



WASHINGTON AREA DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS SYMPOSIUM (WADES)

Fifth Annual Conference
Hosted by the Mercatus Center and George Mason University

Friday, May 5, 2017, 8:30am to 5:30pm
Founders Hall, Room 113
George Mason University, Arlington, Virginia

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

- 8:30am *Light Breakfast*
- 8:50am Welcome by Rob Raffety (Mercatus Center)
- 9:00am “Recruitment, effort, and retention effects of performance contracts for civil servants: Experimental evidence from Rwandan primary schools” **Andrew Zeitlin (Georgetown)**
- 9:50am “The Effect of Mass Layoffs on Earnings Loss in Brazil” **Fernando Saltiel (UMD)**
- 10:20am Discussion of “The Effect of Mass Layoffs on Earnings Loss in Brazil” **Jacobus Cilliers (Georgetown)**
- 10:30am *Coffee Break*
- 10:50am “Negative Shocks and Mass Persecutions: Evidence from the Black Death” **Noel Johnson (GMU)**
- 11:40am “General Equilibrium Effects of (Improving) Public Employment Programs: Experimental Evidence from India” **Sandip Sukhtankar (UVA)**
- 12:20pm *Lunch (catered)*
- 1:10pm “Weather, Labor Reallocation, and Industrial Production: Evidence from India” **Jonathan Colmer (UVA)**
- 2:00pm “Interfirm Relationships and Business Performance” **Jing Cai (UMD)**
- 2:50pm “Air Pollution, Infant Morbidity and Infant Mortality: Evidence from 15 Years of Births and Deaths in Hong Kong” **Dajun Lim (UVA)**
- 3:20pm Discussion of “Air Pollution, Infant Morbidity and Infant Mortality” **Sergio Urzua (UMD)**
- 3:30pm *Coffee Break*
- 4:00pm “Crimes against Morality: Unintended Consequences of Criminalizing Sex Work” **Jennifer Muz (GWU)**.
- 4:50pm “An empirical analysis of mobile money and savings in rural Kenya” **Alev Gurbuz (Georgetown)**
- 5:20pm Discussion of “An empirical analysis of mobile money and savings in rural Kenya” **Sarah Baird (GWU)**
- 5:30pm *Reception (short walk to Mercatus Center offices)*