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Program

Wednesday, January 20, 2010

09.00-09.20 Welcome address
Gianmarco I.P. Ottaviano, Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei and Bocconi University, Italy

Session 1. Cultural and institutional roots of crime

09.20-11.00 A history of violence: testing the "culture of honor" of the US South
Pauline Grosjean*, Berkeley University of California, US
Discussant: Giulio Zanella, University of Bologna, Italy

"Advocatus, et non latro?" Testing the supplier-induced-demand hypothesis for Italian Courts of Justice
Paolo Buonanno*, University of Bergamo, Italy
Matteo M. Galizzi, University of Brescia, Italy
Discussant: Ernesto Schargrodsky, Universidad Torcuato di Tella, Argentina

11.00-11.20 Coffee break

Session 2. Ethnic diversity and integration

11.20-13.00 The effect of birthright citizenship on parental integration outcomes
Paolo Masella*, University of Mannheim, Germany
Ciro Avitabile, CSEF – University of Naples, Italy
Irma Clots-Figueras, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, Spain
Discussant: Paola Giuliano, UCLA Anderson, US

Like oil and water or chocolate and peanuts butter? Ethnic diversity and social participation of young people in England
Laura Fumagalli*, University of Essex, UK
Elena Fumagalli, Ca Foscari University, Italy and University of West Anglia, UK
Discussant: Eric Uslaner, University of Maryland, US

13.00-14.00 Lunch
Session 3. Moral values and social control

14.00-15.40 "Thou shalt not covet..." prohibitions, temptations and moral values
Matteo Cervellati*, University of Bologna, Italy
Paolo Vanin, University of Bologna, Italy
Discussant: Sten Nyberg, Stockholm University, Sweden

Stigma and social control
Larry Blume*, Cornell University, US
Discussant: Paolo Vanin, University of Bologna, Italy

15.40-16.00 Coffee break

Session 4. Junior session: culture and institutions

16.00-17.30 Cultural formation of preferences
Michael M. Pichler*, University of Bielefeld, Germany
Discussant: Maria Cubel, University of Barcelona, Spain

"Driving while black": a theory for interethnic integration and evolution of prejudice
Fabrizio Panebianco*, Advanced School of Economics in Venice, Italy
Discussant: Ronny Razin, London School of Economics and Political Sciences and CEPR, UK

Risk, cooperation and economic origins of social trust: an empirical investigation
Ruben Durante*, Brown University, US
Discussant: Eleonora Patacchini, Università di Roma La Sapienza, Italy
Thursday, January 21, 2010

Session 5. Religion

9.00-10.40 Religious organisations
Ronny Razin*, London School of Economics and Political Sciences and CEPR, UK
Gilat Levy, London School of Economics and Political Sciences, UK
Discussant: Alberto Alesina, Harvard University, US and CEPR, UK
Trade and geography in the origins of Islam
Alireza Naghavi*, University of Bologna and Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei, Italy
Stelios Michalopoulos, Tufts University, US
Giovanni Prarolo, University of Bologna and Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei, Italy
Discussant: Thierry Verdier, Paris-Jourdan Sciences Economiques, France and CEPR, UK

10.40-11.00 Coffee break

Session 6. Natural experiments and crime

11.00-13.30 Conscription and crime
Ernesto Schargrodsky*, Universidad Torcuato di Tella, Argentina
Sebastian Galiani, Washington University in St.Louis, US
Martin A. Rossi, Universidad de San Andrés, Argentina
Discussant: Giovanni Prarolo, University of Bologna and Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei, Italy
Indirect effects of a policy altering criminal behaviour: evidence from a natural experiment
Francesco Drago*, University of Naples "Parthenope", Italy
Roberto Galbiati, CNRS, EconomiX and Cepremad, France
Discussant: Danila Serra, Florida State University, US
Migration restrictions and criminal behaviour: evidence from a natural experiment
Paolo Pinotti*, Bank of Italy, Italy
Giovanni Mastrobuoni, Collegio Carlo Alberto, Italy
Discussant: Paolo Buonanno, University of Bergamo, Italy

13.30-14.30 Lunch
Session 7. Family values and women’s rights

14.30-16.10  Family values and the regulation of labor
Alberto Alesina*, Harvard University, US and CEPR, UK
Yann Algan, Science Po and OFCE, France
Pierre Cahuc, École Polytechnique and Crest, France
Paola Giuliano, UCLA Anderson, US
Discussant: Joel Guttman, Bar-Ilan University, Israel

Women’s rights and development
Raquel Fernández*, New York University, US and CEPR, UK
Discussant: Pauline Grosjean, Berkeley University of California, US

16.10-16.30  Coffee break

Session 8. Junior session: crime

16.30-18.00  Juvenile law and recidivism - a discontinuity-based analysis
Daniel Roemer*, Technische Universität Darmstadt, Germany
Stefan Pichler, Technische Universität Darmstadt, Germany
Discussant: Francesco Drago, University of Naples “Parthenope”, Italy

Property crime and immigration in England and Wales
Georgios Papadopoulos*, University of Essex, UK
Discussant: Daniel Montolio, Universitat de Barcelona, Spain

Inequality and growth: the role of beliefs and culture
Martin Strieborný*, Université de Lausanne, Switzerland
Discussant: Matteo Cervellati, University of Bologna, Italy
Friday, January 22, 2010

Session 9. Juvenile delinquency

9.00-10.40 Crime and education in a model of information transmission
Darwin Cortés*, Universidad del Rosario, Colombia
Guido Friebel, Goethe University, Germany
Dario Maldonado, Universidad del Rosario, Colombia
Discussant: Fabrizio Adriani, SOAS London, UK

Juvenile delinquency and conformism
Eleonora Patacchini*, Università di Roma La Sapienza, Italy
Yves Zenou, Stockholm University, Sweden
Discussant: Paolo Pinotti, Bank of Italy, Italy

10.40-11.00 Coffee break

Session 10. Culture, institutions and performance

11.00-13.30 Social capital and political accountability
Tommaso Nannicini*, IGIER, Bocconi University, and IZA, Germany
Andrea Stella, Harvard University, US
Guido Tabellini, IGIER, Bocconi University, Italy, and CEPR, UK
Ugo Troiano, Harvard University, US
Discussant: Alberto Bisin, New York University, US

The right amount of trust
Paola Giuliano*, UCLA Anderson, US
Jeff Butler, Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance, Italy
Luigi Guiso, European University Institute and Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance, Italy
Discussant: Larry Blume, Cornell University, US

Using the law to change the custom
Jean-Philippe Plateau*, University of Namur, Belgium
Gani Aldashev, University of Namur, Belgium
Imane Chaara, University of Namur, Belgium
Zaki Wahhaj, University of Namur, Belgium
Discussant: Paolo Masella, Mannheim University, Germany

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