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Friday 27 April 2012

**Chair: Gerard Roland**

09:15-10:00

RITUALS OR GOOD WORKS: SOCIAL SIGNALLING IN RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS

\***Gilat Levy**, LSE and CEPR  
Ronny Razin, LSE and CEPR

10:00-10:45

MINORITIES: CULTURAL TRANSMISSION, FERTILITY AND INTEGRATION POLICY

\***Chaim Fershtman**, Tel Aviv University and CEPR  
Sagit Bar-Gill, Tel Aviv University

10:45-11:30

SOCIAL NETWORKS AND PARENTAL BEHAVIOR IN THE INTERGENERATIONAL TRANSMISSION OF RELIGION

\***Yves Zenou**, Stockholm University and CEPR  
Eleonora Patacchini, La Sapienza University of Rome and CEPR

11:30-12:15

*Coffee Break*

12:15-13:00

CONSUMPTION NETWORK EFFECTS

\***Luigi Pistaferri**, Stanford University, EIEF and CEPR  
Giacomo De Giorgi, Stanford University and CEPR  
Anders Frederikssen, Aarhus University

13:00-13:45

GERMS, SOCIAL NETWORKS AND GROWTH

\***Alessandra Fogli**, University of Minnesota and CEPR  
Laura Veldkamp, New York University and CEPR

- 13:45-14:45**                    **Lunch**
- Chair: Alberto Bisin**
- 14:45-15:30**                    INTERGENERATIONAL AND SOCIAL TRANSMISSION OF A SMOKING CULTURE: THEORY AND EVIDENCE
- \*Rebekka Christopoulou**, Cornell University  
Ahmed Jaber, Cornell University  
Dean R. Lillard, Cornell University
- 15:30-16:15**                    THE ECONOMIC INCENTIVES OF CULTURAL TRANSMISSION: SPATIAL EVIDENCE FROM NAMING PATTERNS ACROSS FRANCE
- \*Thierry Mayer**, Sciences Po and CEPR  
Yann Algan, Sciences Po and CEPR  
Mathias Thoenig, Université de Lausanne and CEPR
- 16:15-16:45**                    **Coffee Break**
- 16:45-17:30**                    REDISTRIBUTION, IDENTITY, AND IDEOLOGY
- \*Rachel Kranton**, Duke University  
Seth Sanders, Duke University  
Scott Huettel, Duke University
- 17:30-18:15**                    THE PARADOX OF INTEGRATION: A MODEL OF SOCIAL DIFFERENCE AND BARRIERS TO ADVANCEMENT
- \*Lydia Mechtenberg**, Wissenschafts Zentrum Socialforschung fur Berlin
- 18:15-19:00**                    CULTURAL PROXIMITY AND LOAN OUTCOMES
- \* Vikrant Vig**, London Business School and CEPR  
Raymond Fisman, Columbia Business School  
Daniel Paravisini, Columbia Business School
- 20:00**                            **CONFERENCE DINNER**

## Saturday 28 April

**Chair: Yann Algan**

- 09:15-10:00**                    THE ONSET OF FEMALE LABOR MARKET PARTICIPATION AND THE ROLE OF MOTHERS
- \*Matilde Pinto Machado**, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid and CEPR  
Jesus Carro, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid  
Ricardo Mora, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid
- 10:00-10:45**                    THE OLD BOY NETWORK: GENDER DIFFERENCES IN THE IMPACT OF SOCIAL NETWORKS ON REMUNERATION IN TOP EXECUTIVE JOBS
- \*Marie Lalanne**, Toulouse School of Economics  
Paul Seabright, Toulouse School of Economics and CEPR

- 10:45-11:30** THE DISAPPEARING GENDER GAP: THE IMPACT OF DIVORCE, WAGES, AND PREFERENCES AND ON EDUCATION CHOICES AND WOMEN'S WORK
- \*Raquel Fernández**, New York University and CEPR  
Joyce C. Wong, New York University
- 11:30-12:15** *Coffee Break*
- 12:15-13:00** SELF-ESTEEM, SHAME AND PERSONAL MOTIVATION
- \*Roberta Dessí**, Toulouse School of Economics and CEPR  
Xiaojian Zhao, Hong Kong University of Science & Technology (HKUST)
- 13:00-13:45** SEEDS OF DISTRUST: CONFLICT IN UGANDA
- \*Mathias Thoenig**, Université de Lausanne and CEPR  
Dominic Rohner, University of Zurich  
Fabrizio Zilibotti, University of Zurich and CEPR
- 13:45-14:45** *Lunch*
- Chair: Luigi Guiso**
- 14:45-15:30** ON THE HISTORICAL AND GEOGRAPHIC ORIGINS OF THE SICILIAN MAFIA
- \*Giovanni Prarolo**  
Paolo Buonanno, University of Bergamo  
Ruben Durante, Sciences Po  
Paolo Vanin, University of Bologna
- 15:30-16:15** SOCIAL CAPITAL AND THE HORIZON OF PUBLIC SPENDING
- \* Giacomo Ponzetto**, CREI and CEPR  
Ugo Troiano, Harvard University
- 16:15-16:45** *Coffee Break*
- 16:45-17:30** MAKING DEMOCRACY WORK: THE EFFECTS SOCIAL CAPITAL AND ELECTIONS ON PUBLIC GOODS IN RURAL CHINA
- \*Nancy Qian**, Yale University and CEPR  
Yiqing Xu, MIT  
Gerard Padró i Miquel, LSE and CEPR  
Yang Yao, Peking University
- 17:30-18:15** TRADE, SCALE, OR SOCIAL CAPITAL? TECHNOLOGICAL PROGRESS IN POOR AND RICH COUNTRIES
- \*José Tavares**, Nova School of Business and Economics and CEPR  
João Tovar Jalles, Cambridge University
- 18:15-19:00** DEMOCRACY, DICTATORSHIP AND THE CULTURAL TRANSMISSION OF POLITICAL VALUES
- \*Davide Ticchi**, IMT Lucca Institute for Advanced Studies  
Thierry Verdier, PSE and CEPR  
Andrea Vindigni, IMT Lucca

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