The perspectives of behavioural economics can inform and enrich the measurement and analysis of inequality, and poverty. At the same time, the questions asked in inequality analysis, including on policy intervention, have the potential to challenge behavioural economics. With this background the time is right to take stock and look ahead to the theoretical, empirical and policy research agenda at the intersection of behavioural economics and the economics of inequality.



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**Conference on** 

## Behavioral Economics and the Economics of Inequality

Edinburgh, June 7-8, 2019

To be held in the Project Room located on the 1st floor in 50 George Square

Organized by Ed Hopkins and Ravi Kanbur





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#### Draft Program (3 May 2019)

#### Friday June 7

8.45-9.00	Conference Opening		
9.00-10.15	Session I		
Karla Hoff	"Cultural impediments to learning to cooperate: An experimental study of		
	high- and low-caste men in rural India"		
Friederike Mengel	"Exposure to Inequality, Personal Relative Position and Belief in		
	Meritocracy"		
10.15-11.30	Session II		
Oriana Bandiera	"Why Do Poor People Stay Poor?"		
Frank Schilbach	"Does Financial Strain Lower Worker Productivity?"		
11.30-12.00	Break		
12.00-1.15	Session III		
John Roemer	"International cooperation and the Trump phenomenon seen through the		
	lens of Kantian equilibrium."		
Roberto Veneziani	"Sufficientarianism"		
1.15-2.00	Lunch		
2.00-3.15	Session IV		
Amrita Dhillon	"The role of networks in creating gender wage inequality"		
Lise Vesterlund	"Gender differences in negotiation: Dialing up or down?"		
3.15-3.45	Break		
3.45-5.00	Session V		
Garance Genicot	"Aspirations and Inequality"		
Dean Karlan	"Experiments on Messaging to Save"		
7.00 pm	Conference Dinner (By Invitation)		

## Saturday June 8

9.00-10.15	Session VI		
Gilat Levy	"Correlation Neglect and Echo Chambers"		
Robert Frank	"Exposure to Inequality, Personal Relative Position and Belief in		
	Meritocracy"		
10.15-11.30	Session VII		
Dorothea Kuebler	"Inequality and Repugnance"		
Marc Fleurbaey	"What preferences are respectable given behavioral patterns?"		
12.00-1.15	Session VIII		
Muriel Niederle	TBA		
Ted O'Donohue	TBA		
1.15-2.00	Closing Observations by Gary Gillespie, Chief Economist, Scottish		
	Government and Lunch		
7.00 pm	Informal buffet dinner (By Invitation)		

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Participants, including all speakers

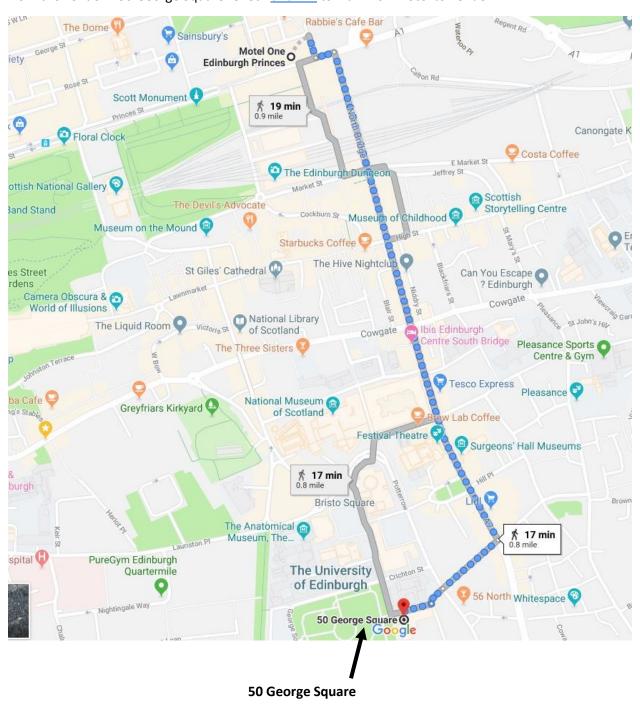
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Kanbur	Ravi	Cornell University
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Mengel	Friederike	Essex
Niederle	Muriel	Stanford University
Roemer	John	Yale
Schilbach	Frank	MIT
Veneziani	Roberto	Queen Mary UL
Vesterlund	Lise	University of Pittsburgh

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## Information for participants

The Conference venue is the Project Room located on the 1st floor in 50 George Square.

All participants are staying in the <u>Motel One Edinburgh Princes</u> which is around 20 minutes' walk away from the venue in 50 George Square. Check this link to walk from hotel to venue.



## Travel

The Edinburgh Trams offer a frequent and reliable service linking the airport and the city centre.

- Frequency: approximately every 8-12 minutes
- Journey time: average journey time 35 minutes
- Fare: adult single £6, adult return £8.50 (reductions for children)
- tickets can be purchased from the ticket machines at the tram halt.
- 0131 338 5780



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Taxis are also available outside Waverley train station.

Useful numbers:

- Central Taxis 0131 229 4466
- Private Hire 0844 448 8576

## Bus

The Airlink 100 and Skylink 200 connect the city centre with the Airport.

Both operate a frequent bus service (every 10 minutes at peak times) with designated stops en route. Journey time is about 25 minutes and tickets cost £4.50 single and an open return is £7.50 return.

## Social events

**Conference evening Dinner Friday** – the restaurant is <u>Hotel Du Vin</u>, 11 BRISTO PLACE, EDINBURGH, EH1 1EZ, UNITED KINGDOM TEL: 01312851479. Check this link to walk from Conference venue to restaurant.

Evening buffet Saturday – at address Ed Hopkins and Tatiana Kornienko, to be confirmed.

Please confirm your dietary choices before the 24<sup>th</sup> of May 2019.