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Conference Program at a Glance

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Thursday, June 17		
17.30-21.30	Welcome Reception	Rotterdam City Hall (Coolsingel 40, Rotterdam) Buses leave Novotel at 17.00 & AGAIN AT 18.00
Friday, June 18		
9.00-10.00	CONFERENCE OPENING CEREMONY	Business School – T3 Level
10.15-12.00	Sessions A	Business School
	A1 House Price Indices	<i>Rooм</i> Т3-16
	A2 REIT PERFORMANCE	<i>Rooм</i> Т3-20
	A3 Mortgage Dynamics	<i>Rooм</i> Т3-21
12.00-13.30	DELEGATE LUNCHEON	Business School
13.30-15.15	Sessions B	Business School
	B1 SUBPRIME	<i>Rooм</i> Т3-16
	B2 URBAN ECONOMICS I	<i>Room</i> Т3-20
	B3 Homeownership	<i>Rooм</i> Т3-21
15.15-15.45	COFFEE BREAK & REFRESHMENTS	Business School – T3 Level
15.45-17.30	Sessions C	Business School
	C2 Sustainability	<i>Rooм</i> Т3-20
	C3 REAL OPTIONS	<i>Room</i> Т3-21
	C4 REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT AND RISK	<i>Room</i> Т3-25
18.00-22.00	GALA DINNER	De Laurenskerk (GROTEKERKPLEIN 27, ROTTERDAM) BUSES LEAVE NOVOTEL AT 18.00 & RETURN AT 22.00
Saturday, June 19		
9.30-10.00	Coffee & Refreshments	Business School – T3 Level
10.00-12.00	Sessions D	Business School
	D1 House Price Dynamics I	<i>Rooм</i> Т3-16
	D2 REIT Governance	<i>Room</i> Т3-20
	D3 Urban Economics II	<i>Rooм</i> Т3-21
	D4 Spatial Correlation	<i>Rooм</i> Т3-25
12.00-13.30	Delegate Luncheon	Business School
13.30-15.15	Sessions E	Business School
	E1 Real Estate Liquidity	<i>Room</i> Т3-16
	E2 House Price Dynamics II	<i>Rooм</i> Т3-20
	E3 Offices	<i>Rooм</i> Т3-21
	E4 REIT Corporate Finance I	<i>Rooм</i> Т3-25
15.15-15.45	Coffee Break & Refreshments	BUSINESS SCHOOL – T3 LEVEL
15.45-17.15	Sessions F	BUSINESS SCHOOL
	F1 Contracting and Intermediation	<i>Rooм</i> Т3-16
	F2 Housing Tenure and Tax	<i>Room</i> Т3-20
	F3 Housing Theory	<i>Rooм</i> Т3-21
18.00-22.00	Dinner Cruise	DE MAJESTEIT (MAASBOULEVARD IN ROTTERDAM.) BUSES LEAVE NOVOTEL AT 18.00 & RETURN AT 22.00

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CONFERENCE OPENING CEREMONY

Room: T3-Level

Friday, June 18 10.15-12.00



HOUSE PRICES INDICES

Larisa Fleishman, Hebrew University

Room: T3-16

- The Accuracy and Robustness of House Price Index Methods

 Greg Costello, Curtin University and Yen Go and Greg Schwann, University of Melbourne
- Measuring Local Individual Housing Returns from a Large Quarterly Transaction Database

 Tristan-Pierre Maury, Edhec Business School

Chair

Property Values and Comparable Sales

Francois De Rosiers and Mariu Theriault, Laval University and Jean Dube, INRS-UCS

To What Extent are Self-Reported House Value Estimates Accurate?

- 4 Dmitri Romanov, Central Bureau of Statistics, Larisa Fleishman, Hebrew University and Aviad Tur-Sinai, Tel Aviv University
 - **Discussants**
- 1 Francois De Rosiers, Laval University
- 2 Larisa Fleishman, Hebrew University
- 3 Tristan-Pierre Maury, Edhec Business School
- 4 Greg Costello, Curtin University

Friday, June 18 10.15-12.00



REIT PERFORMANCE

Chair

Room: T3-20

Yongheng Deng, National University of Singapore

- REIT Performance and Market Timing Ability
 - Richard Buttimer, Jun Chen and I-Hsuan Chiang, University of North Carolina-Charlotte

