

# **The Tenth Annual Conference on Global Economic Analysis: A Pre-Proposal**

**June 14-16, 2007**

**Purdue University**

**W. Lafayette, IN: USA**

# Motivation

- **Celebrate the first decade of conferences**
- **Bring the Advisory Board to Purdue University for the first time since 2001**
- **Bolster profile of GTAP at Purdue:**
  - It is often said that GTAP is better known in Washington and Geneva than at home
  - Makes life easier for Center as higher profile facilitates resource flow at Purdue
- **GTAP Center has a chance to put its imprint on the conference again after six years away**
- **No competing proposals for 2007 on the table (although Finns have expressed interest previously)**

# Ideas for a Special Program

- **As with 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, once again target top academics from North America as plenary speakers: focus on new frontiers, e.g., labor markets, trade facilitation, links with econometric analysis of trade, national environmental issues**
- **Have a commissioned paper session on:**
  - **Lessons learned from the first decade**
  - **Challenges for the decade ahead**
- **Ask the Purdue President to host the opening reception**
- **Combine with the annual short course:**
  - **Leave a few days in between – perhaps start Wednesday noon following the conference**
  - **Leave one or two days for the team of instructors to go sailing and unwind from the board meeting/conference**

# Logistics

- **International arrivals directly from O'Hare:**
  - **New limo service to Lafayette**
  - **Add additional limos at key times once we know their schedules**
- **Pre-conference excursion in Chicago on the day before the conference (board of trade, lakefront architecture tour, etc.) We could then have a bus bring these participants from Chicago to Purdue Wednesday evening to minimize travel.**