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FOREWORD

Inaugurated in November 1991, ECARE started as a joint initiative of the Institut d'Etudes Européennes (IEE) at the Université libre de Bruxelles (ULB), and of the Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR), a network of around 500 researchers in Europe.

In the Fall of 1997, ECARE then merged with SOCO faculty's Centre d'Economie Mathématique et d'Econométrie (CEME), which had been founded at ULB in the 1970's, with the purpose to foster international quantitative research in economics at ULB.

The collaboration with statisticians from ULB's Institut de Statistique et de Recherche Opérationnelle (ISRO) was officialized in 1999 by the transformation of ECARE into ECARES, the "European Centre for Advanced Research in Economics and Statistics", and in 2006, by the integration of the Institute for Research in Statistics. These institutional changes have thus gone in the same direction: strengthening the connection between research in economics, econometrics and statistics while keeping our commitment to excellence and internationalization

Over the years, ECARES researchers have developed expertise in a number of major fields of economics, in particular:

- The evaluation of European integration policies and its dynamics of "deepening" and "widening".
- The structure and behavior of banking and financial markets.
- The theory and empirics of macroeconomics, including its political economy component.
- The behavior and organization of firms and markets.
- The theory and applications of econometrics.
- The statistical analysis of time series data.
- The development of nonparametric and robust statistical methods.

This research activity has given ECARES international visibility and reputation: the *European Wall Street Journal* in September 2004 was mentioning ECARES in a short list of seven European centres of excellence that were resisting the brain drain to the more attractive US universities. Its members are also particularly active in CEPR, as Research Director, Programme Directors, Research Fellows or Research Affiliates. Members of ECARES have moreover been serving on the Council and as President of the European Economic Association (EEA), the Council of the Econometric Society and as member of the European Research Council (ERC). They have organized major international events, such as a Nobel Symposium, two annual meetings of the EEA, and a World Congress of the Econometric Society. Fellows of ECARES are members of the Académie Royale de Belgique and one is Foreign Honorary Member of the American Academy of Sciences

ECARES has also received a substantial number of EU-financed "Training and Mobility of Researchers" grants, participates in several networks in the "Research Training Network" programme, and two of our fellows have received ERC Starting Grants.

In close connection with this research, ECARES has developed an important doctoral activity, with the creation of a Doctoral School that attracts many first-class European and non-European students. In this respect, ECARES (ULB), CORE (UCL) and CES (KUL) have decided to join forces in a common center of excellence, ECORES, which integrates the research activities and doctoral programs of all three institutions.

This report presents the achievements of ECARES for the year 2013. They were made possible by our collaboration with CEPR and the support of our faculty (Solvay Brussels School of Economics and Management) and ULB. Our goal for future years is to keep our commitment to excellence in research as well as our mission of high-quality graduate education.

You will find in this report:

(a) Publications and working papers:

- 4 books.
- 6 edited books.
- 13 chapters in books.
- 5 papers (among 75) published in Journals with a score of at least 9 in our faculty ranking journals:
 - Annals of Statistics
 - Journal of the American Statistical Association
 - Journal of the Royal Statistical Society Series B-Statistical Methodology
 - Operations Research
 - Quarterly Journal of Economics
- 80 working papers.

(b) 9 PhDs awarded.

(c) Conferences, workshops and seminars:

- More than 210 presentations or participations to international conferences.
- 44 presentations or participations to national conferences.
- 22 international conferences were organized by fellows of ECARES (p. 28), 7 of them were held at ECARES.
- 101 seminars were organized: 90 done by researchers from other Belgian and foreign universities and 11 done at ECARES by our fellows.

(d) International contacts:

- 46 visits done in international institutions as: Boston University, Harvard University, London Business School, MIT, New York University, Princeton University, Toulouse School of Economics, University College London and Waseda University, ... (p. 30).
- 22 visiting researchers visited ECARES (length of visits going from one week to one year).

(e) Research contracts:

Several grants were awarded in 2013, for a total of 37 ongoing contracts (p. 42).

And finally, note that ECARES elected Bram De Rock as a new co-director in July 2013. We would like to thank Patrick Legros for his devotion to ECARES during the last 5 years.

Bram De Rock and Domenico Giannone Co-Directors

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European Trade Study Group (ETSG), presentation: *Internationalization and Innovation of Firms: evidence and policy*, 09/2013, Birmingham, UK.

Forum for Research in Empirical International Trade (FREIT), discussion: *Antidumping and the Death of Trade*, 06/2013, Izola, Slovenia.

57th Economic Policy Panel, presentation: *Internationalization and Innovation of Firms: Evidence and Policy*, 04/2013, Dublin, Ireland.

Barcelona GSE Summer Forum, Workshop, participation: *Trade, Growth and Income Distribution*. UPF, 2013, Barcelona, Spain

Marco Becht

Seminar on Corporate Acquisitions, Luxembourg.

Seminar on Shareholder Activism, ESCP, Paris.

Presenter and discussant, CEPR Corporate Finance Week, Studienzentrum Gerzensee, Switzerland.

