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RSF Conference on “Big Data in Political Economy”

Wednesday, October 8, 2014

6:30 PM Group dinner at **L’Absinthe**
227 East 67th Street

Thursday, October 9, 2014

Presenter noted in **boldface**.

8:00 AM–8:30 AM Continental Breakfast

8:30 AM–8:45 AM Opening Remarks
Suzanne Nichols

8:45 AM–9:10 AM Introduction
Atif Mian, Howard Rosenthal

9:10 AM–9:30 AM Q & A

9:30 AM–9:55 AM “*Who Needs Fox News? Big Donors, Small Donors, and Differential Strategies in Campaign Contributions During the 2012 Republican Primary*”
Dan Cassino

9:55 AM–10:15 AM Q & A

10:15 AM–10:30 AM Break

10:30 AM–10:55 AM “*Social Media and the Rise of Polarization? Perceptions on Twitter of the Affordable Care Act*”
Gina Paola Rico-Mendez, Arthur G. Crosby, Sony D. Mahmonty

10:55 AM–11:15 AM Q & A

11:15 AM–11:40 PM “*Google Tools for Data: A Tutorial*”
Hal Varian, Seth Stephens-Davidowitz

11:40 PM–12:00 PM Q & A

12:00 PM–12:45 PM Lunch

12:45 PM–1:10 PM “*A Data-Driven Voter Guide for U.S. Elections: Developing Automated Methods for Collecting and Modeling Data on the Preferences of Political Elites to Help Voters Evaluate Candidates*”
Adam Bonica

1:10 PM–1:30 PM Q & A

1:30 PM–1:55 PM	<i>“Income, Ideology, and Representation”</i> Chris Tausanovich
1:55 PM–2:15 PM	Q & A
2:15 PM–2:40 PM	<i>“Shining the Light on Dark Money: Political Spending By Nonprofits”</i> Drew Dimmery, Andrew Peterson
2:40 PM–3:00 PM	Q & A
3:00 PM–3:15 PM	Break
3:15 PM–3:40 PM	<i>“Home Truths: Promises and Challenges in Linking Mortgages and Political Influence”</i> Deniz Igan
3:40 PM–4:00 PM	Q & A
4:00 PM–4:25 PM	<i>“The Application of Big Data in Political Economy: U.S. Regulatory Structure and Financial Sector Performance”</i> Sharyn O’Halloran
4:25 PM–4:45 PM	Q & A
4:45 PM–5:15 PM	Closing Remarks Atif Mian, Howard Rosenthal, Suzanne Nichols

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