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FRIDAY, July 12

12:30 – 13:00 *Registration and welcome*

13:00 – 15:30

Parallel Session A: Money and Policy

Chair: Vangelis Vassilatos (AUEB-Econ)

Snezana Eminidou (Univ. of Cyprus) **“Firms' Expectations and Monetary Policy Shocks in the Eurozone”** [with Marios Zachariadis (Univ. of Cyprus)]

Georgios Tsomidis (AUEB-Econ) **“Investors' Behavior in Cryptocurrency Market”** [with Nikolas Topaloglou (AUEB-DIEES)]

Tryfon Christou (AUEB-Econ) **“Modeling rent seeking activities”** [with Apostolis Philippopoulos (AUEB-Econ) and Vangelis Vassilatos (AUEB-Econ)]

Emile Marin (Cambridge) **“Exchange Rate Determination in Incomplete Markets: The Long and the Short of it”** [with Simon Lloyd (Bank of England)]

Dimitris Smyrnakis (AUEB-Econ) **“Human Capital threshold effects in Economic Development”** [with Dimitris Christopoulos (AUEB-DIEES) and Elias Tzavalis (AUEB-Econ)]

Parallel Session B: Applied Microeconomics

Chair: Anna Hardman (Tufts)

Eirini Thomaidou (AUEB-DIEES) **“Quality over the Business Cycle: Evidence from Greek Exporting Firms”** [with Sarantis Kalyvitis (AUEB-DIEES)]

Theano Maria Tagaraki (AUEB-Econ) **“Regional innovation and patent system effectiveness: evidence from Greece”** [with Ioannis Kaplanis (Panteion Univ. and SERC)]

Argyris Sakalis (Univ. of Sheffield) **“Raisin the stakes or skipping class? Agricultural shocks and education in 19th century Greece”** [with Pantelis Kammas (AUEB-DIEES) and Vassilis Sarantides (Univ. of Sheffield)]

Panagiotis Barkas (Univ. of Athens) **“The Greek Pharmaceutical Market: A competition policy analysis”**

15:30 – 15:50 *Coffee break*

15:50 – 18:30

Parallel Session A: Policy and Corporate Behavior

Chair: Theodore Papageorgiou (McGill Univ.)

Zoi Melina Papoutsis (ECB) **“Lending Relationships on Loan Renegotiation: Evidence from Corporate Loans”**

Nava Ramezianian Bajgiran (Univ. of Auckland) **“The Quality of Boards Decisions and Corporate Governance”** [with Dimitris Margaritis (Univ. of Auckland)]

Eleni Chroni (AUEB-DIEES) **“Assessing the Effects of IMF Programs on Social Spending”** [with Panagiotis Konstantinou (AUEB-DIEES)]

Almarina Gramozi (Univ. of Cyprus) **“Talent misallocation in Europe”** [with Theodore Palivos (AUEB-Econ) and Marios Zachariadis (Univ. of Cyprus)]

Maria Poulima (Univ. of Ioannina) **“Investing in long-run partisan loyalty: Empirical evidence from post-dictatorial Greece”** [with Pantelis Kammas (AUEB-DIEES) and Vassilis Sarantides (Univ. of Sheffield)]

Chrysovalantis Vasilakis (Univ. of Bangor) **“The Impact of Bullying Victimization on Mental Wellbeing”** [with Georgios Marios Chrysanthou (Univ. of Sheffield)]

Parallel Session B: Firms and Competition

Chair: Georges Siotis (Carlos III-Madrid)

Konstantinos Charistos (Univ. of Macedonia) **“Ringleader Discrimination in Leniency Policies”**

Stylianios Giannoulakis (AUEB-Econ) **“Firm Dynamics after Large Shocks: Evidence from the Greek Crisis”** [with Plutarchos Sakellaris (AUEB-Econ)]

William Greenall (Oxford) **“Firm Demand Learning and Sticky Prices - A Machine Learning Approach”**