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EPIP, presentation: Screening for Good Patent Pools Through Price Caps on Individual Licenses, Paris, France.

ENTER seminar, presentation: Screening for Good Patent Pools Through Price Caps on Individual Licenses, Toulouse, France.

Estelle Cantillon

Annual Congress of the European Economic Association, presentation: *Endogenous preferences and the role of the mechanism in school choice*, Gothenburg, Sweden.

COMSOC Summer School, presentation: Preference formation in School Choice, Budapest, Hungary.

Advances in Market Design, presentation: *Endogenous Preferences and the Role of the Mechanism in School Choice*, Paris, France.

CREST, participation: Endogenous Preferences and the Role of the Mechanism in School Choice.

Research Institute in Industrial Economics, participation: *Information Aggregation in the European Carbon Market: the Role of Participation*, Stockholm, Sweden.

Alberto Caruso

Third workshop on financial determinants of exchange rates, participation, Roma, Italy.

Michael Castanheira

EPSA: 3d Annual General Conference of the European Political Science Association, presentation, 06/2013, Barcelona, Spain.

Workshop "Voting Theory and Elections", presentation, Nanterre, France.

Dominique Chariot

Public Economic Theory International Meeting (PET13), presentation: *Trust and Sequential Reciprocity*, Lisbon, Portugal.

UECE Lisbon Meetings 2013: Game Theory and Applications, presentation: *Trust and Sequential Reciprocity*, Lisbon, Portugal.

Li Chen

Workshop on "Advances in Mechanism Design", participation, Paris, France.

Summer School on Matching Problems, Markets, and Mechanisms: the first summer school of the COST Action on Computational Social Choice, participation, Budapest, Hungary.

Sixth Matching in Practice workshop, participation, Paris, France.

Paola Conconi

AEA meeting, CompNet workshop on Global Value Chains at the Peterson Institute for International Economics, presentation, San Diego, United States.

HEC Montréal - Conference on The Multilateral Trading System in the 21st Century at the Institute for International Economic Policy, presentation, Montréal, Canada.

CEPR ERWIT meeting at the University of Rotterdam, presentation, Rotterdam, Netherlands.

SAET Conference, presentation, Paris, France.

NBER Summer Institute in Political Economy, presentation, Cambridge, United States.

NBER Summer Institute on International Trade and Investment, presentation, Cambridge, United States.

Economic Policy meeting, presentation, Vilnius, Lithuania.

Workshop "The political Economy of Sustainable Development", presentation, Montpellier, France.

Antonio Conti

Bank of Italy Lunch Seminars, Heterogeneity in the Transmission of ECB Monetary Policy: Evidence from Italian Banks, presentation, Roma, Italy.

Elisabetta Cornago

Enerday 2013, presentation: "Prices versus quantities versus shares" (co-authored with Renaud Foucart) at Dresden University of Technology, Dresden, Germany.

The Economics of Energy Markets, at Toulouse School of Economics, participation, Toulouse, France.

Olivia D'Aoust

Symposium on Peace building, Education and Advocacy in Burundi, Bujumbura, Burundi.

Centre for the Study of African Economies, Oxford, UK.

Alessandro De Chiara

Boston University - Development Reading Group, "*Truthful Reporting, Moral Hazard and Purely-soft Information*", 02/2013, Boston, United States.

MIT Organizational Economics - Lunch Seminar, MIT Sloan School of Management: "Relational Contracts and the Procurement of Complex Goods", Cambridge, United States.

Annual meeting of the Association for Public Economic Theory at the CATÓLICA-LISBON, Lisbon, Portugal.

Griselda Deelstra

Advances in Mathematics of Finance - 6th AMaMeF and Banach Center Conference: "Optimal timing for annuitization by using expected present value operators", (joint work with Hainaut D.), Warsaw, Poland.

Catherine Dehon

International Conference on Robust Statistics, "Robust Multiple Correspondence", Saint-Petersburg, Russia.

International Workshop on Innovation and Technology Management, "Some comments on rankings of MBA and higher education institutions", Beijing, China.

Christine De Mol

Opening Meeting of the University College London Centre for Inverse Problems, *On Blind Deconvolution*, London, UK.

3rd International Workshop on "New Computational Methods for Inverse Problems", *Regularized Blind Deconvolution with Poisson Data*, Paris, France.

Workshop "Advances in Mathematical Image Processing", Blind Inverse Imaging, Annweiler, Germany.

Workshop "Methodological Aspects of Hyperspectral Imaging" (MAHI 2013), Regularized Multiplicative Algorithms for Nonnegative Matrix Factorization, Nice, France.

1st Workshop "Optimization for Image and Signal Processing", *On Blind Deconvolution and Nonnegative Matrix Factorization*, Palaiseau, Paris, France.

Workshop on "Multiscale and high-dimensional problems", Oberwolfach, Germany.

David De Remer

Fall 2013 Meeting of the Midwest International Economics Group, *Agreements and Disputes over Non-Tariff Measures*, Ann Arbor, United States.

