

Financial and Physical Oil Market Linkages II
September 27, 2012

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1000 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20585

- 8:00 a.m. Check-in and coffee break
- 8:45 a.m. Opening remarks by Administrator and introductions of the participants
- 9:15 a.m. **Morning session 1: Price behavior, benchmark spreads, oil futures market participation and trading activities of commodity index traders and physical traders**
- Paper Title: *Physical Market Conditions, Paper Market Activity, and the Brent-WTI Spread*
- Presenter: Michel Robe, American University and CFTC
 - Discussant: Lutz Kilian, University of Michigan
 - Questions, answers and discussions by all participants
- 10:45 a.m. Coffee break
- 11:00 a.m. **Morning session 2: Speculative components and premium in crude oil prices: Variables and modeling issues beyond physical fundamentals**
- Paper Title: *Speculation in the Oil Market*
- Presenter: Luciana Juvenal, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis and IMF
 - Discussant: James Hamilton, University of California, San Diego
 - Questions, answers and discussions by all participants
- 12:30 p.m. Lunch
- 1:45 p.m. **Afternoon session: The role of financial investment in commodity markets**
- Paper Title: *Financial Investment in Commodities Market: Potential Impact on Commodity Prices & Volatilities*
- Presentation: Hung Tran, Institute of International Finance (IIF)
 - Discussant: James Smith, Southern Methodist University
 - Questions, answers and discussions by all participants
- 3:30 p.m. Coffee break
- 3:45 p.m. Round table discussion (EIA Administrator, Adam Sieminski)

4:45 p.m. Concluding remarks by EIA Administrator

5:00 p.m. Conclusion

List of Participants

- Christophe Barrett Total Oil Trading SA
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