiago Carbo-Valverde*, University of Granada and FUNCAS*

Edward J. Kane, Boston College

Francisco Rodriguez-Fernandez, University of Granada and FUNCAS

Discussant: Andras Marosi, University of Alberta

10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m., Concurrent Sessions

Derivatives I, Room: The Barclay 2

Chair: Melanie Cao, York University

Scarcity and Risk Premiums in Commodity Futures

Saqib Khan, University of Western Ontario*

Zeigham Khokher, University of Western Ontario

Timothy Simin, The Pennsylvania State University

Discussant: Liuren Wu, Baruch College

Pricing Vulnerable American Options

Peter Klein, Simon Fraser University*

Jun Yang, Bank of Canada

Discussant: Nabil Tahani, York University

Credit Default Swap Spreads and Systematic Risk

Yun Li, University of Toronto*

Discussant: Melanie Cao, York University

Momentum Strategies, Room: The Barclay 1
Chair: Ming Dong, York University

Market Dynamics and Momentum Profits

Ebenezer Asem, University of Lethbridge*
Gloria Y. Tian, University of New South Wales, Sydney
Discussant: Ming Dong, York University

Mean-Reversion and Momentum

Kevin Q. Wang, University of Toronto*
Discussant: Adlai Fisher, University of British Columbia

Conditional Risk, Overconditioning, and the Performance of Momentum Strategies

Oliver Boguth, University of British Columbia
Murray Carlson, University of British Columbia
Adlai Fisher, University of British Columbia*
Mikhail Simutin, University of British Columbia
Discussant: Kevin Q. Wang, University of Toronto

International Finance, Room: The Boardroom
Chair: Kai Li, University of British Columbia

Do Foreigners Facilitate Information Transmission?

Kee-Hong Bae, Queen's University*
Arzu Ozoguz, The University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Hongping Tan, University of Northern British Columbia.
Discussant: Charles Gaa, University of British Columbia

Float, Speculation, and Stock Prices: Evidence from the Share Structure Reform in China

Chuan-Yang Hwang, Nanyang Technological University
Shaojun Zhang, Nanyang Technological University
Yanjian Zhu, Nanyang Technological University*
Discussant: Feng Zhang, University of British Columbia

Dispersion, Equity Returns Correlations and Market Integration

Esther Eiling, University of Toronto*
Bruno Gerard, Mellon Capital Management
Discussant: David Ng, Cornell University

Credit Risk, Room: The Mayfair
Chair: Jason Wei, University of Toronto

Portfolio Credit Risk Valuation: An Empirical Analysis Using a Parametric Implied Hazard Rate Density

Bill Bobey, University of Toronto*

Discussant: Lars Stentoft, HEC Montreal

Default Risk in the U.S. Mortgage Market

Toby Daglish, Victoria University of Wellington*

Jon Garfinkel, University of Iowa

Jarjisu Sa-Aadu, University of Iowa

Discussant: Xiaofei Li, York University

Time Varying Default Risk Premia in Corporate Bond Markets

Redouane Elkamhi, McGill University*

Jan Ericsson, McGill University and SIFR

Discussant: Jun Yang, Bank of Canada

Syndicated Loans, Room: The Britannia
Chair: Allen Goss, Ryerson University

Do Internationally Cross-Listed Non-US Firms Obtain More Favorable Terms for Syndicated Loans?

Claudia Champagne, Concordia University,

Lawrence Kryzanowski, Concordia University*

Discussant: Jean-Claude Cosset, HEC Montréal

Institutional Investment in Syndicated Loans

Debarshi Nandy, York University*

Pei Shao, University of Northern British Columbia

Discussant: Saif Warraich, University of Alberta

Does Collateral Help Mitigate Adverse Selection? A Cross-Country Analysis

Laurent Weill, Universite Robert Schuman*

Christophe Godlewski, Universite Louis Pasteur

Discussant: Raymond Cox, University of Ontario Institute of Technology

Going Private and SEOs, Room: The Portman
Chair: Elizabeth Maynes, York University

Do Private Equity Investors Take Firms Private for Different Reasons?

