

Conference on the Role of Government Regulation in Corporate Finance

October 10, 2009

PROGRAM

Each presentation is 25 minutes followed by a 10-minute general discussion.

7:45 AM – 8:45 AM Breakfast

8:45 AM – 9:00 AM Welcoming Remarks – **Hans Stoll**, Owen School, Vanderbilt University

Session 1 Chaired by Peter Rousseau, Vanderbilt Department of Economics

9:00 AM – 10:45 AM The Effect of Regulatory Environment on Firm Policies and Economic Growth

Vojislav Maksimovic, University of Maryland. Issues of Financing and Corruption in Developing Countries.

Simon Gervais, Duke University. Legal Protection in Retail Financial Markets.

Ross Levine, Brown University. Big Bad Banks: The Winners and Losers from Bank Deregulation in the United States.

10:45 AM – 11:15 AM Break

Session 2 Chaired by Jacob Sagi, Owen School, Vanderbilt University

11:15 AM – 12:25 PM Regulation of Financial Intermediaries

Christian Lundblad, University of North Carolina. Regulatory Pressure and Fire Sales in the Corporate Bond Market.

Amit Seru, University of Chicago. Financial Regulation and Securitization: Evidence from Subprime Loans.

12:30 PM – 1:30 PM Luncheon

Session 3 Chaired by Randall Thomas, Vanderbilt University Law School

1:30 PM – 2:40 PM The Value of Political Connections

Alexei Ovtchinnikov, Vanderbilt University. Corporate Political Contributions and Stock Returns.

Eitan Goldman, Indiana University. Political Connections and the Allocation of Procurement Contracts.

2:40 PM – 3:00 PM Break

Session 4 Chaired by Alexei Ovtchinnikov, Owen School, Vanderbilt University

3:00 PM – 4:10 PM Corporate Lobbying

Felix Meschke, University of Minnesota. Corporate Political Contributions: Investment or Agency?

Hui Chen, University of Colorado. Corporate Lobbying and Financial Performance.

4:10 PM – 4:30 PM Closing Remarks – **Michael Bradley**, Duke University