

6th Workshop of the Swiss Network on Public Economics

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Program Overview

Time	Program
08:45 – 08:55	Welcome and additional information about the program
09:00 – 10:00	Research presentations: 1st parallel session
10:00 – 10:30	Coffee break
10:30 – 12:00	Research presentations: 2nd parallel session
12:00 – 13:15	Lunch
13:15 – 14:15	Research presentations: 3rd parallel session
14:15 – 14:45	Coffee break
14:45 – 16:00	Workshop: "Herausforderungen im Umgang mit Unsicherheit in langfristigen Prognosen" (BSV)
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee break
16:30 – 18:00	Panel: "CO2 Border Adjustment Mechanisms: Sound Climate Policy or Harmful Protectionism?" (Seco)
18:00	Farewell
18:30	Dinner (<u>Restaurant Culmann</u>)

More information about the [SNoPE network](#).

Chatham rules apply to all discussions in the workshop. Regarding languages, we suggest the *Swiss+* solution: presentations and comments can be made in English, German or French. You can reach us via SwissPublicEcon@kof.ethz.ch.

Detailed Program of the Workshop

Research Sessions

The program offers 8 research sessions with a total of 19 research presentations during three time slots. Pick your favorite papers from the parallel sessions and feel free to change between sessions according to your interests. Presenters: please check the [presentation guidelines](#) at the end of this document.

8:45 – 8:55	Welcome	
Welcome Room: LEE E101	Isabel Martinez & Jan-Egbert Sturm (KOF-ETH Zurich), Mark Schelker (UniFR)	
9:00 – 10:00	1st parallel session	
Environment Room: LEE E101	Efficient design of regulatory instruments	Michael Funk, Samuel Rutz, Eva Zuberbühler, Beatrix Marosvölgyi & Leah Meyer de Stadelhofen
	Extent and Anatomy of the Solar Photovoltaic Rebound: Evidence from Swiss Households	Patrick Bigler
Banking Room: LEE E308	Pricing Liquidity Support: A PLB for Switzerland	Cyril Monnet, Dirk Niepelt & Remo Taudien
	Public Banks as Piggy Banks Cantonal Bank Receipts, Government Ideology, and Fiscal Policy in Swiss Cantons from 1960 to 2020	Simon Egli
10:30 – 12:00	2nd parallel session	
Public Room: LEE F118	Optimal Rollover Policy with Multi-Period Budgets	Julian Koller
	The Value of Government Debt with Domestic Arrears	Nicola Benigni
	Evaluation of Swisscom's owner strategy (EES)	Michael Funk, Urs Trinkner & Nicolas Oderbolz
Taxation Room: LEE E101	The Race Between Tax Enforcement and Tax Planning: Evidence from a Natural Experiment in Chile	Sebastián Bustos, Dina Pomeranz, Juan Carlos Suárez Serrato, José Vila-Belda & Gabriel Zucman
	Tax Incentives, Portfolio Choice, and Macroprudential Risks	Arnau Valladares-Esteban & Winfried Koeniger
	Understanding Tax Administration and Tax Enforcement	Matthias Weber
Labor Room: LEE E308	Students' Perceived Returns to Skills	Francesco La Russa, Renate Strobl and Conny Wunsch
	So Far Away? Hiring Discrimination against Female Commuters	Sascha O. Becker, Ana Fernandes, Nurlan Lalayev & Doris Weichselbaumer
	Prison Break: The Causal Impact of Replacing Short Incarceration with Fines	Andrea Ghisletta

13:15 – 14:15	3rd parallel session	
Political Economy Room: LEE E101	Decision Makers as Decision Shapers: Evidence on the Influence of Legislators' Decisions in Parliament on Voter Preferences BallotBot: Can AI Strengthen Direct Democracy?	Yves Kläy, Reiner Eichenberger, Marco Portmann & David Stadelmann Elliott Ash, Sergio Galletta & Giacomo Opocher
Local Public Policy Room: LEE E308	An Extended Abstract - Impact of Migration Dominance over Natural Population Growth: Evidence from the Canton of Fribourg Does new housing supply benefit the poor? Evidence from moving chains	Emma Bacci & Martin Huber Lukas Hauck & Frederic Kluser
Health/Macro Room: LEE F118	Fiscal Sustainability of the Swiss Healthcare System: Determinants, Projections, and the Impact of Reforms Estimating a Weighted Output Gap for Switzerland: Methodology and Applications	Benjamin Lerch Philipp Wegmüller, Christian Glocker & Serguei Kaniovski

Plenary sessions

14:45 – 16:00 **Workshop: "Herausforderungen im Umgang mit Unsicherheit in langfristigen Prognosen" (BSV)**

In diesem Workshop werden Herausforderungen im Umgang mit Unsicherheit in langfristigen Prognosen thematisiert. Das Bundesamt für Sozialversicherungen (BSV) präsentiert die Methode zur Quantifizierung der Unsicherheit in AHV-Prognosen. Die Schweizerische Nationalbank (SNB) zeigt auf, wie sie model averaging nutzt, um die Zuverlässigkeit von Inflations- und BIP-Prognosen zu verbessern.

Room: LEE E101

Präsentationen und Diskussion

- Jörg Kalbfuss, BSV
- Rolf Scheufele, SNB

Moderation

- Sabina Littmann, BSV
- Thomas Brändle, EFV

16:30 - 18:00 **Panel: “CO2 Border Adjustment Mechanisms: Sound Climate Policy or Harmful Protectionism?” (Seco)**

Climate policy is increasingly leading to new trade barriers such as Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanisms (CBAM). How should this development be assessed from a trade policy perspective? Is the EU CBAM in-line with WTO-rules? Is it protectionist in nature? Is it a suitable instrument from a climate policy and distributional perspective? How should small open economies position themselves in this environment? Should Switzerland introduce a CBAM like the EU?

Room: LEE E101

Inputs

- Martin Lanz, SECO
- Ralph Ossa, University of Zurich, World Trade Organization
- Lint Barrage, ETH Zurich

Presentation guidelines for presenters in the research sessions

Note that the SNoPE Workshop is not just another academic conference. We wish to foster the exchange between academia and policy makers. Therefore, we ask every presenter to clearly outline the relevance and implications for Swiss public policy. Each presentation should conclude with a slide about the policy implications of the presented research. Of course, methodological aspects remain important, however, the presentation should strongly emphasize and discuss the link and relevance to Swiss public policy.

- Each presenter has a maximum of 17 minutes for presentation. Presentations may of course be shorter to leave more room for questions and comments from the audience.
- The last presenter in each research session is the session chair. (S)he makes sure that each of the presentations benefits from the audience's attention for 30 minutes and contacts the organizers in case of technical problems. Session chairs must be strict in enforcing the presentation time of 17 minutes to leave enough time for discussion after each presentation.
- There are no discussion openers. Everybody is welcome to make comments and ask questions: these may range from policy implications to methodological questions.

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