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Tuesday, June 21st, 2022

9.00 – 9.15 AM Nicola Viegi (Pretoria): Introduction and Welcome

Paper Session 1

9.15 – 9.50 AM David de Villiers (Stellenbosch), “Excess Financial Elasticity: The Asymmetric Effects of Heterogeneous Capital Flows on the Credit Cycle”

Discussant: Valentin Lang (Mannheim)

9.50 – 10.25 AM Agbe Tchota (Lomé), “The Determinants of Structural Transformation in Sub-Saharan African Countries”

Discussant: Valentin Lang (Mannheim)

10.25 – 11.00 AM Kate Rich (Stellenbosch), “Childhood Socio-Economic Status, Social Mobility and the Nutrition Transition in South Africa”

Discussant: Valentin Lang (Mannheim)

11.00 – 11.15 AM Coffee Break

Invited Talk 1

11.15 – 11.45 AM Augustin Fosu (ISSER, University of Ghana), “Publishing in Reputable Journals in Economics”

Paper Session 2

11.45 AM – 12.20 PM Busisiwe Radebe (VU Amsterdam), “Injustice Squared: Black Income Inequality in South Africa”

Discussant: Jesse Naidoo (Pretoria)

12.20 – 12.55 PM Emmanuel Haruna (Kobe), “Does Local Financial Development Matter for Informal Economy? Evidence from the Nigerian Enterprises”

Discussant: Vera Eichenauer (ETH Zürich)

12.55 – 1.30 PM George Anaman (Kansas State), “International Remittances and Political Participation in Ghana”

Discussant: Vera Eichenauer (ETH Zürich)

1.30 PM – 2.00 PM Lunch

Paper Session 3

2.00 – 2.35 PM Michael Kilumelume (Stellenbosch), “Agricultural Producer Responses to Minimum Wage Changes”

Discussant: Jesse Naidoo (Pretoria)

2.35 – 3.10 PM Trust Gangaidzo (Stellenbosch), “COVID-19 and Income-Related Mental Health Inequality in South Africa”

Discussant: Eleni Yitbarek (Pretoria)

3.10 – 3.45 PM Abigail Chari (Stellenbosch), “Malaria Prophylaxis Stock Out Impact on Maternal and Birth Outcomes in Zimbabwe”

Discussant: Eleni Yitbarek (Pretoria)

3.45 – 4.00 PM Coffee Break

Invited Talk 2

4.00 – 4.30 PM Nathan Nunn (Harvard), “Economic Development on the African Continent”

Paper Session 4

4.30 PM – 5.05 PM Sibonelo Mbambo (Pretoria), “The Effects of Public Infrastructure on Growth and Inequality: Spatial Evidence in South African Educational Expenditure”

Discussant: Eduardo Montero (Chicago)

5.05 – 5.40 PM Michelle Pleace (Pretoria), “Impostor Feelings and Academic Decision Making: an Anchoring Vignette Approach”

Discussant: Eduardo Montero (Chicago)

5.40 – 6.15 PM Nassibou Bassongui (Abomey-Calavi), “Valuing Health Damages From Polluting Energies in Benin”

Discussant: Eleni Yitbarek (Pretoria)

6.30 PM Dinner