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Gruter Institute Squaw Valley Conference 2008: Law, Behavior & the Brain

SUNDAY, May 18th (Arrival Day)

6:30 Opening Reception and Dinner

MONDAY, May 19th

Morning: Monika Gruter Cheney, Chair

7:30 Breakfast Buffet

State of Play Talks

8:30 - 9:00 Introduction, Welcome, Group Introductions
Monika Gruter Cheney, Oliver Goodenough, Morris Hoffman

9:00 – 9:45 Carl Bergstrom: “Public health and public choice: confronting infectious diseases”
Comments: Sarah Brosnan & Pete Richerson

Comment: Fiery Cushman

10:30 – 11:00 Break

11:00 – 11:45 Erin O’Hara: “Law and Neuroscience: Present and Future”
Comment: Oliver Goodenough and June Carbone

11:45 – 12:00 Discussion

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch

Afternoon: Pete Richerson, Chair

Engaging Science in the Challenges of Law

1:00 - 3:00 Judges Panel: “Law for Scientists”
Topics included: jurisdiction, constitutional law, common law, statutory law, juries, philosophy of law vs. philosophy of science, plea bargaining and sentencing, judicial review, appeals and the role of precedent, scientific evidence
Speakers: Judges Bea, Hoffman, Hollenhorst, Rakoff

3:00 – 3:30 Break

3:30 – 4:30 Comment: Amanda Pustilnik, Dorothy Glancy
Scientists’ Response: Carl Bergstrom, Sarah Brosnan

4:30 – 6:30 Hiking / Free Time

Evening:

6:30 Dinner
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TUESDAY, May 20th

Morning: Urs Gasser, Chair

7:30 Breakfast Buffet

Cooperation and Applications to Corporations and other Organizations
We are grateful to the UCLA-Sloan Research Program on Business Organizations for its support of this session.

8:00 – 9:00 Breakfast Forum: Issues of Cooperation
Oliver Goodenough: “Cooperation in the framework of institutions, emotion and the law”
Anna Dreber and David G. Rand: “Winners don’t punish”

9:00 – 10:15 Lynn Stout: “Promoting Conscience in Corporations: An experimental investigation of opportunistic behavior among corporate employees”
Bob Frank: “The Limits of Voluntary Cooperation”

10:15 – 10:30 Break

10:30 – 11:45 Pete Richerson: “Cooperation and the Corporation: ‘Crowding In’ Versus ‘Crowding Out’ Virtue”
Michael Jensen

11:45 – 12:30 Comment and Discussion: Claire Hill, Gerry Ohrstrom, Carl Simon, Arden Rowell, John Clippinger

12:30 – 1:30 Lunch

Afternoon: Dorothy Glancy, Chair

Institutions, Values and Civil Law Applications

1:30 – 3:00 Developments in Institutions
Carl Bergstrom: “Evolution as an information channel”
David Pervin: “Should International Relations be Institutionalized?”
Bob Frank

3:00 – 3:30 Break

3:30 – 5:00 Digital Institutions & Exploration via “Legal Lab”
Urs Gasser, Oliver Goodenough, John Clippinger, Justin Cook and Renee Lloyd

5:00 – 6:30 Hiking / Free Time

Evening:

6:30 Dinner and Keynote: Michael Shermer
“The Mind of the Market: Compassionate Apes, Competitive Humans, and Other Lessons from Evolutionary Economics”
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WEDNESDAY, May 21st
Morning: Anula Jayasuriya, Chair

7:30 Breakfast Buffet

Applications of Neuroscience to Law and Social Challenges

8:00 – 9:00 Breakfast Forum: Report on the Law and Neuroscience Project
Speakers: Morris Hoffman, Erin O’Hara, Jed Rakoff, Monika Gruter Cheney, Oliver Goodenough

9:00 – 10:00 Gregory Jones: “Homogeneity of Degree in Complex Social Networks as a Collective Good”
Dorothy Weaver: “Negotiation Training Programs: Are We Teaching What We Know?”

10:00 – 10:15 Break

Reproductive Age, Neuroscience and Biology

10:15 - 10:45 Bobbi Low: “Ecological and Cultural Effects on Age at First Birth”

10:45 - 11:15 June Carbone: “Age Matters: Class, Family Formation and Inequality”

Decision Making and Economics

11:15 – 12:00 Kevin McCabe

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch

Afternoon: Morris Hoffman, Chair

Decision Making and Economics Cont’d.

1:00 – 1:40 Fiery Cushman: “Intent vs. outcome: Which do we punish, and why?”

