

Sera Linardi

Graduate School of Public and International Affairs
University of Pittsburgh
230 S. Bouquet St
Pittsburgh, PA, 15213

linardi@pitt.edu
(412) 648-7650
<http://www.linardi.gspia.pitt.edu/>

EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor, *University of Pittsburgh*, PA, USA, 2010-current
Graduate School of Public and International Affairs

Computer Scientist, *Adobe Systems, Inc.* San Jose, CA, USA, 1999-2003
Core Technology, PDF Library group

OTHER ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Faculty Appointment by Courtesy, Department of Economics, and Affiliated Faculty,
Pittsburgh Experimental Economics Laboratory (PEEL), University of Pittsburgh, 2010-
current

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Social Science, *California Institute of Technology*, 2010
B.S., Computer Science, *Stanford University*, 1999

PUBLICATIONS

- “Wallflowers: Experimental Evidence of an Aversion to Standing Out” with Daniel Jones, *Management Science* (2014), 60 (7), pp. 1757-1771
- “Competition as a Savings Incentive: A Field Experiment at a Homeless Shelter” with Tomomi Tanaka, *Journal of Economics Behavior and Organization* (2013), 95, pp. 240-251
Featured in Yahoo! Finance, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, Kansas City Star, and KCSN radio.
- “No Excuses for Good Behavior: Volunteering and the Social Environment” with Margaret Anne McConnell. *Journal of Public Economics* (2011), 95, 5-6, pp. 445-454.
- “Prediction Markets: Alternative Mechanisms for Complex Environments with Few Traders” with PJ Healy, Richard Lowery, and John Ledyard. *Management Science* (2010), 56 (11), pp. 1977-1996.

WORKING PAPERS AND PROJECTS:

Altruism:

- “Globalization and Altruism Towards the Poor in Developing Countries: An Experimental Study in India” with Nita Rudra
- “Clerics and Sermons: the Impact of Religious Authority on Interethnic Giving in Afghanistan” with Luke Condra and Mohammad Isaqzadeh
- “The Price of Religion: Altruism and Risk in Islamic Banking” with Rebecca Morton, Kai Ou, Gumilang Sahadewo and Xiangdong Qin.
- “Can Relational Contracts Survive Stochastic Interruptions?” with Colin Camerer, *Department of Economics, University of Pittsburgh Working Paper #483*
- “Volunteering and Image Concerns”, with Margaret Anne McConnell, *California Institute of Technology Social Science Working Paper #1282*

Information aggregation:

- “Violence and Cell Phone Communication Patterns: Evidence from Cote d’Ivoire” with Daniel Berger and Shankar Kalyanaraman

Social services:

- “Self Control And Self-Awareness: Evidence from a Homeless Shelter” with Elif Incekara Halafir

MOST RECENT CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS (2013-current)

Upcoming (2014): Science of Philanthropy (University of Chicago), Southern Economic Association (Atlanta), Global Politics Seminar (University of Pittsburgh)

2014: Florida State University, University of Essex, University of Oxford, ESA International (Hawaii), ESA North America (Florida)

2013: Behavioral Models of Politics Conference (University of Pittsburgh), STIET Seminar Series (School of Information - University of Michigan), Science of Philanthropy (University of Chicago), Biennial Social Dilemma Conference (Caltech), USC Price School of Public Policy, University of Pittsburgh (Economics & GSPIA), University of Massachusetts Amherst,

FELLOWSHIP, AWARDS, and GRANTS

- NYU Abu Dhabi Research Enhancement Fund, “The Price of Religion: Effect of Religion on the Choice between Interest-Based and Profit Sharing Investment”, Co-PI (PI Rebecca Morton), (2014-2015), \$100,000
- NSF Hazard SEES Grant, “From Sensors to Tweeters: A Sustainable Sociotechnical Approach for Detecting, Mitigating, and Building Resilience to Hazards”, Senior Researcher (PI Louise Comfort), (2013-2017), \$2,408,881
- Jeffrey Mora Endowed Faculty Resource Fund (2012-2013), \$1,000
- Hewlett Foundation Grant, “Volunteering and Image Concerns: Lab and Field Experiments”, Co-PI (2006- 2008), \$10,340
- Social and Information Sciences Laboratory (SISL) Research Grant, “Predicting Aggregation in Information Mechanisms” (2008), \$1,700.
- SISL Graduate Research Fellowship, 2006, 2007, 2009

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Grant reviewer for National Science Foundation and TESS
- Referee for *American Economic Review*, *Econometrica*, *Economic Inquiry*, *Economic Letters*, *Experimental Economics*, *Labour Economics*, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, *Journal of Management and Strategy*, *Journal of Economic Psychology*, *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*, *Journal of Public Economics*, *Management Science*, *Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly*, *Review for Economic Design*, *Review of Economic Studies*, *Scandinavian Journal of Economics*, *the B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy*.
- Panel coordinator for the Allied Social Science Association (ASSA) (2011), Economics and Psychology track coordinator for Social Equity Leadership Conference (2014)