Public Policy Lessons conference

Part of the After the Pandemic conference series

Program

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Friday, November 12

Friday, November 12, 8:10-8:15 Welcome

Jerzy (Jurek) Konieczny (Wilfrid Laurier University and ICEA, Canada)

Friday, November 12, 8:15-9:45 Covid-19 and Finance

Chair: M. Fabricio Perez (Wilfrid Laurier University, Canada)

Iuliana Maria Ursu (West University of Timisoara, Romania)


G. Bai (Carey Business School, Johns Hopkins University), D. Jiménez (International Monetary Fund), P. Phan (Carey Business School, Johns Hopkins University), L. Quintero (Carey Business School, Johns Hopkins University), A. Rebucci (Carey Business School, Johns Hopkins University, NBER and CEPR) and X. Sun (Carey Business School, Johns Hopkins University)

The Financial Fragility of For-profit Hospitals: Evidence from the COVID-19 Pandemic

Zhengyang Bao (Xiamen University Department of Finance at School of Economics and Wang Yanan Institute for Studies in Economics, China) and Difang Huang (Monash University, Australia)

Shadow Banking in a Crisis: Evidence from FinTech During COVID-19

Discussant: Christine Oughton (SOAS University of London, UK)
Friday, November 12, 8:15-9:45 Public Policy Topics

Chair: Moses Ogenyi (Centre for the Study of Economies of Africa, CSEA, Nigeria)

Leonardo Baccini (McGill University and Centre Interuniversitaire de Recherche en Économie Quantitative (CIREQ), Canada), Dan Eran (Hebrew University, Israel) and Zarlasht M. Razeq (McGill University, Canada)

Uncertainty and Trade Agreements: Evidence from the COVID-19 Pandemic

Alex Patzina (Institute for Employment Research, Germany), Malte Sandner (The Institute for Employment Research: Institut für Arbeitsmarkt- und Berufsforschung (IAB), Germany), Silke Anger (IAB, Germany), Sarah Bernhard (IAB, Germany) and Hans Dietrich (IAB, Germany)

The COVID-19 pandemic, well-being, and transitions to post-secondary education

Karim Nchare (African School of Economics, Benin and Princeton University, USA) and Moses Ogenyi (Centre for the Study of Economies of Africa, CSEA, Nigeria)

Ethnic Inequality and Anti-authoritarianism in Sub-Sahara Africa

Friday, November 12, 10:00-11:00 Keynote

Chair: Jerzy (Jurek) Konieczny (Wilfrid Laurier University and ICEA)

Judith A. Chevalier (Yale School of Management and NBER, USA)


Background papers:

M. Keith Chen (Anderson School of Management, University of California, Los Angeles, USA), Judith A. Chevalier (Yale School of Management and NBER, USA) and Elisa F. Long (Anderson School of Management, University of California, Los Angeles, USA)

Nursing home staff networks and COVID-19, in Proceedings of the American Academy of Sciences, January 5, 2021

Judith A. Chevalier (Yale School of Management and NBER, USA), Jason L. Schwartz (Yale School of Public Health, USA), Yihua Su (Yale School of Public Health, USA) and Kevin R. Williams (Yale School of Management and NBER, USA)

JUE Insight: Distributional Impacts of Retail Vaccine Availability, Journal of Urban Economics, in press
Friday, November 12, 11:15-12:45 Public Response to the Pandemic

Chair: Kai Fischer (Düsseldorf Institute for Competition Economics (DICE), University of Düsseldorf, Germany)

Hector Rufrancos (University of Stirling Management School, UK), Mirko Moro (University of Stirling, UK) and Eva Moore (University of Stirling, UK)

*The impact of University reopenings on COVID-19 cases in Scotland*

Kai Fischer (Düsseldorf Institute for Competition Economics (DICE), University of Düsseldorf, Germany)

*Thinning out Spectators: Did Football Matches Contribute to the Second COVID-19 Wave in Germany?*

Discussant: Kai Fischer (Düsseldorf Institute for Competition Economics (DICE), University of Düsseldorf, Germany)

Friday, November 12, 11:15-12:45 Vaccines

Chair: Armando Meier (University of Lausanne and University of Basel, Switzerland)

