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Monday, December 11

Welcome coffee & snacks (09:45)

Open Session 1 (10:30-11:45)

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Lunch break

Session 2 (13:15-14:45)

Who Likes Jargon? The Joint Effect of Jargon, Syntactic Complexity, and Investors' Specialized Industry Expertise on Investment Willingness

Hun-Tong Tan (Nanyang Technological University), Elaine Ying Wang (University of Massachusetts Amherst), G-Song Yoo (Nanyang Technological University)

Disaggregated Sales and Stock Returns

Sumit Agarwal (Georgetown University), Wenlan Qian (National University of Singapore), Xin Zou (Hong Kong Baptist University)

Coffee break

Session 3 (15:15-17:30)

Is gender in the eye of the beholder? Identifying cultural attitudes with art auction prices

Renée Adams (University of New South Wales), Roman Kräussl (Luxembourg School of Finance and Hoover Institution, Stanford University), Marco Navone (University of Technology Sydney), Patrick Verwijmeren (Erasmus School of Economics and University of Melbourne)

Leviathan Inc. and Corporate Environmental Engagement

Po-Hsuan Hsu (University of Hong Kong), Hao Liang (Singapore Management University and Tilburg University), Pedro P. Matos (University of Virginia)

How does the market value operating assets when ex ante tunneling risk is high?

Yan-Leung Cheung (Hong Kong Institute of Education), P. Raghavendra Rau (University of Cambridge), Aris Stouraitis (Hong Kong Baptist University), Weiqiang Tan (Hong Kong Baptist University)

Bus departs for Conference Dinner (18:00); Conference Dinner at Central (19:00-21:30)

Tuesday, December 12

Welcome coffee & snacks (09:45)

Session 4 (10:00-12:15)

Only Time Can Tell: A Model of Cultural Products and their Temporal Quality

Kim-Sau Chung (Hong Kong Baptist University) and Chia-Hui Lu (Hong Kong Baptist University)

Cash Demand and Consumption Response to an Unanticipated Monetary Policy Shock: Evidence from Turkey

Sumit Agarwal (Georgetown University), Souphala Chomsisengphet (Office of the Comptroller of the Currency), Yildiray Yildirim (City University of New York), Jian Zhang (Hong Kong Baptist University)

Does the Threat of a PCAOB Inspection Mitigate U.S. Institutional Investors' Home Bias?

Yue He (City University of Hong Kong), Bing Li (City University of Hong Kong), Zhenbin Liu (Hong Kong Baptist University), Jeffrey Pittman (Memorial University of Newfoundland)

Conference Lunch