Testing the Predictability and Efficiency of Securitized Real Estate Markets

- ² Felix Schindler, Centre for European Economic Research, Roland Fuess and Nico Rottke European Business School
- An Analysis of Shareholder Composition and Returns in Volatile Markets
 - Dirk Brounen, Erasmus University, Nils Kok, Maastricht University and David Ling, University of Florida

REITs Return Behavior and Legal Infrastructure

- 4 Minye Zhang, California State Polytechnic University-Pomona and Yongheng Deng, National University of Singapore
 - Discussants
- 1 David Ling, University of Florida
- 2 Yongheng Deng, National University of Singapore
- 3 Felix Schindler, Centre for European Economic Research
- 4 Richard Buttimer, University of North Carolina-Charlotte

Friday, June 18 10:15-12:00



MORTGAGE DYNAMICS

Chair Room: T3-21

Richard Green, University of Southern California

- Optimal Mortgage Choice under Endogenous Delinquency and Default
 Michael Flanagan, Manchester Metropolitan University and Dean Paxson, University of Manchester
- The Role of Information Asymmetry on Mortgage Loan Pricing
 Brent Smith and Kenneth Daniels, Virginia Commonwealth University

Sunk Costs and Mortgage Default

3 Richard Green, University of Southern California, Vincent Yao, Fannie Mae and Eric Rosenblatt, Federal National Mortgage Association

Discussants

- 1 Brent Smith, Virginia Commonwealth University
- 2 Richard Green, University of Southern California
- 3 Michael Flanagan, Manchester Metropolitan University

Friday, June 18 12.00 -13.30



DELEGATE LUNCHEON

Friday, June 18 13.30 – 15.15



SUBPRIME

Chair Brent Ambrose, Pennsylvania State University

Room: T3-16

The Subprime Virus: Theory and Evidence

Brent Ambrose, Pennsylvania State University, Sumit Agarwal, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, and Yildiray Yildirim, Syracuse University

Subprime Mortgage Crises and the Giant Secondary-Market Institutions, Fannie Mae

2 and Freddie Mac

Belgin Akcay, Ankara University

Did the Danish Financial and Housing Market Indicators Warn Us?

Jens Lunde, Copenhagen Business School

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 - 2 Jens Lunde, Copenhagen Business School
- 3 Belgin Akcay, Ankara University

Friday, June 18 13.30 – 15.15

B2

URBAN ECONOMICS I

Chair Leah Brooks, University of Toronto Room: T3-20

Sprawl and Blight

Robert Helsley, University of California-Berkeley and Jan Brueckner, University of California-Irvine

Redefining the City: An Empirical Analysis of Land Assembly

Leah Brooks, University of Toronto and Byron Lutz, Federal Reserve Board of Governors

Federal Aid and Local Economies

Gerald Carlino, Federal Reserve Board of Philadelphia and Robert Inman, University of Pennsylvania

Discussants

- 1 Leah Brooks, University of Toronto
 - 2 Rober Inman, University of Pennsylvania
 - 3 Robert Helsley, University of California-Berkeley

Friday, June 18 13.30 – 15.15



HOMEOWNERSHIP

Chair

Room: T3-2

Eric Fesselmeyer, National University of Singapore

Homeownership Externalities, Evidence from Rotterdam

Ruben Cox, Dirk Brounen and Peter Neuteboom, Erasmus University

Costs and Risks of Homeownership

Bert Kramer, Ortec Finance, Johan Conijn and Frans Schilder, University of Amsterdam

A Household-Level Decomposition of the Black-White Homeownership Gap Distribution

Eric Fesselmeyer, Kiat-Ying Seah, and Kien Le, National University of Singapore

Discussants

- 1 Kiat-Ying Seah, National University of Singapore
- 2 Ruben Cox, Erasmus University
- 3 Bert Kramer, Ortec Finance

Friday, June 18 15.15 – 15.45



COFFEE BREAK & REFRESHMENTS

Room: T3-Level

Friday, June 18 15.45 – 17.30



SUSTAINABILITY

Chair

Room: T3-20

Nils Kok, Maastricht University

Economic Returns to Energy-Efficient Investments in the Housing Market: Evidence

1 from Singapore

Yongheng Deng and Zhilian Li, National University of Singapore and John Quigley, University of California-Berkeley

