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Friday, April 7, 2006

7:30 – 8:15 **Registration and Continental Breakfast**

8:15 – 8:30 **Opening Remarks**

8:30– 10:00 **SESSION ONE: CREDIT RISK I**

[Modeling the Term Structure of Defaultable Bonds under Recovery Risk](#)

Lotfi Karoui, McGill University

[Restructuring Risk in Credit Default Swaps: An Empirical Analysis](#)

Antje Berndt, Carnegie Mellon University, Robert A. Jarrow –
ChoongOh Kang, Cornell University

[Joint Estimation of Default and Recovery Risk: A Simulation Study](#)

Jens H. E. Christensen, Copenhagen Business School

10:000 –
10:30 --- Coffee Break ---

10:30 – 12:00 **SESSION TWO: CREDIT RISK II**

[Are Longer Bankruptcies Really More Costly?](#)

Daniel M. Covitz – Song Han – Beth Anne Wilson, Federal Reserve Board

[Feedback Effects of Rating Downgrades](#)

Andras Fulop, University of Toronto

[The Pricing of Portfolio Credit Risk](#)

Nikola Tarashev – Haibin Zhu, Bank for International Settlements

12:00 – 1:30 --- Lunch ---

1:30 – 3:00 **SESSION THREE: EMPIRICAL STUDIES I**

Is Systematic Risk Priced in Options?

Jin-Chuan Duan – Jason Wei, University of Toronto

An Empirical Comparison of Affine and Non-Affine Models for Equity Index Options

Peter Christoffersen – Kris Jacobs – Karim Mimouni, McGill University

Nonparametric Interest Rate Cap Pricing and Implications for the “Unspanned Stochastic Volatility” Puzzle

Tao L. Wu, State University of New York at Buffalo

3:00 – 3:30 --- Coffee Break ---

3:30 – 5:00 **SESSION FOUR: EMPIRICAL STUDIES II**

Specification Analysis of Structural Models Using Term Structure of CDS Spreads and Equity Volatility from High Frequency Data

Jing-zhi Huang, Penn State University, Hao Zhou, Federal Reserve Board

Liquidity, Liquidity, Spillover, and Credit Default Swap Spreads

Dragon Y. Tang, Kennesaw State University, Hong Yan, University of Texas at Austin and SEC

The Information Content of Option-Implied Volatility for Credit Default Swap Valuation

Charles Cao – Zhaodong Zhong, Pennsylvania State University, Fan Yu, University of California Irvine

5:00 – 6:30 --- Reception ---

Saturday, April 8, 2006

7:30 – 8:15 --- Continental Breakfast ---

8:15– 9:45 **SESSION FIVE: ISSUES IN PRICING I**

Estimating Preferences Toward Risk: Evidence from Dow Jones

Douglas W. Blackburn – Andrey D. Ukhov, Indiana University

Information-Based Asset Pricing

Dorje C. Brody, Imperial College, Lane P. Hughston – Andrea

Macrina, King's College

General Equilibrium with Stochastic Volatility and Jumps

Nicole Branger, University of Southern Denmark, Christian Schlag
– Eva Schneider, Goethe University

9:45 – 10:00 --- Coffee Break ---

10:00 – 12:00 **SESSION SIX: ISSUES IN PRICING II**

A Dynamic Programming Procedure for Pricing CDS and CDS Options

Hatem B. Ameur, HEC Montreal, Damiano Brigo, Banca IMI,
Eymen Errais, Stanford University

A General Characterization of the Early Exercise Premium

João P. V. Nunes, CEMAF/ISCTE

Pricing an Option on a Non-Decreasing Asset Value: An Application to Movie Revenue

Don M. Chance – Eric Hillebrand – Jimmy E. Hilliard, Louisiana
State University

A Simple Model for Time-Varying Expected Returns on the S&P 500 Index

James S. Doran, Florida State University, Ehud I. Ronn, University
of Texas at Austin, Robert S. Goldberg, Adelphi University

12:00 – 12:15 **Closing Remarks**