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6th FIW Research Conference in International Economics, *Non-Tariff Measures, New Varieties, and the Role of Trade Agreements*, Vienna, Austria.

2nd Conference of the Postgraduate and Early Professionals/Academics Network of the Society of International Economic Law, *The Evolution of Deep Integration and Subsidy Rules in the Multilateral Trading System*, Gottingen, Germany.

DISSETTLE Research Workshop, Subsidies in the GATT/WTO, Geneva, Switzerland.

Oxford Workshop on the Development of Exceptional Talent in Mathematics, sponsored by the PROMYS-Clay Math Institute International Alliance, Oxford, U.K.

DISSETTLE Research Workshop, Milan, Italy.

Bram De Rock

EWEPA meeting, "Nonparametric analysis of multi-output production with joint inputs", Helsinki, Finland.

ESEM meeting, "Sharing rule identification for general collective consumption models", Gothenborg, Sweden.

Invited seminar at Hecer institute, "Opening the black box of efficiency measurement", Helsinki, Finland.

Demand workshop, "Sharing rule identification for general collective consumption models", Boston, United States.

Mathias Dewatripont

EARIE conference 2013, 'Bank Restructuring and State Aid Control', August to September 2013, Evora, Portugal.

Sibilla Di Guida

SPUDM24 Subjective Probability, Utility, and Decision Making Conference, "An eye-tracking study of feature-based choice in one-shot games", Barcelona, Spain.

Yves Dominicy

Statistics and Econometrics Seminar, *The Method of Simulated Quantiles for univariate and elliptical distributions*, Université Lille 3, Lille, France.

ICORS 2013 Conference, A Multivariate Hill Estimator, St. Petersburg, Russia.

Econometric Society European Winter Meeting 2013, Helsinki, Finland.

International Year of Statistics Conference, A Multivariate Hill Estimator, Luxembourg, Luxembourg.

6th International Conference of the ERCIM WG on Computational and Methodological Statistics (ERCIM 2013), *A Multivariate Hill Estimator*, London, UK.

4th International Conference in Mathematics of Sport, 06/2013, Leuven, Belgium.

Luisa Dressler

10th International Conference on the European Energy Market, *Enhancing the Direct Sales of Intermittent Renewable Electricity: Efficiency Considerations of a German Market Rule*, Stockholm, Sweden.

The Economics of Energy Markets, Toulouse, France.

Catherine Duverger

Presentation to the "IWITM 2013-THE INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT", *Patent Systems and the Economic Effect of Research Activities*, Beijing, China.

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15th ZEW Summer Workshop on "Current Fiscal Policy Challenges in Europe", Mannheim, Germany.

Antonio Estache

GRASP Stocktaking on growth workshop - CEPR, *Overview, Infrastructure policies, Intellectual property rights*, London, UK.

Conference on the future of independent regulation, *Cross-country experiences in regulation: what works and what doesn't?*, London, UK.

LSE, Conference on Financing infrastructure in Africa, *Myths on the private sector importance*, London, UK.

Sussex University, Workshop, Europe's labor markets: A reverse holdup problem, Brighton, UK.

UCL, Workshop, The political economy of infrastructure reform, London, UK.

PSE, Financing infrastructure in crisis times: How to gather the strengths of the public and the private sectors to foster growth?", *PPP for developing countries: too much cheap talk, too little action*, Paris, France.

EBRD, Workshop, On scaling up infrastructure investment, London, UK.

Manuel Garcia Santana

Mid West Macro, "Foreign Firms, Distribution of Income, and the Welfare of Developing Countries", Urbana IL, US.

Society of Economic Dynamics Meeting, "Foreign Firms, Distribution of Income, and the Welfare of Developing Countries", Seoul, South Korea.

SAET Conference, "Foreign Firms, "Distribution of Income, and the Welfare of Developing Countries", Paris, France.

European Economic Association Meeting, "Foreign Firms, Distribution of Income, and the Welfare of Developing Countries", Gothenburg, Sweden.

Mid West Macro, "Misallocation, Internal Trade, and the Role of Transportation Infrastructure", 11/2013, Minneapolis MN, United States.

Spanish Economic Association Meeting, "Misallocation, Internal Trade, and the Role of Transportation Infrastructure", Santander, Spain.

Marco Geraci

12ème Journée d'Économétrie, *Développements Récents de l'Econométrie Appliquée à la Finance,* Université de Nanterre, Paris, France.

Stats in Paris, CREST-ENSAE, Paris, France

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International Conference for Doctoral Students, *Electoral Competition through Issue Selection*, Bochum, Germany

Domenico Giannone

EC^2 conference on The Econometric Analysis of Mixed Frequency Data, Nowcasting, Nicosia, Cyprus.

14th IWH-CIREQ Macroeconometric Workshop, Nowcasting, Halle, Germany.

Economic Policy 57th Economic Policy Panel, 10/2013, Vilnius, Lithuania.

9th Annual CIRANO Workshop on Forecasting and Data Revision in Macroeconomics", Nowcasting, 10/2013, Montreal, Canada.

