Thursday, March 26
7:00PM – 9:00PM: Welcome Reception (Sponsored by AIR Worldwide)
Aquamarine Room, Foyer and Balcony, Tower 2, 2nd Floor

Friday, March 27
White Sands Room, Tower 2, 1st Floor

7:30AM – 8:30AM: Coffee and Refreshments
8:30AM – 8:40AM: Welcome and Introductions

8:40AM – 9:30AM: Session 1: Crop Insurance Demand
• “Dairy Farmer Willingness-to-pay for Participation in the Margin Protection Program” Marin Bozic, Christopher Wolf
• “Estimation of Demand Elasticities for Agricultural Insurance” Joshua Woodard

9:30AM – 9:45AM: Coffee Break
9:45AM – 11:00AM: Session 2: Risk and Probability
• “Defining the General Transformation to Normality: A Proposal to Correlate General Nonnormal Distributions” Charles Moss
• “Dependence of Preferences and Probability Weights: Evidence from Field Elicitations” Thomas Sproul, Clayton Michaud
• “On the Hurst and Fractional Properties of an Autoregressive (AR(q>1)) Process” Calum Turvey

11:00AM – 12:00PM: Keynote Lecture
• “The 2014 Farm Bill Commodity and Crop Insurance Titles: A Case Study in Risk Creation and Risk Transfer Policy” Vincent Smith

12:00PM – 1:15PM: Lunch (on own)
1:15PM – 2:30PM: Session 3: Farmer Choice
• “Risk and Planned vs. Actual Decisions of Farmers and Ranchers” Gabriel Power, Joshua Woodard, Leslie Verteramo-Chiu, Dmitry Vedenov, Steven Klose
• “Potential Distortionary Effects of Relocating Generic Base Acres under the Agricultural Act of 2014” Jaclyn Kropp, Thomas Sproul
• “As we sow, so shall we sort?” Zachary Brown, Rod Rejesus

2:30PM – 2:45PM: Coffee Break
2:45PM – 4:00PM: Session 4: Crop Insurance Industry
• “Recap of the U.S. Crop Insurance Industry Gains and Losses for the 2014 Crop Year” Oscar Vergara, Gerhard Zuba
• “Record Yields and Unprofitable Loss Ratios: How Did We Get Here?” Julia Borman, Gerhard Zuba
• “The Acreage and Crop Reporting Streamlining Initiative Project” Richard Anderson

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4:00PM – 4:45PM: **Session 5: Farm Credit and Solvency**
- “Crop Insurance’s Role in Farm Solvency” Todd Kuethe, Nicholas Paulson, Gary Schnitkey
- “Making the Case for Sustainable Practices to Agricultural Credit Providers: A Data-Driven Approach to Linking Diversification and Farm Risk” Selin Güney, J. Viola Glenn, James Robinson

6:30PM: Dinner (TBD, not hosted)

**Saturday, March 28**

7:30AM – 8:15AM: Coffee and Refreshments

8:30AM – 10:00AM: **Session 6: Price and Income Risk**
- “Decoupled Farm Program Payments Are Really Decoupled: The Theory” Daniel Voica, Robert Chambers
- “Experimental Evidence on Attitudes to Price Uncertainty” Yu Na Lee, Marc Bellemare, David Just
- “Consumption, habit formation, and precautionary savings under income risk” Aditya Khanal, Ashok Mishra
- “A Resource Allocation Perspective of Contract Farming” Liang Lu, David Zilberman

10:00AM – 10:15AM: Coffee Break

10:15AM – 11:30AM: **Session 7: Livestock Insurance**
- “The Effectiveness of the Livestock Forage Disaster Program to Mitigate the Impact of Drought” Eric Belasco
- “On the impact of Agricultural Livestock micro-insurance on death-loss and vaccine use: Observations from a Quasi-Natural Experiment in China” Yuehua Zhang, Xu Zhi, Calum Turvey
- “The influence of past experience on farmers’ preferences for hog insurance products: a natural experiment in China” Yulian Ding, Yuehua Zhang, Calum Turvey

11:30AM – 12:00PM: **Business Meeting**