# Austrian Scholars

March 13-15, 2008

Ludwig von Mises Institute, Auburn, AL



# FINAL SCHEDULE

- All times central time. All events held at the Mises Institute; see directions, end of schedule.
- Please request copies of papers directly from the presenters.
- Assistive Listening Headphones are available at the back of Condon Lecture Hall.
- Complimentary refreshments between sessions, and receptions, in Hogan Graduation Area (covered outdoor area in back).
- Please turn off cell phones during sessions.

# **THURSDAY, MARCH 13**

9:00 A.M.

Shuttle from Hilton Garden Inn to AU Hotel

10:00 A.M.

Shuttle from AU Hotel/Tiger Suites to Mises Institute

10:30 а.м.-12:30 р.м.

Authors Forum (CONDON LECTURE HALL)

- JÖRG GUIDO HÜLSMANN (University of Angers) "My Book on Mises"
- RODERICK LONG (Auburn University) "My Anarchist Anthology"
- THOMAS WOODS (Mises Institute) "33 Questions on American History"
- LAURENCE VANCE (Wayland Institute) "Christianity and War"

12:30-2:00 P.M.

Lunch on your own. A limited number of boxed lunches will be for sale in Hogan Graduation Area for \$6 each (or see Auburn restaurant guide at registration table).

2:00-3:00 P.M.

The Lou Church Memorial Lecture in Religion and Economics (Condon Lecture Hall)

**LAURENCE VANCE** (Wayland Institute)

The Myth of the Just Price

3:30-4:45 P.M.

**SESSIONS** 

A. Economics and Society (CONDON LECTURE HALL)

Chair: MARK THORNTON (Mises Institute)

- Hans-Hermann Hoppe (Mises Institute)
  On the Nature of Human Rationality
- GEOFFREY ALLAN PLAUCHE (Louisiana State University)
  Immanent Politics, Participatory Democracy, and the Pursuit of Eudaimonia
- PIET DE VRIES (University of Twente, The Netherlands)
   Neo-Institutional Economics: Theory and Applications
- Discussant: **DAVID GORDON** (Mises Institute)

5:00-6:00 P.M.

The Murray N. Rothbard Memorial Lecture (Condon Lecture Hall)

**STEPHAN KINSELLA** (Houston, Texas) **Rethinking IP Completely** 

6:00-7:00 P.M.

Reception

7:00 p.m.

Express-85 Shuttle from Mises to AU Hotel/Tiger Suites

Dinner on your own

# FRIDAY, MARCH 14

8:00 A.M. Shuttle from AU Hotel/Tiger Suites to Mises

Coffee and juice

8:30-10:00 A.M. SESSIONS

#### A. Entrepreneurship (CONDON LECTURE HALL)

Chair: Peter Klein (University of Missouri)

■ PETER G. KLEIN (University of Missouri)

The Place of Austrian Economics in Entrepreneurship Research

■ RANDALL HOLCOMBE (Florida State University)

Product Differentiation and Economic Progress

- Warren Miller (Beckmill Research)
  - A Tri-Level Framework for Analyzing and Quantifying Unsystematic Risk
- Yuri Maltsev (Carthage College)

The Corporate State and Civil Society in Russia

#### B. Monetary Economics and the Business Cycle (SCHLARBAUM SEMINAR ROOM)

Chair: TIMOTHY TERRELL (Wofford College)

■ RODERICK LONG (Auburn University)

Clash of the Titans: The Bastiat-Proudhon Debate on Credit and Interest

- WILLIAM BARNETT AND WALTER BLOCK (Loyola University, New Orleans)
  On Hayekian Triangles
- JÖRG GUIDO HÜLSMANN (University of Angers)
  Time Preference and Investment Expenditure

#### 10:15-11:45 A.M. SESSIONS

#### A. Environmental Economics (CONDON LECTURE HALL)

Chair: MARK BRANDLY (Ferris State University)

■ NORMAN HORN (University of Texas, Austin)

Can Government Solve the Problem of Transportation Pollution?

■ MATTHEW MUELLER (Washington University, St. Louis)

In Defense of Extreme Skepticism: A Case Against Al Gore's An Inconvenient Truth

■ JOSHUA R. HENDRICKSON (Wayne State University)

Does Global Warming Warrant Government Intervention?