1:40 – 2:10 Linda Skitka: “Morality as a Constraint on Deference to Authority”

2:10 – 2:25 Break


3:35 - 3:55 Jang Park: “Touch and Trust”

3:55 – 6:30 Hiking/Free Time

Evening:

6:30 Festive Dinner
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THURSDAY, May 22nd

Morning: Michael Jensen, Chair

7:30 Breakfast Buffet

Emotion and Rationality in Law and Policy

8:00 – 8:45 Breakfast Forum: [Reserve Time]

8:45 – 9:30 Paul Glimcher: “The neural mechanisms of decision making”

9:30 – 10:15 Ed McCaffrey: "Fiscal Confusion: How Citizens Misunderstand Government Tax and Spending Programs, and What We Can Do About It"

10:15 – 10:30 Break

10:30 – 12:00 Other Issues in Law, Rationality & Emotion
   David G. Rand: “Third party reward and punishment in dictator games with multiple recipients”
   Claire Hill: “Rationality in an unjust world”
   Jeff Stake: “Law & Emotion and Property Rights”
   Josep Ferrer Riba: “Emotions in the Law of Parentage and Filiation”

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch

Afternoon: Jed Rakoff, Chair

Publications, Collaborations and Interdisciplinary Programs

1:00 – 1:45 Publication Panel: Michael Jensen, David Pervin, Carl Bergstrom, Urs Gasser

1:45 – 2:30 Law & Science Collaborations Panel: Oliver Goodenough, Morris Hoffman, Kevin McCabe, Jeff Stake, Sarah Brosnan, Monika Gruter Cheney

2:30 – 3:30 Gruter Institute Program Review and Closing Remarks: Monika Gruter Cheney, Oliver Goodenough, Morris Hoffman

Evening:

6:30 Closing Dinner
2008 Squaw Valley Meeting Participants

The Honorable Carlos Bea, United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
Professor Carl Bergstrom, University of Washington, Department of Biology
Professor Sarah Brosnan, Georgia State University, Department of Psychology, Brains & Behavior Program
Professor June Carbone, University of Missouri - Kansas City, Edward A. Smith/Missouri Chair of Law, the Constitution and Society
Ms. Monika Gruter Cheney, Executive Director, Gruter Institute for Law & Behavioral Research
Professor John Clippinger, Berkman Center for Internet & Society at Harvard Law School
Justin M. Cook, Business Development Manager, IP Licensing & Asset Commercialization, TJ Watson Research Center, IBM Research
Fiery Cushman, Harvard University, Dept. of Psychology
Anna Dreber, Harvard University, Program for Evolutionary Dynamics
Professor Robert Frank, Cornell University, Johnson Graduate School of Management
Professor Lawrence Frolik, University of Pittsburgh School of Law
Professor Urs Gasser, University St. Gallen, Research Ctr. for Information Law
Professor Dorothy Glancy, Santa Clara University, School of Law
Professor Paul Glimcher, New York University, Center for Neural Science
Professor Oliver Goodenough, Vermont Law School, Berkman Center for Internet & Society at Harvard Law School
Professor Claire Hill, University of Minnesota Law School
The Honorable Morris Hoffman, District Court Judge, 2nd Judicial District (Denver)
The Honorable Thomas Hollenhorst, Associate Justice, Fourth District Court of Appeal, Division 2 Riverside
Anula Jayasuriya, Managing Director, Evolvence India Life Science Fund
Professor Michael Jensen, Harvard Business School
Dr. Gregory Todd Jones, The Computational Laboratory for Complex Adaptive Systems, Consortium on Negotiation and Conflict Resolution, Georgia State University College of Law
Renee Eaton Lloyd, Assistant Director & Clinical Fellow, Berkman Center for Internet and Society at Harvard Law School
Professor Bobbi Low, University of Michigan, School of Natural Resources & Environment
Professor René Marois, Vanderbilt University, Department of Psychology
Professor Kevin McCabe, George Mason University, Center for the Study of Neuroeconomics
Professor Ed McCaffrey, USC Gould School of Law, Visiting Prof. of Law & Economics, California Institute of Technology
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Amanda Pustilnik, Harvard Law School
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The Honorable Jed Rakoff, United States District Judge
David G. Rand, Harvard University, Program for Evolutionary Dynamics
Professor Josep Ferrer-Riba, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Facultat de Dret
Professor Peter Richerson, University of California at Davis, Division of Environmental Studies
Arden Rowell, University of Chicago Law School, Bigelow Teaching Fellow & Lecturer in Law
Dr. Michael Shermer, Founding Publisher of Skeptic magazine, Executive Director of the Skeptics Society, columnist for Scientific American
Professor Carl Simon, University of Michigan, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy
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Professor Jeffrey Stake, Indiana University School of Law
Professor Lynn Stout, University of California, Los Angeles School of Law
Dorothy E. Weaver, Executive Director of Development, New York University