Jana Fidrmuc, Warwick Business School*
Peter Roosenboom, RSM Erasmus University
Dick van Dijk, Erasmus University Rotterdam
Discussant: Douglas Cumming, York University

Seasoned Equity Offerings: Quality of Accounting Information and Expected Flotation Costs

Gemma Lee, University of Alabama*
Ronald W. Masulis, Vanderbilt University
Discussant: Nancy Ursel, University of Windsor

Seasoned Equity Issues with “Soft” Information: Theory and Empirical Evidence

Thomas J. Chemmanur, Boston College*
Yawen Jiao, Boston College
Discussant: Craig Dunbar, University of Western Ontario

1:45 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

Asset Pricing II, Room: The Barclay 1
Chair: Robert Grauer, Simon Fraser University

Market Pricing of Economic Risks and Stock Returns

Yi Tang, Baruch College
Liuren Wu, Baruch College*
Discussant: Tugla Cenesizolgu, HEC Montreal

Asset Pricing with Heterogeneous Consumers: Is Household Data Informative?

Olesya V. Grishenko, The Pennsylvania State University*
Marco Rossi, The Pennsylvania State University
Discussant: Liuren Wu, Baruch College

Asymmetries in the Reaction of Stock Prices to Macroeconomic News

Tolga Cenesizolgu, HEC Montreal*

Discussant: Peter Gibson, Desjardins Securities

Term Structure of Interest Rates, Room: The Mayfair

Chair: Yisong Tian, York University

A No-Arbitrage Analysis of Macroeconomic Determinants of Term Structures and the Exchange Rate

Fousseni Chabi-Yo, Bank of Canada

Jun Yang, Bank of Canada*

Discussant: Madhu Kalimipalli, Wilfrid Laurier University

Can Affine Term Structure Models Help Us Predict Exchange Rates?

Antonio Diez de los Rios, Bank of Canada*

Discussant: Narat Charupat, McMaster University

Pricing Interest Rate Derivatives under Stochastic Volatility

Nabil Tahani, York University

Xiaofei Li, York University*

Discussant: Wulin Suo, Queen's University

Portfolio Choice I, Room: The Portman

Chair: Andreas Park, University of Toronto

Are Bonds Desirable in Tax-Deferred Accounts?

Marcel Marekwica, Johann Wolfgang Goethe University of Frankfurt*

Discussant: Charles Gaa, University of British Columbia

Optimal House Tenure and Portfolio Choices With Housing As A Hedging Asset

Yu (Frank) Zhang, Columbia University*

Discussant: David Koslowsky, University of Manitoba

Tactical Asset Allocation with Value-Growth Tilts and Predictability

Julian Douglass, University of British Columbia*

Discussant: Aymen Karoui, HEC Montreal

Stock Index/Exchange Issues, Room: The Barclay 2

Chair: Stephen Foerster, University of Western Ontario

Do Stock Exchanges Corral Investors into Herding?

Aditya Kaul, University of Alberta

Vikas Mehrotra, University of Alberta

Carmen Stefanescu, University of Alberta*

Discussant: Timothy Simin, Pennsylvania State University

Do Index Effects Reflect Idiosyncratic or Industry Effects? A Re-Examination of the Winners and Losers of S&P 500 Index Addition

Isaac Otchere, Carleton University*

André Gygax, University of Melbourne

Discussant: Mark Huson, University of Alberta

Demand Curves for Stocks Are Flat: New Evidence from S&P 500 Weight Adjustments

Karel Hrazdil, Simon Fraser University*

Discussant: Fuad Farooqi, University of Western Ontario

Family Ownership and Venture Capital, Room: The Britannia

Chair: Douglas Cumming, York University

Ownership Structure Mobility of Canadian Business Groups

Maria K. Boutchkova, Concordia University*

Diego Cueto, Concordia University

Discussant: Jana Fidrmuc, Warwick Business School

Family Values: Ownership Structure, Performance and Capital Structure of Canadian Firms

Michael King, Bank of Canada*
Eric Santor, Bank of Canada
Discussant: Sofia Johan, Tilburg University

Venture Capital Syndication and Performance Post the IPO: Evidence from Canada and the UK

Khaled Soufani, Concordia University*
Xiaolin Wang, Concordia University
Discussant: Li Que, Schulich School of Business, York University

Analyst Coverage, Room: The Boardroom
Chair: Brian Kluger, University of Cincinnati

Adds and Drops of Analyst coverage: Does the Stock Market Overreact?

