Third Annual Conference Speaker Biographies

Michael S. Barr

Michael S. Barr is the Roy F. and Jean Humphrey Proffitt Professor of Law at the University of Michigan Law School, Faculty Director of the U-M Center on Finance, Law, and Policy, and a professor of public policy at U-M’s Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy. A member of the Law School faculty since 2001, he teaches Financial Regulation, International Finance, Financial Derivatives, and co-founded both the International Transactions Clinic and the Detroit Neighborhood Entrepreneurs Project of the Community and Economic Development Clinic. He is also a nonresident senior fellow at the Center for American Progress.


Professor Barr was on leave during 2009 and 2010, serving as the U.S. Department of the Treasury’s assistant secretary for financial institutions, and was a key architect of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010. Professor Barr previously served as Treasury Secretary Robert E. Rubin’s special assistant, as deputy assistant secretary of the Treasury, as special adviser to President William J. Clinton, as a special adviser and counselor on the policy planning staff at the U.S. Department of State, and as a law clerk to U.S. Supreme Court Justice David H. Souter and the Hon. Pierre N. Leval, then of the Southern District of New York.

He received his JD from Yale Law School, his MPhil in international relations as a Rhodes Scholar from Magdalen College, Oxford University, and his BA, summa cum laude, with honors in history, from Yale University.

Sanjiv Das

Sanjiv Das is the William and Janice Terry Professor of Finance at Santa Clara University’s Leavey School of Business. He previously held faculty appointments as Associate Professor at Harvard Business School and UC Berkeley. He holds post-graduate degrees in Finance (M.Phil and Ph.D. from New York University), Computer Science (M.S. from UC Berkeley), an MBA from the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad, B.Com in Accounting and Economics (University of Bombay, Sydenham College), and is also a qualified Cost and Works Accountant. He is a senior editor of The Journal of Investment.
Management, co-editor of The Journal of Derivatives and The Journal of Financial Services Research, and Associate Editor of other academic journals. Prior to being an academic, he worked in the derivatives business in the Asia-Pacific region as a Vice-President at Citibank. His current research interests include: the modeling of default risk, machine learning, social networks, derivatives pricing models, portfolio theory, and venture capital. He has published over eighty articles in academic journals, and has won numerous awards for research and teaching. His recent book “Derivatives: Principles and Practice” was published in May 2010. He currently also serves as a Senior Fellow at the FDIC Center for Financial Research.

**Ed DeMarco**

Ed DeMarco is a Senior Fellow in Residence at the Milken Institute Center for Financial Markets, where he researches issues involving housing finance, housing policy and financial institution regulation. He is a widely sought expert and frequent public speaker on housing finance. In 2015 he was a Visiting Professor at the Owen Graduate School of Management at Vanderbilt University.

From 2009 to 2014, DeMarco served as acting director of the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA), the conservator for Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and regulator of those companies and the Federal Home Loan Banks. He was named HousingWire Magazine’s Person of the Year in 2012 for his impact on housing finance. Previously, DeMarco was chief operating officer and senior deputy director of the FHFA and its predecessor agency from 2006 to 2009.

DeMarco’s federal service has also included the Social Security Administration (2003 to 2006), where he was Assistant Deputy Commissioner for Policy, the Treasury Department (1994 to 2003), where he was Director of the Office of Financial Institutions Policy, and the General Accounting Office (1986 to 1994). He received a B.A. in Economics from the University of Notre Dame and a Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Maryland.

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Jens Dick-Nielsen is Associate Professor of Finance at the Center for Financial Frictions (FRIC), Department of Finance at Copenhagen Business School, Denmark. He obtained his Ph.D. in finance from Copenhagen Business School and his research on liquidity in bond markets has been published in the *Journal of Financial Economics* and the *Journal of Fixed Income*. His research on European covered bond markets has been instrumental in changing EU regulation to allow these bonds to be used in regulatory capital. He has recently participated in roundtables at the OECD and IOSCO on the current lack of liquidity in corporate bond markets and the impact of regulatory changes.
Co-Pierre Georg

Co-Pierre Georg is a Research Economist at Deutsche Bundesbank and a Senior Lecturer at the African Institute of Financial Markets and Risk Management at the University of Cape Town. His research interests focus on systemic risk and financial interconnectedness. He obtained his PhD from the University of Jena in 2011 and has published both in finance and interdisciplinary journals. Co-Pierre’s research has received awards from the European Central Bank, the SAFE Center of Excellence at Goethe University, the Volkswagen Foundation, and the Institut Louis Bachelier. He has been a consultant at various central banks and held visiting positions at Oxford, Princeton, and the Columbia Business School.

