



Arc Project  
on Sustainability



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in Environmental  
Economics and Management

# Overlapping Generations Days

*Dynamic Macroeconomics: Population, Environment and  
Sustainability*

## Organizers

Thomas Baudin (CORE, UCLouvain)  
David de la Croix (IRES, UCLouvain)

Tuesday – 16<sup>th</sup> March

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12:30      **Welcome Lunch**

14:00      **Session 1: Optimal Policy**

Chairman: Alessandro Sommacal (University of Verona)

Grégory Ponthière (Ecole Normale Sup, PSE) "How Powerful is Demography? The Serendipity Theorem Revisited"

Discussant: Bertrand Wigniolle (University Paris 1, PSE)

Guillaume Commenge (University Paris 1, PSE) "Sustainability and population changes: welfare criteria comparison through its measurement"

Discussant: Olivier Sterck (IRES, UCLouvain)

16:00      Coffee-Break

16:30      Paolo Piacquadio (CORE, UCLouvain) "Growth under No-envy"

Discussant: Thomas Seegmuller (GREQAM)

Thomas Baudin (CORE, UCLouvain) "Optimal Trade-Off Between Quality and Quantity Under Uncertain Child Survival"

Discussant: Grégory Ponthière (Ecole Normale Sup, PSE)

19:30      **Dinner at the restaurant "Comte de Salm"**

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## Wednesday – 17th March

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09:00	<b>Session 2: Divorce and crime</b>
	Chairman: Bertrand Wigniolle (University Paris 1, PSE)
	Victor Hiller (University Paris 2) "Divorce decisions, divorce laws and social norms"
	Discussant: Paolo Melindi Ghidi (IRES, UCLouvain)
	Fabio Mariani (IRES, UCLouvain) "Exporting criminals?"
	Discussant: Radek Stefanski (University of Oxford)
11:00	Coffee Break
11:30	<b>Session 3 : Family and Technological Changes</b>
	Chairman: Thomas Seegmuller
	Alessandro Sommacal (University of Verona) "Technical Change and the Family Structure: from the Pater Familias to the Old Chap"
	Discussant: Wolfgang Kuhle (Mannheim University)
	Alice Schoonbrodt (University of Southampton) "The fertility response to shocks in dynamic models"
	Discussant: Thomas Baudin (CORE - UCLouvain)
13:30	<b>Lunch</b>
15:00	<b>Session 4: Environment</b>
	Chairman: Thierry Bréchet (CORE, UCLouvain)
	Natacha Raffin (University Paris 1, PSE) "Education and the Political Economy of Environmental Protection"
	Discussant: Bénédicte Meert (FNRS & IRES, UCLouvain)
	Radek Stefanski (University of Oxford) "Structural Transformation and Pollution"
	Discussant: Thierry Bréchet (CORE, UCLouvain)
17:00	Coffee-Break
17h30	Carlotta Balestra (CORE, UCLouvain) "Property rights with biological spillovers: when Hardin meets Meade"
	Discussant: Katheline Schubert (University Paris 1, PSE)
	Thomas Seegmuller (GREQAM) "Environmental Tax Policy and Public Debt Stabilisation"
	Discussant: Luca Pensiero (IRES, UCLouvain)
20:30	<b>Dinner at the restaurant "L'Ecurie"</b>

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**Thursday – 18th March**

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09:00	<b>Session 5: Fertility and Demographic Changes I</b>
	Chairman : Hippolyte d'Albis (University of Montpellier III)
	Paula Gobbi (IRES, UCLouvain) "A model of voluntary childlessness" Discussant: Hippolyte d'Albis (University of Montpellier III)
	Bastien Chabé-Ferret (IRES, UCLouvain) " Fertility differential, discrimination and the behaviour of minorities " Discussant: Pascal Belan (University of Cergy-Pontoise)
11h00	Coffee-Break
11h30	<b>Session 6: Fertility and Demographic Change II</b>
	Chairman: Javier Olivera (KULeuven)
	Alexander Ludwig (University of Cologne) "Demographic Change, Human Capital and Welfare" Discussant: Frédéric Docquier (FNRS & IRES UCLouvain)
	Katheline Schubert (University Paris 1, PSE) "Demo-economic equilibria when childbearing age is endogenous" Discussant: David de la Croix (IRES, UCLouvain)
13:00	<b>Lunch</b>
14:30	<b>Session 7: Debt, Pensions and Retirement</b>
	Chairman: Alexander Ludwig (University of Cologne)
	Pascal Belan (University of Cergy-Pontoise) "Voting on public pensions with endogenous child-to-parent altruism" Discussant: Fabio Mariani (IRES, UCLouvain)
	Wolfgang Kuhle (Mannheim University) "The Optimum Structure for Government Debt" Discussant: Alessandro Sommacal (University of Verona)
	Hippolyte d'Albis (University of Montpellier III) "Mortality transition and differential incentives for early retirement" Discussant: Alexander Ludwig (University of Cologne)
17:30	<b>Belgian Goodbye Drink</b>

All participants can enjoy the Bellevue's facilities until March 19<sup>th</sup> in the morning.