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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

All academic activities take place via Zoom. For the respective meeting links, please see contact the organization team at pedd@wiwi.uni-muenster.de.

Time (CET)	Activity				
	February 24, 2022				
10:30 – 11:00	Welcome and Opening Remarks, PEDD Young Scholar Award				
11:00 – 12:30	Keynote lecture I				
	Monica Martinez-Bravo, CEMFI, Spain: “Trust and accountability in times of the pandemic”				
12:30 – 13:30	<i>Lunch break</i>				
13:30 – 15:00	Parallel sessions A				
	A1 Populism in Europe	A2 Conflict and terrorism	A3 Autocracies and political transitions	A4 Socialization, media and political polarization	A5 Democracy, instability and growth
15:00 – 15:15	<i>Coffee Break</i>				
15:15 – 16:45	Parallel sessions B				
	B1 Institutions and prosperity	B2 Historical roots of social values and norms	B3 Identity politics and discrimination	B4 Elites in transition and measuring democracy	B5 Resources, foreign involvement and regime change
16:45 – 17:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>				
17:00 – 18:30	Keynote lecture II				
	Josiah Ober, Stanford University, USA: „Can (ancient Greek) democracy be rational? If so, how?”				

Time (CET)	Activity				
	February 25, 2022				
09:00 – 10:30	Parallel sessions C				
	C1 Media bias, fake news and political outcomes	C2 Conflict	C3 Protest dynamics and violence in revolutions	C4 Corruption	C5 State capacity and economic outcomes
10:30 – 11:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>				
11:00 – 12:30	Parallel sessions D				
	D1 Information, preferences and collective action	D2 Special session on the Political Economy of Europe	D3 Institutional constraints and constitutional compliance	D4 Population, policies and the pandemic	
12:30 – 12:35	Concluding Remarks and Farewell				

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PEDD YOUNG SCHOLAR AWARD

We are delighted to introduce the PEDD Young Scholar Award at the 2022 conference. The Young Scholar Award is endowed with 500€ and is presented to the best paper authored by one or multiple young scholars (pre- or post-doc, no tenured faculty) all under the age of 35 as of Sep 1, 2021. Papers co-authored with tenured colleagues/supervisors or senior researchers older than 35 are not eligible.

Five long-time members of the PEDD family kindly served as jury members:

- Christian Bjørnskov (Aarhus University)
- Giacomo De Luca (University of Bozen-Bolzano).
- Richard Jong-a-Pin (University of Groningen)
- Maria Marino (Autonomous University of Barcelona)
- Katarzyna Metelska-Szaniawska (University of Warsaw)

The jury evaluated all eligible papers submitted by the full paper deadline. Each jury member independently chose their top 3 papers and gave three points to the top-ranked paper, two points to the second-ranked paper and one point to the third-ranked paper. The PEDD Young Scholar Award is awarded to the paper that received the overall highest number of points.

The eligible papers submitted generally reflect a high degree of scientific quality, cover a wide range of topics and methods, and address relevant research topics in the current literature. The eligible papers and candidates include:

- Shuai Chen (Luxembourg Institute of Socio-Economic Research): *Rally post-terror*
- Collin Constantine (Girton College, University of Cambridge): *The political economy of ethnic income inequality: Lessons from Guyana*
- Leonardo D'Amico (Harvard University): *Place based policies with local voting: Lessons from the EU cohesion policy*
- Ricardo Duque Gabriel (University of Bonn): *The political costs of austerity*
- Jia Li (Pennsylvania State University): *Mark dictators' calendars: The manipulation of election schedules in autocracies*
- Sultan Mehmood (New Economic School, Moscow): *Religious Leaders and Rule of Law*
- Felix Olsowski (University of Mannheim): *Judicial independence under threat: The appointment of judges in clientelistic regimes*
- Cécile Richetta (University of Geneva): *Spatio-temporal dynamics of state-building in African large-scale land acquisitions*
- Nanna Lauritz Schönhage (University of Konstanz): *Candidate ethnicity, party identification and vote choice in Britain*
- Emilia Simison (Massachusetts Institute of Technology): *Resetting public policy? Analyzing policy change across regime types*
- Nicole Stoelinga (European University Institute, Florence): *Living in the caliphate: the impact of exposure to Boko Haram's occupation on school attendance*

The winner of the 2022 PEDD Young Scholar Award will be announced in the Opening Session on Thursday, February 24, 2022.