Thanos Dimas (AUEB-Econ) **“Towards the Long-run Impact of a Change in Maximum Markup Regulation”** [with Christos Genakos (AUEB-Econ)]

Panagiotis Skartados (AUEB-Econ) **“Disclosure regime and bargaining in vertical markets”** [with Emmanuel Petrakis (Univ. of Crete)]

Ilias Boultzis (AUEB-Econ) **“Truthful Equilibria in Generalized Common Agency Models”**

SATURDAY, July 13

9:00 – 9:15 *Welcome*

9:15 – 11:15

Parallel Session A: Households, Labor and Loans

Chair: Harris Dellas (Univ. of Bern)

Michael Haliassos (Goethe Univ. Frankfurt) **“Participation Following Sudden Access”** [with Nicola Fuchs-Schündeln (Goethe Univ. Frankfurt and CEPR)]

Panagiotis Konstantinou (AUEB-DIEES) **“The Effects of Capital Controls on Loan Defaults: Micro-Level Evidence from Cyprus”** [with Kostas Drakos (AUEB-Finance) and Costas Roumanias (AUEB-DIEES)]

Daphne Nicolitsa (Univ. of Crete) **“Changes in the level and structure of wages in Greece”**

Rigissa Megalokonomou (Univ. of Queensland) **“Human Capital Depreciation: Evidence from Teachers Waitlists”** [with Michael Dinerstein (Chicago) and Constantine Yannelis (Chicago Booth)]

Parallel Session B: Econometrics

Chair: Nikolas Topaloglou (AUEB-DIEES)

Tassos Magdalinos (Univ. of Southampton) **“Representation and inference in vector autoregressions with mixed integration orders”** [with Peter Phillips (Yale)]

Ioannis Kasparris (Univ. of Cyprus) **“Regressions with heavy tailed weakly nonstationary processes”** [with Arvanitis Stelios (AUEB-Econ) and Duffy James (Oxford Univ.)]

George Michailidis (Univ. of Florida) **“Regularized Estimation of High-dimensional Factor-Augmented Autoregressive (FAVAR) Models”** [with Jiahe Lin (Univ. of Michigan)]

Stelios Arvanitis (AUEB-Econ) **“Robust Optimization of Forecast Combinations”**

11:15 - 11:30 *Coffee break*

11:30 - 13:30 *Growth and Policies Lectures*

Chair: Costas Azariadis (Washington Univ., St. Louis)

Hugo Hopenhayn (UCLA)
“From Population Growth to Firm Demographics: Implications for Concentration, Entrepreneurship and the Labor Share”
[with Julian Neira (Univ. of Exeter) and Rish Singhania (Univ. of Exeter)]

Torsten Persson (Stockholm Univ.)
“The Dynamics of Environmental Politics and Values”
[with Tim Besley (LSE)]

13:30 - 14:30 *Lunch break*

14:30 - 16:30

Parallel Session A: Investment and Capital

Chair: Theodore Palivos (AUEB-Econ)

Plutarchos Sakellaris (AUEB-Econ) **“Investment Slumps during Financial Crises: The Role of Credit Constraints”** [with Alexandros Fakos (ITAM) and Tiago Tavares (ITAM)]

Andreas Savvides (Cyprus Univ. of Technology) **“Intra Euro Area Capital Flows and the Current Account Balance”** [with Nektarios Michail (Central Bank of Cyprus)]

Marios Zachariadis (Univ. of Cyprus) **“Assessing Expectations as a Monetary-Fiscal State-Dependent Phenomenon”** [with Martin Geiger (Univ. of Innsbruck)]

George Bitros (AUEB-Econ) **“Demand adjusted capital input and potential output in the context of U.S. economic growth”**

Parallel Session B: Industrial Organization

Chair: Svetoslav Danchev (IOBE)

Myrto Kalouptsidi (Harvard) **“Efficiency in Decentralized Transport Markets”** [with Theodore Papageorgiou (McGill Univ.), Giulia Brancaccio (Cornell Univ.) and Nicola Rosaia (Harvard Univ.)]

