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Local Public Service Provision and Quality of Institutions

29th and 30th of May 2025

“G. d’Annunzio” University of Chieti-Pescara,
Department of Economics (DEc) - Viale Pindaro 42, Pescara, Room 22

PROGRAM

Thursday, 29 May 2025

10.00-10.30 Welcome coffee

10.30–10.50 Final Lecture of the TNE-DeSK Summer School on Local Public Service and Quality of Institutions

- A. K. Muco, B. Metanj, **B. Karra** “Governance e sviluppo economico nei Balcani: il ruolo della qualità istituzionale nell’integrazione europea”

10.50–11.00 Workshop Opening: Edilio Valentini

* Evento Finanziato dall'Unione europea – Next Generation EU, Partenariato Esteso “Growing Resilient, Inclusive and Sustainable” (GRINS) – PNRR – MISSIONE 4 COMPONENTE 2, INVESTIMENTO 1.3, nell’ambito del Bando a Cascata “Production Of Data and Indicators for Urban Waste Management benchmarking (PODIUWM)”, CUP J33C22002910001.

11.00-12.30 Session 1: Public Utility Regulation (Chair: Sergio Beraldo)

- **G. Crea.**, A. Cavaliere “How the spatial characteristics of the gas distribution networks affect economies of scale: evidence from a panel study of Italian data”
- F. Beltran, A. Medeisis, **L.F. Minervini**, W. Webb “Exploring the Scope of a Market Mechanism in the Allocation of Shared Spectrum in 6 GHz”
- **M. Del Gatto**, M. Mazzocchitti, A. Rapposelli, A. Sarra, E. Valentini “PODIUWM: un database su base comunale per l’analisi di efficienza nella gestione dei rifiuti solidi urbani in Italia”

12.30-13.30 KEYNOTE SPEECH (Chair: Alberto Iozzi)

L. Bardelli "Regulation and Multi-Tier Governance: the case of Water and Waste Sectors in Italy"

13.30-14.30 Light lunch

14.30-16.00 Session 2: Quality of Institutions (Chair: Massimiliano Piacenza)

- C. Cerqua, C. Giannantoni, **F. Zampollo** “The Causal Effect of Municipal Mergers on Local Institutional Quality”
- P. Di Caro, F. Fantechi, **P.L. Ferrara**, U. Fratesi “Resilience in lagging regions: Evidence from Italian micro firm-level data”
- Carrozzo M. G. Righetto, **A. Schiavone** “Votes for Assets: Mafia, Elections and Misallocation of Confiscated Properties”

16.00-16.30 Coffee break

16.30-17.30 KEYNOTE SPEECH (Chair: Anna Bottasso)

M. Di Cataldo "Development policies in places with corrupt local institutions".

17.30-18.30 Session 3: Public Investment and Procurement (Chair: Alberto Cavaliere)

- **H. Array**, J. Martínez-Vázquez “A General Model for the Distribution of Public Investment among Jurisdictions”

- G.L. Albano, W. Ferrarese, A. Iozzi, **R. Pezzuto** “Should I share or should I not? On the sharing of information on past performance in procurement

18.30-19.00 Workshop’s organizers meeting

20.30 Dinner

Friday, 30 May 2025

9.30-11.00 Session 4: Miscellaneous (Chair: Fabio Fiorillo)

- G. Ecchia, L. **Zirulia** “Social innovation as the community provision of public goods”
- **D. Assisi**, M.G. Giuranno, D. Ravenda, F. Russo “Cleaning House, Cleaning the Neighbourhood: Mafia Council Dissolutions and Public Procurement Efficiency
- **L. Gerotto**, L. Salmasi, G. Turati “Public Healthcare Expenditure and Ageing: A Macroeconomic Analysis of Short- and Long-Run Dynamics for the Italian regions”

11.00-11.30 Coffee break

11.30-12.30 KEYNOTE SPEECH (Chair: Annalisa Vinella)

G. Rovigatti “Procurement managers and effective tendering: The case of Italian public works contracts”

12.30-13.30 Session 5: Environmental issues (Chair: Mariangela Zoli)

- G. Menta, **M. Piccari**, B. Verheyden “How Malleable Are Pro-environmental Preferences? Evidence from a Randomized Survey Experiment”
- **M. De Simone**, I. Di Leo, E. Marzano, A. D’Amato ““Bad rebounds” and the Environment: Bottled water and plastic collection behavior using cross-sectional Italian data”

13.30-14.30 Light lunch