



BOMOPA ECONOMICS MEETINGS 2008 **11th April**

Sponsor: Dipartimento di Economia Politica, Università di Modena e Reggio Emilia

Venue: Aula Seminari (Ala ovest - primo piano), viale Berengario 51, Modena

Organizing Committee:

Graziella Bertocchi, Efrem Castelnuovo, Matteo Cervellati and Gianmarco Ottaviano

Aim:

This is the third edition of a joint initiative of members of the Departments of Economics of the Universities of Bologna, Modena-Reggio Emilia and Padua. The meetings are aimed at stimulating discussion among the researchers of the three departments. The idea is to establish a tradition of meetings to be hosted in rotation on a regular basis. The final goal is to create synergies, strengthen cooperation, and foster the development of joint research projects. Participation of all members of the three departments as well as Ph.D students close to thesis completion and Post-Docs is encouraged. Outside guests are also welcome to attend.

Program

10.30 - 10.45 Welcome Address

Graziella Bertocchi, Modena-RE

10.45 – 12.45 Session I

Chair: Gianmarco Ottaviano, Bologna

Laura Bottazzi, Bologna (with Marco Da Rin, Tilburg and Thomas Hellmann, British Columbia), "The Importance of Trust for Investment: Evidence from Venture Capital"

Paolo Vanin, Padua (with Matteo Cervellati, Bologna), "'Thou shalt not covet ...': Crime, Temptations and Moral Values"

Andrea Cipollini, Modena-RE, "Dynamic Factor Analysis of Industry Sector Default Rates and Implication for Portfolio Credit Risk Modelling"

12.45 – 13.45 Lunch

13.45 – 15.45 Session II

Chair: Matteo Cervellati, Bologna

Luca Nunziata, Padua, "Aggregate Self-Employment Patterns"

Graziella Bertocchi, Modena-RE, "The Enfranchisement of Women and the Welfare State"

Anzelika Zaiceva, Bologna (with Thomas Dohmen, Maastricht and Hartmut Lehmann, Bologna), "The Gender Wage Gap Inside a Russian Firm: Evidence from Personnel Data"

15.45 – 16.15 Coffee Break

16.15 – 18.15 Session III

Chair: Efrem Castelnuovo, Padua

Chiara Pederzoli, Milan-Bicocca and *Costanza Torricelli*, Modena-RE (with Dimitrios Tsomocos, Oxford), "Rating Systems and Procyclicality: An Evaluation in a General Equilibrium Framework"

Matteo Cervellati, Bologna (with Marcel Jansen, Carlos III and Uwe Sunde, St. Gallen), "On the Economic Role of Religious Norms: A Theory with an Application to the Catholic Church and the Protestant Reformation"

Giovanni Caggiano, Padua (with Efrem Castelnuovo, Padua), "Assessing Inflation Persistence in the ACF Domain"

18.15 Adjour

The organizers:

Graziella Bertocchi, *University of Modena and Reggio Emilia*

Efrem Castelnuovo, *University of Padua*

Matteo Cervellati and Gianmarco Ottaviano, *University of Bologna*

If you are interested to attend and for further information please contact the local organizer:
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