



Political Economy Workshop

Thursday, May 28, 2026

Organizer: Jon H. Fiva (BI Norwegian Business School)

Dynamics team also includes: Sigurd Arntzen (BI Norwegian Business School)
Ali Cirone (London School of Economics and Political Science)
Gary Cox (Stanford University)
Daniel M. Smith (University of Pennsylvania)
Rune Sørensen (BI Norwegian Business School)
Dawn Teele (Johns Hopkins Agora)

Location: **A2-Red 12 at BI Norwegian Business School**

This workshop is sponsored by [The Dynamics of Political Selection](#), a project funded by the Norwegian Research Council.

Hotel Information: Out-of-town participants have reservations made in their name at Thon Hotel Slottsparken (see email from Kristin Grigson).

Dinners:

Wednesday, May 27: 7pm at [Lorry](#) (core team and out-of-town participants)

Thursday, May 28: 8pm at [Kolonialen](#) (presenters and discussants)

- 09:00 **Welcome: Jon H. Fiva**
- 09:15 – 09:50 **Far-Right Ownership in the Printed Press and Public Policy**
Sophie Hatte (co-authors: M. Couttenier, T. Taylor and S. Vlachos)
Discussant: Henrik Sigstad
- 09:50 – 10:25 **When Do Experts Influence Policy? Evidence from Norwegian Policy Commissions**
Sigurd Arntzen
Discussant: Jacob Nyrup
- 10:25 – 10:45 **Coffee Break**
- 10:45 – 11:20 **Economic Shocks, Opportunity Costs, and the Supply of Politicians**
Laura Barros (co-author: A. Schmeißer)
Discussant: *Christine Bangum*
- 11:20 – 11:55 **When the Dictator is in Town**
Nicola Mastrorocco (co-authors: F. Barilari and N. Fontana)
Discussant: Magnus Rasmussen
- 12:00 – 13:30 **Lunch at 7th floor**
- 13:30 – 14:05 **Living Next Door: Immigrant Arrivals and Native-born Out-Migration**
Moritz Marbach (co-authors: A. Ahrens, G. Gennaro, P. Grech, D. Hangartner)
Discussant: Sebastian Ellingsen
- 14:05 – 14:40 **Revolvers in the Corporate Elite**
Benjamin Egerod (co-authors: M. Müller and J. Stuckatz)
Discussant: Rune Sørensen
- 14:40 – 15:00 **Coffee Break**
- 15:00 – 15:35 **Partiaization: How National Parties Took Hold of Local Politics**
Øyvind Skorge (co-author: M. Rasmussen)
Discussant: Dawn Teele
- 15:35 – 16:10 **Gender Dynamics in Online Deliberation: Evidence from the 2023 Meta Community Forum on AI Chatbots**
Ali Cirone (co-authors: E. J. Ciesla and L. Gelauff)
Discussant: Jo Thori Lind
- 16:10 – 16:30 **Coffee Break**
- 16:30 – 17:05 **Political Ambition**
Max-Emil King (co-authors: G. Cox, J. H. Fiva, and D. M. Smith)
Discussant: Benny Geys