

Australasian Public Choice Conference 2017



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General:

Each paper has been allocated 30 minutes, including questions. We suggest 20 minutes for the presentation to allow 10 minutes for feedback. Keynote addresses are one-hour, including Q&A. Discussions will naturally spill over into the breaks.

To ensure smooth running of sessions, please make sure to load your presentation prior to your session. You can email your presentation in advance to Carolyn Mead (cmead@deakin.edu.au) or bring a copy on USB.

Location:

All sessions will be held at the Burwood Corporate Centre, Burwood Campus, Deakin University.

[Directions to Venue](#)

Catering:

Coffee & tea breaks and lunch to be served in the foyer, level 2, Burwood Corporate Centre.

Conference Dinner:

Conference dinner held at [Supernormal](#) (180 Flinders Lane, Melbourne). We will arrange transport from conference to restaurant and to your accommodation.

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Detailed program follows...

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-- Social Program --

Sunday 3rd December 2017

Time	Event and Location
From 10:00am	Pre-conference brunch, Melbourne CBD. Spaces are limited. Please contact Chris if you wish to attend.

Monday 4th December 2017

Time	Event and Location
From 6:30pm	Conference Dinner. Supernormal, 180 Flinders Lane, Melbourne. Transport will be arranged.

Tuesday 5th December 2017

Time	Event and Location
5:00pm to 6:00pm	Farewell drinks, Foyer level 2.

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Academic Program: Monday 4th December 2017

Time	Event and Location	
8:45 to 9:25am	Arrival, registration and coffee (Foyer level 2)	
9:25 to 9:30am	Welcome (North 1) Professor Mehmet Ulubasoglu (Deakin)	
9:30 to 11:00am	<p>Session A: Policies, Institutions and Attitudes (North 1) Chair: Radhika Larihi (QUT)</p> <p><i>Policies and Prizes</i> Arye Hillman (Bar Illan)</p> <p><i>The Institutional Economics of Identity</i> Chris Berg (RMIT)</p> <p><i>Attitudes to Free Trade</i> Martin Braml (ifo)</p>	
11:00 to 11:30am	Coffee break (Foyer level 2)	
11:30am to 12:30pm	<p>Keynote Address (North 1) Chair: Geoff Brennan (ANU)</p> <p><i>After the Last Kingdom: Socio-Economic Determinants of Variation in Political Attitudes across England, 880-2016</i> Professor David Fielding (Otago)</p>	
12:30 to 1:15pm	Lunch (Foyer level 2)	
1:15 to 2:15pm	<p>Parallel Session B: Political Mobilization (North 1) Chair: Sima Di (Singapore Management)</p> <p><i>The Internet and Political Mobilization</i> Paul Raschky (Monash)</p> <p><i>Voter Turnout and Inheritance Rules: Evidence from an Alpine Region</i> Martin Mosler (Cesifo)</p>	<p>Parallel Session B: Political Representation (North 2) Chair: Luca Colombo (Deakin)</p> <p><i>Studying Malapportionment Using α-Divergence</i> Junichiro Wadaa (Yokohama City)</p> <p><i>Multi-Party Competition under Proportional Representation</i> Simon Loertscher (Melbourne)</p>

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2:15 to 2:30pm	Short break (Foyer level 2)	
2:30 to 3:30pm	<p>Parallel Session C: Accidents and Crime (North 1) Chair: Prasad Bhattacharya (Deakin)</p> <p><i>Deadlier Road Accidents?</i> Madhav Aney (Singapore Management)</p> <p><i>What has Driven Crime Across Countries Over the Past 150 Years: The Effect of Institutions</i> Zeresh Errol (Monash)</p>	<p>Parallel Session C: Markets and Groups (North 2) Chair: Samarth Vaidya (Deakin)</p> <p><i>Stability in Matching Markets with Sizes</i> David Delacrétaz (Melbourne)</p> <p><i>The Impossibility Result: Why is it Impossible to Determine Optimal Group Size, Exploitation Degree, and Population Growth?</i> Elias Khalil (Monash)</p>
3:30 to 4:00pm	Coffee break (Foyer level 2)	
4:00 to 5:30pm	<p>Parallel Session D: Religion and Effort Chair: Elias Khalil (Monash)</p> <p><i>Incentives Beyond the Grave</i> Mario Ferrero (Eastern Piedmont)</p> <p><i>Protestantism and Effort Expenditure on the Battlefield: Soldier-Level Evidence from World War II</i> Ahmed Skali (RMIT)</p> <p><i>Coordination of Hours Within the Firm</i> Claudio Labanca (Monash)</p>	<p>Parallel Session D: Education Chair: Elizabeth Manning (Deakin)</p> <p><i>Deconstructing Human Capital Inequalities: A New Approach Based on Measures of Educational Achievement</i> Zainab Asif (QUT)</p> <p><i>Persistency in Teachers' Grading Biases and Effect on Longer Term Outcomes</i> Rigissa Megalokonomou (Queensland)</p> <p><i>A Double-edged Sword: Credit Market Imperfections, Stereotyping, and Education Subsidies</i> Brishti Guha (Jawaharlal Nehru)</p>

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Academic Program: Tuesday 5th December 2017

Time	Event and Location
9:00 to 9:30am	Coffee (Foyer level 2)
9:30 to 11:00am	Session E: <i>Democracy</i> (North 1) Chair: Madhav Aney (Singapore Management) <i>Why Do Military Dictatorships Become Presidential Democracies?</i> Christian Bjørnskov (Aarhus) <i>Is Democracy Good for Growth? Institutional Quality Matters</i> Di Sima (Singapore Management) <i>Beating up Buchanan</i> Geoff Brennan (ANU)
11:00 to 11:30am	Coffee break (Foyer level 2)
11:30am to 12:30pm	Keynote Address (North 1) Chair: Arye Hillman (Bar Illan) <i>The Protestant Reformation and Competition</i> Sascha O. Becker (Warwick)
12:30 to 1:15pm	Lunch (Foyer Level 2)

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1:15 to 2:15pm	<p>Parallel Session F: Fiscal Policy (North 1) Chair: Qijun Liu (Huazhong)</p> <p><i>The Effects of the New Fiscal Rule and Creative Accounting: Empirical Evidence from Japanese Municipalities</i> Haruaki Hirota (Musashi)</p> <p><i>Fiscal Devaluations: The Role of Government Expenditure</i> Solmaz Moslehi (Monash)</p>	<p>Parallel Session F: Growth and Inequality (North 2) Chair: Shawn Chen (Western Australia)</p> <p><i>Is Latin America an Example of Growth Failure: 1801-2015</i> Miethy Zaman (Monash)</p> <p><i>Does Trade Cause Inequality?</i> Yang Li (Monash)</p>
2:15 to 2:30pm	Short break (Foyer level 2)	
2:30pm to 3:30pm	<p>Parallel Session G: Corruption (North 1) Chair: Rigissa Megalokonomou (Queensland)</p> <p><i>Corruption and Growth</i> LIU Qijun (Huazhong)</p> <p><i>Corruption and Intermediaries</i> Lin Hu (Xi'an Jiaotong)</p>	<p>Parallel Session H: Africa (North 2) Chair: Christian Bjørnskov (Aarhus)</p> <p><i>The Role of Uncertainty and Institutions in the Adoption and Diffusion of Technologies: Evidence from Sub-Saharan Africa</i> Radhika Larihi (QUT)</p> <p><i>Spatial Diffusion in Networks</i> Ashani Amarasinghe (Monash)</p>
3:30 to 3:45pm	Short break (Foyer level 2)	
3:45 to 4:45pm	<p>Parallel Session H: Taxes (North 1) Chair: Mario Ferrero (Eastern Piedmont)</p> <p><i>Taxes and MNE Markups</i> Pascal Raimondos (QUT)</p> <p><i>Tax (Non-)Smoothing to Sectoral Shocks: Evidence from China</i> Shawn Chen (Western Australia)</p>	
4:45 to 4:50pm	<p>Closing Remarks Professor Pasquale Sgro, Head of Department (Deakin)</p>	