

QUALITY OF GOVERNANCE: Muslim Societies in Comparative Perspective

APRIL 13 – 14, 2018

Stanford Humanities
Center, Levinthal Hall

Conference open to Stanford
faculty, students and affiliates only.

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Friday, April 13

8:45 – 9:45 a.m.

ACCOUNTABILITY

Daniel Posner, *Bottom-Up Accountability and Collective Action* (with Pia Raffler and Dough Parkerson)

Erik Wibbels, *Top-Down, Bottom-Up and the Politics of Audits: Evidence from a District-Level Field Experiment in Ghana*

Discussant: Alberto Diaz-Cayeros

9:45 – 10:45 a.m.

CITIZENS

Jennifer Bussell, *Decentralization, Clientelism, and Constituency Service in India*

Lily Tsai, *The Role of Retributive Justice in Citizen Evaluations of Government Authorities in China*

Discussant: Miriam Golden

11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

ALLOCATION OF BUREAUCRATS TO JOBS

Rikhil Bhavnani, *Does Affirmative Action Hurt Bureaucratic Output? Evidence from the Indian Administrative Service* (with Alexander Lee)

Guo Xu, *Social Proximity and Bureaucrat Performance: Evidence from India* (with Marianne Bertrand and Robin Burgess)

Ashutosh Thakur, *Matching Problem of Civil Service*

Discussant: Daniel Rogger

1:15 - 2 p.m.

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Francis Fukuyama, *20 years after the 'Cancer of Corruption'*

2:15 – 3:15 p.m.

POLITICAL COMMUNICATION

Cesi Cruz, *Buying Informed Voters: New Effects of Information on Voters and Candidates*

Miriam Golden, *Improving Political Responsiveness: Experimental Evidence from Pakistan*

Discussant: Lily Tsai

3:15 – 4:15 p.m.

INFORMATION

Guy Grossman, *Peer effects and externalities in technology adoption: Evidence from community reporting in Uganda* (with Romain Ferrali, Melina Platas, and Jonathan Rodden)

Arman Rezaee, *No bulls: Asymmetric information in the market for artificial insemination in Pakistan*

Discussant: Jeremy Weinstein

4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

POLITICAL CANDIDACY

Solédad Prillaman, *Women's Pathways to Politics: Political Participation, Representation, and Local Governance in India*

Saad Gulzar, *Barriers to Political Entry: Experimental Evidence from Pakistan* (with Muhammad Yasir Khan)

Discussant: Thad Dunning

Saturday, April 14

11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

OVERSIGHT AND DELEGATION

Jan Pierskalla, *Merit, Discrimination, and Democratization: An Analysis of Promotion Patterns in Indonesia's Civil Service*

Dan Rogger, *The Consequences of Formal Authority Over the Bureaucracy*

Adnan Khan, *Incentives and the Allocation of Authority in Organizations: A Field Experiment with Bureaucrats* (with Oriana Bandiera, Michael Best, and Andrea Prat)

Discussant: Guo Xu

1:45 – 2:45 p.m.

GOVERNMENT JOBS

Michael Callen, *Using Mobile Money to Reduce Corruption in Afghanistan*

Lisa Blaydes, *Land, Property Rights and Institutional Durability in Egypt*

Discussant: Daniel Posner

2:45 – 3:45 p.m.

PATRONAGE

Mitra Akhtari, *Political Turnover, Bureaucratic Turnover, and the Quality of Public Services* (with Diana Moreira and Laura Trucco)

Jonathan Lehne, *Building connections: political corruption and road construction in India* (with Jacob Shapiro and Oliver Vanden Eynde)

Discussant: Leonard Wantchekon

4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

INSTITUTIONS

Horacio Larreguy, *You get what you pay for? Can certification programs contribute to local state capacity strengthening?* (with Soeren Henn and John Marshall)

Kate Vyborny, *Institutional capacity as an organizational challenge: pilot results from a field experiment in Pakistan* (with Hamna Ahmed, Asha Gul, and Simon Quinn)

Leonard Wantchekon, *Evaluating the Intrinsic Effect of Political Institutions* (with Yves Atchadé and Pierre Nguimkeu)

Discussant: Jonathan Rodden

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