ZOOM INSTRUCTIONS

Please make sure to install and test Zoom beforehand. (<https://zoom.us/>)

To join a meeting, simply click on its link and follow the pop-up instructions.

None of the meetings will be recorded unless approval by the participants if confirmed. Also, no images or sounds will be captured by the conference organizers unless approval by the participants if confirmed.

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Kindly join your meeting five minutes in advance to test if everything works well. In particular, test whether your audio, microphone, and camera operate smoothly. You can share your presentation slides with the audience by clicking on the “Share Screen” button and selecting your presentation file. A member of the Organization Team will be present at each meeting and available for technical support.

Members of the audience:

To ensure that the presentations run smoothly, please join the meeting a few minutes before the official starting time and keep your microphones on mute during the presentation.

To reduce bandwidth issues, please close all unneeded applications on your computer and disable the HD setting of your webcam.

If you would like to ask a question during or after the presentation, please indicate this via the “Hand Raise” button (which you find when clicking on “Participants” or “Reactions”, depending on the Zoom version you use). You can raise your hand also if someone else already raised their hand; the chair can see the order of hand-raising and accordingly call on the respective participant.

INFORMATION ON THE PARALLEL SESSIONS

There will be up to 5 parallel sessions with three presentations in each session. Presenters are indicated in capital letters in the program below. The **last** presenter will chair each session. The chair's job is to start and conclude the session on time and supervise that the total time for each paper does not exceed the adequate share of time of the total session.

For sessions with three papers, the total time for each paper should not exceed 30 minutes and should be allocated as follows:

- 20 minutes for the presentation
- five minutes for the discussant
- five minutes for questions and comments from the audience.

Each presenter is asked to briefly discuss one other paper during his or her session. Each paper has been assigned a discussant and assignments are indicated in the detailed program below.

Please check the conference webpage for last-minute changes in the program due to cancellations.

DETAILED PROGRAM

February 24, 2022

Welcome and Opening Remarks, 10:30 – 11:00
PEDD Young Scholar Award

Keynote lecture I 11:00 – 12:30
Monica Martinez-Bravo: “Trust and accountability in times of the pandemic”

Monica Martinez-Bravo is Associated Professor for Economics at CEMFI in Madrid, Spain. She is also a Senior Fellow at the Escade Centre for Economic Policy and Research Affiliate at IGC, CEPR, BREAD. Monica Martinez-Bravo began her studies in Economics at Universitat Pompeu Fabra. In 2010, she received her PhD from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where she was supervised by Daron Acemoglu, Abhijit Banerjee, and Ben Olken, among others. Subsequently, she took up a position at Johns Hopkins University-SAIS as Assistant Professor, which was followed by positions as Assistant and Associate Professor at CEMFI. She was a Visiting Associate Professor at MIT from 2018 to 2019 and is Associate Professor with tenure at CEMFI since 2018. She offers various professional services to the scientific community, e.g. as a member of the Council of the European Economic Association and the Spanish Economic Association as well as by serving as a board member for top-ranked scientific journals. In 2021, she received the Award of Best Spanish Economist under the age of 40 of the Fundació Banco Sabadell. Monica Martinez-Bravo's work focuses on Political Economy and Economic Development. Her work has been published in top field journals, such as the American Economic Review, American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, Journal of Economic Behaviour & Organization, Econometrica, and the Journal of the European Economic Association.

Lunch Break 12:30 – 13:30

Parallel sessions A1 – A5 13:30 – 15:00

A1 POPULISM IN EUROPE

RICARDO DUQUE GABRIEL (University of Bonn), Mathias Klein, Ana Sofia Pessoa

The political costs of austerity

Discussant: Katarzyna Sałach

Jan Gromadzki, KATARZYNA SAŁACH (University of Warsaw), Michał Brzeziński

When populists deliver on their promises: the electoral effects of a large cash transfer program in Poland

Discussant: Attila Gáspár

ATTILA GÁSPÁR (University of Padua), Gyözö Gyöngyösi, Balázs Reizer

Patronized agents: Workfare and clientelism in Hungary

Discussant: Ricardo Duque Gabriel

Session Chair: Attila Gáspár

A2 CONFLICT AND TERRORISM

SHUAI CHEN (Luxembourg Institute of Socio-Economic Research)

