

11TH MACRO CONFERENCE

Tuesday-Wednesday, December 22-23, 2009

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Osaka University
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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2009

10:30-11:00 Registration

CHAIR: Tsutomu Watanabe, Hitotsubashi University

11:00-12:00 "Job Assignment, Human Capital Acquisition and Moral Hazard in
Frictional Labor Markets" (ENGLISH)
Presenter: Norikazu Tawara, Kanto Gakuen University
Discussant: Makoto Watanabe, Universidad Carlos III

12:00-13:20 LUNCH

13:20-14:20 "Product Switching and Firm Performance in Japan"
Presenter: Tsutomu Miyagawa, Gakushuin University
Co-author: Atsushi Kawakami, Gakushuin University
Discussant: Kenn Ariga, Kyoto University

14:20-15:20 "The Role of Optimal Fiscal Policy in a Currency Union"
Presenter: Eiji Okano, Chiba Keizai University
Discussant: Nao Sudoh, Bank of Japan

15:20-15:40 COFFEE BREAK

CHAIR: Charles Yuji Horioka, Osaka University

15:40-16:40 “The Distributional Effect of Public Insurance Provision: Implications from Universal Health Insurance” (ENGLISH)
Presenter: Minchung Hsu, National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies
Co-author: Junsang Lee, Australian National University
Discussant: Tomoaki Yamada, Meiji University

16:40-17:40 “The (Dis)saving Behavior of the Aged in Japan” (ENGLISH)
Presenter: Charles Yuji Horioka, Osaka University
Discussant: Oleksandr Movshuk, Toyama University

18:00-20:00 DINNER

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2009

CHAIR: Charles Yuji Horioka, Osaka University

9:00-10:00 “News-Driven International Business Cycles: Effects of the US News Shock on the Canadian Economy” (ENGLISH)
Presenter: Michiru Sakane, Duke University
Discussant: Keisuke Otsu, Sophia University

10:00-10:20 COFFEE BREAK

CHAIR: Etsuro Shioji, Hitotsubashi University

10:20-11:20 “Pension Benefit and Hours Worked”
Presenter: Kensuke Miyazawa (University of Tokyo)
Discussant: Takashi Oshio (Hitotsubashi University)

11:20-12:20 「財政政策の効果は何故下がったのか？－ニューケインジアンモデルによる検証－」
Presenter: Masataka Eguchi, Keio University
Discussant: Etsuro Shioji, Hitotsubashi University

12:20-13:40 LUNCH

CHAIR: Masaya Sakuragawa, Keio University

13:40-14:40 “Measuring Energy-Saving Technical Change in Japan”
Presenter: Ichiro Fukunaga, Bank of Japan
Co-author: Mitsuhiro Osada, Bank of Japan
Discussant: Jiro Nemoto, Nagoya University

14:40-15:40 「世界観と利他的経済行動：行動経済学とマクロ経済学」

Presenter: Masao Ogaki, Keio University
Discussant: Yoshiro Tsutsui, Osaka University

15:40-16:00 COFFEE BREAK

16:00-17:00 "Capital Accumulation, Vintage, Productivity Japanese Experience in
1980-2007"

Presenter: Taiji Hagiwara, Kobe University
Co-author: Yoichi Matsubayashi, Kobe University
Discussant: Tomohiko Inui (Cabinet Office and Nihon University)

17:15-18:45 DINNER

All meals will be served at the Hankyu Hotel Expo Park, right near the conference site and right in front of Banpaku Kinen Kouen (Expo '70 Commemorative Park) station of the Osaka Monorail (for access information, see <http://www.htl-expopark.jp/en/cs/access.html>).

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