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Thursday, October 29
7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.  Conference Dinner

Friday, October 30
8:00 a.m.–8:45 a.m.  Continental Breakfast
8:50 a.m.–10:20 a.m. Space and Economic Activity
  • Klaus Desmet, David Krisztian Nagy, and Esteban Rossi-Hansberg, “The Geography of Development”
20-Minute Break
10:40 a.m.–12:10 p.m. Technology and Structural Change
  • Francisco Buera, Joseph Kaboski, and Richard Rogerson, “Skill-Biased Structural Change”
  • Nancy Stokey, “Technology-Skill Complementarity”
50-Minute Break (Lunch)
1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m. Innovation and Startups
  • Murat Celik, “Does Cream Always Rise to the Top? Misallocation of Talent in Innovation”
  • Fatih Karahan, Benjamin Pugsley, and Aysegul Sahin, “Understanding the 30-Year Decline in the Startup Rate: A General Equilibrium Approach”
20-Minute Break
2:50 p.m.–4:20 p.m. Human Capital and Development
  • Lutz Hendricks, Chris Herrington, and Todd Schoellman, “Family Background, Academic Ability, and College Decisions in the 20th Century U.S.”
  • Robert E. Lucas Jr., “What Was the Industrial Revolution?”

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