Konstantinos Serfes (Drexel Univ.) **“Dynamic Pricing of Credit Cards and the Effects of Regulation”** [with Suting Hong (Shanghai Tech Univ.) and Robert M. Hunt (Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia)]

Pantelis Kammas (AUEB-DIEES) **“Franchise extension and tax structure in the presence of home production: Evidence from the Kingdom of Greece”** [with Vassilis Sarantides (Univ. of Sheffield)]

Christos Constantatos (Univ. of Macedonia) **“Risk Aversion and the Restriction to further Innovation due to Patents”** [with Olivier Bonroy (INRA-Université Grenoble-Alpes)]

SUNDAY, July 14

9:15 – 10:00 *Michael Magdalinos Lecture*
Chair: Aris Spanos (Virginia Tech)

Peter C.B. Phillips (Yale)
“Why you can use the Hodrick-Prescott Filter”
[with Zhentao Shi (Univ. of Hong Kong)]

10:00 – 12:00 *Industrial Organization Lectures*
Chair: Nikos Vettas (AUEB-Econ and IOBE)

Simon Anderson (Univ. of Virginia)
“Price Discrimination in the Information Age: Prices, Poaching, and Privacy with Personalized Targeted Discounts”
[with Alicia Baik (Univ. of Virginia) and Nathan Larson (American Univ.)]

Eugenio Miravete (Univ. of Texas at Austin)
“Wholesale Market Power and the Limited Profitability of Zone Pricing”
[with Katja Seim (Wharton) and Jeff Thurk (Notre Dame)]

Patrick Rey (Toulouse School of Economics)
“Collusion via Market Allocation”
[with Elisabetta Iossa (Univ. of Rome Tor Vergata), Simon Loertscher (Univ. of Melbourne) and Leslie M. Marx (Duke Univ.)]

12:00 – 12:20 *Coffee break*

12:20 – 14:20

Parallel Session A: Finance

Chair: Sophia Dimelis (AUEB-Informatics)

Spyros Pagratis (AUEB-Econ) **“Re-assessing stock market anomalies using a stochastic spanning framework”** [with George Chalamandaris (AUEB-Finance) and Nikolaos Topaloglou (AUEB-DIEES)]

George Skiadopoulos (Queen Mary Univ. of London and Univ. of Piraeus) **“Generalized formulae for option-implied measures”** [with Kazuhiro Hiraki (Queen Mary Univ. of London)]

Spyridon Vrontos (Univ. of Essex) **“Forecasting the Equity Premium Using Machine Learning Techniques”** [with Jonathan Iworiso (Univ. of Essex)]

Ekaterini Panopoulou (Univ. of Kent) **“Asset allocation with machine learning; Evidence from multi-asset portfolios”** [with Iason Kynigakis (Univ. of Kent)]

Parallel Session B: Industrial Organization

Chair: Panagiotis Fotis (Hellenic Competition Commission)

Theodora Kosma (Bank of Greece) **“The pricing strategy of Greek firms during the crisis”** [with Pavlos Petroulas (BoG)]

Georgia Kosmopoulou (Univ. of Oklahoma) **“Subcontracting Network Formation among US Airline Carriers”** [with Lei He (Univ. of Oklahoma)]

Valanta Milliou (AUEB-DIEES) **“Outsourcing without Cost Advantages”**

Fabio Antoniou (Univ. of Ioannina) **“Storable good market with intertemporal cost variations”** [with Raffaele Fiocco (Univ. of Bergamo)]

14:20 – 15:15 *Lunch break and Poster Session*

Konstantinos Bisiotis (AUEB-Statistics) **“Control charts in monitoring portfolio weights”**

Georgios Bertsatos (AUEB-Econ) **“Bank valuation and government corruption: Is there a relationship?”** [with Plutarchos Sakellaris (AUEB-Econ)]

Yakinthi Pavlaki (Univ. of Crete) **“Overcoming Hypothetical Bias in Dichotomous Choice Contingent Valuation Studies: Some Preliminary Results”** [with Margarita Genius (Univ. of Crete)]

