

Thursday 20 April

(TSE=Turku School of Economics, EDU=Educarium building / University of Turku, PUB=Publicum building / University of Turku)

13:00 Registration desk opens at Turku School of Economics

15:00-16:30 Contributed sessions A

A1 Governance I, chair Erik Fasten

EDU 2

- Guardians of the treasury and advocates of program spending: A test of Wildavsky's model using content analysis IMBEAU, Louis
Discussant: Erik Fasten
- Market Mechanisms to Restrict Irresponsible Politicians - Lessons from Switzerland FASTEN, Erik
Discussant: Rongili Biswas

A2 Choice Procedure I, chair Aki Lehtinen

EDU 1

- Voting Systems that Combine Approval and Preference SANVER, M. Remzi
Discussant: Aki Lehtinen
- Distance from Consensus: A Theme and Variations MESKANEN, Tommi
Discussant: M. Remzi Sanver
- Borda rule is intended also for dishonest men LEHTINEN, Aki
Discussant: Nick Baigent

A3 Direct Democracy, chair Justina Fischer

EDU 244

- Democracy and Economic Performance Revisited: A Constitutional Economics Perspective LEISTENSCHNEIDER, Roman
Discussant: Justina Fischer
- Can Public Participation lead to an increase in the efficiency and effectiveness of decision-making? A preliminary assessment of the relevant concepts, GAMPER, Cathérine
Discussant: Roman Leistenschneider
- Do Institutions of Direct Democracy Tame the Leviathan? FISCHER, Justina
Discussant: Jürg Sprecher

A4 Experiment, chair Edward Lopez

PUB 5

- Three versions of impartiality: An experimental investigation HERNE, Kaisa
Discussant: Edward Lopez
- The Endowment Effect in a Public Good Experiment LOPEZ, Edward
Discussant: Kaisa Herne

A5 Group Dynamics and Control, chair Mario Ferrero

TSE Auditorium 11

- A Theory of Ethnic Conflict YOUNG, Robert
Discussant: Mario Ferrero
- Exclusivity and Strictness: A Model of Extremism in Sects and Universal Religions FERRERO, Mario
Discussant: Robert Young

A6 Democracy I, chair Jose Casas Pardo

TSE Auditorium 17

- The pattern of democracy in the 20th century JENSEN, Peter Sandholt
Discussant: Jose Casas Pardo
- Give and Take: Voting Rights and Public Policy in Latin America in the 20th Century AIDT, Toke
Discussant: Peter Sandholt Jensen
- The Spanish Transition to Democracy: A Public Choice Approach CASAS PARDO, Jose
Discussant: Giuseppe Eusepi

16:30-17:30 Contributed sessions B

B1 Governance II, chair Matthias Benz

EDU 2

- Committed to Deficit: The Reverse Side of Fiscal Governance GREGOR, Martin
Discussant: Silke Humbert
- Corporate Governance: What Can We Learn from Public Governance? BENZ, Matthias
Discussant: Fatma Deniz

B2 Choice Procedure II, chair Miguel Martínez-Panero

EDU 1

- Maskin Monotonic Aggregation Rules ASAN, Goksel
Discussant: Miguel Martínez-Panero
- Characterizing Best-Worst Voting Systems in the Scoring Context MARTÍNEZ-PANERO, Miguel
Discussant: Antti Pajala

B3 Rent Seeking, chair Johannes Münster

EDU 244

- Life Satisfaction and Theories of Bureaucratic Rents LUECHINGER, Simon
Discussant: Johannes Münster
- War with Outsiders Makes Peace Inside MÜNSTER, Johannes
Discussant: Arye Hillman

B4 European Union I, chair Philipp Mohl**PUB 5**

- The Different Extent of Privatisation Proceeds in EU Countries: A Preliminary Explanation Using a Public Choice Approach SCHNEIDER, Friedrich
Discussant: Philipp Mohl
- Does the EMU-enlargement impair price stability? MOHL, Philipp
Discussant: Jakob de Haan

