



**World Economy & Finance**  
Research Programme



**Finance & Development Conference**  
**27-29 June 2007**  
**London School of Economics**  
**(All Sessions in Room U8: Ground Floor, Tower 1)**

**Conference Aim**

The aim of the conference is to disseminate findings from the World Economy and Finance research programme that advance knowledge in the area of finance & development, using approaches from various disciplines, including economics, finance, law and politics, to a high level audience of academics, policy makers and practitioners.

**Conference Programme**

**Wednesday 27 June**

**Conference Registration: from 1pm**

**1.45pm:** Opening Remarks by **John Driffill** and **Panicos Demetriades**

**2.00-3.45pm: Finance & Growth I**

**Session Chair: John Driffill**

**Peter Rousseau** (Guest Speaker) and Paul Wachtel "What is Happening to the Relationship Between Financial Development and Economic Growth"

Jayasri Dutta and **Colin Rowat** "Financial Liberalisation and Property Rights"

Discussant: Svetlana Andrianova

**3.45-4.15: Coffee and Tea**

**4.15-6.00pm: Finance & Growth II**

**Session Chair: Kevin Lee**

Steve Bond and **Adeel Malik** "Explaining cross-country variation in investment: the role of endowments, institutions and finance"

Discussant: Badi Baltagi

Badi Baltagi, **Panicos Demetriades** and Siong Hook Law "Financial Development, Openness and Institutions: Evidence from Panel Data"

Discussant: Steve Bond

**6.00pm: Welcome Reception (Senior Common Room)**

## Thursday 28 June

### 9.00am-10.45am: Law and Finance I

#### Session Chair: Peter Rousseau

**John Armour**, Simon Deakin, Priya Lele and Mathias Siems "How Legal Rules Evolve: Evidence from Panel Data"

Discussant: Stijn Claessens

Sonja Fagernas, **Prabirjit Sarkar** and Ajit Singh "Legal Origin, Shareholder Protection and the Stock Market: New Challenges from Time Series Analysis"

Discussant: Chenggang Xu

### 10.45am-11.15am: Coffee and Tea

### 11.15am-1.00pm: Law and Finance II

#### Session Chair: Stijn Claessens

John Armour and **Priya Lele** "Law, Finance and Development: The Case of India"

Discussant: Panicos Demetriades

**John Buchanan** and Simon Deakin "Japan's Paradoxical Response to the New Global Standard in Corporate Governance"

Discussant: Geoffrey Underhill

### 1.00pm-2.00pm: Lunch (Shaw Library)

### 2.00-3.45pm: Financial Globalisation

#### Session Chair: Simon Deakin

**Geoffrey Underhill** and Xiakoe Zhang "Norms, Legitimacy and Global Financial Governance"

Discussant: John Buchanan

**Danny Cassimon** and Stijn Claessens "Empirical Evidence on the New International Aid Architecture"

Discussant: Adeel Malik

### 3.45-4.15pm: Refreshments

### 4.15-6.00pm: Political Economy & Finance

#### Session Chair: Danny Cassimon

**Svetlana Andrianova**, P. Demetriades and C. Xu "The Political Economy of Financial Development in Europe and Asia"

Discussant: Steve Haber

**Geoffrey Underhill** "Markets, Institutions, and Governance: Extending the Transaction Cost Approach".

Discussant: John Armour

### 6pm-7pm: Keynote Address by Steve Haber (Stanford)

#### Chair: John Driffill

"Political Institutions and Financial Development: What is there to be Learned from Political Science and History?"

## Friday 29 June

### 9.00-10.45: Financial Regulation

#### Session Chair: Panicos Demetriades

**Stijn Claessens**, Geoffrey Underhill and X. Zhang "Basle II Capital Requirements and Developing Countries"

Discussant: Ajit Singh

S. Li and **Chenggang Xu** "Does Financial Regulation Matter? Market Volatility and the US 1933/34 Acts"

Discussant: Kate Phylaktis

### 10.45-11.15: Coffee and Tea

#### 11.15-1.00pm: Finance & Growth Case Studies

#### Session Chair: Geoffrey Underhill

Panicos Demetriades, **Jun Du**, Sourafel Girma and Chenggang Xu, "Finance and Growth in Chinese Regions"

Discussant: Sonja Fagernas

**Justin van de Ven** and Martin Weale "Aggregate Mortality Risk: Market Solutions and Government Policy"

Discussant: Colin Rowat

### 1pm: Closing Remarks

(John Driffill and Panicos Demetriades)

### List of presenters, discussants and session chairs

<b>Surname</b>	<b>First name</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>
Andrianova	Svetlana	University of Leicester
Armour	John	University of Cambridge
Baltagi	Badi	Syracuse University and University of Leicester
Bond	Steve	University of Oxford
Buchanan	John	University of Cambridge
Claessens	Stijn	IMF, University of Amsterdam and CEPR
Danny	Cassimon	University of Antwerp
Deakin	Simon	University of Cambridge
Demetriades	Panicos	University of Leicester (Conference Organiser)
Driffill	John	Birkbeck College
Du	Jun	Aston University
Fagernas	Sonja	University of Cambridge
Girma	Sourafel	University of Nottingham
Haber	Steve	Stanford University
Lee	Kevin	University of Leicester
Lele	Prya	University of Cambridge
Malik	Adeel	University of Oxford
Phylaktis	Kate	City University
Rousseau	Peter	Vanderbilt University
Rowat	Colin	University of Birmingham
Sarker	Prabirjit	Jadavpur University
Singh	Ajit	University of Cambridge
Underhill	Geoffrey	University of Amsterdam
Van de Ven	Justin	National Institute
Xu	Chenggang	LSE and Hong Kong University of Science and Technology