ASREC 2005 PROGRAM: November 4-6, 2005 - Rochester, New York

Friday, November 4

F-1 Paper Sessions, 8:30am - 10:00am

ASREC Opening Session [ASREC]

Convener: Laurence R. Iannaccone, George Mason University, larry@econzone.com

'Opening Remarks'

• Laurence Iannaccone and Nancy Ammerman

'Has Job Reservation Been Effective? Caste, Religion, and Economic Status in India'

- Vani Borooah, University of Ulster
- Amaresh Dubey, North-Eastern Hill University
- Sriya Iyer, University of Cambridge

'Faith-Based Initiative: Liberals Woo the Religious Left'

• Sean Everton, Stanford University

'Missionary Data (1813 - 1968) as a Resource for Testing Religious Economies and Secularization Theory'

- Robert D. Woodberry, University of Texas Austin
- Xiaoyun Lu, University of Texas at Austin

F-2 Paper Sessions, 10:15am - 11:45am

Commercial Culture versus Religious Culture [Asrec/SSSR]

Convener: Roger Finke, Pennsylvania State University

'The Shape of the New Age: Demonstration of the Uses of Recommender System Data'

• William S. Bainbridge, National Science Foundation

'Managing Tension between Religious and Professional Commitments in the Christian Popular Culture Industry'

• Charles M. Brown, Albright College

'Deprofessionalisation of Buddhist Priests in Contemporary Japanese Society'

• Mitsutoshi Horii, Shumei University - Japan

'The "Outsourcing" of Church Charity'

• Jennifer E. Messchaert-Smith, George Mason University

Theories of Religious Commitment, Competition and Coordination [ASREC]

Convener: Kevin Dougherty, Baylor University

'The "Prophet" Function: An Economic Theory of Spiritual Capitals'

• Colleen Berndt and Laurence Iannaccone, George Mason University

'Religion, Accumulation, Trade and War'

• Resit Ergener, Bogazici University - Turkey

'The Significance of the Equilibrium between Market and Religious Input: The Effects of Religious Input on Economic Performance in Different Religious Societies'

• Qingjin Zhang, Shandong Academy of Social Sciences - China

'A Pious and Profitable Mystery'

• Gary Richardson, University of California - Irvine

F-3 Paper Sessions, 1:15pm - 2:45pm

Weber Revisited: The "Work Ethic" in Islamic and European Societies [ASREC]

Convener: Robert Subrick, George Mason University

'The Relationship between New Economy and Religious Communities in Turkey'

• Husnu E. Bodur, University of KSU - Turkey

'The Impact of Islam on Economic Growth: Evidence from Cross Country Regressions'

• Nadwa Mossaad, University of Maryland - Baltimore County

'Economics, Religion and the Decline of Europe'

• Niall Ferguson, Harvard University

'Treasures in Heaven? The Relationship between Religion, Belief and Earnings in Germany'

• Guido Heineck, Austrian Institute for Family Studies

Socio-economic Perspectives on Religious Behavior [ASREC]

Convener: Peter Boettke, George Mason University

'Sexual Misconduct of Roman Catholic Priests: A Rational Choice Perspective'

• Christine M. Brickman, Catholic University of America

'Religious Extremism: The Good, the Bad, and the Deadly'

- Laurence Iannaccone, George Mason University
- Eli Berman, University of California San Diego

'Study of Missionary Activity around the World'

• Feler Bose, George Mason University

F-4 Paper Sessions, 3:00pm - 4:30pm

Fertile Faithful Families? Patterns of Family Size and Religiosity [ASREC]

Convener: Evelyn Lehrer, University of Illinois - Chicago

'Religion and Changes in Family-size Norms in Developed Countries'

• Alicia Adsera, University of Illinois - Chicago

'Household Catholic education and Children Performance: A Spanish Example'

• Pablo Branas-Garza, University of Granada

'The Relationship between Religion and Fertility: Evidence for Austria'

• Guido Heineck, University of Nuremberg, Germany

Saturday, November 5

Sat-1 Paper Sessions, 8:30am - 10:00am

Piety, Prosperity, and Pluralism [ASREC]

Convener: Daniel M. Hungerman, Notre Dame

'Why Hasn't Economic Growth Killed Religion?'

