

Northeastern University Finance Conference
May 12 – 13, 2017, Boston, MA

Location: **May 12 - 170 Dodge Hall**
 May 13 - 50 Dodge Hall
D'Amore-McKim School of Business
Northeastern University
360 Huntington Avenue
Boston, MA – 02115

Friday, May 12, 2017 **170 Dodge Hall**

11:30 am – 12:45 pm: *Lunch and pick up conference materials*

12:45 pm – 1:00 pm: *Opening remarks: **Hugh Courtney, Dean, D'Amore-McKim School of Business***
*Announcements: **Jayant Kale***

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm: *"Import Competition and Household Debt"*
*Chair: **K. C. Zheng***
*Presenter: **Jean-Noel Barrot (MIT)***
*Discussant: **Amiyatosh Purnanandam (University of Michigan)***

2:00 pm – 2:15 pm: *Break*

2:15 pm – 3:15 pm: *"Bankruptcy Spillovers"*
*Chair: **Tiantian Gu***
*Presenter: **Benjamin Iverson (Northwestern University)***
*Discussant: **Gordon Phillips (Dartmouth College)***

3:15 pm – 3:30 pm: *Break*

3:30 pm – 4:30 pm: *"Proxy Advisory Firms: The Economics of Selling Information to Voters"*
*Chair: **Felipe Cortes***
*Presenter: **Nadya Malenko (Boston College)***
*Discussant: **Suresh Sundaresan (Columbia University)***

6:00 pm – 9:00 pm: *Conference Reception at **Skywalk Observatory, Top of the Hub, 50th floor, Prudential Building***

Saturday, May 13, 2017 **50 Dodge Hall**

8:00 am – 9 am: *Breakfast*

9:00 am – 10 am: *“Measuring Social Connectedness”*

Chair: **John Bai**

Presenter: **Theresa Kuchler (New York University)**

Discussant: **N. R. Prabhala (University of Maryland)**

10:00 am – 10:15 am: *Break*

10:15 am – 11:15 am: *“Credit Rating Changes and Stock Price Informativeness”*

Chair: **Anya Mkrtychyan**

Presenter: **Felipe Cortes (Northeastern University)**

Discussant: **Lukas Schmid (Duke University)**

11:15 am – 11:30 am: *Break*

11:30 am – 12:30 pm: *“Unemployment Insurance with Informal Labor Markets: Evidence from Brazil”*

Chair: **Pegaret Pichler**

Presenter: **Janis Skrastins (Washington University)**

Discussant: **Andrew Samwick (Dartmouth College)**

12:30 pm – 1:45 pm: *Lunch*

1:45 pm – 2:45 pm: *“Drivers of Effort: Evidence from Employee Absenteeism”*

Chair: **Nicole Boyson**

Presenter: **Margarita Tsoutsoura (University of Chicago)**

Discussant: **Todd Gormley (Washington University)**

2:45 pm – 3:00 pm: *Break*

3:00 pm – 4:00 pm: *“Incentives and Competition in the Airline Industry”*

Chair: **Linlin Ma**

Presenter: **Carola Schenone (University of Virginia - McIntire)**

Discussant: **Jun Yang (Indiana University)**

Thanks – Rajesh Aggarwal

Conference Ends