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THE PROGRAM

Thursday June 7th

14:00-16:15 Agency Problems

Ethan Bueno de Mesquita, Harris School of Public Policy, University of Chicago

“Unbundling Tasks in a Political Agency Framework” (with Scott Ashworth)

Michael Ting, Department of Political Science, Columbia University

“Turf Wars” (with Helios Herrera)

James Snyder, Department of Government, Harvard University

“Elections and Government Accountability: Evidence from U.S. State Courts”

16:15-16:45 Coffee break

16:45-18:15 Constitutional Issues

Steven Callander, Graduate School of Business, Stanford University

“Incentives to Experiment in Federal Systems” (with Bard Harstad)

John Ferejohn, School of Law, New York University

“Blank Checks, Insufficient Balances”

Friday June 8th

9:15-11:30 Information Aggregation

Richard van Weelden, Department of Economics, University of Chicago

“Ideology and Information in Policymaking” (with Massimo Morelli)

Francesco Squintani, Department of Economics, University of Warwick

“In Defense of Factions: A Model of Intra-Party Organization and Information Aggregation” (with Torun Dewan)

Dimitrios Xefteris, Department of Economics, University of Cyprus

“Imperfectly Informed Voters and Strategic Extremism” (with Enriqueta Aragones)

11:30-12:00 Coffee break



12:00-13:30 Distributional concerns

Leeat Yariv, Division of the Humanities and Social Sciences, California Institute of Technology

“Collective Dynamic Choice: the Necessity of Time Inconsistency” (with Matthew O. Jackson)

Gilat Levy, Department of Economics, London School of Economics

“Preferences over Redistribution in the Presence of Sorting” (with Ronny Razin)

Saturday June 9th

9:15-11:30 Dynamic models

Marco Battaglini, Department of Economics, Princeton University

“The Free Rider Problem: a Dynamic Analysis” (with Salvatore Nunnari and Thomas Palfrey)

Rafael Hortala-Vallve, Department of Government, London School of Economics

“Policy Learning and Elections” (with Torun Dewan)

John Duggan, Department of Political Science, University of Rochester

“Markovian Elections” (with Jean-Guillaume Forand)

11:30-12:00 Coffee break

12:00-13.30 Abstention and Turnout

Marina Agranov, Division of the Humanities and Social Sciences, California Institute of Technology

“What Makes Voters Turn Out: The Effects of Polls and Beliefs” (with Jacob Goeree, Julian Romero and Leeat Yariv)

Santiago Oliveros, Haas School of Business, University of California- Berkeley

“Demand for Slant: How Abstention Shapes Voters’ Choice of News Media” (with Felix Vardy)

More information at: <http://aragones.iae-csic.org/pwtps.html>



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