Seventh Annual Rotman Accounting Research Conference
August 28-29, 2013
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Organized by Francesco Bova and Partha Mohanram

Wednesday, August 28, 2013
Rotman School of Management, 105 St. George Street, Room 1065

1:00 – 1:10 Welcome and Opening Remarks
Francesco Bova, Conference Co-organizer

1:10 – 2:20 Presenter: Sanjeev Bhojraj, Cornell University
Paper: Takeover Defenses: Entrenchment and Efficiency

2:20 – 2:40 Break

2:40 – 3:50 Presenter: Mary Barth, Stanford University
Paper: Does Fair Value Accounting Contribute to Pro-cyclical Leverage?

3:50 – 4:10 Break

4:10 – 5:30 Presenter: Alex Edwards, University of Toronto
Paper: Financial Constraints and the Incentive for Tax Planning

6:00 – 7:00 CGA Ontario Reception at Rotman (in Fleck Atrium)

7:00 Bus leaves Rotman for the CN Tower

7:30 – 10:30 Dinner at the CN Tower

10:30 Bus leaves back to Rotman
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8:15 – 9:00  Continental Breakfast

9:00 – 10:10  Presenter: Haresh Sapra, University of Chicago
Paper: The Dark Side of Transparency

10:10 – 10:30  Break

10:30 – 11:40  Presenter: Jim Wahlen, Indiana University
Paper: Pricing and Mispricing in the Cross-Section

11:40 – 1:00  Lunch

1:00 – 2:10  Presenter: Terry Shevlin, University of California, Irvine
Paper: Corporate Tax Avoidance and Public Debt Costs

2:10 – 2:30  Break

2:30 – 3:40  Presenter: Stephannie Larocque, University of Notre Dame
Paper: Implied cost of equity capital estimates as predictors of accounting returns

3:40  Closing remarks and adjournment
Partha Mohanram, Conference Co-Organizer
List of Participants

**Invited Speakers**
Mary Barth, Stanford University
Sanjeev Bhojraj, Cornell University
Alex Edwards, University of Toronto
Stephannie Larocque, University of Notre Dame
Haresh Sapra, University of Chicago
Terry Shevlin, University of California, Irvine
Jim Wahlen, Indiana University

**Invited Participants**
Ana Albuqueque, Boston University
Divya Anatharaman, Rutgers University
Sanjay Banerjee, University of Alberta
Philip Berger, University of Chicago
Francois Brochet, Harvard Business School
Somnath Das, University of Illinois at Chicago
Yiwei Dou, New York University
Ronald Dye, Northwestern University
Xiaohua Fang, Georgia State University
Carol Ann Frost, University of North Texas
Yu Hou, Queen's University
Raffi Indjejikian, University of Michigan
Xu Jiang, Duke University
Urooj Khan, Columbia University
Lihong Liang, Syracuse University
Matt Lyle, Northwestern University
Amin Mawani, York University
Miguel Minutti-Meza, University of Miami
Khalid Nainar, McMaster University/University of Dubai
James Naughten, Northwestern University
Patricia O'Brien, University of Waterloo
Jeffrey Pittman, Memorial University
Nemit Shroff, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Liang Tan, George Washington University
Samir Trabelsi, Brock University
Thomas Schneider, University of Alberta
Anup Srivastava, Northwestern University
Kevin Veenstra, McMaster University
Yibin Zhou, University of Texas at Dallas
Youli Zou, George Washington University

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