A Brighter Future: Improving the Standard of Living Now and for the Next Generation

Thursday, October 20 – Berger Hall on University of Colorado-Colorado Springs campus

4:30 -5:30 Student and community reception and book signing (The Darwin Economy: Liberty, Competition and the Common Good) with Robert Frank

5:30-7 Keynote Speech - Robert H. Frank - Charting a Brighter Future: Should Adam Smith or Charles Darwin Be our Guide?

Friday, October 21

9-9:15 Welcome and Introductory Remarks

9:15-10:45 Session I: What is the Standard of Living? How does the U. S. Rank Today?


Defining the Standard of Living: Income, Quality of Life and Sustainability-- Daphne T. Greenwood and Richard P. F. Holt, University of Colorado-Colorado Springs and Southern Oregon University

10:45-11 Refreshment break

11-12:30 Session II: Improving Incomes and Opportunity

How do Unions Affect Overall Living Standards in an Era of Economic Insecurity? – Paul Kozlowski and Stephen Shirn, University of Toledo


12:30 -2 Lunch on your own

2 – 3:30 Session III: Improving Quality of Life

Unpaid and Paid Care: The Effects of Childcare and Eldercare on the Standard of Living-Kijong Kim and Rania Antonopoulos, The Levy Economics Institute of Bard College

Enhancing Food, Enriching Lives: the Effects of Food Supply and Distribution on the environment and individual quality of life- Emily Northrop, Southwestern University

3:30 – 3:45 Refreshment break

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3:45-5:15 Session IV: Community Development and Social Entrepreneurship

*The Standard of Living and Social Capital: Investing in the Intangible* - John F. Tomer, Manhattan College

*Improving the Standard of Living from the Bottom Up: For-Benefit Corporations and Social Entrepreneurship* – David Colander, Middlebury College

Saturday October 22

9-10:30 Session V: Sustaining Improvements for Future Generations

*Child Poverty and Future Well-Being* - Steve Pressman and Robert Scott, Monmouth University


10:30-10:45 Refreshment break

10:45-12:15 Session VI: Sustaining Improvements for Future Generations

*Greening the Economy of the Future* - Robert Pollin, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

*Amenity Migrants: The Daniel Boone Syndrome* - Thomas M. Power, University of Montana

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