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PROGRAMME

THURSDAY, 16 APRIL 2015

Parallel Session 1a
LUDWIG ERHARD ROOM
Education

12:00 – 12:35 **Does Public Education Expansion Lead to Trickle-Down Growth?**

Sebastian Böhm, VOLKER GROSSMANN (University of Fribourg) and Thomas M. Steger
Discussant: Ben Heijdra

12:35 – 13:10 **Life in Shackles? The Quantitative Implications of Reforming the Educational Loan System**

BEN J. HEIJDRA (University of Groningen), Fabian Kindermann and Laurie S. M. Reijnders
Discussant: Volker Grossmann

Parallel Session 1b

RICHARD MUSGRAVE ROOM
Political Economy

12:00 – 12:35 **Pocketbook Voting and Social Preferences in Referenda**

Johannes Meya, PANU POUTVAARA (Ifo Institute), and Robert Schwager
Discussant: Anirban Mitra

12:35 – 13:10 **Electoral Uncertainty, Income Inequality and the Middle Class**

ANIRBAN MITRA (University of Oslo) and Shabana Mitra
Discussant: Panu Poutvaara

13:10 – 14:20 **Lunch**

Parallel Session 2a
RICHARD MUSGRAVE ROOM
Optimal Taxation

14:20 – 14:55 **Optimal Income Taxation when Skills and Behavioral Elasticities are Heterogeneous**

LAURENCE JACQUET (University of Cergy-Pontoise) and Etienne Lehmann
Discussant: Sebastian Findeisen

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14:55 – 15:30

Efficiency, Welfare, and Political Competition

Felix J. Bierbrauer and PIERRE C. BOYER (University of Mannheim)

Discussant: Bas Jacobs

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15:30 – 16:05

Redistribution and Insurance with Simple Tax Instruments

SEBASTIAN FINDEISEN (University of Mannheim) and Dominik Sachs

Discussant: Pierre C. Boyer

16:05 – 16:40

Redistributive Politics and the Tyranny of the Middle ClassFloris T. Zoutman, BAS JACOBS (Erasmus University Rotterdam)
and Egbert L.W. Jongen

Discussant: Laurence Jacquet

Parallel Session 2b

LUDWIG ERHARD ROOM

Taxation I

14:20 – 14:55

The Effect of VAT Threshold on the Behavior of Small Businesses: Evidence and Implications

JARKKO HARJU (VATT), Tuomas Matikka and Timo Rauhanen

Discussant: Floris Zoutman

14:55 – 15:30

The Effect of Capital Taxation on Household's Portfolio Composition and Intertemporal Choice

FLORIS ZOUTMAN (NHH Norwegian School of Economics)

Discussant: Jarkko Harju

15:30 – 16:05

Do Higher Corporate Taxes Reduce Wages? Micro Evidence from GermanyClemens Fuest, ANDREAS PEICHL (ZEW, Mannheim)
and Sebastian Siegloch

Discussant: Massimo Bordignon

16:05 – 16:40

Does Fiscal Devaluation Really Work? Evidence from an Italian Experiment

MASSIMO BORDIGNON (Catholic University of Milan), Marie-Luise Schmitz and Gilberto Turati

Discussant: Andreas Peichl

18:00

Richard Musgrave Lecture (Raj Chetty) & Dinner

Lecture venue: Freskensaal, University of Munich

Dinner location: Restaurant *Spatenhaus an der Oper*



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FRIDAY, 17 APRIL 2015

Parallel Session 3a

LUDWIG ERHARD ROOM

Redistribution and Welfare

09:30 – 10:20

Commitment and Welfare

Frank N. Caliendo and T. SCOTT FINDLEY (Utah State University)
Discussant: Ngo van Long

10:20 – 11:10

Kant's Rule of Behavior and Kant-Nash Equilibria in Games of Contributions to Public Goods

Arghya Ghosh and NGO VAN LONG (McGill University)
Discussant: T. Scott Findley

Parallel Session 3b

RICHARD MUSGRAVE ROOM

Taxation II

09:30 – 10:05

Mobility and Progressive Taxation

Marcus Roller and KURT SCHMIDHEINY (University of Basel)
Discussant: Håkan Selin

10:05 – 10:40

Eliciting Taxpayer Preferences Increases Tax Compliance

Cait Lamberton, JAN-EMMANUEL DE NEVE (University College London & London School of Economics)
and Michael I. Norton
Discussant: Kurt Schmidheiny

10:40 – 11:15

Estimating Participation Responses Using Transfer Program Reform

Spencer Bastani, Ylva Moberg and HÅKAN SELIN
(Institute for Evaluation of Labour Market and Education Policy)
Discussant: Jan-Emmanuel De Neve

11:15 – 11:30

Coffee Break

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Plenary Session

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Award Candidates

- 11:30 – 12:05 **Balance Sheet Disclosure and the Budget Cycle of Italian Municipalities**
LUCA REPETTO (CEMFI)

- 12:05 – 12:40 **Voluntary Disclosure of Evaded Taxes – Increasing Revenues, or Increasing Incentives to Evade?**
DOMINIKA LANGENMAYR (University of Munich)

