LACEA-Caf

America Latina Crime and Policy Network – Al Capone

1st Annual meeting

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil - June 23rd and 24th, 2011

Conference venue:

Instituto de Estudos de Política Econômica – Casa das Garças (IEPE/CdG)

Preliminary Program

(Presentations: 30 minutes. Comments: 10 minutes. Discussion: 10 minutes)

1st day (June 23th)

9:30 am Bus Leaves Copacabana Praia Hotel to IEPE/CdG

10:05 am – 10:15 am Welcoming remarks by Daniel Mejía (UNIANDES) and João De Mello (PUC-Rio)

10:15 am – 12:45 pm 1st contributed session (3 papers) – Police and other determinants of crime

- “Organization and Information in the Fight against Crime: An Evaluation of the Integration of Police Forces in the State of Minas Gerais, Brazil”, Rodrigo Soares (PUC-Rio)
  
  Comments: Ernesto Schargrodsky (Universidad Torcuato di Tella)

- “Police and Crime: Evidence from Dictated Delays in Centralized Police Hiring”, Paolo Buonanno (Università degli Studi di Bergamo, presenter) and Giovanni Mastrobuoni (Collegio Carlo Alberto)
  
  Comments: Daniel Ortega (CAF – IESA)

- “The Effect of Peers on the Likelihood of Becoming Criminal in Medellin”, Carlos Medina (Banco de la Republica, Colombia)
  
  Comments: Miguel Foguel (IPEA)
12:45pm – 1:45pm LUNCH

1:45 pm – 4:15pm, 2nd contributed session (3 papers). Organized Crime and Illegal Drugs

- “Do Illegal Drug Markets Breed Violence? Evidence for Colombia” Daniel Mejia (Universidad de los Andes) and Pascual Restrepo (Universidad de los Andes, presenter)
  
  Comments: Rodrigo Soares (PUC-Rio)

- “The Birth of the Mafia? The American Temperance Movement and the Age Distribution of Homicide Victims” Emily Owens (Cornell University)
  
  Comments: Claudio Ferraz (PUC-Rio)

- “Organized Crime Networks: Theory and Evidence Based on Federal Bureau of Narcotics Secret Files on American Mafia” Giovanni Mastrobuoni (Coleggio Carlo Alberto)
  
  Comments: Daniel Mejia (Universidad de los Andes)

4:15pm-4:30pm, Coffee break

4:15pm – 5:30pm, Keynote speaker: Steven Raphael (University of California at Berkeley)

5:45pm Bus leaves IEPE/CdG to Copacabana Praia Hotel

2nd day (June 24th)

9:30 am Bus Leaves Copacabana Praia Hotel to IEPE/CdG

10:00 am – 12:30pm, 1st contributed session (3 papers). Consequences of Crime

- “Crime and Microenterprise Growth: Evidence from Mexico” Sarah Pearlman (Vassar College)
  
  Comments: Alejandro Gaviria (Universidad de los Andes)

- “Neighborhood Violence and School Achievement: Evidence from Rio de Janeiro’s drug battles” Rudi Rocha (Climate Policy Institute)
  
  Comments: Carlos Medina (Banco de la Republica, Colombia)
• “Adjusting the Labor Supply to Mitigate Violent Shocks: Evidence from Rural Colombia”
  Ximena Peña (Universidad de los Andes)

  Comments: Matthew Freedman (Cornell University)

12:30pm – 1:30pm LUNCH

1:30pm – 4:00 pm, 2nd contributed session (3 papers), Political Economy, State Capacity and Firearms


  Comments: João De Mello (PUC-Rio)

• “Revisiting the Effects of Conflict on State Capacity: A Panel Data Approach” Marcela Eslava (Universidad de los Andes)

  Comments: Rafael Di Tella (HBS)


  Comments: Ivan Ribeiro (Universidade de São Paulo)

4:00 pm-4:15pm Coffee break

4:15 pm – 5:30 pm, Keynote speaker: Jens Ludwig (University of Chicago)

5:45 pm, Bus leaves IEPE/CdG to HOTEL

7:45pm, Bus leaves Copacabana Praia Hotel to Dinner
Logistics

Hotel
Copacabana Praia Hotel, Rua Francisco Otaviano, No 30, Copacabana, Rio de Janeiro.

Conference venue
Instituto de Estudos de Política Econômica - Casa das Garças (IEPE/CdG)
Av. Padre Leonel Franca, 135, Gávea - Rio de Janeiro
Phone: 55 21 2512-6166

Presentations, comments and discussion
Presentations will be allowed 30 min., comments 10 min., and general discussion 10 min.

Transportation
A bus will leave the hotel at 9:30 am, both on the first and on the second day. Transportation will also be provided to go to the hotel after the end of each day.

Dinner
The conference dinner will be on the second day (Friday).

In case of Emergency
Best thing to do is to call Joao’s cell phone (55 21 8258-7710). Until Wed, June 22nd Joao can be also be found at the office (PUC-Rio’s Econ department at 55 21 3527-1078).

Airport Transportation
Taxis are normally safe but we recommend that you take the yellow cabs authorized by the airport (Cooperativa Aero Taxi). You will find them in the curb once you exit the terminal. Inside the terminal one can also find authorized taxi companies that are recognizable by colors (red, blue, green and white). You will find them right after customs. These are more expensive because they are “special” cabs.

Attending the 1st AL CAPONE annual meeting
Should you be interested in attending the 1st AL CAPONE annual meeting, please contact the organizers:

João de Mello: impmello@gmail.com or,
Daniel Mejia dmejia@uniandes.edu.co