A Global Perspective on the Value of Green Buildings

- 2 Andrea Chegut, Nils Kok and Piet Eichholtz Maastricht University and John Quigley, University of California-Berkeley
- Sustainability and the Dynamics of Green Building
 Nils Kok and Piet Eichholtz, Maastricht University and John Quigley, University of California-Berkeley
- On the Economics of Energy Labels in the Housing Markets
 Dirk Brounen, Erasmus University, Nils Kok, Maastricht University
 - Discussants
- 1 Nils Kok, University of Maastricht
- 2 Dirk Brounen, Erasmus University
- 3 Yongheng Deng, National University of Singapore
- 4 Andrea Chegut, University of Maastricht

Friday, June 18 15.45 – 17.30



REAL OPTIONS

Chair

Room: T3-21

Gianluca Marcato, University of Reading

- The Value of Delay, Preemption and Irreversible Investments
 Anthony Pennington-Cross, Marquette University
- Option Value Created and Destroyed by the Big Bang in the Berlin Housing Market, 1978-2007

 John Clapp, University of Connecticut and Thies Lindenthal, Maastricht University
- Real Options and Game Theoretical Approaches to Real Estate Development Projects

 Gianluca Marcato and Tommaso Gabrieli, University of Reading

- 1 Gianluca Marcato, University of Reading
- 2 Anthony Pennington-Cross, Marquette University
- 3 Thies Lindenthal, Maastricht University

Friday, June 18 15.45 – 17.30



REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT AND RISK

Room: T3-25

Steffen Sebastian, University of Regensburg

Risk-Neutral Valuation of Real Estate Derivatives

David van Bragt, Ortec Finance, Marc Francke, University of Amsterdam, Bert Kramer, Ortec Finance, and Antoon Pelsser, Maastricht University

Chair

Inflation Illusion and Liquidity Risk in Real Estate

Kiat-Ying Seah, National University of Singapore

Real Estate Allocation and S&P 500 Firm's Defined Benefit Pension Plans

Karen Lahey, University of Akron and T. Leigh Anenson, University of Maryland

Inflation-Hedging, Asset Allocation and the Investment Horizon

Benedikt Fleischmann, Christian Rehring and Steffen Sebastian, University of Regensburg

Discussants

- 1 Benedikt Fleischmann, University of Regensburg
- 2 Karen Lahey, University of Akron
- 3 Marc Francke, University of Amsterdam
- 4 Kiat-Ying Seah, National University of Singapore

Friday, June 18 18.00 – 22.00



De Laurenskerk (Grotekerkplein 27, Rotterdam)

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St Laurenskerk was originally constructed in the 15th century. The church was rebuilt in 1940 after heavy bomb damage, but has retained much of its splendour).

Saturday, June 19 9.30 – 10.00

Chair



Room: T3-Level

Room: T3-16

Saturday, June 19

10.00 - 12.00

D1 House

HOUSE PRICE DYNAMICS I

Marc Francke, University of Amsterdam

- Comparing Market Rents from a User Cost and a Reaction Model Marc Francke, University of Amsterdam
- Bank Lending and Residential Property Prices in South Africa Matthew Ocran, Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University
- Measuring Quality of Life in Italian Cities: Estimates from Hedonic House Price Models Luca Stanca, Emilio Colombo and Alessandra Michelangeli, University of Milan-Biocca

Discussants

- 1 Matthew Ocran, Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University
- 2 Luca Stanca, University of Milan-Bicocca
- 3 Marc Francke, University of Amsterdam

Saturday, June 19 10.00 – 12.00



REIT GOVERNANCE

Chair Room: T3-20

David Downs, Virginia Commonwealth University

- The Role of Sponsor in Asian REIT IPOs
 Seow-Eng Ong, Joseph Ooi and Woei Chyuan Wong, National University of Singapore
- What Drives CEOs to Take on More Risk? Some Evidence from the Laboratory of REITs
 Roland Fuess, Joachim Zietz, and Nico Rottke, European Business School
- Real Estate, Governance, and the Crisis
 Erkan Yonder, Nils Kok and Piet Eichholtz, Maastricht University
- The Determinants of Fund Openings: The Case of German Real Estate Funds

 David Downs, Virginia Commonwealth University and Steffen Sebastian, University of Regensburg