Forecasting Conference at the Econometric Institute, Prior Selection for Vector Autoregressions, 05/2013, Rotterdam, Netherland.

Workshop on High Dimensional Times Series in Macroeconomics and Finance, *Prior Selection for Vector Autoregressions*, Vienna, Austria.

3rd VALE - EPGE Global Economic Conference on "Business Cycles", Nowcasting, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Frontiers of Macroeconometrics, University College London, *Unspanned Macroeconomic Factors in the Yields Curve*, London, UK.

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Academy of International Business, "Double-layered institutional environment in the location and governance model decisions of global sourcing", Istanbul, Turkey.

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International Conference on Robust Statistics, *Do theme parks deserve their success*?, St. Petersburg, Russia.

Alexander Groves

The Annual Meeting of the French Economic Association, Aix-En-Provence, France. The European meeting of the Econometric Society, Gothenburg, Sweden.

Spanish Economic Association (SAEe), Santander, Spain.

Marc Hallin

Statistics Seminar, Department of Pure Mathematics and Mathematical Statistics, University of Cambridge, Local bilinear multiple-output quantile regression: from \$L_1\$ optimization to regression depth, Cambridge, UK.

Read Paper Session of the Royal Statistical Society (Invited First Discussant), Discussion of a paper by J. Fan, Y. Liao, and M. Mincheva, London, UK.

Statistics Seminar, Laboratoire de Probabilités et de Modélisation Aléatoire, Université Denis Diderot (Paris 7), *Quantiles multivariés et profondeur conditionnelle* (with D. Paindaveine), Paris, France.

Institute for Advanced Studies (Invited doctoral course), *High-Dimensional Time Series and Factor Models*, Vienna, Austria.

Mathematischen Kolloquium, Mathematisches Institüt, Heinrich-Heine Universität Düsseldorf (Invited talk), Local bilinear multiple-output quantile regression: from L1 optimization to regression depth, Düsseldorf, Germany.

First Vienna Workshop on High-Dimensional Times Series in Macroeconomics and Finance (Invited speaker), *Signal detection in high dimension: testing sphericity against spiked alternatives*, Institut für Höhere Studien, Vienna, Austria.

Mathematical Statistics and Limit Theorems, Conference in honor of Paul Deheuvels (invited plenary speaker), *Signal detection in high dimension: testing sphericity against spiked alternatives*, Université Pierre-et-Marie-Curie (Paris 6), Paris, France.

"Les Trimestres du Laboratoire de Mathématiques de Besançon", Université de Franche-Comté (inaugural conference), Détection de signal en haute dimension, Besançon, France.

International Conference on Robust Statistics, *R-estimation for asymmetric Independent Component Analysis*, 07/2013, Saint Petersburg, Russie.

59th ISI World Statistics Congress, Frontiers in quantile regression, Hong Kong, China.

Workshop "Recent Advances in Asymptotic Statistics", Chinese University of Hong Kong (invited speaker), *The asymptotics of high-dimensional spiked alternatives*, Hong Kong, China.

Wilks Seminar, Princeton University, *Time series in high dimension: dynamic principal components, dynamic factor models, and the blessing of dimensionality,* Princeton, United States.

Statistics Seminar, Cornell University, *Time series in high dimension: dynamic principal components, dynamic factor models, and the blessing of dimensionality,* Ithaca, United States.

"Applicable Semiparametrics" Conference, School of Business and Economics, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin (invited speaker), *One-sided representation of dynamic factor models*, Berlin, Germany.

Statistics Seminar, Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, *Signal detection in high dimension:* testing sphericity against spiked alternatives, Philadelphia, United States.

Princeton-Humboldt Conference, (invited speaker), Signal detection in high dimension: testing sphericity against spiked alternatives, Princeton, United States.

CeMMAP Conference on "High-dimensional econometric models", *Signal detection in high dimension:* testing sphericity against spiked alternatives, London, UK.

Statistics Seminar, Department of Mathematics and Statistics, Carlton University, *Signal detection in high dimension: testing sphericity against spiked alternatives*, Ottawa, Canada.

Workshop on "Advanced Multivariate Analysis", University of Lille 3, Signal detection in high dimension: testing sphericity against spiked alternatives, Lille, France

Colloque de Statistique de Montréal, Centre de Recherches Mathématiques, Signal detection in high dimension: testing sphericity against spiked alternatives, Montréal, Canada.

CFE-ERCIM 2013 Conference, University College London (Keynote speaker), Signal detection in high dimension: testing sphericity against spiked alternatives, London, UK.

Pauliina Ilmonen

Seminar, Toulouse School of Economics, On independent component analysis, Toulouse, France.

Presentation in an event related to an exhibition about the history of mathematics, Tampere-talo, Finland.

Robert Kollmann

American Economic Association Meeting, *Global Banks, Financial Shocks and International Business Cycles: Evidence from an Estimated Model,* San Diego, United States.