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Daniel Greenwald

Daniel Greenwald is an Assistant Professor of Finance at the MIT Sloan School of Management. Greenwald’s research focuses on the connections between financial markets and the macroeconomy. In recent work, he has studied how institutional features of mortgage markets—particularly limits on the ratio of mortgage payments to borrower income—can amplify the effects of interest rate movements on debt, house prices, and economic activity, and can also help to explain the recent boom and bust in housing markets. In other work, he has investigated how inequality between workers and capital owners can affect the stock market, finding that shocks that redistribute between these factors of production are a central driver of long-horizon movements in stock prices. Greenwald holds an AB in economics from Harvard College and a PhD in economics from New York University.
Ben Golub is a member of the Global Executive Committee and co-head of the Risk & Quantitative Analysis Group of BlackRock. Dr. Golub has served as Chief Risk Officer since 2009. Dr. Golub is responsible for the investment, counterparty, technology and operational risk of BlackRock. Dr. Golub is also the chair of BlackRock’s Enterprise Risk Management Committee.

Previously at BlackRock, Dr. Golub was co-head and founder of BlackRock Solutions, BlackRock’s risk advisory business beginning in 1995. Dr. Golub also served as the acting CEO of Trepp, LLC, a former BlackRock affiliate that pioneered the creation and distribution of data and models for collateralized commercial-backed securities beginning in 1996.

In 1988, Dr. Golub was one of the eight founding partners of Blackstone Financial Management LP, which evolved into BlackRock. Prior to the founding of BlackRock, Dr. Golub was a Vice President at The First Boston Corporation beginning in 1985 where he established the Financial Engineering Group. During his tenure, the group structured over $25 billion of bonds, including many innovative collateralized mortgage obligations and asset-backed securities.


Risk Magazine honored Dr. Golub in 2016 with its Lifetime Achievement award in recognition of the many contributions he made to promoting effective risk management. The magazine previously had honored Dr. Golub and his colleague Charles Hallac with its Asset Management Risk Manager of the Year award in 2001. He is a member of the Board of the Global Association of Risk Professionals and the North American Executive Board of the MIT Sloan School of Management. He is also a member of the Financial Services & Risk Management Subcommittee of the Financial Research Advisory Committee of the U.S. Treasury’s Office of Financial Research.

Dr. Golub earned a SB degree and an SM degree in Management in 1978 and 1982 respectively, and a PhD degree in Applied Economics and Finance in 1984, all from the MIT Sloan School of Management.
Laurie Goodman

Laurie Goodman is the director of the Housing Finance Policy Center at the Urban Institute. The center is dedicated to providing policymakers with data-driven analyses of housing finance policy issues that they can depend on for relevance, accuracy, and independence. Before joining Urban in 2013, Goodman spent 30 years as an analyst and research department manager at a number of Wall Street firms. From 2008 to 2013, she was a senior managing director at Amherst Securities Group, LP, a boutique broker/dealer specializing in securitized products, where her strategy effort became known for its analysis of housing policy issues. From 1993 to 2008, Goodman was head of global fixed income research and manager of US securitized products research at UBS and predecessor firms, which were ranked first by Institutional Investor for 11 straight years. Before that, she was a senior fixed income analyst, a mortgage portfolio manager, and a senior economist at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. Goodman was inducted into the Fixed Income Analysts Hall of Fame in 2009. Laurie currently serves on the board of directors of MFA Financial, a Real Estate Investment Trust, is an advisor to Amherst Capital Management, and is a member of the Bipartisan Policy Center’s Housing Commission, the Federal Reserve Bank of New York’s Financial Advisory Roundtable, and Fannie Mae’s Affordable Housing Advisory Council. She has published more than 200 journal articles and has co-authored and co-edited five books. Goodman has a BA in mathematics from the University of Pennsylvania and an MA and PhD in economics from Stanford University.