- 1 Steffen Sebastian, University of Regensburg
- 2 Erkan Yonder, Maastricht University
- 3 Joseph Ooi, National University of Singapore
- 4 Roland Fuess, European Business School

Saturday, June 19 10.00 - 12.00

URBAN ECONOMICS II

Chair

Room: T3-21

Maarten Jennen, Erasmus University

Consumption of Real Assets and the Clientele Effect

- 1 Anna Chernobai, Syracuse University and Ekaterina Chernobai, California State Polytechnic University-Pomona and University of Nuertingen
- Immigration and Urban Housing Market Dynamics: The Case of Haifa 2 Arno van der Vlist, Daniel Czamanski and Henk Folmer, University of Groningen
- External Economies and the Spatial Form of Office Markets Across the U.S. Metropolitan Areas 3 Ruben Cox and Maarten Jennen, Erasmus University and Yuming Fu, National University of Singapore
- Cultural Amenities and the Location Choice of Dutch Households in a Residential Sorting Model 4 Mark van Duijn, VU University and Jan Rouwendal, Free University

Discussants

- 1 Maarten Jennen, Erasmus University
- 2 Ekaterina Chernobai, California State Polytechnic University-Pomona and University of Nuertingen
- 3 Mark van Duijn, VU University
- 4 Arno van der Vlist, University of Groningen

10.00 - 12.00Saturday, June 19

Chair



SPATIAL CORRELATION

Room: T3-25

Peter Westerheide, Centre for European Economic Research

- **Liquidity-Induced Spatial Autocorrelation in Real Estate Prices** Siu Kei Wong, Chun Wah Li, Chung Yim Yiu and Kwong Wing Chau, University of Hong Kong
- **Spatial and Temporal Dependence in House Price Prediction** 2 Xiaolong Liu, University of Amsterdam
- Social Return on Investment of Mutual Support Based on Housing Projects 3 Peter Westerheide and Sarah Borgloh, Centre for European Economic Research

Discussants

- 1 Peter Westerheide, Centre for European Economic Research
- 2 Siu Kei Wong, University of Hong Kong
- 3 Xiaolong Liu, University of Amsterdam

Saturday, June 19 **12.00 – 13.30**



DELEGATE LUNCHEON

Saturday, June 19 13.30 – 15.15

E1

REAL ESTATE LIQUIDITY

Chair

Room: T3-16

David Ling, University of Florida

- The Pricing of Liquidity in Real Estate
 - James Shilling, DePaul University, Yuichiro Kawaguchi, Waseda University and J. Sa-Aadu, University of Iowa
- Short Sales and Fundamental Value
- Melissa Porras Prado and Dirk Brounen, Erasmus University
- REITs: Liquidity and Real Estate Risk
 - Dragana Cvijanovic, London School of Economics
- Investor Sentiment and Asset Pricing in Public and Private Markets
 - David Ling, Andy Naranjo and Benjamin Scheick, University of Florida
 - **Discussants**
- 1 David Ling, University of Florida
- 2 Dragana Cvijanovic, London School of Economics
- 3 James Shilling, DePaul University
- 4 Melissa Porras Prado, Erasmus University

Saturday, June 19 13.30 – 15.15



HOUSE PRICE DYNAMICS II

Chair

Room: T3-20

Peter Neuteboom, Erasmus University

Are Canadian House Prices More Closely Linked to Fundamental Drivers than U.S. House Prices?

- 1 Cynthia Holmes, York University, Tsur Somerville, University of British Columbia, Judith Clarke, University of Victoria and Marsha Courchane, CRA, International
- Interest Rates and Non-Fundamental Fluctuations in Home Values
 - Albert Saiz, University of Pennsylvania
- **House Prices and Income Shocks**
 - Jan Rouwendal, Free University
- Hedging House Price Risk in International Markets
 - Dirk Brounen and Peter Neuteboom, Erasmus University
 - **Discussants**
- 1 Jingnan Xu, Erasmus University
- 2 Jan Rouwendal, Free University
- 3 Cynthia Holmes, York University
- 4 Albert Saiz, University of Pennsylvania