Keynote lecture at CESifo conference, *Global Banks, Financial Shocks and International Business Cycles: Evidence from an Estimated Model, Munich, German.*

Keynote lecture at SWIM workshop, *Global Banks, Financial Shocks and International Business Cycles: Evidence from an Estimated Model*, Wellington, New Zealand.

Central Bank of Turkey, *Global Banks, Financial Shocks and International Business Cycles: Evidence from an Estimated Model, Izmir, Turkey.*

Austrian National Bank, Global Banks, Financial Shocks and International Business Cycles: Evidence from an Estimated Model, Vienna, Austria.

Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Global Banks, Financial Shocks and International Business Cycles: Evidence from an Estimated Model, Barcelona, Spain.

Tilburg University, Global Banks, Financial Shocks and International Business Cycles: Evidence from an Estimated Model, Tilburg, Netherlands.

National Bank of Hungary, What Drives the German Current Account? And How Does it Affect Other EU Member States?, Budapest, Hungary.

LUISS University, What Drives the German Current Account? And How Does it Affect Other EU Member States?, Rome, Italy.

François Koulischer

Econometric Society Winter Meeting 2013, Helsinki, Finland.

University of Mannheim, Economics Research Seminar, Mannheim, Germany.

European Central Bank, Conference on Non-Standard Monetary Policy Measures, Frankfurt, Germany.

American Economic Association Annual Meeting, San Diego, United States.

Patrick Legros

10th Applied Industrial Conference CEPR/JIE, Bologna, Italy.

Nastassia Leszczynska

CSAE Conference 2013: Economic Development in Africa, St Catherine's College, Oxford, UK.

Christophe Ley

Séminaire de Probabilités et Statistiques: *Caractérisations de lois probabilistes via le maximum de vraisemblance*, Université de Lorraine, Nancy, France.

Séminaire de Probabilités: *Caractérisations de lois probabilistes via le maximum de vraisemblance,* Université Lille 1, Lille, France.

45e Journées de Statistiques: *Caractérisations de lois probabilistes via le maximum de vraisemblance,* Université de Toulouse, Toulouse, France.

Leeds Annual Statistical Research workshops: Simple optimal tests for circular reflective symmetry about a known median direction, University of Leeds, Leeds, UK.

European Conference on Data Analysis: A new concept of quantiles for directional data, Université du Luxembourg, Luxembourg, Luxembourg.

Seminar Ruhr-Universität Bochum: Symmetry VS Asymmetry in statistics: recent advances and new challenges, Bochum, Germany.

International Workshop "Stein's Method and related topics": *Stein's method and the influence of the prior in Bayesian statistics*, Université de Lorraine, Nancy, France.

Statistics and Probability Seminar: *Stein's method and the influence of the prior in Bayesian statistics*, University of Bristol, Bristol, UK.

6th International Conference of the ERCIM WG on Computational and Methodological Statistics (ERCIM 2013): *A new concept of quantiles for directional data*, University of London, London, UK.

Xia Liu

Beihang Workshop on Innovation Management, "Comparative Analysis of Patent Systems", Beijing, China.

Matteo Luciani

7th CSDA International Conference on Computational and Financial Econometrics, Nowcasting, Norway, London, UK.

Invited Seminar, Bank of Norway, Nowcasting Norway, Oslo, Norway.

67th European Meeting of the Econometric Society, *Dynamic Factor Models, Cointegration, and Error Correction Mechanisms*, Gothenburg, Sweden.

Journal of Applied Econometrics Conference Forecasting Structure and Time Varying Patterns in Economics and Finance, *Dynamic Factor Models, Cointegration and Error Correction Mechanisms*, Rotterdam, the Netherlands.

1th Vienna Workshop on High Dimensional Time Series in Macroeconomics and Finance, *Dynamic Factor Models, Cointegration and Error Correction Mechanisms*, Vienna, Austria.

Workshop on Indices of Riskiness and New Risk Measures, *Ranking Systemically Important Financial Institutions*, Zurich, Switzerland.

3rd Humboldt-Copenhagen Conference on Financial Econometrics, *A model for vast panels of volatilities*, Berlin, Germany.

Ester Manna

Simposio de la Asociacion Espanola de Economia (SAEe), Intrinsically Motivated Agents: Blessing or Curse for Firms?, Santander, Spain.

Public Economic Theory13, Intrinsically Motivated Agents: Blessing or Curse for Firms?, Lisbon, Portugal.

Florence workshop on behavioural and experimental economics, *Intrinsically Motivated Agents: Blessing or Curse for Firms?*, Florence, Italy.

University of Salerno, Intrinsically Motivated Agents: Blessing or Curse for Firms?, Salerno, Italy.

University of Erlangen-Nuremberg, Intrinsically Motivated Agents: Blessing or Curse for Firms?, Nuremberg, Germany.

Guy Mélard

WIPFOR13, Second Workshop for Industry and Practices for Forecasting, EDF-Osiris, *Forecasting daily and high-frequency data*, Paris, France.

Annual workshop "New Developments in Econometrics and Time Series", Discussion of "*Time series analysis under non-standard settings*" by Masanobu TANIGUCHI, Brussels, Belgium.