■ Discussant: N. JOSEPH POTTS

#### B. Markets and Finance (SCHLARBAUM SEMINAR ROOM)

Chair: MARK THORNTON (Mises Institute)

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The Austrian Money Supply

■ JEFFREY CLEVELAND (Los Angeles, CA) AND ANTERO ATILLA (Copenhagen, Denmark)

Anatomy of a Financial Crisis: The Crisis of 2007 through the Eyes of Financial Market Economists

■ WALTER BLOCK (Loyola University, New Orleans) AND J.H. HUEBERT (Columbus, Ohio) Defending Corporations

■ Douglas French (Las Vegas, Nevada)

**Current Market Conditions** 

11:45 A.M.-1:00 P.M.

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#### 1:00-2:30 P.M. SESSIONS

#### A. The Provision of Security (CONDON LECTURE HALL)

Chair: THOMAS DILORENZO (Loyola College in Maryland)

■ GIL GUILLORY (Independent Scholar) AND TONY SKINNER (Ultra-Protection, Inc.)
Empirical Studies in Private Defense: A Patrol Study for the SPR Business Model

■ NICHOLAS A. SNOW (George Mason University)

Law of the Rum-Runners: Self-Enforcement Mechanisms Given Weak Focal Points

■ GIL GUILLORY (Independent Scholar), PATRICK TINSLEY (Independent Scholar),

AND MAX CHIZ (Tulane University Law School)

The Role of Subscription-based Patrol and Restitution in the Future of Liberty

■ JOHN LEVENDIS (Loyola University, New Orleans)

The Louisiana Supreme Court in Question: An Empirical and Statistical Study of the Effect of Campaign Money on the Judicial Function

#### B. The Public Sector (SCHLARBAUM LECTURE HALL)

Chair: JEFFREY HERBENER (Grove City College)

■ Mark Brandly (Ferris State University)

The Simple Analytics of an Excise Tax

■ LAURENT CARNIS (French National Institute for Transport and Safety Research)

New Perspectives on the Economic Approach to Bureaucracy

■ JEFFREY HERBENER (Grove City College)

In Defense of Rothbardian Welfare Economics

■ **DOMINICK SEVERANCE** (Christendom College)

The Dropping of the Atomic Bomb: Truman's True Intentions

■ Discussant: J.H. HUEBERT

#### 3:00-4:30 P.M. SESSIONS

#### A. Sociology of Social Change (CONDON LECTURE HALL)

Chair: **EDWARD STRINGHAM** (San Jose State University)

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If Anarcho-Capitalism is So Good, Why Doesn't it Exist? Incentives versus Preferences in Social Change

■ WILLIAM ANDERSON (Frostburg State University)

The Hayekian Blogosphere: A Case Study

■ Dave Bear (Assistant State Attorney, 9th Judicial Circuit of Florida)
Establishing a Moral Duty to Obey the Law through Jurisprudence of Law and Economics

■ ROBERT F. MULLIGAN (Western Carolina University)

The Sensory Order's Operational Model of Epistemology: From Subjective Perception to Objective Reality

### B. Topics in Intellectual Property Rights and Legal Order (SCHLARBAUM SEMINAR ROOM)

Chair: PAUL CWIK (Mount Olive College)

■ RICHARD O. HAMMER (Hillsborough, NC)
Private IP Law Created and Enforced by Contract

■ PAUL CWIK (Mount Olive College)
Is there Room for Intellectual Property Rights in Austrian Economics?

■ JOHN SEBASTIAN QUICK (University of Texas, Dallas)
Taking a Stab at Anarchy

■ Discussant: STEPHAN KINSELLA

#### 5:00–6:00 P.M. The Henry Hazlitt Memorial Lecture (Condon Lecture Hall)

MARTIN FRIDSON (FridsonVision, LLC)

A Chronicle of Limitless Failures of Government

6:00 P.M. Reception in honor of Louis Carabini

7:30 P.M. Shuttle from Mises to AU Hotel/Tiger Suites

# **SATURDAY, MARCH 15**

9:00 A.M. Shuttle from AU Hotel/Tiger Suites to Mises

9:00 A.M. Coffee and juice

9:30-11:00 A.M. SESSIONS

#### A. History of the Austrian School (CONDON LECTURE HALL)

Chair: Scott KJAR (Loyola University, New Orleans)

■ MARK THORNTON (Mises Institute)
Cantillon the Anti-Mercantilist

■ FRED DAY (Manchester Metropolitan University)
John Bates Clark, Socialism and Labour

■ MATTHEW MUELLER (Washington University, St. Louis)
Interpretive Flux: The Incomplete Subjectivism of Ludwig Lachmann

■ Scott Kjar (Loyola University, New Orleans) Menger on Value Theory

#### B. Method and Politics (SCHLARBAUM SEMINAR ROOM)

Chair: SHAWN RITENOUR (Grove City College)

■ JOSEPH A. WEGLARZ (University of Detroit, Mercy)
Antonio Rosmini's Proto-Austrian Elements as Found in The Constitution
Under Social Justice

■ Francesco Di Iorio (Ecole Polytechnique, France)
Mises and Popper on Epistemology

■ KOEN SWINKELS (University of Amsterdam)
The Republic of Science

■ PAOLA MAZZA (Catholic University of Paris)
The Ethical Market?