B5 Parties and Bureaucracies, chair Peter Söderlund**TSE lecture hall 33**

- Subnational Political Opportunity Structures and the Success of the Radical Right: Evidence From the March 2004 Regional Elections in France SÖDERLUND, Peter
Discussant: Paul Raschky
- Managerial Discretion in LPHL-Agencies RASCHKY, Paul
Discussant: Juha Helin

B6 Integration and Mobility, chair Sara Borella**TSE lecture hall 07**

- Delayed (or Accelerated) Integration as a Counterforce to Gerontocracy UEBELMESSER, Silke
Discussant: Sara Borella
- Mobility and Competition among Jurisdictions within the European Union and at the international level BORELLA, Sara
Discussant: Thushyanthan Baskaran

17:30-18:00 Coffee Break**TSE****18.00-18.10 Welcome**

Rector Tapio Reponen (Turku School of Economics)

TSE Auditorium 17**18:10-19:30 Presidential Address**, chair Mika Widgren**TSE Auditorium 17**Jakob de Haan (University of Groningen):
*Political Institutions and Economic Growth***20:00- The City of Turku Reception at Wäinö Aaltonen Museum**

(Transportation is provided from Turku School of Economics)

Friday 21 April

09:00-11:00 Contributed Sessions C

C1 Corruption I, chair Toke Aidt

TSE lecture hall 07

- Corruption and the Shadow Economy: An Empirical Analysis SCHNEIDER, Friedrich
Discussant: Toke Aidt
- Is corruption an efficient grease? A cross-country aggregate analysis MÉON, Pierre-Guillaume
Discussant: Friedrich Schneider
- Is corruption detrimental to International trade? DE JONG, Eelke
Discussant: Pierre-Guillaume Méon
- Growth, Governance and Corruption in the Presence of Threshold Effects: Theory and Evidence AIDT, Toke
Discussant: Elke de Jong

C2 Game-theoretic Models I, chair Bernhard Pacht

TSE lecture hall 01

- Minimum Norm Solutions for Cooperative Games SALONEN, Hannu
Discussant: Jörg Gröndahl
- Political Strategies and Nonconvergence GOORHA, Prateek
Discussant: Hannu Salonen
- Notes on decision-making in large organisations GRÖNDAHL, Jörg
Discussant: Prateek Goorha
- Dividing a Cake by Majority Decisions PACHL, Bernhard
Discussant: Tuomas Takalo

C3 European Union II, chair Friedrich Heinemann

TSE Auditorium 16

- How Distant is Lisbon from Maastricht? The Short-run Link Between Structural Reforms and Budgetary Performance HEINEMANN, Friedrich
Discussant: Luisa Giuriato
- Making The Stability Pact More Flexible: Does It Lead to Procyclical Fiscal Policies? MACKIEWICZ, Michal
Discussant: Friedrich Heinemann
- An Unhappy Consensus. EU Membership, Political Collusion, and Referenda in Hungary MIKE, Károly
Discussant: Florian Ade

C4 Fiscal Policy I, chair Jakob de Haan

TSE Auditorium 11

- Causality between Expenditures and Revenues: Empirical Evidence from Switzerland PROHL, Silika
Discussant: Jakob de Haan
- Fiscal deficit, size of the public sector and investment rate – a panel study KRAJEWSKI, Piotr
Discussant: Silika Prohl
- Testing the Growth Effects of Fiscal Policies Using Modified M-estimator COLOMBIER, Carsten
Discussant: Piotr Krajewski
- Do Political Variables Affect Fiscal Policy Adjustment Decisions? DE HAAN, Jakob
Discussant: Carsten Colombier

C5 Redistribution, chair Ahmet Aysan

EDU 1

- The Politics of Redistribution in an Underdeveloped Economy: A Theoretical Model BISWAS, Rongili
Discussant: Ahmet Aysan
- Saving the POUM Hypothesis from its Saviors HARMS, Philipp
Discussant: Rongili Biswas
- Redistributive Politics with Distortionary taxation CRUTZEN, Benoît S Y
Discussant: Philipp Harms
- The Role of Efficiency of Redistributive Institutions on Redistribution: An Empirical Assessment AYSAN, Ahmet
Discussant: Benoît S Y Crutzen

