

## SCHEDULE OVERVIEW

### Thursday, May 30, 2013

12:30-2:15pm Institutional Corruption and Social Psychology (Room 08)  
2:30-4:15pm Institutional Corruption and Healthcare (Room 17)  
4:30-6:15pm Institutional Corruption and Government (Room 18)

### Friday, May 31, 2013

4:30-6:15pm Institutional Corruption and Think Tanks (Room 16)

### Saturday, June 1, 2013

2:30-4:15pm Institutional Corruption: A New Research Agenda (Room 08)

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## DETAILED SCHEDULE

### I. Institutional Corruption and Social Psychology

Time: Thu, May 30, 2013, 12:30 to 2:15pm

Building/Room: Boston Sheraton Hotel, Room 08

Session Participants & Topics:

Chair: William English (Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University)

*"Professionalism and Unethical Behavior"*

Maryam Kouchaki (Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University)

*"Legal Ambiguity and Self Interest: The Role of Dual-Process Interpretation in Implicit Corruption"*

Mahzarin R. Banaji (Harvard University)

Yuval Feldman (Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University)

Greg Willard (Harvard University)

*"Pictures do not Always Speak Louder than Words: The Effect of Visual and Verbal Representations on Justification of Institutional Corruption"*

Elinor Amit (Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University)

Alek Chakroff (Harvard University)

*"Why Peers Reject Whistleblowers: The Search for a Common Mechanism"*

Jennifer Sheehy-Skeffington (Harvard University)

Brianna Mae Goodale (University of California - Los Angeles)

### Abstract

In this panel, the first in a series of five panels on institutional corruption, cutting-edge results will be presented by experimental researchers who approach institutional corruption through the methodologies of behavioral economics, and organizational and social psychology. Moreover, each of the four papers selected for this panel will uncover mechanisms of institutional corruption that apply across cross-sections of particular

institutional environments, from media, through legal environments and the professions, to whistle-blowing.

## **II. Institutional Corruption and Health Care**

Time: Thu, May 30, 2013, 2:30 to 4:15pm

Building/Room: Boston Sheraton Hotel, Room 17

Session Participants & Topics:

Chair: Michael D. Jones (Virginia Tech)

*“Institutional Corruption in Organized Psychiatry: Re-Thinking the Meaning of Evidence-Based Medicine in an Industry Dominated Climate”*

Lisa Cosgrove (Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University)

*“Ethical Standards in the Pharmaceutical Industry? Concerns, Industry Perspectives, and a Strategy for Trustworthy Reform”*

Jennifer E. Miller (Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University)

*“The Promise of Institutional Corruption as a Concept for Health Service Research”*

Donald W Light (Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University)

*“Financial Conflicts of Interest in FDA Advisory Committees”*

Genevieve Pham-Kanter (Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University)

### **Abstract**

In this panel, the second in a series of five, case studies of institutional corruption in several areas of health care will be presented, with a view to showing the type of regulatory inferences that can be drawn with this analytical tool. A range of undue influences, from pharmaceutical representatives and corporate interference through the fabrication of new diseases to financial COIs, will be shown to affect a cross-section of actors and institutions in health care, including students, professional associations, and federal regulators.

## **III. Institutional Corruption and Government**

Time: Thu, May 30, 2013, 4:30 to 6:15pm

Building/Room: Boston Sheraton Hotel, Room 18

Session Participants & Topics:

Chair: Susannah Leigh Rose (Cleveland Clinic/Case Western Reserve University)

*“Who’s Watching the Watchdog?”*

Paul D. Jorgensen (University of Texas - Pan American)

Jie Chen (University of Massachusetts Boston)

*“Elite Perspectives on Campaign Finance Regulation and Governance”*

Michael D. Jones (Virginia Tech)

Garry C. Gray (Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University)

*“The Economy of Influence Shaping American Public Health and the Environment: Institutional Corruption at the Intersection of EPA, Industry Lobbyists & Congress”*  
Sheila Kaplan (Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University)

*“Democracy in Poverty: A View from Below”*  
Daniel Weeks (Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University)

### **Abstract**

Government offers several paradigmatic studies on institutional corruption. This panel, the third in the series, is designed to offer complementary perspectives and methodologies, applied to a group of topics calculated to show the extent, and limits, of institutional corruption’s added value in analyses of government, governance, and regulation. As with previous panels, papers are selected in order to collectively define a representative cross-section of academic and investigative methodologies, as well as a significant ambit of governmental and regulatory institutions, where institutional corruption needs to be addressed.

### **IV. Institutional Corruption and Think Tanks**

Time: Fri, May 31, 2013, 4:30 to 6:15pm  
Building/Room: Boston Sheraton Hotel, Room 16  
Session Participants & Topics:

Chair: Garry C. Gray (Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University)

*“The Politics of Politics: Standards and Perceptions of Legitimate Advocacy”*  
William English (Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University)

*“Pay-to-Play: Think Tanks, Donor Perks and the Industry of Ideas”*  
Ken Silverstein (Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University)

*“How Corporations and Special Interests Use Think Tanks to Secretly Shape Public Policy and the Immediate Need for Reform”*  
Brooke Williams (Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University)

*“Scholarship for Social Change: Defining Research Integrity in a Mission-Driven Environment”*  
Marie Gryphon Newhouse (Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University)

### **Abstract**

This panel, the fourth in the series, is intended to illustrate, and solicit feedback on, the proper scope and compass of institutional corruption. While previous panels addressed forms, mechanisms and consequences of institutional corruption in well-defined but large institutional environments, this panel will focus on a strategically selected narrow range of institutions, namely think tanks, that occupy the intersection of governance and regulation. The papers in this panel, progressing from theoretical schematics to highly detailed cases, will show that think tanks’ mediation between private and public agendas is equally powerful as a synecdoche, and an arena for proof-of-concept remedial reforms, of institutional corruption.

## **Institutional Corruption: A New Research Agenda**

Time: Sat, Jun 1, 2013, 2:30 to 4:15pm

Building/Room: Boston Sheraton Hotel, Room 08

Session Participants & Topics:

Chair: Jennifer E. Miller (Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University)

*"Patient Advocacy Organizations, Institutional Corruption and Public Trust"*

Susannah Leigh Rose (Cleveland Clinic/Case Western Reserve University)

*"Institutional Corruption"*

Jonathan H Marks (Penn State University)

Lawrence Lessig (Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University)

*"Rotten Apples or a Rotting Barrel?"*

Susan S. Silbey (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)

*"Regulating Research Relationships: How University Professors Interpret Conflict of Interest Disclosures"*

Garry C. Gray (Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University)

### **Abstract**

In 2010 the Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics at Harvard, directed by Professor Lawrence Lessig, launched a research lab project to study the causes and consequences of institutional corruption. The researchers at the Lab study widespread or systematic influences, financial or otherwise, within an economy of influence, that weaken the effectiveness of an institution, especially by weakening public trust in that institution. Unlike more frequently studied examples of corruption, such as bribery, institutional corruption tends to involve practices that are often legal.

In this panel, the final in a series of five, institutional corruption will be put forth as a new research agenda. A definition and delineation of the project's scope will be followed by empirical case studies selected to illustrate the innovativeness and utility of this concept, with particular focus on showing how it engages with the protean yet coherent agenda of examining traditional and emerging regulatory instruments together with the behavior, culture, design and reform of regulatory institutions and actors in the United States and abroad.