#### 11:15 A.M.-12:15 P.M.

#### The F.A. Hayek Memorial Lecture (Condon Lecture Hall)

LORENZO INFANTINO (LUISS, Rome)

**Hayek Speaks to Europe** 

12:15–1:30 р.м.

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1:30–3:00 P.M. SESSIONS

# A. The Transition to Sound Money (CONDON LECTURE HALL)

Chair: Walter Block (Loyola University, New Orleans)

- LARRY SECHREST (Sul Ross University)
- WILLIAM BARNETT (Loyola University, New Orleans)
- J. Bradley Jansen (Center for Financial Privacy and Human Rights)
- JOSEPH SALERNO (Pace University)

## B. Seminar on Catholic Social Doctrine (SCHLARBAUM SEMINAR ROOM)

Chair: Joseph Keckeissen (Universidad Francisco Marroquin)

■ WILLIAM LUCKEY (Christendom College)

Starting Over: The Rebuilding of Catholic Social Teaching on Economics

■ ARMANDO DE LA TORRE (Universidad Francisco Marroquin)

Acceptable and Unacceptable Criteria Regarding Themes of Social Doctrine

(Session B continued ➤)

- Gabriel Calzada (Instituto Juan de Mariana)
  Equilibrium Between Individual Liberty and Government Power,
  as Seen in the Case Against Juan de Mariana
- ROBERTO BLUM (Universidad Francisco Marroquin)
  The Common Good from a Christian Point of View
- JUAN JOSE RAMIREZ (Universidad Francisco Marroquin)
  Defense of Those Social Norms that Protect Authentic Human Dignity

■ Discussant: THOMAS E. WOODS

#### 3:15-4:45 P.M. SESSIONS

#### A. Applied Economics (CONDON LECTURE HALL)

Chair: THOMAS J. DILORENZO (Loyola College in Maryland)

- FRANCOIS FACCHINI (Universite de Reims, Sorbonne)
  A History of the Common Agriculture Policy
- **THOMAS DILORENZO** (Loyola College in Maryland)
  Birth of the Keynesian Curse: Hamilton on Public Debt
- JOHN BRATLAND (Department of the Interior)
  Auctions of Capital Goods: Entrepreneurial Plans and Inferences of the Winner's Curse
- J. STUART WOOD (Loyola University, New Orleans)
  The Finance of Katrina

#### B. Career Challenges for Austro-Libertarians (SCHLARBAUM SEMINAR ROOM)

Chair: WALTER BLOCK (Loyola University, New Orleans)

- **VEDRAN VUK** (George Mason University)
  The Challenges of Graduate Education
- WILLIAM ANDERSON (Frostburg University)
   Investigating Crime: An Austrian View of Eliot Spitzer and Prosecutorial Abuse
- WALTER BLOCK (Loyola University, New Orleans)
  My Weird Career: An Object Lesson
- DAVE BEAR (Assistant State Attorney, 9th Judicial Circuit of Florida)
  The Libertarian Prosecutor: Advancing Justice, Infringing Rights, or Litigating in a Complex World?

5:00 P.M. Awarding of the O.P. Alford Prize (CONDON LECTURE HALL)

5:10–6:10 P.M. Mises Memorial Lecture (Condon Lecture Hall)

**LARRY SECHREST** (Sul Ross University)

The Anticapitalists: Barbarians at the Gate

6:10–7:30 P.M. Reception

7:30 P.M. Shuttle to AU Hotel/Tiger Suites

Dinner on your own

#### **Directions from Auburn University Hotel to Mises Institute**

- Take right out of parking lot of hotel onto South College Street.
- Take left at second light onto Magnolia Avenue.
- Go 1/2 mile, past McDonald's, Chick-fil-A, and Arby's, and through light at intersection of Magnolia and Donahue.
- Mises Institute is on the right at 518 West Magnolia Avenue.

#### **Contact Information**

Mises Institute—321-2100 ■ AU Hotel—821-8200 Express-85 Airport Shuttle Service—887-8595 (24-hour advance reservations required)



Bookstore Hours 8:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.

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