C6 Political Competition, chair Athanassios Pitsoulis

EDU 2

- Campaign resources and electoral success: Evidence from the 2002 French parliamentary election FRANCK, Raphael
Discussant: Athanassios Pitsoulis
- Threshold Contracts, Political Information Markets and Democratic Elections MUELLER, Markus
Discussant: Raphael Franck
- Powerful, independent and competing political bodies: Evidence from a broad Swiss dataset SCHELKER, Mark
Discussant: Markus Mueller
- Campaigning and Control Rights. An Application of Conflict Models to Politics PITSOULIS, Athanassios
Discussant: Mark Schelker

C7 Reciprocity, Trust and Social Capital I, chair Justina Fischer

EDU 244

- A Public Choice View of Pharmaceutical Expenditures in Germany - An Econometric Approach WOLF, Sascha
Discussant: Justina Fischer
- Denominational Schism: An Economic Perspective LEROCH, Martin
Discussant: Sascha Wolf

- Should I Stay or Should I Go? - Smoking and Social Interaction SIEMERS, Lars H.R.
Discussant: Martin Leroch
- Does envy destroy the fundamentals of society? FISCHER, Justina
Discussant: Lars H.R. Siemers

C8 Local Governance I, chair Peter Haug

PUB 5

- More tax autonomy for Norwegian local governments: Possible implications for efficiency and service provision BORGE, Lars-Erik
Discussant: Peter Haug
- An Efficiency Analysis of the Care for the Elderly Sector in Norway HARALDSVIK, Marianne
Discussant: Stijn Goeminne
- Revenue Trends in German Municipal Finance HAUG, Peter
Discussant: Marianne Haraldsvik
- A Semi-parametric Analysis of Italian Regional Public SCAGLIONI, Carla
Discussant: Henrik Christoffersen

11:00-11:30 Coffee Break

TSE and EDU

11:30-13:30 Contributed Sessions D

D1 Corruption II, chair Samia Tavares

TSE lecture hall 07

- A contribution to the empirics of press freedom and corruption FREILLE, Sebastian
Discussant: Samia Tavares
- Inequality and Corruption in the Presence of Market Imperfections DUTTA, Indranil
Discussant: Sebastian Freille
- The Determinants of Corruption: A Literature Survey and New Evidence SELDADYO, Harry
Discussant: Indranil Dutta
- Choosing Electoral Rules in the Presence of Corruption TAVARES, Samia
Discussant: Harry Seldadyo

D2 Central Banking, chair Adam Gersl

TSE lecture hall 01

- ECB Communication and Market Expectations RUPPRECHT, Sarah
Discussant: Adam Gersl
- Has Money Become Less Important in the ECB Strategy? New Evidence Based on ECB Communication STURM, Jan-Egbert
Discussant: Sarah Rupprecht
- Why Are Federal Central Bankers Less Conservative? ROELFSEMA, Hein
Discussant: Jan-Egbert Sturm
- Political Pressure on Central Banks: The Case of the Czech National Bank GERSL, Adam
Discussant: Hein Roelfsema

D3 European Union III, chair Luisa Giuriato

TSE Auditorium 16

- The Social Choice of EU Treaties: Discrepancies between voter preferences and Danish referenda outcomes JUSTESEN, Mogens K
Discussant: Annick Laruelle
- The European Commission - Appointment, Preferences, and Institutional Relations NAPEL, Stefan
Discussant: Luisa Giuriato
- Decision Making in Europe: Were Spain and Poland Right to Stop the Constitution in December 2003? ADE, Florian
Discussant: Stefan Napel
- Decision-making Procedures for the EU Finances GIURIATO, Luisa
Discussant: Mika Widgren

D4 Voting I, chair Frans van Winden

TSE Auditorium 11

- Does Voting History Matter? Analysing Persistence in Turnout DOYLE, Orla
Discussant: Frans van Winden
- Referenda with multiple alternatives LAGERSPETZ, Eerik
Discussant: Orla Doyle
- Electorate's transfers estimation via ecological regression MAZURKIEWICZ, Mariusz
Discussant: Eerik Lagerspetz
- Let Me Vote! An Experimental Study of Vote Rotation in Committees VAN WINDEN, Frans
Discussant: Kaisa Herne

