

NUS BESI 2013

NUS Behavioural Economics Summer Institute

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The National University of Singapore sponsored the 4th Asia Summer Institute in Behavioural Economics, held at the National University of Singapore, a leading global university centred in Asia. The purpose of the summer institute is to introduce graduate students and beginning faculty in economics, business, and related disciplines to the findings and methods of behavioural economics. Behavioural economics is the application of psychological theory and research to economics. Students were introduced to the psychological foundations of various economic topics, including decision-making under risk and uncertainty, misprediction of behaviour, biases in judgement, limited self-control, and social preferences. These concepts were applied to topics such as consumption, savings behaviour, household finance, macroeconomics, and welfare economics. Additional sessions will explore foundations, experimental approaches, and evidence in behavioural game theory.

The co-organisers of the Summer Institute are Matthew Rabin, Teck Hua Ho (Chair), Juin-Kuan Chong (Co-chair), Sumit Agarwal and Chang Cheng Song. The teaching faculty:

- Vince Crawford, Drummond Professor of Political Economy and Fellow of All Souls College, University of Oxford.
- David Laibson, Robert I. Goldman Professor of Economics, Harvard University.
- Matthew Rabin, Edward G. and Nancy S. Jordan Professor of Economics, Department of Economics, University of California, Berkeley.