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E3 O

OFFICES

Chair Room: T3-21

Jim Clayton, Cornerstone Real Estate Advisers

- Yield Development in the Real Estate Office Market: The Effect of Obsolescence
 Leonie Koerhuis and Aart Hordijk, Delft University of Technology
- Office Market and Labor Market: The Case of Germany
 Michael Voigtlander, Institut der deutschen Wirtschaft Koin
- Pro-Cyclical Leverage, Liquidity and Commercial Property Values

 Jim Clayton, Cornerstone Real Estate Advisers and Lian Peng, University of Colorado-Boulder

Discussants

- 1 Jim Clayton, Cornerstone Real Estate Advisers
- 2 Aart Hordijk, Delft University of Technology
- 3 Michael Voigtlander, Instiut der deutschen Wirtschaft Koin

Saturday, June 19 13.30 – 15.15

E4

REIT CORPORATE FINANCE

Robert Edelstein, University of California-Berkeley

- Why Do REITs Issue Convertible Debt?
- Joseph Ooi and Chiang-Meng Ang, National University of Singapore

Elective Stock Dividends and REITs: Evidence from REIT Dividend Policy During the Financial Crisis

- Desmond Tsang, McGill University, Andrew Spieler, Hofstra University and Erik Devos, University of Texas-El Paso
- The Economics of Property Acquisitions and Dispositions by REITs

 Milena Petrova, Syracuse University and David Ling, University of Florida
- Chinese Listed Property Companies Engaged in Earnings Management?

 Robert Edelstein, University of California-Berkeley and Qiulin Ke, Nottingham Trent University

Discussants

- 1 Robert Edelstein, University of California-Berkeley
- 2 Milena Petrova, Syracuse University
- 3 Joseph Ooi, National University of Singapore
- 4 Andrew Spieler, Hofstra University

Saturday, June 19 15.15 – 15.45

COFFEE & REFRESHMENTS

Room: T3-Level

Room: T3-25

Saturday, June 19 15.45 – 17.15

F1 CONTRACTING

Chair

Room: T3-16

CONTRACTING AND INTERMEDIATION Philip Seagraves, Georgia State University

Negotiating the Gender Gap: Real Estate Agent Performance at the Bargaining Table

Philip Seagraves, Georgia State University

The Impact of Litigation of Infrastructure Sitting on Residential Property Values in

Paris's Suburban Zones

Hai Vu Pham and Arnaud Simon, University of Paris Dauphine and Andre Torre, INRA, Agroparistech

Optimal Multiple Listing Service Size and Commission Rate in Residential Real Estate Markets

Abdullah Yavas and Lingxiao Li, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Discussants

- 1 Lingxiao Li, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 2 Phillip Seagraves, Georgia State University
- 3 Hai Vu Pham, University of Paris Dauphine

Saturday, June 19 15.45 – 17.15

F2

HOUSING TENURE AND TAX

Chair

Room: T3-20

Gary Painter, University of Southern California

The Impact of the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 on Housing Turnover in the U.S. Single

1 Family Residential Market

Andrea Heuson, University of Miami and David Ling, University of Florida

Housing Decisions Under Uncertain Income

Guozhong Zhu, Peking University

Optimal Portfolio Choices-House Resale Risk Hedging, and the Determination

3 of Housing Rental Prices

Gang-Zhi Fan, Konkuk University, Seow-Eng Ong and Ming Pu, National University of Singapore

What Happens to Household Formation in a Recession? Evidence from the United States Gary Painter, University of Southern California

- 1 Gary Painter, University of Southern California
- 2 Seow-Eng Ong, National University of Singapore
- 3 Andrea Heuson, University of Miami
- 4 Guozhong Zhu, Peking University

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HOUSING THEORY

Chair

Room: T3-21

Greg Costello, Curtin University

Land Leverage Dynamics in Housing Markets Greg Costello, Curtin University

Cross-Border Mortgage Interest Rate Deductibility and its Impact on Housing Markets

in the Dutch Border Regions

Thies Lindenthal and Piet Eichholtz, Maastricht University

Housing Channels of Monetary Policy Transmission in European Industrial

3 and Transition Countries

Stanimari Milcheva and Steffen Sebastian, University of Regensburg

Discussants

- 1 Stanimari Milcheva, University of Regensburg
- 2 Greg Costello, Curtin University
- 3 Thies Lindenthal, Maastricht University

Saturday, June 19 18.00 - 22.00



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Paddle steamer De Majesteit is among the biggest, most luxurious paddle steamboats in Europe