Computational and Financial Econometrics-ERCIM 2013, The exact Gaussian likelihood estimation of time-dependent VARMA models (with Abdelkamel ALJ and Kristján JONASSON), London, UK.

Luca Merlino

COSME, Gender Differences, Madrid, Spain.

Public Economic Theory, Public Good in Endogenous Networks, Lisbon, Portugal.

European Association of Labour Economics Annual Meeting, Gender Differences, Turin, Italy.

ISEG UECE Lisbon Meetings, Public Good in Endogenous Networks, Lisbon, Portugal.

Davy Paindaveine

2ème Rencontre de Statistique Avignon-Marseille, *Quantiles multivariés et profondeur conditionnelle*, Avignon, France

59th World Statistics Congress, From depth to local depth: a focus on centrality, Hong Kong, China.

6th International Conference of the ERCIM Working Group on Computational and Methodological Statistics (ERCIM'13), *Local depth for functional data*, London, UK.

Mathematical Statistics and Limit Theorems, Conference in honor of P. Deheuvels, Paris, France.

Juan Sebastián Pereyra Barreiro

Matching in Practice, Paris, France.

Francisco Pino

VI Annual Workshop on Gender Economics COSME-FEDEA, " Is There Gender Bias Among Voters? Evidence from the Chilean Congressional Elections", Madrid, Spain.

Barcelona GSE Summer Forum, Workshop on Civil Conflict and Rationality, "Habemus Papam? Polarization and Conflict in the Papal States", Barcelona, Spain.

12th Journées Louis-André Gérard-Varet, "Habemus Papam? Polarization and Conflict in the Papal States", Aix-en- Provence, France.

EEA-ESEM Conference, "Habemus Papam? Polarization and Conflict in the Papal States", Gothenburg, Sweden.

Workshop on the Political Economy of Sustainable Development, "Habemus Papam? Polarization and Conflict in the Papal States", Montpellier, France.

Laura Puccio

DISSETTLE Workshop, Warsaw, Poland.

DISSETTLE Workshops, Graduate Institute, Geneva, Switzerland.

DISSETTLE Workshop, Università Bocconi, Milan, Italy.

Christian Staat

HDE/DICE "Wettbewerb im Einzelhandel", Berlin, Germany.

Lionel Rama Ngenzebuke

Workshop on Microfinance and Women's Empowerment, co-organized by DRIVE, IRD and CERMI; Liverpool, UK.

Benjamin Rausch

7th International Conference on Computational and Financial Econometrics (CFE 2013), Cheat and let cheat: An Improvement of the Tax System induced by a Collective Cheating, London, UK.

Business and Social Science Research Conference: Paris 2013, Cheat and let cheat: An Improvement of the Tax System induced by a Collective Cheating, Paris, France.

Grégory Rayée

Seminar: CWI Amsterdam, "Pricing Long Dated Derivatives in a Local Volatility Framework", Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

Lorenzo Ricci

The "3rd Humboldt–Copenhagen Conference on Financial Econometrics", Berlin, Germany.

Aurélie Slechten

20th Annual Conference of environmental and resource economists, Toulouse, France.

Lorenzo Trimarchi

DISSETTLE Research Workshop, Geneva, Switzerland.

DISSETTLE Research Workshop, "The Role of Trade Disputes in International Relations", Warsaw, Poland.

Harry Vander Helst

The 7th International Conference on Computational and Financial Econometrics (CFE 2013), "Disentangled jump-robust realized covariances and correlations with non-synchronous prices", London, UK.

Roberto Venturini

VPDE-BRICK Workshop, *Cross-Functional Knowledge Integration, Patenting and Firm's Performance*, Turin, Italy.

David Veredas

Member of the scientific program committee and organization of one session on the 7th International Conference on Computational and Financial Econometrics (CFE'13), London, UK.

Philip Verwimp

Peasants in Power, book presentation, HiCN 9th Annual Conference, UC Berkeley, United States.

Peasants in Power, book presentation, Agricultural Economics Seminar, UC Berkeley, United States.

Cognitive development and civil war, Economics Seminar, UC Berkeley, United States.

Barnabé Walheer

European Worshop in Efficiency and Productivity Analysis XIII, Aalto University: "Nonparametric Input-Oriented Efficiency With Output-Specific Targets Application to the US electric plants that produces greenhouse gases as by-products", Helsinki, Finland.

Maurizio Zanardi

NBER Summer Institute Workshop "International Trade and Investment", "The Internationalization Process of Firms: from Exports to FDI", Boston, United States.

European Trade Study Group (ETSG) annual conference, University of Birmingham, UK.

NATIONAL SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES (Participations and Presentations)

Tommaso Aquilante

ENTER – Jamboree Conference "School Choice Mechanisms and Beyond", ECARES, Brussels.

Marco Becht

Seminar on Shareholder Activism, ESCP Brussels Week, UCL, Louvain-la-Neuve.

Seminar on Ownership Structures in Europe, Conference Board Academy, Brussels.

