Social Preferences and the Demand for Redistribution – Experimental Methods and Evidence

Course for the Graduate Program "Collective Decision-Making", University of Hamburg, Tuesday 18th January – Friday 21st January, 2022.

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Description:

The academic quest of understanding how preferences for redistribution form and change at both the individual level, and at the level of an individual country, has been going on for decades. A better understanding of redistributive preferences is key to better grasping why the size and role of the public sector is so different in various parts of the world. The course will cover some recent examples of the work on how experimental methods can be used to better understand the demand for redistribution - we will consider examples of research from both the field and the laboratory. We will also split into smaller groups and take a stab at formulating research questions and designing online experiments that can be used to better understand various aspects of redistributive preferences.

Location:

online

Dates:

January 18: 4 lecture hours in one block (with breaks as needed), starting at 3pm CET

January 19: 4 lecture hours in one block (with breaks as needed), starting at 3pm CET

January 20: 2 lecture hours in one block, starting at 3pm

January 21: 4 lecture hours in one block (with breaks as needed), starting at 3pm

Credits:

4 LP