Ambrus Kecskes, University of Toronto*
Kent Womack, Dartmouth College
Discussant: Richard Deaves, McMaster University

International GAAP Differences: The Impact of Foreign Analysts

Kee-Hong Bae, Queen's University
Hongping Tan, University of Northern British Columbia*
Michael Welker, Queen's University
Discussant: Feng Chen, University of Toronto

Who Leads?

Bin Chang, University of Toronto*
Discussant: Anand Goel, DePaul University

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

Derivatives II, Room: The Barclay 2
Chair: Chris Veld, University of Stirling

Does Derivative Use Reduce Stock Price Exposure? Evidence from UK Firms

Pingsun Huang, Massey University
M. Humayun Kabir, Massey University*
Yan Zhang, Binghamton University
Discussant: Gaurav Jetley, Analysis Group

Commonality in Liquidity: Evidence from the Option Market

Melanie Cao, York University
Jason Wei, University of Toronto*
Discussant: Chris Veld, University of Stirling

Disaggregating Marketplace Attitude toward Risk: A Contingent-Claim-Based Model

Edwin Neave, Queen's University*
Michael N. Ross, Scotia Capital Mexico
Jun Yang, Acadia University
Discussant: Yuriy Zabolotnyuk, Simon Fraser University

Individual Investors, Room: The Britannia
Chair: Janis Berzins, Norwegian School of Management

Performance Persistence of Individual Investors

Limei Che, Norwegian School of Management
Oyvind Norli, Norwegian School of Management*
Richard Priestley, Norwegian School of Management
Discussant: Noah Stoffman, University of Michigan

When Are Individual Investors Informed?

Noah Stoffman, University of Michigan*
Discussant: Oyvind Norli, Norwegian School of Management

Investment Decisions and Investor Behaviour

Matthias Burghardt, University of Karlsruhe *

Ryan Riordan, University of Karlsruhe
Discussant: Bill Bobey, University of Toronto

Portfolio Choice II, Room: The Portman
Chair: Mark Kamstra, York University

Disentangling the Effects of Heterogeneous Beliefs and Preferences on Asset Prices

Fousseni Chabi-Yo, Bank of Canada*
Eric Ghysels, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Eric Renault, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill and CIRANO, CIREQ, Montreal
Discussant: Andrei Semenov, York University

The Puzzling Evolution of the Home Bias, Information Processing and Financial Openness

Jordi Mondria, University of Toronto*
Thomas Wu, UC Santa Cruz
Discussant: Vladyslav Kyrychenko, RBC Dexia Investment Services

The Value Premium And Firm Volatility in Merton's ICAPM

Robert Savickas, George Washington University*
Discussant: Marcel Rindisbacher, University of Toronto

Financial Institutions and Markets, Room: The Boardroom
Chair: Iraj Fooladi, Dalhousie University

The Transactions Costs of Risk Management vs. Speculation in an Electronic Trading Environment: Evidence from the Montreal Exchange

Lorne Switzer, Concordia University*
Haibo Fan, Concordia University
Discussant: Maria Pacurar, Dalhousie University

Scaling Models for the Severity and Frequency of External Operational Loss Data

Hela Dahan, HEC Montreal*
Georges Dionne, HEC Montreal
Discussant: Lorne Switzer, Concordia University

Universal Banking, Private Information and Incentive Problems: What Do Ex Post Lending Patterns Tell Us?

