



Workshop on “Politics, Information and the Macroeconomy”

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PROGRAMME

FRIDAY, 13 MAY

09:15-11:10 Session 1

- 09:15** **Registration and Welcome**
- 09:30** **A Theory of Political Entrenchment**
 *Gilles Saint-Paul, Toulouse School of Economics
 Davide Ticchi, Università di Urbino
 Andrea Vindigni, Princeton University
 Discussant: Nicola Gennaioli, CREI and Universitat Pompeu Fabra
- 10:20** **Policymakers’ Horizon and Trade Reforms**
 *Paola Conconi, Université Libre de Bruxelles (ECARES)
 Giovanni Facchini, Erasmus University
 Maurizio Zanardi, Université Libre de Bruxelles (ECARES)
 Discussant: Alessandro Turrini, European Commission
- 11:10** **Coffee break ****

11:40-13:20 Session 2

- 11:40** **The Political Cost of Reforms**
 Alessandra Bonfiglioli, Instituto de Análisis Económico – CSIC
 Gino Gancia, CREI and UPF
 Discussant: Ruben Enikolopov, New Economic School

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12:30 **KEYNOTE LECTURE: Family Values and the Regulation of Labor**
 *Alberto Alesina, Harvard University
 Yann Algan, SciencesPo
 Pierre Cahuc, Ecole Polytechnique
 Paola Giuliano, UC Berkeley

13:20 **Lunch ****

14:40-16:20 Session 3

14:40 **Protection for Free? The Political Economy of U.S. Tariff
Suspensions**
 *Rodney Ludema, Georgetown University
 Anna Maria Mayda, Georgetown University
 Prachi Mishra, International Monetary Fund (IMF)
Discussant: Mathias Thoenig, HEC Université de Lausanne

15:30 **Heterogeneous Information and Trade Policy**
 Giacomo Ponzetto, CREI and UPF
Discussant: Marcelo Olarreaga, Université de Genève

16:20 **Coffee Break ****

16:50-18:30 Session 4

16:50 **Unintended Media Effects in a Conflict Environment: Serbian
Radio and Croatian Nationalism**
 Stefano DellaVigna, UC Berkley
 *Ruben Enikolopov, New Economic School
 Vera Mironova, University of Maryland
 Maria Petrova, New Economic School
 Ekaterina Zhuravskaya, Paris School of Economics
Discussant: Riccardo Puglisi, Università di Pavia

17:40 **The Adverse Effects of Sunshine**
 Edmund Malesky, University of California, San Diego
 Paul Schuler, University of California, San Diego
 *Anh Tran, Indiana University
Discussant: Stephan Litschig, Universitat Pompeu Fabra (UPF)

- 18:30 **Adjourn**
- 21:00 **Dinner ****

SATURDAY, 14 MAY

09:30-11:10 Session 5

- 09:30 **Revolving Door Lobbyists**
 Jordi Blanes i Vidal, London School of Economics
 Mirko Draca, CEP – London School of Economics
 *Christian Fons-Rosen, Universitat Pompeu Fabra (UPF)
 Discussant: Giovanni Fiacchini, Erasmus University
- 10:20 **Electoral Incentives and Economic Policy across Political Regimes**
 *Vincenzo Galasso, IGIER and Università Bocconi
 Salvatore Nunnari, California Institute of Technology
 Discussant: Per Pettersson-Lidbom, Stockholm University
- 11:10 **Coffee Break ****

11:40-13:20 Session 6

- 11:40 **Kosher Pork**
 Allan Drazen, University of Maryland
 *Ethan Ilzetzki, London School of Economics (LSE)
 Discussant: Davide Ticchi, Università di Urbino
- 12:30 **KEYNOTE LECTURE: Political Turnover and Institutional Change**
 Tim Besley, London School of Economics
 *Torsten Persson, IIES and Stockholm University
 Marta Reynal-Querol, Universitat Pompeu Fabra
- 13:20 **Lunch ****

** Denotes speaker*

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