D5 Governance III, chair Tuomas Takalo

EDU 2

- The role of the amending power in the Italian budgetary process (1979-2002) FORTE, Francesco
Discussant: Tuomas Takalo
- Do Financial Markets Really Discipline Governments? SOMOGYI, Frank
Discussant: Francesco Forte

- Phoenix Rising: Economic Depression, Corporate Governance Reforms and Changes in Valuations in Finland
TAKALO, Tuomas
Discussant: Matthias Benz
- Declared vs. revealed yardstick competition: Local government efficiency in Norway TOVMO, Per
Discussant: Elina Kestilä

D6 Fiscal Policy II, chair Jaakko Kiander

EDU 1

- Political motivation, tax policy and the development of tax structures - evidence from the German case 1964-2004
KOESTER, Gerrit
Discussant: Mark Mink
- Strategic deficit and distorting taxation SIEBEL, Jens
Discussant: Gerrit Koester
- Are government expenditures productive? KIANDER, Jaakko
Discussant: Jens Siebel

D7 Constitutions, chair Roger Congleton

EDU 244

- Consistent Constitutions KULTTI, Klaus
Discussant: Roger Congleton
- On the Feasibility of a Liberal Welfare State CONGLETON, Roger
Discussant: Klaus Kultti
- Embracing Liberalism for Collective Identity Determination CENGELCI, Murat Ali
Discussant: Ruvim Gekker
- Can Autocracies Guarantee Fixed Exchange Rates? BOHN, Frank
Discussant: Barbara Krug

D8 Institutional Preferences and Electoral Change, chair Richard Jong-A-Pin **PUB 5**

- Partisan Preferences and Political Institutions: Explaining Fiscal Retrenchment in the European Union PAMP, Oliver
Discussant: Richard Jong-A-Pin
- Plotting the Consequences of Electoral Change - Causes, Outcomes and Visualisation of System Change
SUOJANEN, Maria
Discussant: Oliver Pamp
- Strategic Institutional Choice: Voters, States, and Congressional Term Limits LOPEZ, Edward
Discussant: Maria Suojanen
- Measuring Political Instability in a Multidimensional Framework JONG-A-PIN, Richard
Discussant: Juha Helin

13:30-15:00 Lunch

EDU

15.00-15.10 Greeting of the University of Turku

EDU 1

Rector Keijo Virtanen

15:10-16:30 Plenary Session I, chair Hannu Nurmi

EDU 1

Donald Saari (University of California, Irvine):

All those frustrating "Choice Dictators;" what do they really mean?

16:30-17:00 Coffee Break

TSE and EDU

17:00-19:00 Contributed Sessions E

E1 Public Production, chair Leif Helland

TSE lecture hall 07

- Public sector efficiency: evidence for new EU member states and emerging markets, SCHUKNECHT, Ludger
Discussant: Leif Helland
- Transport Infrastructure Provision and Road Pricing, PICKHARDT, Michael
Discussant: Ludger Schuknecht
- The behaviour of public wages and employment in the euro area: pro-cyclical or counter-cyclical SCHUKNECHT, Ludger
Discussant: Michael Pickhardt
- A politico-economic model of road investments in Norway, HELLAND, Leif
Discussant: Ludger Schuknecht

E2 Government Size, chair Axel Dreher

TSE lecture hall 08

- Women Prefer Larger Governments: Growth, Structural Transformation and Government Size TAVARES, Jose
Discussant: Axel Dreher
- Government Size and Unemployment: Evidence from Industrial Countries FELDMANN, Horst
Discussant: Jose Tavares

- Do Governments Grow When They Become More Efficient? Evidence from Tax Withholding DUSEK, Libor
Discussant: Horst Feldmann
- The impact of globalization on the composition of government expenditures. Evidence from panel data DREHER, Axel
Discussant: Libor Dusek

E3 European Union IV, chair Jan Fidrmuc

TSE lecture hall 09

- Historical Insights into The Centralisation of The European Federalism JOSSELIN, Jean-Michel
Discussant: Jan Fidrmuc
- The European Union: Confederation, Federation or Association of Compound States? A Hayekian Approach to the Theory of Constitutions BLANKART, Charles B.
Discussant: Jean-Michel Josselin
- Economic Challenges of Multilingual Societies FIDRMUC, Jan
Discussant: Charles B. Blankart

