

# 17<sup>th</sup> Workshop on Political Economy

From 24/11/2023 to 25/11/2023 in Dresden

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Jointly organized workshop by CESifo, the Center of Public and International Economics (CEPIE) at the TU Dresden, the Center for International Studies (ZIS), the BTU in Cottbus and the ifo Institute – Branch Dresden.

## Conference venue

ifo Dresden  
Einsteinstraße 3  
01069 Dresden  
Germany

## Program

### Friday, 24 November 2023

13.25 – 13.30	Welcome Address
13.30 – 17.45	Working Group Sessions
18.00 – 19.00	Keynote Lecture <b>AXEL DREHER</b> (Heidelberg University)
20.00	Conference Dinner

### Saturday, 25 November 2023

08.45 – 12.00	Working Group Sessions
12.15 – 13.15	Keynote Lecture <b>RUBEN DURANTE</b> (National University of Singapore)
13.15 – 13.45	Lunch
13.45 – 14.30	Working Group Session
14:30	End of Conference



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### Welcome Address

13.25 - 13.30 CHRISTIAN LESSMANN (TU Dresden)

### Working Group Sessions 1 and 2

13.30 - 15.00 **Political Power (Market) Power is (Political) Power! The Pressure of Declining Competition on Democracy**  
(room 1.5)  
SEDA BASIHOS (University of Cambridge)  
*Discussant: Marta Bernardi (TU Dresden)*

**Does Access Mean Success? Connection to Policy-Makers and Lobbying Success of Political Actors**  
ROSANNE LOGEART (Sciences Po Paris)  
*Discussant: Philipp Heil (ifo Munich)*

**Information Defending Democracy: The Effects of Censorship on Propaganda**  
(room 1.7)  
LORENZ GSCHWENT (University of Duisburg-Essen)  
*Discussant: Marius Kröper (TU Dresden)*

**Open-Source Information and Repression**  
MANUEL OECHSLIN (University of Lucerne)  
*Discussant: Michela Cella (University of Milan-Bicocca)*

Coffee Break

### Working Group Sessions 3 and 4

15.15 - 16.45 **Parliamentary Benefits The Effect of Parliamentary Benefits on Government Stability and Party Control**  
(room 1.5)  
ENRICO MIGLINO (University College London)  
*Discussant: Salmai Qari (Berlin School of Economics and Law)*

**The Behavioral Effects of Pensions Systems on State Legislators**  
FELIX KÖHLER (University of Mannheim)  
*Discussant: Simone Maxand (Europa-Universität Viadrina)*

**Women in Politics Issue salience and women's electoral performance: Theory and evidence from Google trends**  
(room 1.7)  
ELENA MANZONI (University of Milan-Bicocca)  
*Discussant: Ramona Schmid (Universität Hohenheim)*

**Female political leaders and economic outcomes: Evidence from Germany**  
LUISA DÖRR (ifo Munich)  
*Discussant: Seda Basihos (University of Cambridge)*

Coffee Break

### Working Group Sessions 5 and 6

17.00 - 17.45 **Voting Behavior Should I Mail or Should I Go: Insights From a One-Time All-Postal Election**  
(room 1.5)  
VALENTIN LINDLACHER (Technische Universität Dresden)  
*Discussant: Antonio Schiavone (University of Bologna)*

**Public procurement The One and Only: Single-Bidding in Public Procurement**  
(room 1.7)  
VITEZSLAV TITL (Utrecht University)  
*Discussant: Felix Köhler (University of Mannheim)*

Coffee Break

## Keynote Lecture I

18.00 - 19.00 **Banking on Beijing: The Aims and Impacts of China's Overseas Development**  
(room 1.5)  
AXEL DREHER (Heidelberg University)  
*Chair: Christian Lessmann (TU Dresden)*

20.00 Conference Dinner at the Restaurant "OPERA Bar & Dining"

## Saturday, 25 November 2023

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### Working Group Sessions 7 and 8

08.45 - 10.15 **Populism** (room 1.5) **Support for a right-wing populist party and subjective well-being: Survey and experimental evidence from Germany**  
MAJA ADENA (WZB Berlin)  
*Discussant: Tuuli Tähtinen (ifo Munich)*

**Who Becomes a Populist? Proximity to Immigrants and Refugees and Individual Voting Behaviour**  
GIOVANNI PRAROLO (University of Bologna)  
*Discussant: Rosanne Logeart (Sciences Po Paris)*

**Crises** (room 1.7) **Local fiscal effects of immigration in Germany**  
SIMONE MAXAND (Europa-Universität Viadrina)  
*Discussant: Luisa Dörr (ifo Munich)*

**Political Accountability during Crises: Evidence from 40 years of Financial Policies**  
CLEMENT MINAUDIER (City, University of London)  
*Discussant: Tim Krieger (University of Freiburg)*

Coffee Break

### Working Group Sessions 9 and 10

10.30 - 12.00 **History** (room 1.5) **Foreshadowing Mars: Religiosity and pre-Enlightenment warfare**  
TIM KRIEGER (University of Freiburg)  
*Discussant: Monique Reiske (Humboldt University Berlin)*

**Agricultural crises and the demise of Weimar's democracy**  
MONIQUE REISKE (Humboldt University Berlin)  
*Discussant: Giovanni Prarolo (University of Bologna)*

**Defense Policy** (room 1.7) **The value of national defense: Assessing public preferences for defense policy options**  
SALMAI QARI (Berlin School of Economics and Law)  
*Discussant: Enrico Miglino (University College London)*

**Political determinants of military expenditures: do government ideologies and political budgetary cycles matter**  
ŁUKASZ OLEJNIK (SGH Warsaw School of Economics)  
*Discussant: Manuel Oechslin (University of Lucerne)*

Coffee Break

## Keynote Lecture II

12.15 - 13.15 **The Multifaceted Effect of Internet on Information and Polarization**  
(room 1.5)  
RUBEN DURANTE (National University of Singapore)  
  
*Chair: Niklas Potrafke (ifo Institute Munich)*

Lunch

## Working Group Sessions 11

13.45 - 14.30    **Recentralization**    **The Short-run Impacts of the Recentralization of Political Power in Rural China**  
(room 1.5)    ZIHAN YE (Zhejiang University of Technology)  
*Discussant: Lorenz Gschwent (University of Duisburg-Essen)*

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