Karthik Krishnan, Boston College*

Discussant: Ashraf Zaman, Saint Mary's University

**Capital Markets, Room: The Barclay 1
Chair: Michael King, Bank of Canada**

Risk Perception and the Financial System

Lynnette Purda, Queen's University*

Discussant: Usha Mittoo, University of Manitoba

Liquidity and Liquidity Risk for Corporate Bonds

Gady Jacoby, University of Manitoba*

George Theocharides, Sungkyunkwan University

Steven Zheng, University of Manitoba

Discussant: Stephen Foerster, University of Western Ontario

A Law and Finance Analysis of Hedge Funds

Douglas Cumming, York University

Li Que, York University*

Discussant: Michael King, Bank of Canada

**Debt and Financial Distress, Room: The Mayfair
Chair: Ron Giammarino, University of British Columbia**

Income Smoothing and the Cost of Debt

Si Li, Wilfrid Laurier University*

Nivine Richie, UNC-Wilmington

Alan Tucker, Pace University

Discussant: Hernan Ortiz-Molina, University of British Columbia

Debt with Endogenous Safety Covenants: Default and Corporate Securities Valuation

Jerome Detemple, Boston University

Weidong Tian, University of Waterloo*

Discussant: Harjoat Bhamra, University of British Columbia

Resolution of Financial Distress Under Chapter 11: A Dynamic Game Approach

Amira Annabi, HEC Montreal*

Michèle Breton, HEC Montreal

Pascal François, HEC Montreal

Discussant: Hakan Bal, University of Toronto

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2007

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Concurrent Sessions

Personal Wealth Management, Room: The Britannia

Chair: Moshe Milevsky, York University

Who Makes Credit Card Mistakes?

Nadia Massoud, York University

Anthony Saunders, New York University

Barry Scholnick, University of Alberta*

Discussant: Alexandra Mackay, University of Toronto

Optimal Asset Allocation in the Presence of Nonfinancial Assets

Vladyslav Kyrychenko, RBC Dexia Investment Services*

Discussant: Moshe Milevsky, York University

The Victory of Hope over Angst? Funding, Asset Allocation, and Risk-Taking in German Public Sector Pension Reform

Raimond Maurer, Goethe-Universität, Frankfurt am Main

Olivia S. Mitchell, University of Pennsylvania

Ralph Rogalla, Goethe-Universität, Frankfurt am Main*

Discussant: Nabil Tahani, York University

Institutional Investors, Room: The Barclay 1

Chair: Pauline Shum, York University

Hedge Fund, Mutual Fund, and Institutional Fund Conglomerates: Risk and Return Choices for a Sophisticated Investor

Janis Berzins, Norwegian School of Management*

Crocker Liu, Arizona State University

Charles Trzcinka, Indiana University

Discussant: Marcel Rindisbacher, University of Toronto

Institutional Ownership, Volatility and Dividends

Amir Rubin, Simon Fraser University

Daniel R. Smith, Simon Fraser University *

Discussant: Janis Berzins, Norwegian School of Management

Value of Centralized Research in Mutual Fund Management Companies

Lukasz Pomorski, University of Toronto*

Discussant: Martin Hubbes, AGF Funds, Inc.

Executive Compensation II, Room: The Barclay 2

Chair: Alexander Dyck, University of Toronto

Stock and Option Proportions in Executive Compensation

Phelim Boyle, Wilfrid Laurier University

Ranjini Jha, University of Waterloo*

Shannon Kennedy, University of Waterloo

Weidong Tian, University of Waterloo

Discussant: Jason Wei, University of Toronto

An Analytical Comparison of Approaches to Estimating the Value and Incentive of Executive Stock Option Portfolios

Yi Feng, York University*

Yisong Tian, York University

Discussant: Alexander Dyck, University of Toronto

Compensation, Leverage and Payout Policy

Alan Douglas, University of Waterloo*

Discussant: Vikas Mehrotra, University of Alberta

IPOs II, Room: The Portman

Chair: Gordon Roberts, York University

Form or Substance? Impact of Payout Policy and Asset-base Characteristic on Investment and Performance