Aleka Sargenti (Univ. Of Athens) **“Macro - Econometric Analysis of Business Cycles and Fluctuations, of the Greek Economy, for the past 59 years”**

Panagiota Sargenti (Univ. Of Athens) **“Predictive Credit Risk Models incorporating Macro Factors for the Greek Banking Sector”**

15:15 – 17:45

Parallel Session A: International Economics and Finance

Chair: Daphne Nicolitsa (Univ. of Crete)

Konstantinos Tatsiramos (Univ. of Luxembourg and LISER) **“Monetary Policy Transmission to Consumer Financial Stress and Durable Consumption”** [with Dimitris Georganakos (ECB)]

Alexandra Fotiou (EUI) **“Contagion as a Dealmaker: The effect of financial spillovers on international and regional lending programs”** [with Alica Bonk (EUI) and George Manalis (EUI)]

Mark Melatos (Univ. of Sydney) **“Who Wins a Trade War?”** [with Pascal Raimondos (Queensland Univ. of Technology Business School) and Matthew Gibson (Reserve Bank of Australia)]

Marina Glushenkova (Nottingham Univ. Business School China) **“International Market Integration in the Context of the Belt and Road Initiative”**

Evangelos Dioikitopoulos (AUEB-Econ) **“Origins of financial development: Ancestral population diversity and financial risk-taking”** [with Manthos D. Delis (Montpellier Business School) and George Korniotis (Univ. of Miami and CEPR)]

Parallel Session B: Microeconomics

Chair: Emmanuel Petrakis (Univ. of Crete)

George Georgiadis (Northwestern Univ., Kellogg School of Management) **“Optimal Incentives under Moral Hazard: From Theory to Practice”** [with Mike Powell (Northwestern Univ., Kellogg School of Management)]

Spyros Galanis (City Univ. of London) **“Information Aggregation Under Ambiguity: Theory and Experimental Evidence”** [with Christos A. Ioannou (Pantheon-Sorbonne Univ.) and Stelios Kotronis (Univ. of Southampton)]

Giorgos Stamatopoulos (Univ. of Crete) **“A strategic tax mechanism”**

Andreas Drichoutis (Agricultural Univ. of Athens) **“Game form recognition in preference elicitation under cognitive load”** [with Rodolfo M. Nayga Jr. (Univ. of Arkansas)]

Zacharias Maniadis (Univ. of Southampton) **“Can Biased Polls Distort Electoral Results? Evidence from the Lab and the Field”** [with Aris Boukouras (Univ. of Leicester), Will Jennings (Univ. of Southampton) and Lunzheng Li (Univ. of Southampton)]

21:00

CONFERENCE DINNER (tentative)

MONDAY, July 15

9:15 – 11:30

Parallel Session A: Policy and Implications

Chair: Christos Kotsogiannis (Univ. of Exeter)

Manos Matsaganis (Politecnico di Milano and AUEB-DIEES) **“Technological change, the future of work, and public policy”**

Christos Cabolis (IMD) **“On the determinants of tax revenues: The role of legal complexity and bureaucracy”** [with Christos Kotsogiannis (Univ. of Exeter) and Marco Pistis (IMD)]

Nikolaos Artavanis (Univ. of Massachusetts, Amherst) **“VAT Rates and Tax Evasion: Evidence from the Restaurant Industry in Greece”**

Markos Tselekounis (Univ. of Piraeus) **“Does deregulation drive innovation intensity? Lessons learned from the OECD telecommunications sector”** [with Michael Polemis (Univ. of Piraeus)]

Parallel Session B: Finance and Statistics Lectures

Chair: Yannis Ioannides (Tufts)

Aris Spanos (Virginia Tech) **“The Replication Crises and the Trustworthiness of Empirical Evidence in Economics”**

Stylianos Perrakis (Concordia Univ.) **“Stochastic dominance option pricing: an alternative approach to the study of option markets”**