Rally post-terror

Discussant: Arzu Kibris

ARZU KIBRIS (University of Warwick), Phillip Nelson

Individual exposure to armed conflict and entrepreneurship

Discussant: Uih Ran Lee

Cristoph Bluth, UIH RAN LEE (University of Sussex)

The conventional arms race between India and Pakistan: A two-player game with only one side in full force

Discussant: Shuai Chen

Session Chair: Uih Ran Lee

A3 AUTOCRACIES AND POLITICAL TRANSITIONS

Dario Debowicz, Alex Dickson, Ian MacKenzie, PETROS SEKERIS (Montpellier Business School)

A theoretical foundation of the modernization hypothesis

Discussant: Jia Li

JIA LI (Pennsylvania State University)

Mark dictators' calendars: The manipulation of election schedules in autocracies

Discussant: Thomas Apolte

THOMAS APOLTE (University of Münster)

Why the West could extend the franchise

Discussant: Petros Sekeris

Session Chair: Thomas Apolte

A4 SOCIALIZATION, MEDIA AND POLITICAL POLARIZATION

DANIEL WATERS (Radboud University), Frank Bohn

Imagined communities, media, and the decline of democracy

Discussant: Niklas Potrafke

NIKLAS POTRAFKE (ifo Institute, LMU Munich)

The legacy of state socialism and attitudes toward immigration: Evidence from German university students

Discussant: Junze Sun

JUNZE SUN (European University Institute), Arthur Schram, Randolph Sloof

Public persuasion in elections: Single-crossing property and the optimality of censorship

Discussant: Daniel Waters

Session Chair: Niklas Potrafke

A5 DEMOCRACY, INSTABILITY AND GROWTH

SOTIRIS PAPAIOANNOU (University of Patras)

Political instability and economic growth at different stages of economic development: Historical evidence from Greece

Discussant: Jacob Jordaan

JACOB JORDAAN (Utrecht University)

Economic freedom, post materialism, and economic growth

Discussant: Erich Gundlach

ERICH GUNDLACH (University of Hamburg)

A note on democratic transitions and humps

Discussant: Sotiris Papaioannou

Session Chair: Erich Gundlach

Coffee break 15:00 – 15:15

Parallel sessions B1 – B5 15:15 - 16:45

B1 INSTITUTIONS AND PROSPERITY

EMILIA SIMISON (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)

Resetting public policy? Analyzing policy change across regime types

Discussant: Israel Eruchimovitch

ISRAEL ERUCHIMOVITCH (University of Haifa), Moti Michaeli, Assaf Sarid

On the coevolution of individualism and institutions

Discussant: Emilia Simison

NICOLE STOELINGA (European University Institute)

Living in the caliphate: the impact of exposure to Boko Haram's occupation on school attendance

Discussant: Lena Gerling

Session Chair: Israel Eruchimovitch

B2 HISTORICAL ROOTS OF SOCIAL VALUES AND NORMS

MICHAEL DORSCH (Central European University Vienna), Anand Murugesan

Public goods, trust and tax compliance in the shadow of empire

Discussant: Vassilis Sarantides

Pantelis Kammas, Anastasia Litina, VASSILIS SARANTIDES (University of Seffield)

Historical pathogen prevalence and the radius of trust

Discussant: Koen Schoors

Ekaterian Borisova, KOEN SCHOORS (Ghent University), Vladimir Zabolotskiy

Agricultural ancestry and gender roles

Discussant: Michael Dorsch

Session Chair: Koen Schoors

B3 IDENTITY POLITICS AND DISCRIMINATION

COLLIN CONSTANTINE (University of Cambridge)

The political economy of ethnic income inequality: Lessons from Guyana

Discussant: Ronald Wintrobe

RONALD WINTROBE (Western University)

A political economy theory of discrimination

Discussant: Mario Ferrero

MARIO FERRERO (University of Eastern Piedmont)

Left, Right, or neither? Islamism as a social blueprint.