Kathleen Weiss Hanley

Kathleen Weiss Hanley joined the faculty of Lehigh University in 2015 as the Bolton-Perella Endowed Chair in Finance and as the Director of the Center for Financial Services. From 2011 to 2013, she was the Deputy Chief Economist of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Deputy Director in the Division of Economic and Risk Analysis where she oversaw the integration of economic analysis into policy and rule making across a broad range of topics in financial economics including the implementation of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act. In addition, she managed the Division’s research activities, data analytics and risk assessment initiatives. Prior to that time, she was a Senior Economist at the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the Risk Analysis section and a Senior Financial Economist at the SEC. She has been on the faculty at the University of Maryland and at the University of Michigan. Her research focuses on capital formation, market pricing, insurance companies and systemic risk, and has been published in leading finance journals. She received her BS from Indiana University and her PhD from the University of Florida.
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Gerard Hoberg’s research interests include corporate finance, industrial organization, IPOs, mergers, payout policy, corporate liquidity, and systemic risk. His recent work on corporate liquidity and risk examines financial constraints, operational hedging, and financial crises. His work on product markets examines the role of competition in merger decisions, product innovation, payout policy, and how firms are related to form industries. His work in IPOs examines the role of prospectus disclosure, litigation exposure, and the role of the underwriter in resolving IPO prices. Much of Hoberg’s work also uses methods in computational linguistics to examine theories relating to corporate finance and accounting. Prior to earning his doctorate, Hoberg worked as a vice president at a quantitative transaction optimization firm. His teaching interests include corporate finance and corporate restructuring.

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He received his doctoral degree from Stanford University in 1978. Before joining MIT in 1994, he was the Edwin J. Beinecke Professor of Management at Yale University’s School of Management (1983-94).

Holmström is a microeconomic theorist, best known for his research on the theory of contracting and incentives, especially as applied to the theory of the firm, to corporate governance and to liquidity problems in financial crises.

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Sujit Kapadia is Head of Research at the Bank of England. He developed the Bank’s ‘One Bank Research Agenda’ and is responsible for its delivery. His own research encompasses macroprudential policy, monetary policy, banking regulation, stress testing, financial networks and contagion. Sujit is also the founding editor of the Bank’s staff blog, Bank Underground.

Sujit joined the Bank in 2005 after completing a PhD in economics from the University of Oxford. In previous roles, he led on developing the macroprudential policy framework for the Bank’s Financial Policy Committee and was a founder member of its Secretariat, led on key aspects of the Bank’s contributions to the international debate on reforming banking regulation in Basel and Europe, made a significant contribution to the development of the Bank’s stress testing model, and was briefly seconded to the Reserve Bank of India.

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Her recent research has focused on measuring and accounting for the costs and risks of government financial obligations. An expert on federal credit programs, she has testified before Congress on budgeting for Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, student loans, and on strategically important financial institutions. Her academic publications cover a wide range of topics including the effect of idiosyncratic risk on asset prices and portfolio choice, dynamic models of corporate finance, financial institutions, monetary economics, and valuation of government guarantees.

Previous appointments include assistant and associate director at the Congressional Budget Office; Donald C. Clark Professor of Finance at Northwestern University’s Kellogg School of Management; chief economist at the Congressional Budget Office; senior economist at the Council of Economic Advisers; and member of two Social Security Technical Advisory Panels. She also has served as a director on several corporate and non-profit boards.

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Stein’s research has covered such topics as: behavioral finance and market efficiency; corporate investment and financing decisions; risk management; capital allocation inside firms; banking; financial regulation; and monetary policy. He has been a co-editor of the Quarterly Journal of Economics, and the Journal of Economic Perspectives, and on the editorial boards of several other economics and finance journals.

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