11:30 – 11:50 *Coffee break*

11:50 –12:45 *Emmanuel Drandakis Lecture*
Chair: Amedeo Odoni (MIT)

Costis Daskalakis (MIT)
“Reducing AI Bias using Truncated Statistics”

12:45 –13:40 *Economic Theory Lecture*
Chair: Costas Azariadis (Washington Univ., St. Louis)

John Geanakoplos (Yale)
“The Hangman's Paradox and Psychological Games”

13:40 – 14:40 *Lunch break*

14:40 – 16:40

Parallel Session A: Growth, Corruption and Debt

Chair: Evangelia Chalioti (Yale)

Enrico Spolaore (Tufts) **“On the Dynamics of European (dis)integration”**

Yannis Ioannides (Tufts) **“Getting to be Denmark: Corruption and Economic Growth Empirics”** [with Costas Azariadis (Washington Univ., St. Louis)]

Rigas Oikonomou (Univ. Catholique de Louvain) **“Endogenous Forward Guidance”** [with Boris Chafwehe (Univ. Catholique de Louvain), Romanos Priftis (Bank of Canada) and Lukas Vogel (European Commission)]

Theodore Koutmeridis (Univ. of Glasgow) **“Shaking Criminal Incentives”** [with Yu Aoki (Univ. of Aberdeen)]

Parallel Session B: Statistics and Econometrics

Chair: Petros Dellaportas (UCL and AUEB-Statistics)

Moulinath Banerjee (Univ. of Michigan) **“Change Point Estimation in Panel Data with Temporal and Cross-sectional Dependence”** [with Monika Bhattacharjee (Univ. of Florida) and George Michailidis (Univ. of Florida)]

Thanasis Stengos (Univ. of Guelph) **“A GMM Estimator for Linear Index Threshold Model”** [with Chaoyi Chen (Univ. of Guelph)]

Menelaos Karanasos (Brunel Univ.) **“A new and unified, in a general sense, theory for time series models with ARMA representations and varying coefficients”** [with Alexandros Paraskevopoulos (Univ. of Piraeus) and Alessandra Canepa (Univ. of Turin)]

Panagiotis Koutroumpis (Queen Mary Univ. of London) **“Economic Growth and Financial Development: Time Series Evidence from Regime-Switching Models (Brazil, 1890-2003)”** [with Nauro Campos (Brunel Univ.) and Menelaos Karanasos (Brunel Univ.)]

TUESDAY, July 16

9:00 – 11:30

Parallel Session A: Macroeconomics and Applications

Chair: Dimitris Margaritis (Univ. of Auckland)

Georgios Lontos (AUEB-Econ) **“Who benefits from international cooperation? The role of cross-country asymmetries”** [with Apostolis Philippopoulos (AUEB-Econ)]

Andreas Sintos (Univ. of Ioannina) **“Hide and seek: IMF intervention and the shadow economy - An empirical investigation”** [with Michael Chletsos (Univ. of Piraeus)]

Romanos Priftis (Bank of Canada) “**(Optimal) quantitative easing in a currency union**” [with Serdar Kabaca (Bank of Canada), Kostas Mavromatis (De Nederlandsche Bank) and Renske Maas (De Nederlandsche Bank)]

Georgios Stefanidis (York Univ.) “**Sovereign Default Risk with Persistent Spending**”

Michael Arghyrou (Cardiff Business School) “**Purchasing Power Parity and higher moments of the nominal exchange rate distribution**” [with P. Pourpourides (Cardiff Univ.) and W. Lu (Cardiff Univ.)]

Parallel Session B: Microeconomics and Applications

Chair: Kostas Peppas (IOBE)

Simone Cerreia-Vioglio (Bocconi Univ.) “**Robust Opinion Aggregation and its Dynamics**” [with Roberto Corrao (MIT) and Giacomo Lanzani (MIT)]

Dimitrios Bakas (Nottingham Trent Univ. and Rimini Centre for Economic Analysis - RCEA) “**Commodity Price Uncertainty and International Trade**” [with Athanasios Triantafyllou (Univ. of Essex) and Ioanna Konstantakopoulou (KEPE)]

George Tsiachtsiras (Univ. of Barcelona) “**Railways (and Motorways) to Trust**” [with Anastasia Litina (Univ. of Ioannina)]

Stefanos Leonardos (Singapore Univ.) “**Oceanic Games: Centralization Risks and Incentives in Blockchain Mining**” [with Nikos Leonardos (Univ. of Athens) and Georgios Piliouras (Singapore Univ.)]

