

The National Academy of Sciences, Sackler Colloquia on

The Dynamics of Social, Political, and Economic Institutions

Program Agenda

Thursday, December 2

5:30 p.m. **Welcome Reception - Beckman Center**

7:00 p.m. **Distinctive Voices @ The Beckman
Center Public Lecture**
The Art of Strategy presented by **Avinash
K. Dixit, Ph.D. (NAS)**

Coffee and Dessert reception

8:45 p.m. **Transportation provided to Marriott
Hotel**

Friday December 3

7:45 and 8:15 AM **Buses depart Newport Marriott Hotel for Beckman
Center**

8:00-9:00 AM **Breakfast and Registration**

9:00-9:10 AM **Opening remarks**

Session I: Norms, customs

9:10-10:00 AM **Peyton Young, *Social Norms and
Norm Dynamics***

10:00-10:20 AM **Break**

10:20-11:10 AM **Paul Romer, *The Startup
Dynamic***

11:10-12:00 PM **Jean-Philippe Platteau, *Confronting Oppressive Customs: Reformism versus Radicalism***

12:00-1:15 PM **Lunch**

Session II: Alternative Paths to Institutional Change

1:15-2:05 PM **Kate Stovel, *Institutionalizing Brokerage: The Emergence of Social Roles and Organization***

2:05-2:55 PM **Bruce Carruthers, *Institutional Dynamics: When Is Change Real Change?***

2:55-3:15 PM **Break**

3:15-4:05 PM **Leonard Wantchekon, *The Democratic Legacy of Anti-Colonial Customs***

4:05-4:15 PM **Break**

Session III: Round Table discussion of institutional dynamics

4:15-5:30 PM **Panel TBA**

5:30-6:30 PM **Reception**

6:30 PM **Dinner**

Saturday December 4

7:45 & 8:15 **Buses depart Marriott Hotel for Beckman Center**

8:00 AM **Breakfast**

Session IV: Institutions in Developing Countries

9:00-9:50 AM **Jean Ensminger, *Ingenious Corruption: Centralizing Rents Through Decentralization***

9:50-10:40 AM **Marcel Fafchamps, *Labor Markets and Development***

10:40-11:00 AM Break

11:00-11:50 AM Lena Edlund, *Limits on Polygyny: Effects on Human Capital*

11:50-1:15 PM Lunch

Session V: Legal Institutions

1:15-2:05 PM Gillian Hadfield, *What is Law? A Positive Model of Legal Reasoning and the Rule of Law*

2:05-2:55 PM Katarina Pistor, *Resolving Contested Property Rights*

2:55-3:15 PM Break

Session VI: States and Constitutions

3:15-4:05 PM Roger Myerson, *A Theory of Leadership and State-Building*

4:05-4:55 PM Daron Acemoglu, *A Political Model of Social Evolution*

5:00 PM Buses depart for John Wayne Airport and Marriott Hotel