

3rd 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 – 10:30	Research presentations: 1st parallel session
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 – 12:30	Research presentations: 2nd parallel session
12:30 – 13:45	Lunch break
13:45 – 15:15	Research presentations: 3rd parallel session
15:15 – 15:45	Coffee break
15:45 – 17:00	Applied economic policy sessions
17:15 – 18:45	Paneldiskussion: Mindestlöhne in der Schweiz
18:45	Farewell
19:00	Dinner

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 first part of the program offers seven research sessions with a total of 20 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.

Workshop rules for presenters in the research sessions:

- Each presenter has a maximum of 20 minutes for presentation. Presentations may of course be shorter to leave more room for questions and comments from the audience.
- There are no discussants or discussion openers. Everybody is welcome to make comments and ask questions. Feel free to read papers of particular interest to you or your session in advance.
- 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 any problems.

9:00 – 10:30	1st parallel session	
Political Economy	Drivers of female political participation after their enfranchisement	Anna Koukal, Patricia Schafer , and Stephanie Fürer
Room: LEE E101	Other-regarding Preferences and Redistributive Politics	Ernst Fehr, Thomas Epper, and Julien Senn
	How Institutions Shape Politics – Fresh Insights from Swiss Municipalities	Reiner Eichenberger , Marco Portmann, Patricia Schafer , and David Stadelmann
Spatial economics	The Local Effects of Relaxing Land Use Regulation on Housing Supply and Rents	Simon Büchler and Elena Lutz
Room: LEE E308	Spatial Frictions in Consumption and Retail Competition	Maximilian v. Ehrlich, Frédéric Kluser , and Tobias Seidel
	Commuting Decisions in Fiscally Decentralized Economies	Nicola Mauri and Jérémy Zuchuat

11:00 – 12:30 **2nd parallel session**

Retirement and pensions Room: LEE E101	Digital Pension Application and Retirement Contributions: Evidence from Administrative Data	Claudio Daminato, Massimo Filippini, and Fabio Haufler
	Exploring Redistributive Elements of the Swiss Pension System: An Unconditional Quantile Treatment Analysis	Tanja Kirn and Gijs Dekkers
	Mind Your Language: The Role of Language in Future-Oriented Behavior	Patrick Leisibach and Christoph A. Schaltegger

Income and Taxation Room: LEE E308	The Corporate Elasticity of Taxable Income: Event Study Evidence from Switzerland	Matthias Krapf and David Staubli
	Tracking and Taxing the Super-Rich: Insights from Swiss Rich Lists	Enea Baselgia and Isabel Z. Martínez
	Top Income Shares in Switzerland under the Influence of Marriage Rates and Missing Values	Andrea Ghisletta , Isabel Z. Martínez, and Kurt Schmidheiny

13:45 – 15:15 **3rd parallel session**

COVID-19 and influenza Room: LEE E101	Consolidating the Covid Debt	Christian Keuschnigg , Julian Johs, and Jacob Stevens
	Dying for ignorance? 1918-Influenza Mortality, Vaccination Skepticism and Vaccination Behavior	Christian Ochsner and Lukas Schmid
	Gender Effects of the Covid-19 Pandemic in the Swiss Labor Market	Corinne Dubois , Luisa Lambartini, and Yu Wu

Applied Economics I Room: LEE E308	Migrant-Native Wage Gaps Within Firms	Laura B. Hahn, Felix Rochlitz, and Conny Wunsch
	Serving the Neediest? – A Parallel Funding Streams Case Study	Lukas Hobi
	Till Taxes Keep Us Apart? The Impact of the Marriage Tax on the Marriage Rate	Nadia Myohl

Applied Economics II Room: LEE G118	Effekte der öffentlichen Budgetkomposition auf kantonaler Ebene auf das regionale Wirtschaftswachstum in der Schweiz	Martin Mosler and Christoph A. Schaltegger
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Die Steuerdatenerhebung als Pilotprojekt des Programms Nationale Datenbewirtschaftung (NaDB)

Organizers: Olivia-Nicoleta Huguenin (Bundesamt für Statistik), Stephan Häni (Bundesamt für Statistik), Sabina Littmann (Bundesamt für Sozialversicherungen)

Room: LEE E308

Die Erhebung der Steuerdaten von natürlichen (und juristischen) Personen bei den Kantonen ist eines von vier Pilotprojekten des Bundesamts für Statistik, welche im Zusammenhang einer effizienteren Datenbewirtschaftung der öffentlichen Hand in die Wege geleitet wurde («Once-Only» Meldung gewisser Angaben durch Personen und Unternehmen). Ziel dieses Pilotprojekts ist ein harmonisierter und möglichst vollständiger Datensatz der in der Schweiz wohnhaften Personen und Haushalte. Damit verbessern sich insbesondere die Möglichkeiten für kleinräumige Analysen zur finanziellen Situation der Haushalte, für kleine Untergruppen und für Verlaufsanalysen. Dennoch weisen auch die Steuerdaten gewisse Grenzen und Lücken auf. Die mit der Nutzung von Steuerdaten verbundenen Chancen und Herausforderungen werden am Beispiel des nationalen Armutsmonitorings illustriert.

- Basisprojekt BSV: *Wirtschaftliche Situation von Personen im Erwerbs- und im Rentenalter (WiSiER)* (admin.ch)

The OECD/G20-Global Minimum Taxation for Multinational Enterprises: Policy Options for Switzerland

Organizers: Peter Schwendener and Thomas Brändle, Federal Department of Finance.

Room: LEE E101, the presentations will be in German.

Harmonized international taxation of large, internationally active companies might be realized as early as 2023 according to OECD/G20's timetable. The Federal Department of Finance, in close collaboration with other stakeholders, is supporting the cantons in developing internationally accepted measures to continue to offer businesses attractive framework conditions for sustainable growth in Switzerland. These proposals are to be presented to the Federal Council by the first quarter of 2022. Based on an input presentation by the Federal Department of Finance, we will discuss the potential impact of the global tax reform on the attractiveness of Switzerland as a business location. Moreover, we will discuss whether tax policy measures, general economic policy measures (e.g., regarding the labour market), or even subsidies to compensate affected companies would constitute well-suited policy responses to maintain competitiveness. The session will offer space to propose new ideas.

Christoph A. Schaltegger (University of Lucerne) and **Kurt Schmidheiny** (University of Basel) will enrich the discussion with their take on the potential effects and implications of the OECD/G20 tax measures.

- OECD: Brochure: Two-Pillar Solution to Address the Tax Challenges Arising from the Digitalisation of the Economy, October 2021 (oecd.org)
- Federal Department of Finance: Taxing the digital economy (admin.ch)

In der Schweiz werden Mindestlöhne traditionell nicht vom Staat, sondern von den Sozialpartnern ausgehandelt und festgelegt. Die Schweiz kennt keinen staatlichen nationalen Mindestlohn und dies fällt auch im internationalen Quervergleich auf. In den letzten Jahren haben jedoch einzelne Kantone einen sozialpolitisch motivierten Mindestlohn erlassen. Wir beleuchten die jüngste Entwicklung zu den Mindestlöhnen in der Schweiz, die neue Evidenz zur Wirkung von Mindestlöhnen und diskutieren deren Bedeutung für die Schweiz.

Room: LEE E101

Einführung

- *Ursina Jud* (SECO, Staatssekretariat für Wirtschaft)

Keynote (in English)

- *Attila Lindner* (University College London)

Präsentation

- *Conny Wunsch* (Universität Basel)