Georgios Panos (Univ. of Glasgow) “**Financial Literacy and Attitudes to Redistribution**” [with Alberto Montagnoli (Univ. of Sheffield), Mirko Moro (Univ. of Stirling) and Robert E. Wright (Univ. of Strathclyde and IZA)]

11:30 - 11:45 *Coffee break*

11:45 - 13:45

Parallel Session A: Econometrics, Finance and Applications

Chair: Ioanna Konstantakopoulou (KEPE)

Ioannis Branikas (Univ. of Oregon) “**Location Choice, Portfolio Choice**” [with Harrison Hong (Columbia Univ.) and Jiangmin Xu (Peking Univ.)]

Panagiotis Avramidis (ALBA) “**The Role of Marketplace Lenders in Credit Markets: Evidence from Bank Mergers**” [with Nikolaos Mylonopoulos (ALBA) and George Pennacchi (Univ. of Illinois)]

Evangelos Benos (Bank of England) “**The Cost of Clearing Fragmentation**” [with Wenqian Huang (Bank for International Settlements), Albert Menkveld (Univ. of Amsterdam) and Michalis Vasios (Bank of England)]

Constandina Koki (AUEB-Statistics) “**Predicting time series: A poly-Gamma data augmentation scheme within the Non-Homogeneous hidden Markov model**” [with Loukia Meligkostidou (Univ. of Athens) and Ioannis Vrontos (AUEB-Statistics)]

Parallel Session B: Resources, Climate and Energy

Chair: Efthymia Kyriakopoulou (Swedish Univ. of Agricultural Sciences)

Maria Arvaniti (ETH Zurich) **“Resource Management, Present Bias and Regime Shifts”** [with Chandra Krishnamurthy (The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences) and Anne-Sophie Crepin (The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences)]

Aimilia Pattakou (ETH Zürich) **“Procurement auctions for an electricity system with increased wind technology”**

Christos Karydas (ETH Zurich) **“The unpriced risk of climate change: a CAPM approach”** [with Anastasios Xepapadeas (AUEB-DIEES)]

Fotios Kalantzis (European Investment Bank) **“Productivity gains from better performing EU buildings: evidence from EIBIS”**

13:45 - 14:00 *Coffee break*

14:00 - 15:00

Parallel Session A: Policy and Applications

Chair: Vally Koubi (Univ. of Bern)

Seraina Anagnostopoulou (Univ. of Piraeus) **“Do investments in human resource practices affect corporate investment efficiency?”** [with Argyro Avgoustaki (ESCP Europe) and Beatriz Garcia Osma (Carlos III-Madrid)]

Marina-Selini Katsaiti (United Arab Emirates Univ.) **“Does higher income rank deter risk-taking behavior? The case of migration”** [with Mrittika Shamsuddin (Dalhousie Univ.) and Amany El Anshasy (United Arab Emirates Univ.)]

Parallel Session B: Theory and Applications

Chair: George Georgiadis (Northwestern Univ., Kellogg School of Management)

Sotiris Georganas (City Univ. of London) **“The Expert and the Charlatan”** [with T. Alysandratos (Lancaster Univ.), A. Boukouras (Leicester Univ.) and Z. Maniadis (Southampton Univ.)]

Sotirios Kokas (Univ. of Glasgow) **“Common Lenders and Industry Downturns”** [with Emilia Garcia-Appendini (Univ. of Zurich) and Geraldo Cerqueiro (Católica-Lisbon SBE)]

15:00 - 16:00

Lunch - end of the conference

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