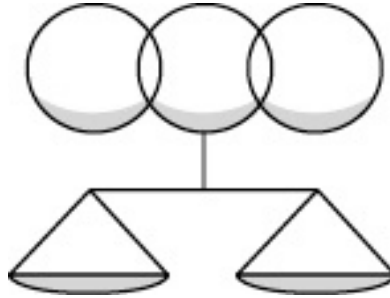


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Economic Growth: Costs, Causes and Effects

Squaw Valley Conference

May 23-25, 2012

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SESSION II: Workshop on Economic Growth: Costs, Causes and Effects

Theme: This portion of the conference will be a workshop more tightly focused on economic growth. Our aim is to use interdisciplinary exchange to develop a better description of the processes involved, the cost of those processes, and the institutions, structures, technologies, and other applications that can accelerate and support these processes. Speakers may opt to use their time to provide a more formal talk with slides etc. or to lead a less formal, discussion-focused, exchange. Please plan on approximately 20 minutes time.

Wednesday, May 23rd:

12:00 - 1:00 Lunch

(Speakers please plan on approximately 20 minutes for your talk. Breaks will be taken as needed.)

1:00 - 5:00 **Perplexing Questions in Growth Research**

What Does "Growth" Mean?

Timothy Garrett, Robert Cooter, Dany Bahar

How Do We Measure It?

Sam Arbesman

Comment: Victoria Stodden

The Role of Innovation and Where Does It Come From?

Dane Stangler, Urs Gasser

The Adoption of Innovation

Carl Bergstrom, John Chisholm

Comment: Monika Gruter Cheney

The Role of Investment: Is Growth Independent of Savings?

Oliver Goodenough & Gordon Getty

6:30 Dinner

Thursday, May 24th:

(Speakers please plan on approximately 20 minutes for your talk. Breaks will be taken as needed.)

9:00 – 9:20 **Perplexing Questions in Growth Research Continued:**

The Role of Consumption
Josh Tasoff

9:20 - 12:30 **Adding Biological and Behavioral Science Perspectives to the Ingredients for Growth**

Perspectives from Biology and Network Theory
Carl Bergstrom, Jevin West, Reese Jones, Urs Gasser

Is there a Useful Thermodynamic Description of Growth?
Oliver Goodenough

Can Growth be Consistent with Sustainability?
Rebecca Purdom

12:30 - 1:30 Lunch

1:30 - 4:30 **The Role of Public and Private Institutions**

The Role of Law and Other Institutions
Kevin McCabe, Yuval Feldman,
Rogers Hollingsworth, Eskil Ullberg,
Sean O'Connor

The Role of Regulation
Andrew Torrance, Oliver Goodenough

The Role of Information Exchange
Gregg Gordon

Perspectives from Business
David Gilmour

6:30 Dinner

Friday, May 25th:

9:00 - 11:30 Project Development Session (Break out, re-gather)

11:30 - 12:00 Wrap up

12:00 Box Lunch and Departure

Conference Participants

Sam Arbesman – Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation

Dany Bahar - Harvard University, Center for International Development

Carl Bergstrom - Department of Biology, University of Washington

Monika Gruter Cheney - Executive Director, Gruter Institute for Law and Behavioral Research

John Chisholm - Software Entrepreneur; Development Committee of MIT Corp.; Board Member Santa Fe Institute

Robert Cooter – UC Berkeley Law School, Law and Economics Program

Timothy Garrett – University of Utah, Atmospheric Sciences

Urs Gasser – Berkman Center for Internet and Society, Harvard University

Gordon Getty – Economics and Business, San Francisco

David Gilmour – Managing Director, Blyth Capital Partners

Oliver Goodenough - Vermont Law School, Berkman Center for Internet and Society, Harvard University

Gregg Gordon – Social Science Research Network, President and CEO

Claire Hill - University of Minnesota Law School

Rogers Hollingsworth – Sociology and History Departments, University of Wisconsin ; UC San Diego Biocircuits Institute, Department of Physics

Reese Jones – Singularity University

Kevin McCabe – Center for the Study of Neuroeconomics, George Mason University

Sean O'Connor - University of Washington School of Law

Gerry Ohrstrom – Private Investor

Rebecca Purdom – Law, Vermont Law School

Dane Stangler – Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation

Victoria Stodden – Department of Statistics, Columbia University

Joshua Tasoff – Department of Economics, Claremont Graduate University

Andrew Torrance - University of Kansas School of Law; Research Associate, Biodiversity Institute

Eskil Ullberg – George Mason University, Department of Economics

Jevin West – Department of Biology, University of Washington

Julia Zarcone – Program Coordinator, Gruter Institute for Law and Behavioral Research