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Cornell University's Johnson Graduate School of Management

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Friday, April 17, 2009

8:00-8:25a Registration
 -- Continental Breakfast --

8:25–8:30 Welcoming Remarks

8:30–10:00 **Issues in Term Structure Modeling**

Linearized Nelson-Siegel and Svensson models for the estimation of spot interest rates
Geneviève Gauthier and **Jean-Guy Simonato**, HEC Montréal

Forecasting Yield Volatility with Arbitrage-Free Nelson-Siegel Models
Jens Christensen, **Jose Lopez**, and **Glenn Rudebusch**, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco

Stochastic Volatility and Option Pricing in Heath-Jarrow-Morton Term Structure Analysis
Bent Jesper Christensen, **Elisa Nicolato**, **David Skovmand**, Aarhus University and
George Konaris, Morgan Stanley

10:00-10:30 -- Coffee Break --

10:30-12:00 **Price Dynamics and Influential Investor/Traders**

Fundamentals, Trader Activity and Derivative Pricing
Bahattin Büyüksahin, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, **Michael Haigh**, K2
Advisors, **Jeffrey Harris**, Commodity Futures Trading Commission & University of
Delaware, **Michel Robe**, Commodity Futures Trading Commission & American University

Do Central Bank Liquidity Facilities Affect Interbank Lending Rates?
Jens Christensen, **Jose Lopez** and **Glenn Rudebusch**, Federal Reserve Bank of San
Francisco

Strategic Execution in the Presence of an Uniformed Arbitrageur
Beomsoo Park, **Benjamin Van Roy**, Stanford University and **Ciamac Moallemi**,
Columbia University

12:00-1:30 -- Lunch --

1:30-3:00 **Jump Risks and Return Dynamics**

Expected Option Returns and the Structure of Jump Risk Premia
Nicole Branger, University of Münster, **Alexandra Hansis** and **Christian Schlag**,
Goethe University

Stochastic Volatility Models for Asset Returns with Jumps, Leverage Effect and Heavy-Tails: A Specification Analysis Based on MCMC

Jing-zhi Huang, Penn State University and **Li Xu**, Stanford University

Alternative Specifications for the Lévy Libor Market Model: An Empirical Investigation
David Skovmand and **Elisa Nicolato**, Aarhus University

3:00-3:30 -- Coffee Break --

3:30-5:00 **Fixed Income**

Bond Risk Premia and Realized Jump Risk
Jonathan Wright, Johns Hopkins University and **Hao Zhou**, Federal Reserve Board

A New Class of Asset Pricing Models with Lévy Processes: Theory and Applications
Chayawat Ornthanalai, McGill University

Nonlinear Filtering in Affine Term Structure Models: Evidence from the Term Structure of Swap Rates

Peter Christoffersen, **Kris Jacobs**, McGill University, **Lotfi Karoui**, Goldman, Sachs & Co. and **Karim Mimouni**, American University in Dubai

5:30-7:00 -- Reception --

Saturday, April 18, 2009

8:30-9:00a -- Continental Breakfast --

9:00-10:00 **Issues in Options Pricing**

A Joint Model for Variance Swaps and the Spot
Rama Cont, Columbia University and **Thomas Kokholm**, Aarhus University

Analytical Valuation of American Options and Callable Bonds under Stochastic Interest Rates and Endogenous Bankruptcy
João Pedro Vidal Nunes, ISCTE Business School

10:00-10:30 -- Coffee Break --

10:30-12:00 **Credit Risk**

A Little Knowledge is a Dangerous Thing: Model Specification, Data History, and CDO (Mis)Pricing

Dan Luo, **Dragon Yongjun Tang**, and **Sarah Qian Wang**, University of Hong Kong

Measuring Portfolio Credit Risk Correctly: Why Parameter Uncertainty Matters
Nikola Tarashev, Bank for International Settlements

Financial Firm Bankruptcy and Systemic Risk
Jean Helwege, Penn State University

--Adjournment – box lunch available --