Estelle Cantillon

20ème Congrès des économistes belges de langue française, "Mixité Sociale : Le rôle des Inscriptions Scolaires", Charleroi.

ENTER Jamboree, "School Choice Mechanisms and Beyond", ECARES, Brussels.

Alberto Caruso

"New Developments in Econometrics and Time Series", Brussels.

Dominique Chariot

European Doctoral Programme (EDP) Jamboree, Trust and Sequential Reciprocity, Brussels.

Li Chen

Fifth Matching in Practice workshop, Brussels.

Paola Conconi

Seminars at the University of Antwerp

ECORE seminar at UCL, Louvain-la-Neuve.

Olivia D'Aoust

Poresp conference "Poverty and the Family", Brussels.

Christine De Mol

Workshop "Recent Advances in Time Series and Econometrics", Discussion of the paper by A. Onatski, Brussels.

IAP StUDyS Kick-Off Workshop, Leuven.

Centenary of the Royal Meteorological Institute Meeting, Brussels.

Yves Dominicy

CORE-ILSM Lecture series by Jianqing FAN, A Multivariate Hill Estimator, Louvain-la-Neuve.

7th PhD Day of the Graduate School in Statistics, Biostatistics and Actuarial Sciences, Brussels.

Catherine Duverger

ENTER – Jamboree Conference "School Choice Mechanisms and Beyond", ECARES, Brussels.

Juan Equiza

ENTER – Jamboree Conference "School Choice Mechanisms and Beyond", ECARES, Brussels.

Conference on Current Account Imbalances and International Financial Integration at the European Commission (ECFIN), Brussels.

Antonio Estache

Corruption and regulation in today's Belgium, Causes, costs and solutions to corruption in Belgium, Brussels.

Foundation Universitaire, GRASP, Final workshop, Brussels.

Marco Geraci

7th International Workshop "Methods in International Finance Network", Namur.

Marco Giani

Enter Jamboree, Electoral Competition through Issue Selection, Brussels.

Victor Ginsburgh

Music and its Audiences, the economics of music festivals, Festival Ars Musica, Brussels.

Ela Ince

ENTER Jamboree, Brussels.

Christophe Ley

4th International Conference on Mathematics in Sport: *A stochastic analysis of table tennis*, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Leuven.

International workshop "Caractérisations de lois probabilistes et applications": *Caractérisations de type Stein et leur utilité (inattendue) dans divers domaines*, Université libre de Bruxelles, Brussels.

Luca Livio

ENTER Jamboree, Brussels.

ECORE Summer School, Leuven.

Ester Manna

Seminar ECARES, Université libre de Bruxelles, Intrinsically Motivated Agents: Blessing or Curse for Firms?, Brussels.

ECORE Summer School Governance and Economic Behavior, *Intrinsically Motivated Agents: Blessing or Curse for Firms?*, Leuven.

Enter Jamboree Meeting, Intrinsically Motivated Agents: Blessing or Curse for Firms?, Brussels.

Guy Mélard

Annual Meeting of the Belgian Statistical Society, *Numerical problems in nonlinear regression and time series*, Gent.

Luca Merlino

Matching in Practice, Brussels.

Davy Paindaveine

21st meeting of the Belgian Statistical Society, Ghent.

2013 edition of the Brussels Summer School of Mathematics (BSSM), *Profondeur statistique et quantile*, Brussels.

Enter Jamboree, Brussels, Belgium

Juan Sebastián Pereyra Barreiro

Economic Theory Seminar at CORE, *Unraveling and Strategic Uncertainty in Matching Markets*, Louvain-la-Neuve.

Lionel Rama Ngenzebuke

Belgian Entrepreunariat Research Day; SBSEM-Icite, Brussels.

ECORE 2013 Summer School on "Governance and Economic Behavior", KUL, Leuven.

Christian Staat

ENTER Jamboree 2013, Brussels.

European Competition Forum, Brussels.

Brussels Economic Forum, Brussels.

IBC Legal, Brussels.

Transfop, Brussels.

Denni Tommasi

PoRESP Conference: Poverty and the Family, To school or not to school: A collective model of parents' decisions on their children's education, Brussels.

Lorenzo Trimarchi

DISSETTLE Research Workshop, Brussels.

Harry Vander Helst

ENTER Jamboree, Discussion of "Market Specific News and Its Impact on Electricity Prices", Brussels.

New Developments in Econometrics and Time Series, Brussels.

Alexander Wolf

Poresp conference "Poverty and the Family", Brussels.

Maurizio Zanardi

Belgian Trade Day, "The First Review of European Union Antidumping Reviews", KU Leuven Thomas More – Campus Antwerp, Antwerp.

8th GRASP Research and Policy Workshop, Effectiveness of EU Trade Defense Policies, Brussels.

ORGANIZATION OF EVENTS BY FELLOWS OF ECARES

Estelle Cantillon

5th workshop "Matching in Practice", Brussels, May 2013 (http://www.matching-in practice.eu/event/fifth-mip-workshop/)

Paola Conconi

Brussels, 6th Research Workshop - Dissettle Network Conference 2013, ULB, September 19-20, 2013, http://dissettle.org/node/35.