E4 Happiness, chair Christian Bjørnskov

TSE lecture hall 01

- Happiness in Transition: An Empirical Study on Eastern Europe HAYO, Bernd
Discussant: Christian Bjørnskov
- National Indicators of Well-Being: A View from Political Economy FREY, Bruno S.
Discussant: Bernd Hayo
- Approval of Equal Rights and Gender Differences in Well-Being STUTZER, Alois
Discussant: Christine Benesch
- The bigger the better? Evidence of the effect of government size on life satisfaction around the world BJØRNSKOV, Christian
Discussant: Susanne Neckermann

E5 Political Cycles, chair Jaakko Kiander

EDU 2

- The Cyclical Behavior of Shadow and Regular Employment BOVI, Maurizio
Discussant: Mehmet Asutay
- The role of exchange rate flexibility, budget institutions and political business cycles in the fiscal performance of CEECs VANNESTE, Jacques
Discussant: Maurizio Bovi
- Deconstructing and Moderating the Functioning and Consequences of Political Manipulation of the Economy in Turkey ASUTAY, Mehmet
Discussant: Jacques Vanneste
- Are There Political Budget Cycles in the Euro Area? MINK, Mark
Discussant: Jaakko Kiander

E6 Competition, chair Heide Coenen

EDU 1

- The Economic Effects of Competition Policy - Cross Country Evidence Using 4 New Indicators VOIGT, Stefan
Discussant: Heide Coenen
- Dynamic Tax Competition and Public-Sector Modernisation BECKER, Daniel
Discussant: Stefan Voigt
- Preventing Competition Because of “solidarity”: Rethoric and Reality of Airport Investments in Spain FAGEDA, Xavier
Discussant: Daniel Becker
- Alliance formation in standard setting COENEN, Heide
Discussant: Xavier Fageda

E7 Local Governance II, chair John Ashworth

PUB 5

- Local government structural reform and the efficiency potential in larger organizational units CHRISTOFFERSEN, Henrik
Discussant: John Ashworth
- Educational Federalism and the Quality Effects of Tuition Fees KEMNITZ, Alexander
Discussant: Rainald Borck
- Political Fragmentation and Projected Tax Revenues: Evidence from Flemish Municipalities GOEMINNE, Stijn
Discussant: Alexander Kemnitz
- Political Competition and Local Government Performance: Evidence from Flemish Municipalities ASHWORTH, John
Discussant: Lars-Erik Borge

E8 Education, chair Felix Muehe

EDU 244

- Vote Buying and the Education of a Society MUEHE, Felix
Discussant: Michael Lamla
- The impact of political leaders’ profession and education on reforms LAMLA, Michael
Discussant: Felix Muehe

18:00-19:00 NEAR meeting on Economics and Religion

TSE

19:00-21:00 Reception at Turku School of Economics

19:30- EPCS Board Meeting

TSE

Saturday 22 April

09:00-11:00 Contributed Sessions F

F1 Public Goods, chair Miguel Puchades Navarro

TSE lecture hall 07

- Immigration and Public Spending MAYR, Karin
Discussant: Miguel Puchades Navarro
- Who stands up first for the leadership for collective action?: The incentive analysis of social entrepreneurs UEDA, Yoshifumi
Discussant: Karin Mayr
- Long-run Determinants of Pollution: A Robustness Analysis LAMLA, Michael
Discussant: Yoshifumi Ueda
- An Evolutionary Voting Game for the Supply of Public Goods PUCHADES NAVARRO, Miguel
Discussant: Manfred Holler

F2 Democracy II, chair Stefan Voigt

TSE lecture hall 08

- Democracy, Citizen Sovereignty and Constitutional Economics VANBERG, Viktor
Discussant: Stefan Voigt
- Rationality, Psychology and the Evolution of Democracy MUELLER, Dennis C.
Discussant: Viktor Vanberg
- Direct Democracy: Obstacle to Reform? KIRCHGÄSSNER, Gebhard
Discussant: Dennis C. Mueller
- Economic Effects of Direct Democracy VOIGT, Stefan
Discussant: Gebhard Kirchgässner

