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## Thursday, May 9

Time	Session	Room & Theme
8:00–8:30 a.m.	Breakfast and Registration	
8:30–8:45 a.m.	Welcome	15-A
8:45–9:25 a.m.	Plenary: Concessions, Violence, and Indirect Rule: Evidence from the Congo Free State Sara Lowes, Bocconi University	
9:25–9:40 a.m.	Break	
9:40–10:40 a.m.	Untouchable Forces: Restoring Trust in Security in Weak States? Aila Matanock, UC Berkeley Discussant: Jesse Driscoll, UC San Diego	15-A Institutions
	Government Mobile Salary Payments in Afghanistan Stefano Fiorin, UC San Diego Discussant: Karthik Muralidharan, UC San Diego	15-B State Capacity
10:40–11:40 a.m.	The Geography of Dictatorship and Support for Democracy Luis Martínez, University of Chicago Discussant: Andrew Little, UC Berkeley	15-A Institutions
	How Does Violence Shape Investment? Evidence from Mining Graeme Blair, UCLA Discussant: Mehdi Shadmehr, University of Calgary	15-B State Capacity











Time	Session	Room & Theme
11:40–11:55 a.m.	Break	
11:55 a.m.–1:00 p.m.	Workshop 1: Refugees and Forced Migrants	15-A
	Chair: Claire Adida, UC San Diego Panelists: Kirk Bansak, Stanford University; Yang-Yang Zhou, Princeton University	
	Workshop 2: Policy Engagement	15-B
	Chair: Tarek Ghani, Washington University in St. Louis Panelists: Renard Sexton, Princeton University/International Crisis Group; Mica Sviatschi, Princeton University	
	Workshop 3: Big Data Tools	15-C
	Chair: Jen Burney, UC San Diego  Panelists: Arman Khachiyan, UC San Diego; Hogeun Park, UC San Diego; Molly Roberts, UC San Diego; Luke Sanford, UC San Diego	
1:00–2:00 p.m.	Lunch	
2:00–3:00 p.m.	How Online Propaganda Radicalizes Foreign Citizens Tamar Mitts, Columbia University Discussant: Molly Roberts, UC San Diego	15-A Violent Extremism
	Female Empowerment After Genocide Thorsten Rogall, University of British Columbia Discussant: Prashant Bharadwaj, UC San Diego	15-B Gender
	Information Operations Increase Civilian Security Cooperation and Support for Reintegration Austin Wright, University of Chicago Discussant: Scott Tyson, University of Rochester	15-C Violent Extremism
3:00–3:15 p.m.	Break	
3:15–4:15 p.m.	Preventing Violent Extremism: Evidence from a Somali Youth Job RCT Study Prabin Khadka, New York University Discussant: Paul Niehaus, UC San Diego	15-A Violent Extremism
	The Brides of Boko Haram: Economic Shocks, Marriage Practices, and Insurgency in Nigeria Jonah Rexer, University of Pennsylvania Discussant: Barbara Walter, UC San Diego	15-B Gender











## Friday, May 10

Time	Session	Room & Theme
8:00–8:30 a.m.	Breakfast and Welcome	
8:30–9:10 a.m.	Plenary: Minority Rebellion, State Building, and Population Resettlement: Theory and Evidence from China Anna Zhang, Stanford University	15-A
9:10–10:10 a.m.	The Local Politics of Populism: Evidence from Duterte's War on Drugs in the Philippines Renard Sexton, Princeton University/International Crisis Group Discussant: Ethan Kapstein, Princeton University	15-A Crime
	Diversity without Adversity? Social Tie Formation with Natives Mitigates Identity-based Bias towards Refugees Konstantinos Matakos, King's College London Discussant: Austin Wright, University of Chicago	15-B Refugees & IDP
10:10–10:20 a.m.	Break	
10:20–11:20 a.m.	Criminality as a Social Process: Evidence from Colombian Excombatants  Mateo Vásquez Cortés, New York University  Discussant: Brandon Merrell, UC San Diego	15-A Crime
	Brothers or Invaders? How Crises-Driven Migrants Shape Voting Behavior Sandra Rozo, University of Southern California Discussant: David Lake, UC San Diego	15-B Refugees & IDP
11:20 a.m.–12:20 p.m.	Gangs, State Capacity, and Development: The Value of Law and Order Nikita Melnikov, Princeton University Discussant: Ethan Bueno de Mesquita, University of Chicago	15-A Crime
	Long-term Impacts of Hosting Refugees and IDPs on Second Generation Early Childhood Development: Evidence from Tanzania and Burundi Soazic Elise Wang Sonne, World Bank Fragility, Conflict & Violence Group/University of Oxford Discussant: Teevrat Garg, UC San Diego	15-B Refugees & IDP
12:20–1:20 p.m.	Lunch	











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1:20–2:20 p.m.	Formal Employment and Organized Crime: Regression Discontinuity Evidence from Colombia Gaurav Khanna, UC San Diego Discussant: Brenton Kenkel, Vanderbilt University	15-A Crime
	Border Fences and the Mexican Drug War Benjamin Laughlin, University of Pennsylvania Discussant: Sebastian Saiegh, UC San Diego	15-B Borders
2:20–2:30 p.m.	Break	
2:30–3:10 p.m.	Plenary: Does Revolution Work? Evidence on Changes to Political Representation and to Policy Outcomes from Nepal's People's War Michael Callen, UC San Diego	15-A
3:10–3:50 p.m.	Plenary: Terrorism Financing, Recruitment and Attacks: Evidence from a Natural Experiment Nicola Limodio, Bocconi University	
3:50–4:00 p.m.	Closing Remarks	
4:00 p.m.	Meeting Adjourns	