

Conference on Urban and Regional Economics

November 30–December 1, 2018 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF PHILADELPHIA

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Gerald Carlino (Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia), Gilles Duranton (Wharton),
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Friday, November 30, 2018

- 8:30 a.m.–9:00 a.m. Breakfast (at conference venue)
- 9:00 a.m.–10:00 a.m. “Improving Mobility in Developing Country Cities: Evaluating Bus Rapid Transit and Other Policies in Jakarta”
Presenter: **Alexander Rothenberg** (Syracuse University)
Discussant: **Nick Tsivanidis** (Dartmouth College)
- 10:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m. “Is Uber a Substitute or Complement for Public Transit?”
Presenter: **Jonathan D. Hall** (University of Toronto)
Discussant: **Alejandro Molnar** (Vanderbilt University)
- 11:00 a.m.–11:30 a.m. Coffee Break
- 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. “How Do Institutions of Higher Education Affect Local Invention? Evidence from the Establishment of U.S. Colleges”
Presenter: **Michael Andrews** (National Bureau of Economic Research)
Discussant: **Alex Whalley** (University of Calgary)
- 12:30 p.m.–2:00 p.m. Lunch
- 2:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m. “Income Segregation and Rise of the Knowledge Economy”
Presenter: **Enrico Berkes** (Ohio State University)
Discussant: **Henry Overman** (London School of Economics)
- 3:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m. “What’s Wrong with Pittsburgh? Investor Composition and Trade Frequency in U.S. Cities”
Presenter: **Andra Ghent** (University of Wisconsin–Madison)
Discussant: **Jack Liebersohn** (Ohio State University)
- 4:00 p.m.–4:30 p.m. Coffee Break
- 4:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m. “Stringency of Land-Use Regulation: Building Heights in U.S. Cities”
Presenter: **Jan Brueckner** (University of California, Irvine)
Discussant: **Devin Bunten** (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)
- 6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m. Reception (at conference venue)
- 7:30 p.m. Dinner (Amada, 217 Chestnut Street)

Saturday, December 1, 2018

- 8:00 a.m.–8:30 a.m. Breakfast (at conference venue)
- 8:30 a.m.–9:30 a.m. “Shift-Share Designs: Theory and Inference”

Presenter: **Eduardo Morales** (Princeton University)
Discussant: **Nate Baum-Snow** (University of Toronto)
- 9:30 a.m.–10:30 a.m. “Location as an Asset”

Presenter: **Adrien Bilal** (Princeton University)
Discussant: **Elisa Giannone** (Pennsylvania State University)
- 10:30 a.m.–11:00 a.m. Coffee Break
- 11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. “Optimal Spatial Policies, Geography and Sorting”

Presenter: **Cecile Gaubert** (University of California, Berkeley)
Discussant: **Farid Farrokhi** (Purdue University)
- 12:00 p.m.–1:00 p.m. “Estimating the Welfare Gains from E-Commerce: A Price Arbitrage Approach”

Presenter: **David Weinstein** (Columbia University)
Discussant: **Amine Ouazad** (HEC Montréal)
- 1:00 p.m. Box Lunch