F3 Axiomatic Models, chair Nick Baigent

TSE lecture hall 09

- The Traveling Group Problem KLAMLER, Christian
Discussant: Donald Saari
- Measuring Economic Growth and Social Welfare with Lebesgue Integrals SAUKKONEN, Kari
Discussant: Christian Klamler
- The role of interpersonal comparisons of utility in the theory of voting LEHTINEN, Aki
Discussant: Kari Saukkonen
- On uncertainty aversion under complete ignorance: some impossibility results GEKKER, Ruvin
Discussant: Aki Lehtinen

F4 International political Economy, chair Jose Tavares

TSE lecture hall 01

- The Impact of Disasters and Terror on International Trade GASSEBNER, Martin
Discussant: Jose Tavares
- The Political Economy of International Financial Institutions' (IFIs) Lending to Pakistan ANWAR, Mumtaz
Discussant: Martin Gassebner
- Internal Order vs. External Disorder: IMF at the Crossroads EUSEPI, Giuseppe
Discussant: Mumtaz Anwar
- Trade Areas versus Currency Agreements: Which Does What to the Economy? TAVARES, Jose
Discussant: Richard Baldwin

F5 Game-theoretic Applications II, chair Emma Galli

EDU 2

- The Influence of Political Pressure Groups on the Stability of Climate Agreements ALTAMIRANO-CABRERA, Juan-Carlos
Discussant: Emma Galli
- Political integration: strategic delegation and ratification ROTA GRAZIOSI, Gregoire
Discussant: Juan-Carlos Altamirano-Cabrera
- Decentralization as a Constraint to Leviathan: A Panel Cointegration Analysis GALLI, Emma
Discussant: Gregoire Rota Graziosi

F6 Reciprocity, Trust and Social Capital II, chair Peter Nannestad

EDU 244

- How does Trust lead to Better Governance? An Attempt to Separate Demand and Supply Mechanisms BJØRNSKOV, Christian
Discussant: Peter Nannestad

- How much fish in the sea? The Symbiosis Between Fishermen and Marine Biologists SVENDSEN, Gert Tinggaard
Discussant: Christian Bjørnskov
- Mitigating the Shadow of Conflict - The Role of Social and Human Capital SCHMIDT, Dorothee
Discussant: Gert Tinggaard Svendsen
- Institutions, Culture, and Trust NANNESTAD, Peter
Discussant: Dorothee Schmidt

F7 Power, chair Frank Steffen

EDU 1

- Consistency and power distribution among groups and factions in the 3d State Duma of the Russian Federation on the issue of “attitude to executive authority” SOKOLOVA, Anna
Discussant: Frank Steffen
- Notes for a revision of the a priori voting power paradigm LARUELLE, Annick
Discussant: Anna Sokolova
- Notes for a revision of the a priori voting power paradigm (II) VALENCIANO, Federico
Discussant: Bernhard Pacht
- Decision-making Power in Hierarchies STEFFEN, Frank
Discussant: Federico Valenciano

F8 Extremism and Terrorism, chair Ronald Wintrobe

EDU 3

- The Origins of Terrorism - Cross-Country Estimates with Discrete Choice and Count Data Methods FREYTAG, Andreas
Discussant: Ronald Wintrobe
- Extremism and Power WINTROBE, Ronald
Discussant: Andreas Freytag

11:00-11:30 Coffee Break

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11:30-13:00 Plenary Session II, chair Hannu Nurmi

TSE Auditorium 17

Manfred Holler (University of Hamburg):
Power, Responsibility and Guilt in a Parliamentary System

13:00-14:00 Lunch

TSE

14:00-18:00 Excursion and Sauna Party

(Transportation is provided from the Turku School of Economics at 14.00)

19:30-23:30 Conference Dinner at Turku Castle

(Transportation is provided from the hotels at 19.00)