• Michael McBride, University of California - Irvine

'Religious Beliefs, Longevity, and the Costs of Fundraising'

• Zsolt Besci, Southern Illinois University

'Does Religion Matter in Women's Status in a Multicultural Context? The Case of Islam'

• Yaghoob Foroutan, Australia National University

The American Religion Data Archive: Recent and forth coming developments [ASREC/SSSR]

Convener: Paul Froese, Baylor University

'The Design and Development of New Online Software Tools'

• Chris Bader, Baylor University

'The ARDA Learning Modules: Developing New Online Course Assignments and Tutorials'

• Chris Scheitle, Pennsylvania State University

'American Religious Families: Reviewing Denominational Data and Heritage Online'

• Heather Kindell, Pennsylvania State University

'New Sources of Religion Data: Recent and Forthcoming Additions to the ARDA'

• Roger Finke, Pennsylvania State University

Sat-2 Paper Sessions, 10:15am - 11:45am

The Relationship between Economic and Religious Conservatism in the U.S. [ASREC]

Convener: Charles North, Baylor University

'Unholy Alliance or a Match Made in Heaven? Welfare State Outcomes, the Economics of Religion, and the Logic of Conservative Political Coalitions'

• Jeff Cavanaugh, University of Illinois - Urbana-Champaign

'The Political Economy of Beliefs: Why Fiscal and Social Conservatives/Liberals come Hand-in-Hand'

• Daniel Chen, University of Chicago

'Religious and Economic Preferences: An Empirical Analysis of State Tax Rates'

• Ayman Reda, Michigan State University

Scriptual Interpretation/Economic Approaches to Theological Issues [ASREC/SSSR]

Convener: Nancy Ammerman, Boston University

'Reading an American Scripture: Interpreting Mormon's Book'

• Terryl Givens, University Richmond

"Christ Overcame Through Scripture": Scriptures and the Branch Davidians'

• Jaime Clark-Soles, Southern Methodist University

'Patriarchy or Gender Equality? Reading the New Testament in Light of Becker's Treastise on the Family and the Concept of Spiritual Capital'

• Carrie A. Miles, George Mason University

'Deus Economicus'

• Paul Oslington, University of New South Wales

Sat-3 Paper Sessions, 1:15pm - 2:45pm

Religion, Economics and Culture [ASREC]

Convener: Paul Froese, Baylor University

'Religion and the Political Organization of Muslims in Europe'

• Carolyn M. Warner and Manfred W. Wenner, Arizona State University

'Model of Religious Schism with Application to Islam'

- M. T. Maloney, Clemson University
- Kadir Civan, Fatih University Turkey
- Mary Frances Maloney, University of Chicago

'Church Texas - What are we Paying for?'

• Bengt O. Haraldsson, Goteborg University

Religious Commitment and Economic Development [ASREC]

Convener: Masao Ogaki, Ohio State University

'The Effects of Religious Affiliation and Participation on High-School completion: Differences by Race and Ethnicity'

• Evelyn L. Lehrer, University of Illinois at Chicago

'Religious Networks and Trust'

• Joseph P. Daniels, Marquette University

'The Role of Religion on Regional Growth Differences'

• Brian Osoba, University of Texas at El Paso

'Religion and Economic Development: Exploring Possible Causal Mechanisms'

• Robert D. Woodberry, University of Texas - Austin

Sat-4 Paper Session, 3:00pm - 4:30pm

ASREC Keynote Session [ASREC]

Convener: Eli Berman

'The Role of Islamic Law in the Economic Evolution of the Middle East'

• Timur Kuran, Professor of Economics and Law and King Faisal Prefessor of Islamic Thought and Culture, University of Southern California

Sunday, November 6

Sun-1 Paper Sessions, 8:30am - 10:00am

Government's Impact on Religious Education and Charity [ASREC/SSSR]

Convener: Robert Stonebraker, Winthrop University

'Do Tax Incentives Increase Private Charitable Giving to Religious Organizations?'

• Arthur C. Brooks, Syracuse University

'Faith-Based Charity and Crowd out During the Great Depression'

- Daniel M. Hungerman, Duke University
- Jonathan Gruber, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

'The Impact of Government Grants on Private Donations to Nonprofit Religious Organizations'

• Thomas M. SMith, University of Illinois - Chicago

How Religion Affects the Status and Activities of Women and Children [ASREC]

Convener: Carrie A. Miles, George Mason University

'Wrapped around Your Finger: Regulating Private Schools through Vouchers'

• Charles M. North and Deborah M. Oborny, Baylor University

'Patterns of Inheritance of Spiritual Capital'

• David Voas, University of Manchester, UK

'Work, Money and Leisure: Religion and the Economic Life of American Teens during the First Year after High School'

• Time Clydesdale, The College of New Jersey

Sun-2 Paper Sessions, 10:15am - 11:45am

Causes and Consequences of Religious Conversion and Intermarriage [ASREC]

Convener: David Mustard, University of Georgia

'A Theory of Conversion to Exclusive Religious and Political Faiths'

• Mario Ferrero, University of Eastern Piedmont

'Religious Switching in a Free Market - Lifetime Switching in and out of a Religious Identification'

• Ariela Keysar and Barry A. Kosmin, Brooklyn College, CUNY

'The Effects of Religious Conversion on Spiritual Captial'

• Marc von der Ruhr and Tom Reynolds, St. Norbert College