2013 Tsinghua Finance Workshop

June 8th Morning Session

Opening: Michael Powers (Tsinghua University, Chair, Finance Department)

Corporate Finance (Chair: Gordon Phillips)

09:00am-09:45am

The mortality cost of political connections, by Raymond Fisman (Columbia

University) and **Yongxiang Wang** (University of Southern California)

Discussant: **Zhishu Yang** (Tsinghua University)

09:45am-10:30am

The Political Economy of Corporate Finance: Evidence from 'Re-nationalization' in China, by **Zhangkai Huang** (Tsinghua University), Lixing Li (Peking University), Guangrong Ma (Peking University), and Jun "QJ" Qian (Boston College)

Discussant: Gordon Phillips (University of Southern California)

10:30am-10:45am Coffee Break

Asset Pricing (Chair: Neil Pearson)

10:45am-11:30am

Linear Approximations and Tests of Conditional Pricing Models, by Michael W. Brandt (Duke University) and **David A. Chapman** (Boston College)

Discussant: Yingzi Zhu (Tsinghua University)

11:30am-12:15pm

Incorporating Logevity Risk and Medical Information into Life Settlement Pricing, by Patrick L. Brockett (University of Texas at Austin), Shuo-li Chuang (University of Texas at Austin), Yinglu Deng (Tsinghua University), and Richard D. MacMinn (Illinois State University)

Discussant: Neil Pearson (University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign)

June 8th Afternoon Session

Corporate Finance (Chair: Gordon Phillips)

02:00pm-02:45pm

Macroeconomic Conditions and Firms' Financing Decisions: A Reinvestigation, Xin Chang (Nanyang Technological University) and **Yunling Chen** (Tsinghua University), and Sudipto Dasgupta (Hong Kong University of Science and Technology)

Discussant: Murray Z. Frank (University of Minnesota)

02:45pm-03:30pm

Do CEOs Matter? Evidence from the Recent Great Recession, by **Jiaren Pang** (Tsinghua University), Sheri Tice (Tulane University), and Lingling Wang (Tulane University)

Discussant: Oguzhan Ozbas (University of Southern California)

03:30pm-03:45pm: Coffee Break

Asset Pricing (Chair: Neil Pearson)

03:45pm-04:30pm

On the Fundamental Relation between Equity Returns and Interest Rates, by Jaewon Choi (University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign) Matthew Richardson (New York University), and Robert F. Whitelaw (New York University)

Discussant: Charles Cao (Penn State University and Tsinghua University)

04:30pm-05:15pm

An Empirical Comparison of Non-traded and Traded Factors in Asset Pricing, by **Lei Jiang** (Tsinghua University) and Zhaoguo Zhan (Tsinghua University)

Discussant: **David A. Chapman** (Boston College)

June 9th Morning Session

Asset Pricing (Chair: Neil Pearson)

09:00am-09:45am

Investment and the Weighted Average Cost of Capital, by **Murray Z. Frank** (University of Minnesota) and Tao Shen (University of Minnesota and Tsinghua University)

Discussant: **Hao Zhou** (Tsinghua University)

09:45am-10:30am

Prenatal Exposure to Testosterone Reduces the Gender Gap in Financial Risk Taking, by Henrik Cronqvista (Claremont McKenna College), Alessandro Previterob (University of Western Ontario), **Stephan Siegel** (University of Washington), and Roderick E. White (University of Western Ontario)

Discussant: Si Li (Tsinghua University)

10:30am-10:45am Coffee Break

Corporate Finance (Chair: Gordon Phillips)

10:45am-11:30am

The Different Impacts of Managerial Risk and Uncertainty Perceptions on Corporate Decisions, by **Minwen Li** (Tsinghua University) and Hao Wang (Tsinghua University)

Discussant: Yongxiang Wang (University of Southern California)

11:30am-12:15pm

Managerial Accommodation, Proxy Access, and the Cost of Shareholder Empowerment, by John G. Matsusaka (University of Southern California) and **Oguzhan Ozbas** (University of Southern California)

Discussant: Ping He (Tsinghua University)

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