A Fiscal Trilemma?
Conference Agenda, Friday, October 26, 2012
Hotel Intercontinental, 444 St. Charles Av.
Acadian Room I & II

MODERATOR: James Alm
8:30 – 9:00am William G. Gale and Samuel Brown, The Brookings Institution: “Tax Reform for Growth, Equity, and Revenue”
9:00 – 9:15am Discussant: Sebastian Leguizamon, Tulane University
9:45 – 10:00am Discussant: James Richardson, Louisiana State University
10:00 – 10:15am General Discussion
10:15 - 10:30am COFFEE BREAK
10:30 – 11:00am Rasmus Højbjerg Jacobsen, Søren Bo Nielsen, and Anders Sørensen, Copenhagen Business School: “The Fiscal Trilemma in a Danish Perspective”
11:00 – 11:15am Discussant: Steven M. Sheffrin, Tulane University
11:15 – 11:45am John W. Diamond and George R. Zodrow, Rice University: “Promoting Growth, Maintaining Progressivity, and Dealing with the Debt: Lessons from CGE Models and Simulations of a Debt-Reducing VAT”
11:45 – 12:00pm Discussant: Robert S. Chirinko, University of Illinois at Chicago
12:00 – 12:15pm General Discussion
12:15 – 1:30pm LUNCH

MODERATOR: Steven Sheffrin
1:30 – 2:00pm Laurence Seidman, University of Delaware: “Overcoming the Fiscal Trilemma with Two Progressive Consumption Tax Supplements”
2:30 – 3:00pm Discussant: James Alm, Tulane University
3:00 – 3:15pm General Discussion
3:15 – 3:30pm COFFEE BREAK
3:30 – 4:00pm James R. Hines, Jr., University of Michigan: “The Redistributive Potential of Wealth Transfer Taxes”
4:00 – 4:15pm Discussant: Tessa R. Davis, Tulane University
4:15 – 4:45pm Leonard E. Burman, Syracuse University: “Pathways to Tax Reform Revisited”
4:45 – 5:00pm Discussant: Shu-Yi Oei, Tulane University
5:00 – 5:15pm General Discussion