



2nd Workshop The Political Economy of Municipal Fiscal Policy

Bergamo, June 6-7, 2024

Thursday, June 6

8:45	Registration	(room 10)
	Welcome: Gianmaria Martini, Director Dept. of Economics, U. Bergamo	
9:10	Politicians' gender and generations (room 1) Chair: Michela Cella, U. Milan Bicocca Alda Marchese, U. Svizzera Italiana <i>Did male and female leaders react differently to the pandemic? Evidence from local public finance</i> (with P. Profeta and G. Savio) Piera Bello, U. Bergamo <i>Politician's generation and public expenditure for the environment: Evidence from local governments</i> (with L. Moretti and D. Rossi)	Politicians' skills and salaries (room 3) Chair: Marco Buso, U. Padua Davide Cipullo, Catholic U. Milan <i>Clever politicians: Evidence from strategic bankruptcies in Italian municipalities</i> (with M. Bordignon and G. Turati) Samuel Nocito, U. Rome La Sapienza <i>Pay incentives in politics: Evaluating a large-scale salary increase for local politicians</i> (with A. Cerqua and G. Pinto)
10:30	Coffee break (room 10)	
11:00	Politicians' party affiliation (room 1) Chair: Annalisa Cristini, U. Bergamo Tommaso Colussi, Catholic U. Milan <i>Populists at work. Italian municipal finance under M5S governments</i> (with M. Bordignon and F. Porcelli) Federico Franzoni, Catholic U. Milan <i>Explaining split-ticket voting in concurrent European and local elections in Italy</i>	Financial distress (room 3) Chair: Salvatore Piccolo, U. Bergamo Marco Tonello, Bank of Italy <i>Auditors' independence: Does random selection work?</i> (with G. Barone, L. Conti, and G. Narciso) Maximilian Thomas, Ruhr-U. Bochum <i>Bailouts, fiscal austerity, and consolidation strategies</i> (with Z. Hessami)
12:20	(room 3)	Chair: Luigi Moretti, U. Bergamo Michela Redoano , U. Warwick
13:30	Lunch break (room 10)	
15:00	Local policies in economic history (room 1) Chair: Francesco Cinnirella, U. Bergamo Giorgio Brosio, U. Turin <i>The myth of suffocating centralization: Assessing the performance of local municipalities in early Italy</i> (with R. Zanola) Andrea Xamo, U. Verona <i>The local taxes on consumption in Liberal Italy's municipalities, 1858-1900</i>	New data & methods for local public finance (room 3) Chair: Emanuele Bracco, U. Verona Emanuela Randon, U. Bologna <i>Tourist tax and ratings of online reviews</i> (with A. Marsi) Costanza Marconi, U. Bergamo <i>Fiscal budgets as high-dimensional data: An application to Italian Municipality</i> (with P. Bello and S. Galletta)
16:20	Coffee break (room 10)	
16:50	(room 3)	Chair: Elena Manzoni, U. Bergamo Massimo Bordignon , Catholic U. Milan
20:00	Social dinner	



Friday, June 7

9:10	<p>Government's size and fragmentation (room 1) Chair: Alessandra Bonfiglioli, U. Bergamo</p> <p>Alessandro Sovera, Brown U. <i>Decoding local public finance: The interplay of the legislature and the executive</i></p> <p>Giorgio Gulino, U. Rome Tor Vergata <i>Separated under the same roof: Political fragmentation and fiscal policies</i> (with M. Cervellati and P. Roberti)</p>	<p>Decentralization (room 3) Chair: Elona Harka, U. Bergamo</p> <p>Costanza Giannantoni, U. Rome La Sapienza <i>Going local: Public spending, bureaucratic efficiency and decentralization</i> (with A. Cerqua)</p> <p>Alberto Zanardi, U. Bologna <i>Central government's goals vs municipalities' action: Evidence from the Italian municipalities' choices on child care provision</i> (with A. Cremaschini, M. Mastracci, and F. Porcelli)</p>
10:30	Coffee break (room 10)	
11:00	<p>Social media and social capital (room 1) Chair: Paolo Buonanno, U. Bergamo</p> <p>Simona Mandile, U. Rome Tor Vergata <i>Negative fiscal shocks and hate crimes in Italy</i></p> <p>Francesco Porcelli, U. Bari <i>The effects of social capital on government performance and turnover: Theory and evidence from Italian municipalities</i> (with B. Lockwood, E. Bracco, F. Liberini, M. Redoano, and D. Sgroi)</p>	<p>Merging and outsourcing (room 3) Chair: Giampaolo Lecce, U. Bergamo</p> <p>Ines Duarte, EUI <i>Come together: Amalgamation and the quality of local government</i> (with S. Peralta, J. Pereira dos Santos, and R. Spruk)</p> <p>Anna Laura Mancini, Bank of Italy <i>Companies held by local administrations: A comparison between North and South of Italy</i> (with C. Di Carmine, D. Mele, G. Roma, and G. Ziglio)</p>
12:20	(room 3)	Chair: Luciano Greco, U. Padua
	Albert Solé-Ollé , U. Barcelona	
13:30	Lunch and farewell (room 10)	

Location

University of Bergamo
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