

Topics in Public Economic Theory: Winter 2009/10

Political Economy and Behavioral Approaches to Taxation and Public Goods Provision

Location: Max Planck Institute,

Date: Wednesday, 11.45 - 13.15

Schedule

October 21: Liebman, J. and Zeckhauser, R. (2004). Schmeduling. *Working Paper, Harvard University*. **Presented by Carl Christian von Weizsäcker**

October 28: Fahri, E. and Werning, I. (2008). The Political Economy of Nonlinear Capital Taxation. *Working Paper, MIT*. **Presented by Mirko Seithe**

November 18: O'Donoghue, T. and Rabin, M. (2006). Optimal Sin Taxes, *Journal of Public Economics*, Vol. 90, pp. 1825-1849. **Presented by Gert Pönitzsch**

November 25: Koszegi, B., and Rabin, M. (2008). Choices, Situations, and Happiness, *Journal of Public Economics*, Vol. 92, pp. 1821-1832. **Presented by Andreas Grunewald**

December 2: Acemoglu, D., Golosov, M., and Tsyvinski, A. (2009). Dynamic Mirrlees Taxation under Political Economy Constraints. *The Review of Economic Studies*. forthcoming. **Presented by Sina Litterscheid**

December 9: Bernheim, D. and Rangel, A. (2009). Beyond revealed preference: Choice-theoretic foundations for behavioral welfare economics. *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*. Vol. 124, pp. 51-104. **Presented by Matthias Lang**

December 16: Battaglini, M. and Coate, S. (2008). A Dynamic Theory of Public Spending, Taxation, and Debt. *The American Economic Review*. Vol. 98, pp. 201-236. **Presented by Dirk Foremny**

January 13: Bénabou, R. and Tirole, J. (2006). Beliefs in a just world and redistributive politics. *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*. Vol. 121, pp. 699-746. **Presented by Markus Peter Fels**

January 20: Lizzeri, A. and Persico, N. (2001). The Provision of Public Goods under Alternative Electoral Incentives *The American Economic Review*. Vol. 91, pp. 225-239. **Presented by Emanuel Hansen**

January 27: Ely, J. (2009). Kludged. *Working Paper, Northwestern University*. **Presented by Alia Gizatulina**

February 3: Chetty, R., Looney A., and Kroft, K., (2007). Saliency and Taxation: Theory and Evidence, *NBER working paper; shorter version forthcoming in the American Economic Review*. **Presented by Sebastian Goert**

February 10:

February 17: