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Fiscal Competition and Federalism in Europe

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Wednesday, June 2, 1999

- 9.00-10.15 **Opening Address** Chair: **ROBERT SCHWAGER**
WOLFGANG FRANZ
Fiscal Competition and European Union: Contrasting Perspectives
WALLACE E. OATES
 Discussant: **GEBHARD KIRCHGÄSSNER**
- Coffee Break
- 10.30-12.00 Capital Income Taxation Chair: **RICHARD C. CORNES**
Harmonization of Corporate Income Taxation in the EU
BERND GENSER, Andreas Haufler
 Discussant: **ROBERT SCHWAGER**
Tax Competition and Tax Coordination in a Median Voter Model
 Clemens Fuest, **BERND HUBER**
 Discussant: **EMILSON C. D. SILVA**
Fortress Building in Global Tax Competition
KAI A. KONRAD, Guttorm Schjelderup
 Discussant: **RICHARD C. CORNES**
- Lunch Break
- 13.00-14.30: Externalities between Local Jurisdictions Chair: **BERND GENSER**
Budget Constraints and Tax Competition: Empirical Analysis of Local Tax Policy in Germany
THIESS BÜTTNER
 Discussant: **KERSTEN KELLERMANN**
A Model of Welfare Competition with Evidence from AFDC
LUZ A. SAAVEDRA
 Discussant: **KATHERINE BAICKER**
Income Tax Competition at the State and Local Level in Switzerland
LARS P. FELD, GEBHARD KIRCHGÄSSNER
 Discussant: **TIMOTHY J. GOODSPEED**
- Coffee Break
- 15.00-16.30: Public Infrastructure and Debt Chair: **KAI A. KONRAD**
Interjurisdictional Competition and Public Infrastructure
KERSTEN KELLERMANN, Carsten-Henning Schlag
 Discussant: **LARS P. FELD**
Public Procurement in the Presence of Capital Taxation
ALFONS J. WEICHENRIEDER
 Discussant: **MASSIMO BORDIGNON**
Government Debt Spillovers and Creditworthiness in a Federation
STUART LANDON, Constanze E. Smith
 Discussant: **FRIEDRICH HEINEMANN**
- Coffee Break
- 17.00-18.00: **Factor Mobility and Fiscal Policy in the EU: Policy Issues and Analytical Approaches** Chair: **JOHN M. QUIGLEY**
DAVID E. WILDASIN
 Discussant: **KAI A. KONRAD**
- 18.45: Departure of Bus from ZEW
 19.00: Departure of Bus from Hotel
 20.00: Dinner at Gasthaus zum Roten Ochsen, Heidelberg

Thursday, June 3, 1999

- 9.00-10.00: **Local Revenue Hills: A General Equilibrium Specification with Evidence from Four US Cities** Chair: **HANS-WERNER SINN**
Andrew Haughwout, **ROBERT P. INMAN**, Steven Craig, Thomas Luce
Discussant: **JOHN M. QUIGLEY**
- 10.30-11.30: Non-competitive Markets Chair: **WOLFGANG WIEGARD**
The Competition of Competition Laws
HANS-WERNER SINN
Discussant: **BERND GENSER**
Double Bertrand Tax Competition: A Fiscal Game with Governments Acting as Middlemen
ANDREAS WAGENER
Discussant: **ROBERT SCHWAGER**
- 11.30-12.30: Vertical Externalities Chair: **WOLFGANG WIEGARD**
Tax Competition and Tax Structure in Open Federal Economies: Evidence from OECD Countries with Implications for the EU
TIMOTHY J. GOODSPEED
Discussant: **FELIX OBERHOLZER-GEE**
Vertical Income Tax Externalities and Fiscal Interdependence: Evidence from the US
ALBERT SOLÉ OLLÉ, Álex Esteller-Moré
Discussant: **RAINALD BORCK**
- Lunch Break
- 13.30-15.00: Redistribution and Education Chair: **BERND HUBER**
Federation's Alternative Tax Constitutions and Risky Education
PANU POUTVAARA
Discussant: **CLEMENS FUEST**
Pure Public Goods and Income Redistribution in a Federation with Decentralized Leadership and Imperfect Labor Mobility
Arthur J. Caplan, Richard C. Cornes, **EMILSON C. D. SILVA**
Discussant: **ANDREAS WAGENER**
Government Decision-Making and the Incidence of Federal Mandates
KATHERINE BAICKER
Discussant: **ALBERT SOLÉ OLLÉ**
- Coffee Break
- 15.30-17.00: Heterogeneous Preferences Chair: **GEHARD KIRCHGÄSSNER**
Public Good Mix in a Federation with Incomplete Information
RICHARD C. CORNES, Emilson C. D. Silva
Discussant: **WOLFGANG BUCHHOLZ**
Optimal Secession Rules
MASSIMO BORDIGNON, Sandro Brusco
Discussant: **PANU POUTVAARA**
Endogenous Policy Decentralization: Testing the Central Tenet of Economic Federalism
FELIX OBERHOLZER-GEE, Koleman S. Strumpf
Discussant: **LUZ A. SAAVEDRA**
- Coffee Break
- 17.30-18.30: **Generational Accounting and Immigration in the United States** Chair: **DAVID E. WILDASIN**
ALAN J. AUERBACH, Philip Oreopoulos
Discussant: **WOLFGANG WIEGARD**
- 19.00 Dinner at Bistro Euro

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