Juana Bustamente (Tor Vergata, Università Degli Studi di Roma, Italy), Christine Oughton (SOAS University of London, UK), Damian Tobin (University College Cork, Ireland) and Vanesa Pesque-Cela (Liverpool John Moores University and SOAS University of London, UK)

*Resolving the Patents Paradox in the Era of Covid19 and Climate Change: Towards a Patents Taxonomy*

Maria Tito (Federal Reserve Board, USA) and Ashley Sexton (Federal Reserve Board, USA)

*The Vaccine Boost: An Analysis of the Impact of the COVID-19 Vaccine Rollout on Measures of Activity*

Pol Campos-Mercade (University of Copenhagen, Denmark), Armando Meier (University of Lausanne and University of Basel, Switzerland), Florian Schneider (University of Zurich, Switzerland), Stephan Meier (Columbia Business School, USA), Devin Pope (Booth School of Business, University of Chicago, USA) and Erik Wengström (Lund University, Sweden, Hanken School of Economics, Finland and Knut Wicksell Centre for Financial Studies, Lund, Sweden)

*Monetary incentives increase COVID-19 vaccinations*

Discussant: Maria Tito (Federal Reserve Board, USA)
Friday, November 12, 13:00-14:30 Information

Chair: Lisa Yao Liu (Columbia Business School, Columbia University, USA)

Stefano Castriota (University of Pisa, Italy), Marco DeImastro (Agcom, Italy) and Mirco Tonin (Free University of Bozen-Bolzano, Italy).

National or Local? The Demand for News in Italy during COVID-19

Lisa Yao Liu (Columbia Business School, Columbia University, USA) and Shirley Lu (Harvard Business School, USA)

Information Exposure and Corporate Citizenship

Friday, November 12, 13:00-14:30 Preparing for the Next Pandemic

Chair: Bertrand Achou (Retirement and Savings Institute, HEC Montréal, Canada)

Peter van Bergeijk (Erasmus University Rotterdam, Netherlands)

The political economy of the next pandemic

Labib Shami (Western Galilee College, Israel) and Teddy Lazebnik (University College London, UK)

Financing and Managing Epidemiological-Economic Crisis: The Reserve Model

Bertand Achou (Retirement and Savings Institute, HEC Montréal, Canada), Philippe De Donder (Toulouse School of Economics, CNRS, University of Toulouse Capitole, France), Franca Glenzer (Retirement and Savings Institute, HEC Montréal, Canada), Minjoon Lee (Carleton University, Canada) and Marie-Louise Leroux (Université du Québec à Montréal, Canada; CESifo, Germany and CORE, Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium)

Nursing home aversion post-pandemic: Implications for savings and long-term care policy

Discussant: Peter van Bergeijk (Erasmus University Rotterdam, Netherlands)
Friday, November 12, 14:45-16:15 Supporting Firms in the Pandemic

Chair: Samuel Rosen (Fox School of Business, Temple University, USA)

Matthew Denes (Carnegie Mellon University, USA), Spyridon Lagaras (University of Pittsburgh, USA), and Margarita Tsoutsoura (Cornell University, CEPR, ECGI, and NBER, USA)

*First Come, First Served: The Timing of Government Support and its Impact on Firms*

André Kurmann (Drexel University, USA), Etienne Lalé (Université du Québec à Montréal, Canada) and Lien Ta (Drexel University, USA)

*The Impact of COVID-19 on Small Business Dynamics and Employment: Real-Time Estimates with Homebase Data*

Anna Cororaton (Cox School of Business, Southern Methodist University, USA) and Samuel Rosen (Fox School of Business, Temple University, USA)

*Public Firm Borrowers of the US Paycheck Protection Program*

Friday, November 12, 14:45-16:15 Spillovers

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Pietro Peretto (Duke University, USA) and Domenico Ferraro (Arizona State University, USA)

*Market Size, Innovation, and the Economic Effects of an Epidemic*

Vadim Elenev (Carey Business School, Johns Hopkins University), Luis E. Quintero (Carey Business School, Johns Hopkins University), A. Rebucci (Carey Business School, Johns Hopkins University, NBER and CEPR) and Emilia Simeonova (Carey Business School, Johns Hopkins University and NBER)

