



**INQUIRE UK**  
Institute for Quantitative Investment Research

## PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

**INQUIRE Europe and INQUIRE UK  
SPRING SEMINAR**  
**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2015**  
**Coombe Abbey, Warwickshire, UK**



### **1/n AND OTHER 'SMART' PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION APPROACHES**

#### **Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

- 19.00      **Monastic welcome and ghost stories**  
Coombe Abbey Historian  
  
Welcome Reception and Dinner at Coombe Abbey

#### **Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

- 7.30 – 8.30      Breakfast
- 8.30 – 8.45      Welcome
- 8.45 – 9.15      **Recent developments in alternative indexation**  
Peter Gunthorp, *FTSE*
- 9.15 – 10.10    **Historical context of smart beta**  
Stephen Brown, *NYU Stern*
- 10.10 – 10.40    Coffee break
- 10.40 – 11.35    **Risk allocation, factor investing and smart beta**  
Noël Amenc and Lionel Martellini, *EDHEC Business School* and  
Felix Goltz\*, Romain Deguest, Ashish Lodh and Eric Shirbini, *EDHEC-Risk Institute*
- 11.35 – 12.30    **A simple diversified portfolio strategy**  
Garrett Quigley and Bernd Hanke\*, *Global Systematic Investors*
- 12.30              INQUIRE UK AGM
- 12.30 – 14.00    Lunch
- 14.00 – 14.55    **Equal or value weighting**  
Raman Uppal, *EDHEC Business School*
- 14.55 – 15.50    **Smart beta in high yield**  
Claudio Ferrarese, *Fidelity Worldwide Investment*
- 15.50 – 16.15    Coffee break
- 16.15 – 17.10    **Introducing expected returns into risk parity**  
Thierry Roncalli, *Lyxor*
- 18.15              Departure for **social program: Warwick Castle**  
Guided tour of the castle and grounds and dinner in the Main Hall

**Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

7.30 – 8.30 Breakfast

8.30 – 9.25 **Investment beliefs of endowments**  
Andrew Ang and Andrés Ayala, *Columbia Business School*, and  
Will Goetzmann\*, *Yale School of Management*

9.25 – 10.20 **Portfolio selection with options and transaction costs**  
Semyon Malamud, *EPFL, Lausanne*\*\*

10.20 – 10.50 Coffee break (and check out)

10.50 – 11.45 **Minimum variance stock picking**  
Thomas Dangl\* and Michael Kashofer, *Vienna University of Technology*

11.45 – 12.40 **Tradability of minimum variance**  
Frank Siu, *Axioma*

12.45 – 1.15 **Investor experience of alternative indices**  
Altat Kassam, *MSCI*

1.15 – 2.15 Lunch and end of seminar

\* *Speaker*      \*\* *Sponsored research*