Discussant: Collin Constantine

Session Chair: Mario Ferrero

B4 ELITES IN TRANSITION AND MEASURING DEMOCRACY

LENA MERKEL (German Institute for Global and Area Studies), Renate Hartwig, Jan Priebe

Democratic transitions and non-democratic elites: Elite persistence in Indonesia

Discussant: Nils-Christian Bormann

NILS-CHRISTIAN BORMANN (Witten/Herdecke University), Lea Kaftan, Bruno Della Sala, Stefan Stojkovic

Actions by Elites & Leaders (ABEL) dataset

Discussant: Martin Paldam

MARTIN PALDAM (Aarhus University)

Measuring democracy: Freedom House, Polity and V-Dem

Discussant: Lena Merkel

Session Chair: Martin Paldam

B5 RESOURCES, FOREIGN INVOLVEMENT AND REGIME CHANGE

THEA JOHANSEN (Norwegian University of Science and Technology), Charles Butcher

The mobilization curse? Testing the chain of relations between oil wealth, mobilization and democratization in Africa

Discussant: Miriam Kautz

Andreas Freytag, MIRIAM KAUTZ (Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena)

Chinese aid and democratic values in Latin America

Discussant: Matthias Neuenkirch

Jerg Gutmann, MATTHIAS NEUENKIRCH (Universität Trier), Florian Neumeier

The economic effects of international sanctions: An event study

Discussant: Thea Johansen

Session Chair: Matthias Neuenkirch

Coffee break

16:45 – 17:00

Keynote lecture II

17:00 – 18:30

Josiah Ober: “Can (ancient Greek) democracy be rational? If so, how?”

Josiah Ober is Constantine Mitsotakis Professor at the School of Humanities and Sciences at Stanford University. Previously, he was professor at Montana State University (1980-1990) and Princeton University (1990-2006), after receiving his Ph.D. from the University of Michigan in 1980. He works on historical institutionalism and political theory, focusing on the political thought and practice of the ancient Greek world and its contemporary relevance. He has held residential fellowships at the National Humanities Center, the Center for Hellenic Studies, the University of New England (Australia), Clare Hall (Cambridge), the Center for the Advanced Study of the Behavioral Sciences, and Univ. of Sydney. He holds research fellowships from the ACLS, NEH, and Guggenheim, and he has been a visiting professor at University of Michigan, Paris I-Sorbonne, UC Irvine and UC Berkeley, among others. Josiah Ober is the author of several books, including *Mass and Elite in Democratic Athens* (1989), *Political Dissent in Democratic Athens* (2008), *Democracy and Knowledge* (2008), *The Rise and Fall of Classical Greece* (2015), and *Demopolis: Democracy before Liberalism in Theory and Practice* (2017). He has furthermore published about 100 articles and chapters as author and co-author, including articles in the *American Historical Review*, the *American Political Science Review*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Hesperia*, *Polis* and *Public Choice*.

February 25, 2022

Parallel sessions C1 – C5 09:00 – 10:30

C1 MEDIA BIAS, FAKE NEWS AND POLITICAL POLARIZATION

MATTHIAS DIERMEIER (German Economic Institute)

Tayloring the truth: an experimental approach to parliamentarians' toleration of misinformation and responsiveness in Germany

Discussant: Lea Bernhardt

LEA BERNHARDT (Helmut Schmidt University Hamburg), Ralf Dewenter, Tobias Thomas

Watchdog or loyal servant? Empirical evidence for political media bias in US newscasts

Discussant: Ulrich Matter

ULRICH MATTER (University of St. Gallen), Roland Hodler, Johannes Ladwig

Googling the 2020 US Elections

Discussant: Matthias Diermeier

Session Chair: Ulrich Matter

C2 CONFLICT

SIMON HUG (University of Geneva), Sandra Penic

The consequences of one-sided violence on inter-ethnic relations

Discussant: Nicola Stoelinga

Arzu Kibris, LENA GERLING (University of Münster)

Armed conflict exposure and trust: Evidence from a natural experiment in Turkey

Discussant: Simon Hug

Session Chair: Lena Gerling

C3 PROTEST DYNAMICS AND VIOLENCE IN REVOLUTIONS

MOTI MICHAELI (University of Haifa), Daniel Spiro

The dynamics of revolutions

Discussant: Mario Gilli

MARIO GILLI (University of Milan-Bicocca), Filippo Giorgini

Causes and consequences of citizens' protests: A research on "Regime change and revolutionary entrepreneurs" by Bueno de Mesquita

Discussant: Maria Marino

Marcela Gomez-Ruiz-Diaz, Paolo Li Donni, MARIA MARINO (Autonomous University of Barcelona)

