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Knut Wicksell Conference on Crypto and Fintech

Skissernas Museum, Finngatan 2, 223 62 Lund, Sweden

August 30-31, 2024

Day 1 - Friday, August 30

09.00-09.20 Registration and Coffee

Session 1

Chair: Anders Vilhelmsson

09.20-09.50 CBDC and banks: Disintermediating fast and slow

Timothy Jackson (University of Liverpool)

Discussant: Ganesh Viswanath-Natraj (Warwick Business School and Gillmore Centre for Financial Technology)

09.50-10.20 DeFi-ying the Fed? Monetary Policy Transmission to Stablecoin Rates

Benoit Nguyen (European Central Bank and Banque de France)

Discussant: Xin Zhang (The Riksbank)

10.20-10.50 Coffee Break

Session 2

Chair: Talina Sondershaus

10.50-11.20 Blockchain Currency Markets

Ganesh Viswanath-Natraj (Warwick Business School and Gillmore Centre for Financial Technology)

Discussant: Lorenzo Schönleber (Collegio Carlo Alberto and University of Turin)

11.20-11.50 Regulation, information asymmetries and the funding of new ventures

Matteo Aquilina (Bank for International Settlements)

Discussant: Cathy Lemieux (Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, retired)

Panel Discussion

11.55-12.40 Regulating crypto firms

Alex Bechtel (Head of Digital Product Strategy, DWS)

Campbell R. Harvey (Professor of Finance at the Fuqua School of Business, Duke University)

Emelie Moritz (CEO Safello)

Elisabeth Noble (European Banking Authority)

Moderator: Sarah Palurovic (Policy Officer for Digital Banking & Financial Services at Bitkom)

12.40-14.30 Lunch and Guided Tour

Session 3

Chair: Hossein Asgharian

14.30-15.00 The Rise of E-Wallets and Buy-Now-Pay-Later: Payment Competition, Credit Expansion, and Consumer Behavior

Yang Ji (Sun Yat-Sen University)

Discussant: Tse-Chun Lin (University of Hong Kong)

15.00-15.30 Who Invests in Crypto? Wealth, Financial Constraints, and Risk Attitudes

Scott R. Baker (Northwestern University Kellogg School of Management and NBER)

Discussant: Claudio Daminato (Lund University)

15.30-16.00 Fika (Coffee Break)

Session 4

Chair: Andreas Johansson

16.00-16.30 Battle of the Bots: Flash loans, Miner Extractable Value and Efficient Settlement

Alfred Lehar (Haskayne School of Business, University of Calgary)

Keynote

16.30-17.30 Web3 Awakening

Campbell R. Harvey (Professor of Finance at the Fuqua School of Business, Duke University)

19.00-21.30 Dinner

Day 2 - Saturday, August 31

Session 5

Chair: Elin Molin

09.00-09.30 Did Fintech Loans Default More During the COVID-19 Pandemic? Were Fintech Firms "Cream-Skimming" the Best Borrowers?

Cathy Lemieux (Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, retired)

Discussant: Matteo Aquilina (Bank for International Settlements)

09.30-10.00 Does FinTech Improve Financial Inclusion? Evidence from Crowdfunded Microfinance Institutions

Tse-Chun Lin (University of Hong Kong)

Discussant: Yang Ji (Sun Yat-Sen University)

10.00-10.30 Fika

Session 6

Chair: Jens Forssbaeck

10.30-11.00 Crypto Carry

Karamfil Todorov (Bank for International Settlements)

Discussant: Luyao Zhang (Duke Kunshan University)

11.00-12.00 Lunch