

**POLITICAL ECONOMY AND  
INSTRUMENTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL  
POLITICS**

Venice International University, San Servolo,  
24 – 25 July 2013

**PROGRAMME**

**Wednesday, 24 July 2013**

09:30 – 09:40 **Welcome and Introduction**

**Session 1**

**Chair: Friedrich Schneider**

09:40 – 10:40 **Keynote Lecture:**  
**From Theory to Practise - What it Takes to Achieve Implementation of Market  
Based Instruments for Environmental Policy**  
FRANK J. CONVERY (University College Dublin)

11:00 – 11:45 **“Not in My Backyard” Activism and Information**  
DOMINIC HAUCK (University of Groningen)  
Discussant: Johannes Reichl (Energieinstitut at the Johannes Kepler University Linz)

11:45 – 12:30 **Political Competition, Learning, and the Consequences of Heterogeneous Beliefs  
for Long-Run Public Projects**  
ANTONY MILLNER (London School of Economics and Political Science), Hélène  
Ollivier and Leo Simon  
Discussant: Francesco Nicolli (University of Ferrara)

12:30 – 13:30 **Lunch**

**Session 2**

**Chair: Friedrich Schneider**

13:30 – 14:15 **Effects of Educational Attainment on Climate Risk Vulnerability**  
ERICH STRIESSNIG (Vienna University of Economics and Business Administration),  
Wolfgang Lutz and Anthony G. Patt  
Discussant: Sergey Nigai (ETH Zurich)

14:15 – 15:00 **How Trust in Governments Influences the Acceptance of Environmental Taxes**  
ANDREA KOLLMANN (Energieinstitut at the Johannes Kepler University Linz) and  
Johannes Reichl  
Discussant: Martin Halla (Johannes Kepler University Linz)

15:00 – 15:30 **Coffee Break**



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**Session 3  
Chair: Andrea Kollmann**

- 15:30 – 16:15 **Negotiating Environmental Agreements under Ratification Uncertainty**  
SONJA KÖKE (University of Hamburg) and Andreas Lange  
Discussant: Elisa Belfiori (University of Minnesota)
- 16:15 – 17:00 **The Clean-Development Mechanism, Stochastic Permit Prices and Energy Investments**  
Philipp Hieronymi and DAVID SCHÜLLER (University of Duisburg-Essen)  
Discussant: Sebastian Goers (Energieinstitut at the Johannes Kepler University Linz)
- 19:30 Conference Dinner on San Servolo

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**Session 4**

**Chair: Johannes Reichl**

- 08:45 – 09:45 **Keynote Lecture:**  
**The Political Economy of Climate Instruments**  
A. DENNY ELLERMAN (European University Institute)
- 09:45 – 10:30 **Carbon Taxes, Altruism and the Time Consistency of Climate Policies**  
ELISA BELFIORI (University of Minnesota)  
Discussant: George Economides (Athens University of Economics and Business)
- 10:30 – 11:00 **Coffee Break**

**Session 5**

**Chair: Johannes Reichl**

- 11:00 – 11:45 **Political Determinants of Fossil Fuel Pricing**  
CEES VAN BEERS (Delft University of Technology) and Jon Strand  
Discussant: Martin Halla (Johannes Kepler University Linz)
- 11:45 – 12:30 **Carbon Taxes: Policy Implications of the Copenhagen Accord**  
Peter Egger and SERGEY NIGAI (ETH Zurich)  
Discussant: David Schüller (University of Duisburg-Essen)
- 12:30 – 13:30 **Lunch**

**Session 6**

**Chair: Johannes Reichl**

- 13:30 – 14:15 **The Evolution of Renewable Energy Policy in OECD Countries: Aggregate Indicators and Determinants**  
FRANCESCO NICOLLI (University of Ferrara) and Francesco Vona  
Discussant: Andrea Kollmann (Energieinstitut at the Johannes Kepler University Linz)
- 14:15 – 14:30 **Publication Briefing and End of Conference**