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Mays Business School

2021 Lone Star Finance Virtual Conference

September 24, 2021 on Zoom

We will hold the Lone Star Virtual Conference on Zoom. Please register for the conference using [this link](#). Each paper is 40 minutes (20-minute presentation, 15-minute discussion, and 5-minute Q&A). If you have any questions, please contact conference organizers: Paolina Medina (pmedina@tamu.edu) and Wei Wu (wuwei001@tamu.edu).

Welcome Remarks (8:50am-9:00am)

Christa Bouwman, Interim Head of the Department of Finance, Texas A&M

Session 1: (9:00am-10:20am)

Session chair: Jonathan Halket

9:00am-9:40am: “[Financial Returns to Household Inventory Management](#)” Scott R. Baker (Northwestern), **Stephanie Johnson (Rice)**, Lorenz Kueng (USI Lugano)

Discussant: Andres Almazan (UT Austin)

9:40am-10:20am: “[Cooling Auction Fever: Underquoting Laws in the Housing Market](#)” **Antonio Gargano (Houston)**, Marco Giacoletti (USC)

Discussant: Bruce Carlin (Rice)

Break (10:20am-10:40am)

Session 2: (10:40am-12:00pm)

Session chair: Xiao Cen

10:40am-11:20am: “[The Epidemiology of Financial Constraints](#)” **William Grieser (TCU)**, Ioannis Spyridopoulos (American), Morad Zekhnini (MSU)

Discussant: Shane Johnson (Texas A&M)

11:20am-12:00pm: “[The Effects of Technological Disruption on Suppliers and Customers: Evidence from Blockchain Laws](#)” Mark A. Chen (GSU), **Sophia Hu (Baylor)**, Joanna Wang (GSU), Qinxu Wu (Baylor)

Discussant: Praveen Kumar (Houston)

Lunch Break (12:00pm-1:30pm)

Session 3: (1:30pm-2:50pm)

Session chair: Boone Bowles

1:30pm-2:10pm: “[Disagreement about Innovations and Endogenous Growth](#)” Christian Heyerdahl-Larsen (Indiana), **Philipp Illeditsch** (Texas A&M), Howard Kung (LBS)

Discussant: Harold Zhang (UT Dallas)

2:10pm-2:50pm: “[Unmasking Mutual Fund Derivative Use](#)” Ron Kaniel (Rochester), **Pingle Wang** (UT Dallas)

Discussant: Clemens Sialm (UT Austin)

Break (2:50pm-3:10pm)

Session 4: (3:10pm-4:30pm)

Session chair: Tristan Fitzgerald

3:10pm-3:50pm: “[Did Fintech Lenders Facilitate PPP Fraud?](#)” John M. Griffin (UT Austin), **Samuel Kruger** (UT Austin), Prateek Mahajan (UT Austin)

Discussant: Brian Wolfe (UTSA)

3:50pm-4:30pm: “[Competition, Reputation, and Venture Capital Investment](#)” Nuri Ersahin (MSU), **Ruidi Huang** (SMU), Naveen Khanna (MSU)

Discussant: Vikram Nanda (UT Dallas)

Wrap up (4:30pm-4:45pm)

Breakout rooms

To create the most opportunities for interaction and feedback, we will open five breakout rooms after each session. The first two will be dedicated to each of the two papers presented in each session and will be identified by the author's name. Those who want to further discuss with the author can join the corresponding break out room. In addition, there will be three general breakout rooms, which people can join to socialize.