Nonviolent and violent protests, a dynamic relationship

Discussant: Moti Michaeli

Session Chair: Maria Marino

C4 CORRUPTION

SOEREN SCHWUCHOW (Brandenburg University of Technology)

Organized crime as the link between inequality and corruption

Discussant: Rosemary Pang

ROSEMARY PANG (Pennsylvania State University)

Subnational ruling party institutionalization and its mitigation effects on corruption: A case study of China

Discussant: Daniel Meierrieks

DANIEL MEIERRIEKS (WZB Berlin Social Science Center), Daniel Auer

Bribes and bombs: The effect of corruption on terrorism

Discussant: Soeren Schwuchow

Session Chair: Daniel Meierrieks

C5 STATE CAPACITY AND ECONOMIC OUTCOMES

CÉCILE RICHETTA (University of Geneva)

Spatio-temporal dynamics of state-building in African large-scale land acquisitions

Discussant: Bert Kramer

BERT KRAMER (University of Groningen), Petros Milionis

Democratic constraints and adherence to the classical Gold Standard

Discussant: Antonio Savoia

ANTONIO SAVOIA (University of Manchester, UNU-WIDER), Kunal Sen, Abrams Tagem

Constraints on the executive and tax revenues in the long run

Discussant: Cécile Richetta

Session Chair: Antonio Savoia

Coffee break 10:30 – 11:00

Parallel sessions D1 - D4 11:00 – 12:30

D1 INFORMATION, PREFERENCES AND COLLECTIVE ACTION

BRUNO CAPRETTINI (University of Zurich), Marcel Caesmann, Hans-Joachim Voth, David Yanagizawa-Drott

Going viral: Propaganda, persuasion and polarization in 1932 Hamburg

Discussant: Nikita Zakharov

NIKITA ZAKHAROV (University of Freiburg)

State-induced preference falsification: Evidence from a natural experiment in Russia

Discussant: Felix Roesel

Niklas Potrafke, FELIX ROESEL (TU Braunschweig)

Social media versus social cohesion: Which networks spur protests against reforms?

Discussant: Bruno Caprettini

Session Chair: Felix Roesel

D2 SPECIAL SESSION ON THE POLITICAL ECONOMY OF EUROPE

LEONARDO D'AMICO (Harvard University)

Place based policies with local voting: Lessons from the EU cohesion policy

Discussant: Nanna Lauritz Schönhage

NANNA LAURITZ SCHÖNHAGE (University of Konstanz)

Candidate ethnicity, party identification and vote choice in Britain

Discussant: Enrico Cavallotti

Francesco Armilli, ENRICO CAVALLOTTI (Trinity College Dublin)

Concurrent elections and voting behaviour: Evidence from an Italian referendum

Discussant: Leonardo D'Amico

Session Chair: Enrico Cavallotti

D3 INSTITUTIONAL CONSTRAINTS AND CONSTITUTIONAL COMPLIANCE

FELIX OLSOWSKI (University of Mannheim)

Judicial independence under threat: The appointment of judges in clientelistic regimes

Discussant: Sultan Mehmood

SULTAN MEHMOOD (New Economic School), Avner Seror

Religious Leaders and Rule of Law

Discussant: Katarzyna Metelska-Szaniawska

Jerg Gutmann, KATARZYNA METELSKA-SZANIAWSKA (University of Warsaw), Stefan Voigt

The comparative constitutional compliance database

Discussant: Felix Olsowski

Session Chair: Katarzyna Metelska-Szaniawska

D4 POPULATION, POLICIES AND THE PANDEMIC

MICHAEL BAYERLEIN (Kiel Institute for the World Economy, Christian-Albrechts-University of Kiel),

Vanessa A. Boese, Scott Gates, Katrin Kamin, S. Mansoob Murshed

Populism and COVID-19: How populist governments (mis)handle the pandemic

Discussant: Sofia Tsarsitalidou

Antonis Adam, SOFIA TSARSITALIDOU (University of Patras)

Data misreporting during the COVID19 crisis: the role of political institutions

Discussant: Tommy Krieger

Enzo Brox, Jan Kemper, TOMMY KRIEGER (ZEW Mannheim), Lukas Tohoff

The fiscal consequences of taxing secondary residents: Evidence from Germany

Discussant: Michael Bayerlein

Session Chair: Tommy Krieger

Concluding Remarks and Farewell

12:30 – 12:35



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