*Direct and Spillover Effects from Staggered Adoption of Health Policies: Evidence from Covid-19 Stay-at-Home Orders*

Paula Margaretic (University of Adolfo ibañez, Chile), Diego Finchelstein (University of San Andrés, Chile) and Agustin Sotelo (University of San Andrés, Chile)

*Containment measures and spillover effects in COVID times: A global study on business confidence*

Discussant: Zarlasht M. Razeq (McGill University, Canada)
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Chair: Joshua Weiss (Institute for International Economic Studies, Stockholm University, Sweden)

Nikhil Vellodi (Paris School of Economics, France) and Joshua Weiss (the Institute for International Economic Studies (IIES), Stockholm University, Sweden),

Targeting Interacting Agents

Joshua S. Gans (University of Toronto - Rotman School of Management, Canada and NBER)

Vaccine Hesitancy, Passports and the Demand for Vaccination

Mohammad Akbarpour (Graduate School of Business, Stanford University, USA, Eric Budish (Booth School of Business, University of Chicago, USA), Piotr Dworczak (Northwestern University, USA and GRAPE Research Center, Poland), and Scott Duke Kominers (Harvard Business School; Department of Economics and Center of Mathematical Sciences and Applications, Harvard University, USA; and NBER)

An Economic Framework for Vaccine Prioritization

Krishna Dasaratha (Harvard University, USA)

Virus Dynamics with Behavioral Responses

Saturday, November 13, 11:15-12:45 Health Behaviour

Chair: Samira Hasanzadeh (Huron University College, Western University, Canada)

Guglielmo Briscese (The University of Chicago, USA), Nicola Lacetera (University of Toronto, Canada), Mario Macis (Johns Hopkins University, USA) and Mirco Tonin (Free University of Bozen-Bolzano, Italy)

Expectations, Reference Points, And Compliance with Covid-19 Social Distancing Measures

Rani Susmitha (School of Management Studies, REVA University, Bengaluru, India)

Deciphering illustrations of ‘COVID Appropriate Behavior’(CAB) in Indian Scenario - A policy analysis on CAB pictures

Samira Hasanzadeh (Huron at Western University, Canada) and Modjgan Alishahi (University of Ottawa, Canada)

Public health shock, intervention policies, and health behaviors: Evidence from COVID-19
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Chair: Maurice Kugler (Schar School of Policy and Government, George Mason University)

Ying Chao (Stony Brook University, UK)

*Unemployment Insurance Take-Up Decision with Search and Application Frictions: Evidence from the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance*

Gopi Shah Goda (Stanford University and NBER, USA), Emilie Jackson (Michigan State University, USA), Lauren Hersch Nicholas (Colorado School of Public Health, USA) and Sarah See Stith (University of New Mexico, USA)

*The Impact of Covid-19 on Older Workers’ Employment and Social Security Spillovers*

Maurice Kugler (Schar School of Policy and Government, George Mason University, USA), Mariana Viollaz (Universidad de la Plata and CEDLAS, Argentina), Daniel Duque (Norwegian School of Economics), Isis Gaddis (World Bank, USA and IZA), David Newhouse (World Bank, USA and IZA), Amparo Palacios-Lopez (World Bank, USA) and Michael Weber (World Bank, USA)

*How Did the COVID-19 Crisis Affect Different Types of Workers in the Developing World?*

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Saturday, November 13, 14:45-16:15 Financial Crises and Policy

Chair: Madhu Kalimipalli (Wilfrid Laurier University, Canada and ICEA)

Madhu Kalimipalli (Wilfrid Laurier University, Canada and ICEA), Diego Amaya (Wilfrid Laurier University, Canada) and Seyed-Erfan Sadeghi (Wilfrid Laurier University, Canada)

*Does Liquidity Infusion Impact Financial Stability? Evidence from Fed’s Corporate Bond Purchases*

Federico Huneeus (Central Bank of Chile), Joseph Kaboski (University of Notre Dame, USA), Mauricio Larrain (Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Chile (PUC), Chile), Sergio L. Schmukler (World Bank, USA) and Mario Vera (Financial Market Commission of Chile, Chile)

*The Distribution of Crisis Credit: Effects on Firm and Aggregate Indebtedness*

Jaejoon Woo (DePaul University, USA)

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