

**Understanding Long-Run Economic Growth:
A Conference Honoring the Contributions of Kenneth Sokoloff**

Friday and Saturday, November 7-8, 2008

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Program

Friday, November 7, 2008

- 8:00 a.m. Continental breakfast
- 8:45 a.m. Introduction
- 9:00 a.m. STANLEY ENGERMAN, University of Rochester and NBER
Once Upon a Time in the Americas: Land and Immigration Policy in the New World
joint with Kenneth Sokoloff

Discussant: PETER LINDERT, University of California, Davis
- 9:50 a.m. JAMES ROBINSON, Harvard University and NBER
The Myth of the Frontier

Discussant: RONALD ROGOWSKI, University of California, Los Angeles
- 10:40 a.m. Break
- 11:00 a.m. STEPHEN HABER, Stanford University and NBER
Do Natural Resources Cause Authoritarianism: A Reappraisal of the Resource Curse
joint with Victor Menaldo

Discussant: JEFFREY FRIEDEN, Harvard University
- 11:50 a.m. DANIEL KAUFMANN, World Bank
Institutions and Economic Growth in Developing Countries

Discussant: DANIEL TREISMAN, University of California, Los Angeles
- 12:40 p.m. Lunch

- 2:00 p.m. CLAUDIA GOLDIN, Harvard University and NBER
Mass Secondary Schooling and the State: The Role of State Compulsion
joint with Lawrence Katz
- Discussant: DAVID CARD, University of California, Berkeley and NBER
- 2:50 p.m. NAOMI LAMOREAUX, University of California, Los Angeles and NBER
The Reorganization of Invention in the Early-Twentieth-Century U.S.
joint with Kenneth Sokoloff and Dhanoos Sutthiphisal
- Discussant: ARIEL PAKES, Harvard University and NBER
- 3:40 p.m. Break
- 4:00 p.m. ROBERT W. FOGEL, University of Chicago and NBER
The Impact of the Asian Miracle on the Theory of Economic Growth
- 5:00 p.m. Adjourn
- 6:00 p.m. Dinner
Remarks: DOUGLASS C. NORTH, Washington University in St. Louis
- Saturday, November 8**
- 7:30 a.m. Continental breakfast
- 7:50 a.m. ZORINA KHAN, Bowdoin College and NBER
How do Incentive Mechanisms affect Technological Innovation?
- Discussant: MANUEL TRATJENBERG, Tel-Aviv University
- 8:40 a.m. SUKKOO KIM, Washington University in St. Louis and NBER
Urban Primacy and Institutional Development: Evidence from the Americas
joint with Sebastian Galiani
- Discussant: EDWARD LEAMER, University of California, Los Angeles and NBER
- 9:30 a.m. Break
- 9:50 a.m. JOHN MAJEWSKI, University of California, Santa Barbara
Democracy, Development, and the Costs of Incorporation: The Transportation Revolution in Britain and the United States
joint with Daniel Bogart
- Discussant: JOHN WALLIS, University of Maryland and NBER
- 10:40 a.m. JEAN-LAURENT ROSENTHAL, Caltech
History, Geography, and the Markets for Mortgage Loans in 19th Century France
joint with Gilles Postel-Vinay and Philip T. Hoffman

Discussant: JOEL MOKYR, Northwestern University

11:30 a.m. Adjourn

Conference format: Authors will present for 25 minutes, discussants will critique for 10 minutes followed by 15 minutes of general discussion