

Program

Workshop in Behavioral Public Economics and Political Economy

September 1-2, 2025

At University of Vienna, Campus, Alte Kapelle (Spitalgasse 2, 1090 Wien, Hof 1, Entry 2.8)

Monday September 1, 2025

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| 12:30-13:00 | <i>Get together (coffee)</i> |
| 13:00-14:15 | Keynote: News Customization with AI
<i>Chris Roth (University of Cologne)</i> |
| 14:15-14:30 | <i>Coffee Break</i> |
| 14:30-16:00 | Session 1

<i>Christian Koch (U Vienna): (De-)Radicalizing the Radical Right with Slanted News on Immigration</i>

<i>Ferdinand von Siemens (U Frankfurt): Communication and the Polarization of Trust Attitudes</i>

<i>Elena Fumagalli (U Utrecht): Masked Polarization</i> |
| 16:00-16:30 | <i>Coffee Break & Poster</i> |
| 16:30-18:00 | Session 2

<i>Adam Szeidl (CEU): A Model of Populism as a Conspiracy Theory</i>

<i>Jonas Kaiser (TU Berlin): Narratives of Polarisation and the Rise of the Far Right</i>

<i>Guy Yanay (Hebrew Jerusalem): (Mis)Perceptions of Politically Motivated Reasoning</i> |
| 18:30 | <i>Dinner, by invitation (Zattl Wirtshaus, Schottengasse 2)</i> |

Tuesday September 2, 2025

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| 9:00-9:30 | <i>Get together (coffee)</i> |
| 9:30-10:45 | Keynote: Lessons on Behavior and Inequality from Combining Experimental and Administrative Data

<i>Claus Kreiner (University of Copenhagen)</i> |
| 10:45-11:00 | <i>Coffee Break</i> |

11:00-12:00

Session 3

Tim Kircali (U St. Gallen): Preferences on Tax Enforcement and Tax Administration

Thomas Buser (U Amsterdam): Economic preferences, personality, and voting

12:00-14:00

Lunch (Bierheuriger zum Gangl, Campus of University of Vienna)

14:00-15:30

Session 4

Magdalena Wasilewska (U Amsterdam): Explanations of Inequality

Michael Thaler (UCL, London): What Motivates Partisan Selective Exposure? Experimental Evidence from the 2024 US Presidential Election

Anand Murugesan (CEU) *Fighting Cash-for-Votes: Evidence from Information Interventions in Southern India*

15:30-16:00

Coffee Break & Poster

16:00-17:30

Session 5

Simon Columbus (U St. Andrews): The social dilemma of climate policy

Tim Cason (Purdue U): Breaking Ground: Can Refund Bonuses Solve the Holdout Problem?

Taisuke Imai (U Osaka): Time to Untie Odysseus from the Mast? Evidence Review on Commitment Demand

18:00

Optional Cultural Event – guided tour Josephinum

Poster Presentations:

Christian Höhne (U Cambridge): Do Elections Increase Affective Polarization? Analyzing the 2024 US Presidential Election

Lea Hauser (Leiden U): Should I work part-time? Evidence from a Dutch Survey Experiment on Individual Preferences and Societal Norms