Felipe Aguerrevere, University of Alberta

Mark Huson, University of Alberta

Federica Pazzaglia, University of Alberta*

Discussant: Gordon Roberts, York University

Blank Check IPOs: A Home Run for Management

Vijay Jog, Carleton University*
Chengye Sun, Carleton University
Discussant: Xianghong Li, York University

Chinese IPO Activity, Pricing and Market Cycles

Zhong-guo Zhou, California State University*
Discussant: Chuk Wong, Dynamic Mutual Funds

Small and Family Business, Room: The Mayfair
Chair: Michael King, Bank of Canada

Performance Reversals, Flow-Performance Relations and Signals of Ability in the Venture Capital Market

Oghenovo Adewale Obrimah, Virginia Commonwealth University *
Puneet Prakash, Virginia Commonwealth University
Discussant: Khaled Soufani, Concordia University

Family Control and Dilution in Mergers

Nilanan Basu, Concordia University
Lora Dimitrova, Concordia University
Imants Paeglis, Concordia University*
Discussant: Kai Li, University of British Columbia

The Tax Benefit of Hedging for Canadian Small and Medium Size Firms

Jean-Marie Gagnon, Laval University
Nabil Khoury, University of Quebec in Montreal *
Suzanne Landry, HEC Montreal
Discussant: Lorne Switzer, Concordia University

Corporate Social Responsibility, Room: The Boardroom
Chair: Lawrence Kryzanowski, Concordia University

The Relative Valuation of Socially Responsible Firms: An Exploratory Study

Ali Fatemi, DePaul University
Iraj J. Fooladi, Dalhousie University*
David Wheeler, Dalhousie University
Discussant: Nancy Ursel, University of Windsor

Corporate Social Responsibility and Financial Distress

Allen Goss, Ryerson University*
Discussant: Claudia Champagne, Concordia University

Do Labor Unions Affect Agency Costs of Debt?

Huafeng (Jason) Chen, University of British Columbia
Marcin Kacperczyk, University of British Columbia
Hernan Ortiz-Molina, University of British Columbia*
Discussant: Iraj Fooladi, Dalhousie University

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

Information and Trading, Room: The Britannia
Chair: Richard Deaves, McMaster University

Conservative Traders, Natural Selection and Market Efficiency

Guo Ying Luo, McMaster University*
Discussant: Brian Kluger, University of Cincinnati

Does More Informed Trading Necessarily Lead to Higher Expected Returns?

Moonsoo Kang, University of Colorado at Boulder*
Discussant: Peter Miu, McMaster University

Bid-Ask Spreads and Volume: The Role of Endogenous Trade Timing

Andreas Park, University of Toronto*
Discussant: Guo Ying Luo, McMaster University

Trading Strategies and Portfolio Management, Room: The Mayfair
Chair: Vladyslav Kyrychenko, RBC Dexia Investment Services

Modern Portfolio Management with Conditioning Information

I-Hsuan Ethan Chiang, Boston College*

Discussant: Jordi Mondria, University of Toronto

Predatory Short Selling

Andriy Shkilko, Wilfrid Laurier University *

Bonnie Van Ness, University of Mississippi

Robert Van Ness, University of Mississippi

Discussant: Lisa Kramer, University of Toronto

Riding Bubbles

Nadja Guenster, Erasmus University Rotterdam*

Erik Kole, Erasmus University Rotterdam

Ben Jacobsen, Massey University

Discussant: Marcel Marekwica, Goethe University

Corporate Finance and Governance, Room: The Boardroom
Chair: Ayse Yuce, Ryerson University

The Impact of Switching Costs on Vendor Financing

M. Martin Boyer, HEC Montreal and CIRANO

Karine Gobert, Universite de Sherbrooke*

Discussant: Patricia McGraw, Ryerson University

Stealing From Thieves: Firm Governance and Performance When States are Predatory

Art Durnev, McGill University*

Larry Fauver, University of Miami

Discussant: Ayse Yuce, Ryerson University

The choice of ADRs

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