Sunday 23 April

09:00-11:00 Contributed Sessions G

G1 Growth and Development, chair Martin Paldam

TSE lecture hall 07

- The Effect of Economic Freedom on Growth: Evidence on causality from a panel of countries 1975-2000
JUSTESEN, Mogens K.
Discussant: Ahmet Aysan
- Aid effectiveness on growth PALDAM, Martin
Discussant: Mogens K. Justesen
- The aid effectiveness literature PALDAM, Martin
Discussant: Toke Aidt

G2 Policy Quality, chair Michael Funk

TSE lecture hall 08

- Policy Errors in Executive and Legislative Decision-Making HOLCOMBE, Randall
Discussant: Michael Funk
- Legislative Malapportionment and the Politicization of Germany's Intergovernmental Transfer System PITLIK, Hans
Discussant: Randall Holcombe
- Strangers in Politics. The Market for Good Politics in Medieval Italy and its Lessons for Modern Democracy FUNK, Michael
Discussant: Hans Pitlik

- G3 State and Governance**, chair Frank Bohn **TSE lecture hall 09**
- Is China A Leviathan? ZHU, Ze
Discussant: Frank Bohn
 - Institution building and Change in China KRUG, Barbara
Discussant: Ze Zhu
- G4 Law and Economics**, chair Luciano Andreozzi **TSE lecture hall 01**
- The Impact of Direct Democracy on Sentencing Behavior FISCHER, Justina
Discussant: Luciano Andreozzi
 - Property Rights and Investments: An Evolutionary Approach ANDREOZZI, Luciano
Discussant: Justina Fischer
- G5 Political Parties**, chair Ivo Bischoff **EDU 2**
- Political Parties and Network Formation MIETTINEN, Topi
Discussant: Ivo Bischoff
 - The response of the mainstream parties to the far right challenge in France and Britain ANDERSON, Richard
Discussant: Topi Miettinen
 - Districts, Party Discipline, and Polarization CASTANHEIRA, Micael
Discussant: Richard Anderson
 - Model uncertainty and party learning BISCHOFF, Ivo
Discussant: Micael Castanheira
- G6 Regulation and Government Intervention**, chair Arye Hillman **EDU 1**
- Divide and Conquer: A Fresh Look at Media Capture VAIDYA, Samarth
Discussant: Arye Hillman
 - Shadow Economy And Unemployment Rate In U.S.A. Is There A Structural Relationship? An Empirical Analysis.
DELL'ANNO, Roberto
Discussant: Laurent Carnis
 - Montana's Basic Rule: The End of a Myth CARNIS, Laurent
Discussant: Roberto Dell'Anno
- G7 Voting II**, chair Antti Pajala **EDU 3**
- The Political Economy of Beliefs: Why Do Fiscal and Social Conservatives/Liberals Come Hand-in-Hand? LIND, Jo Thori
Discussant: Hannu Vartiainen
 - Unbounded Elimination Trees VARTAINEN, Hannu
Discussant: Jo Thori Lind
 - Voting and Gender: Affirmative Politics in Italy DI TOMMASO, Maria Laura
Discussant: Antti Pajala
 - Nuances of a Stable System: Party Group Cohesion and Voting Similarity in the Finnish Parliament PAJALA, Antti
Discussant: Miguel Martinez-Panero
- G8 Centralisation and Decentralisation**, chair Jan Schnellenbach **EDU 244**
- New Evidence on the Impact of Fiscal Decentralization on the Size and Composition of Government Spending FIVA, Jon H.
Discussant: Jan Schnellenbach
 - Collective Decision Rules And The Optimal Degree of Decentralization KYRIACOU, Andreas
Discussant: Jon H. Fiva
 - Are Fiscal Adjustments less Successful in Decentralized Governments? FELD, Lars
Discussant: Andreas Kyriacou
 - Rent-Extraction, Political Institutions and the Centralisation of Public Goods Provision SCHNELLENBACH, Jan
Discussant: Lars Feld
- 11:00-11:45 Coffee Break** **TSE**
- 11:45-13:15 Plenary Session III**, chair Mika Widgrén **TSE Auditorium 17**
Richard Baldwin (Graduate Institute for International Studies):
The political economy of future European integration
- 13:15-14:00 Members Meeting** **TSE**