Conference on “Housing and Household Debt”

November 20 and 21, 2015

Hilton Orrington Hotel
1710 Orrington Avenue
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Conference program

Friday November 20, 2015

9:15 – 10:00  Breakfast

10:00 – 10:45  Gadi Barlevy (Chicago Fed) and Jonas Fisher (Chicago Fed): “Mortgage Choice and House Price Appreciation”

10:45 – 11:00  Coffee Break

11:00 – 11:45  Kerwin Charles (Harris School), Erik Hurst (Chicago Booth) and Matt Notowidigdo (Northwestern): “Housing Booms and Busts, Labor Market Opportunities, and College Attendance”
11:45 – 12:30 Luca Guerrieri (Federal Reserve Board), Matteo Iacoviello (Federal Reserve Board): “Collateral Constraints and Macroeconomic Asymmetries”

12:30 – 2:00 Lunch Break

2:00 – 2:45 Alejandro Justiniano (Chicago Fed), Giorgio Primiceri (Northwestern), Andrea Tambalotti (NY Fed): “Mortgage Interest Rates during the Housing Boom”


3:30 – 4:00 Coffee Break

4:00 – 4:45 Greg Kaplan (Princeton), Kurt Mitman (IIES) and Gianluca Violante (NYU): “Consumption and House Prices in the Great Recession: Model meets Evidence”

4:45 – 5:30 John Mondragon (Kellogg): “Household Credit and Employment in the Great Recession”

6:30 – Conference dinner at Stained Glass

Saturday, November 21, 2015

9:00 – 9:45 Breakfast

9:45 – 10:30 David Berger (Northwestern), Veronica Guerrieri (Chicago Booth), Guido Lorenzoni (Northwestern), and Joe Vavra (Chicago Booth): “House Prices and Consumer Spending”

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break

11:00 – 11:45 Charles Nathanson (Kellogg) and Edward Glaeser (Harvard): “An Extrapolative Model of House Price Dynamics”

11:45 – 12:30 Matthias Doepke (Northwestern), Martin Schneider (Stanford), and Veronika Selezneva (Northwestern): “Distributional Effects of Monetary Policy”

12:30 – 2:00 Lunch / Departure

Organizer: Giorgio Primiceri (Northwestern)