

5th Annual Meeting on the Economics of Risky Behaviors (AMERB)

Organizers: Amelie F. Constant (George Washington University, Temple University), Erdal Tekin (Georgia State University)

Location: Zurich, Switzerland

Date: April 05, 2013 - April 07, 2013

Event Manager: Stephan Kohzer (IZA)



Program

Friday, April 05:

08:30 - 09:00

Registration
Coffee and Tea

09:00 - 09:15

Welcoming Remarks
Erdal Tekin (Georgia State University and IZA),
Klaus F. Zimmermann (IZA and University of Bonn), and
Amelie F. Constant (George Washington University, Temple University and IZA)

Session A: Recessions and Risky Behaviors
Chair: Amelie F. Constant (George Washington University, Temple University)

09:15 - 10:15

Nathan Tefft (University of Washington), Chad Cotti (University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh), Richard A. Dunn (Texas A&M University)
"The Dow is Killing Me: Risky Health Behaviors and the Stock Market"
Discussant: [Chandler McClellan](#) (Georgia State University)

10:15 - 11:15

Jason M. Lindo (University of Oregon), Jessamyn Schaller (University of Arizona), Benjamin Hansen (University of Oregon)
"Economic Downturns and Child Abuse"
Discussant: [Sally Wallace](#) (Georgia State University)

11:15 - 11:30

Coffee Break

Special Lecture
Chair: Erdal Tekin (Georgia State University)

11:30 - 12:30

Michael P. Eriksen (Georgia State University)
"The Pursuit of Nicotine and Its Changing Effect on Public Health"

12:30 - 13:30

Lunch

Session B: Obesity, Wages, and Worker Safety
Chair: Helen Chung (Swiss Re)

13:30 - 14:30

Charles Courtemanche (Georgia State University), Josh Pinkston (University of Louisville), Christopher Ruhm (University of Virginia),
George Webby (University of Iowa)
"Can Changing Economic Incentives Explain the Rise in Obesity?"
Discussant: [Monica Deza](#) (University of Texas at Dallas)

14:30 - 15:30

Nicolas R. Ziebarth (Cornell University), Jos  Guardado (American Medical Association)
"A Model of Worker Investment in Safety and Its Effects on Accidents and Wages"
Discussant: [Corrado Giulietti](#) (IZA)

15:30 - 15:45

Coffee Break

Session C: War, Health, and Medical Technology
Chair: Klaus F. Zimmermann (IZA and University of Bonn)

15:45 - 16:45

Mevlude Akbulut-Yuksel (Dalhousie University)
"War during Childhood: The Long Term Effects of Warfare on Children's Health"
Discussant: [Charles Courtemanche](#) (Georgia State University)

16:45 - 17:45

Jason Hockenberry (Emory University), Shin-Yi Chou (Lehigh University), Michael Grossman (CUNY), Jesse Margolis (CUNY)
"Moral Hazard and Less Invasive Medical Treatment for Coronary Artery Disease"
Discussant: [Nicolas R. Ziebarth](#) (Cornell University)

19:00

Dinner

Saturday, April 06:

08:30 - 09:00

Coffee and Tea

Session D: Happiness, Suicides, and Risk
Chair: [Mary Beth Walker](#) (Georgia State University)

09:00 - 10:00

Andrew J. Oswald (University of Warwick), Robert J. B. Goudie (University of Warwick), Sach Mukherjee (University of Warwick),
Jan-Emmanuel de Neve (The Netherlands Cancer Institute), Stephen Wu (Hamilton College)
"Happiness as a Driver of Risk-avoiding Behavior: A Conceptual Framework with an Application to Seatbelt Wearing and
Automobile Accidents"
Discussant: [Rainer Winkelmann](#) (University of Zurich)

10:00 - 11:00

Yarine Fawaz (Universitat Aut noma de Barcelona), Jffie Adda (European University Institute)
"The Human Cost of Labour"
Discussant: [Costanza Biavaschi](#) (IZA)

11:00 - 11:15

Coffee Break

Keynote Address
Chair: Erdal Tekin (Georgia State University)

11:15 - 12:15

John Cawley (Cornell University)
"Similarities and Synergies in Economic Research on Various Risky Behaviors"

12:15 - 13:30

Lunch

Session E: Gangs and Prisons
Chair: [Glenn Harrison](#) (Georgia State University)

13:30 - 14:30

Magnus Lofstrom (Public Policy Institute of California), Steven Raphael (University of California, Berkeley)
"Prison and Crime: The Case of California Corrections Realignment"
Discussant: [Gustavo J. Canavire Barreza](#) (Universidad EAFTT)

14:30 - 15:30

Rodrigo R. Soares (PUC-Rio), Leandro Carvalho (RAND)
"Living on the Edge: Youth Entry, Career and Exit in Drug-Selling Gangs"
Discussant: [Nathan Tefft](#) (University of Washington)

15:30 - 15:45

Coffee Break

Session F: Substance Abuse
Chair: [James A. Weyhenmeyer](#) (Georgia State University)

15:45 - 16:45

Sarah Cattain (Institute for Fiscal Studies, London), Joseph Altonji (Yale University), Iain Ware (Bain Capital)
"Identifying Sibling Influence on Teenage Substance Use"
Discussant: [Mevlude Akbulut-Yuksel](#) (Dalhousie University)

16:45 - 17:45

Monica Deza (University of Texas at Dallas)
"The Effects of Alcohol on the Consumption of Hard Drugs: Regression Discontinuity Evidence from the National Longitudinal
Study of Youth 1997"
Discussant: [Nora Rodr guez-Planas](#) (IZA, IAE-CSIC and UPF)

19:00

Dinner

Sunday, April 07:

08:45 - 09:15

Coffee and Tea

Session G: Education and Drug Use
Chair: Erdal Tekin (Georgia State University)

09:15 - 10:15

Deborah A. Cobb-Clark (University of Melbourne), Sonja Kassenboehmer (University of Melbourne), Tring Le (University of
Melbourne), Duncan McVicar (University of Melbourne), Rong Zhang (University of Melbourne)
"High-School: The Impact of Early Marijuana Use on Educational Outcomes"
Discussant: [Ulf Rinne](#) (IZA)

10:15 - 11:15

Nora Rodr guez-Planas (IZA, IAE-CSIC and UPF)
"School and Drugs: Closing the Gap Evidence from a Randomized Trial in the US."
Discussant: [Volkan Topalli](#) (Georgia State University)

11:15 - 11:45

Concluding Remarks by Erdal Tekin and Amelie F. Constant

11:45

Farewell Lunch

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