- 12:40 – 13:50 **Lunch**

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Keynote Lecture

- 13:50 – 15:00 **Income Tax and Retirement Schemes**
GUY LAROQUE (Sciences Po) and Philippe Choné
Discussant: Eytan Sheshinski

- 15:00 – 15:15 **Coffee Break**

Parallel Session 4a

RICHARD MUSGRAVE ROOM

Corporate Taxation

- 15:15 – 15:50 **Patent Boxes and Patents Location Decisions**
Annette Alstadsæter, Salvador Barrios, GAËTAN NICODÈME
(European Commission), Agnieszka Maria Skonieczna and Antonio Vezzani
Discussant: Shafik Hebous

- 15:50 – 16:25 **Corporate Taxes and Strategic Patent Location within Multinational Firms**
Tobias Böhm, Tom Karkinsky, Bodo Knoll and NADINE RIEDEL (University of Bochum)
Discussant: Gaëtan Nicodème

- 16:25 – 17:00 **Evaluating the Effects of ACE Systems on Debt Financing and Investments**
SHAFIK HEBOUS (Goethe University Frankfurt) and Martin Ruf
Discussant: Nadine Riedel

- 17:00 – 17:35 **Income Shifting under Losses**
Arnt O. Hopland, Petro Lisowsky, Mohammed Mardan and DIRK SCHINDLER
(Norwegian School of Economics)
Discussant: Marko Koethenbuerger

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Parallel Session 4b

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Transfers and the Public Sector

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15:15 – 15:50 **'Hold that Ghost': Local Government's Cheating on Transfers**

Dirk Foremny, Jordi Jofre-Monseny and ALBERT SOLÉ-OLLÉ (University of Barcelona)

Discussant: Roland Hodler

15:50 – 16:25 **Do Politicians Award Discretionary Grants to Core Supporters? Evidence from a German State**

Björn Kauder, NIKLAS POTRAFKE (Ifo Institute), and Markus Reischmann

Discussant: Albert Solé-Ollé

16:25 – 17:00 **Ethnic Favoritism: An Axiom of Politics?**

Giacomo De Luca, ROLAND HODLER (University of St. Gallen), Paul A. Raschky, and Michele Valsecchi

Discussant: Niklas Potrafke

19:30 **Conference Dinner and Award Presentation of the Distinguished CESifo Affiliate Prize**

Dinner Location: *Restaurant am Chinesischen Turm*

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SATURDAY, 18 APRIL 2015**Parallel Session 5a**

RICHARD MUSGRAVE ROOM

Firms and Banks**09:30 – 10:05 Efficiency Costs of Dividend Taxation with Managerial Firms**

MARKO KOETHENBUERGER (ETH Zurich) and Michael Stimmelmayr

Discussant: Andreas Haufler

10:05 – 10:40 Introducing an IP-Licence Box in Switzerland: Quantifying the Effects

Florian Chatagny, Marko Koethenbuerger and MICHAEL STIMMELMAYR (ETH Zurich)

Discussant: Dirk Schindler

10:40 – 11:15 Regulatory Competition in Capital Standards with Selection Effects among Banks

ANDREAS HAUFLER (University of Munich) and Ulf Maier

Discussant: Michael Stimmelmayr

Parallel Session 5b

LUDWIG ERHARD ROOM

Tax Competition**09:30 – 10:05 Learning to Tax - Interjurisdictional Tax Competition under Incomplete Information**

JOHANNES BECKER (University of Münster) and Ronald B. Davies

Discussant: Juni-Ichi Itaya

10:05 – 10:40 Competitive Nonlinear Income Taxation Revisited

JOHN WILSON (Michigan State University), Lixin Ye and Chenglin Zhang

Discussant: Johannes Becker

10:40 – 11:15 Does Endogenous Timing Matter in Implementing Partial Tax Harmonization?

JUN-ICHI ITAYA (Hokkaido University) and Chikara Yamaguchi

Discussant: John Wilson

11:15 – 11:30 Coffee Break



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Parallel Session 6a

RICHARD MUSGRAVE ROOM

Political Economy II

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11:30 – 12:05 **Bribery, Extortion and Citizen Complaints**

Charles Angelucci and ANTONIO RUSSO (ETH Zurich)

Discussant: Vesa Kanniainen

12:05 – 12:40 **The Value of NATO Option for a New Member**

VESA KANNIAINEN (University of Helsinki) and Staffan Ringbom

Discussant: Antonio Russo

Parallel Session 6b

LUDWIG ERHARD ROOM

Commodity Taxation

11:30 – 12:05 **Second-Best Carbon Taxation in the Global Economy: The Green Paradox and Carbon Leakage Revisited**

FREDERICK VAN DER PLOEG (University of Oxford)

Discussant: Sebastian Koehne

12:05 – 12:40 **On the Taxation of Durable Goods and Housing**

SEBASTIAN KOEHNE (IIES, Stockholm University)

Discussant: Frederick van der Ploeg

12:40 **Lunch**

End of the Conference