Catherine Dehon

Membre du comité d'organisation du Colloque du Pôle "Génération Y- Réseaux (anti)sociaux et enseignement, entre fascination et rejet ", 26 mars 2013, Bruxelles. http://www.ulb.ac.be/poluniv-bxl/pole/programme.pdf

Bram De Rock

"Poverty and the family", Brussels, 5-6 December 2013, http://www.uclouvain.be/en-452357.html, Poverty economics, and poverty measurement in particular, assumes that the well-being is evenly shared within households. This is consistent with the typical modelling of families as individual decision makers. In the last two decades, however, evidence has made it clear that families are composed of different decision makers having possibly conflicting interests. This is why collective household models have been proposed and estimated. They offer explanations of why resources are likely to be unequally distributed within the household. Therefore, they shed a new light on the measurement of poverty.

"Meeting Pierre-André Chiappori", Brussels, December 16,

The goal of this one day workshop is to let PhD students at Ecares present there ongoing research and the research plan of their PhD. Afterwards there is feedback of the involved supervisors and PA Chiappori, (Columbia University) who is invited for this purpose.

Yves Dominicy

Co-organizer of the 6th edition of the "Brussels Summer School of Mathematics", 1st August to 7th August 2013, http://bssm.ulb.ac.be, ULB, Brussels.

David De Remer

DISSETTLE Research Workshop at ECARES, 9/2013, co-organized with Paola Conconi, Laura Puccio, and Lorenzo Trimarchi; ULB, Brussels.

http://ecares.org/index.php?option=com_events&task=view_detail&agid=923

Antonio Estache

Chaire BVO: Analytical tools for energy policy design, November 14 and 15, 2013, ULB, Brussels.

Griselda Deelstra

Co-chair (avec Mme Vanmaele, Professeur à l'UGhent) du Comité d'organisation de la Conférence Internationale annuelle "Actuarial and Financial Mathematics Conference" aux Palais des Académies, les 7-8 février 2013 à Bruxelles dont le but est de présenter plusieurs contributions récentes en mathématiques de finance et d'assurance, et en particulier de concentrer à l'interaction entre méthodes financières et actuaires en théorie et en pratique.

Domenico Giannone

New Developments in Econometrics and Time Series, ULB-ECARES, co-organizer with Holger Dette, Marc Hallin and Siegfried Hörmann.

Victor Ginsburgh

Music and its audiences, Ars Musica, Brussels, March 2013 http://www.arsmusica.be/2013/fre/

6th workshop "Matching in Practice", Paris, December 2013, http://www.matching-in-practice/#more-458

Marc Hallin

New Developments in Econometrics and Time Series, Brussels, September 12- 13, 2013; Member of the Scientific Committee.

"Trimestres du Laboratoire de Mathématiques de Besançon", Université de Franche-Comté, Besançon, Member of the Scientific Committee.

"Mathematical Statistics and Limit Theorems", Conference in honor of Paul Deheuvels, Université Pierreet-Marie-Curie, Paris, June 21-22, 2013, Chair of the Scientific Committee.

Large Scale Factor Models in Finance, co-organized by SoFiE (Society for Financial Econometrics), the Swiss Finance Institute and the University of Lugano, Lugano, October 11-12, 2013; Member of the Scientific Committee.

Georg Kirchsteiger

European Winter Meeting of the Econometric Society, Aalto University Helsinki, November 2013

Robert Kollmann

"Current Account Imbalances and International Financial Integration", Brussels December 6-7, 2013 (Coorganized with European Commission, CEPR and Journal of International Money and Finance). http://ec.europa.eu/economy_finance/events/2013/20131206_financial_integration/index_en.htm

Patrick Legros

Association of Competition Economists conference, December 13-14, ULB, Brussels.

Christophe Ley

International Workshop "Caractérisations de lois probabilistes et applications", Université libre de Bruxelles, June 10-11 2013, Conference supported by the Hubert Curien Grant.

Conference "International Year of Statistics 2013", Luxembourg-city, Luxembourg, November 26-27 2013, Conference jointly organized by the CRP Santé, CEPS/Instead, the University of Luxembourg (for which Yvik Swan and I have been the representatives in the organizing committee), STATEC, Artemis and Sogeti in order to honor the year of statistics in Luxembourg.

Session organizer at 6th International Conference of the ERCIM WG on Computational and Methodological Statistics (ERCIM 2013), December 14-16 2013, University of London, London, UK.

Lorenzo Trimarchi

DISSETTLE Research Workshop, Brussels, Belgium, 19-20 September 2013.

Philip Verwimp

9the Annual HiCN workshop, co-organised with the Centre for Effective Global Action at UC Berkeley, November 20-22, 2013

Maurizio Zanardi

European Trade Study Group (ETSG) annual conference, September 12-14, 2013. University of Birmingham, UK. http://www.etsg.org

Largest annual conference on international trade in the world, it develops over 2 and half days with seven parallel sessions and plenary sessions at the end of each day with more than 300 papers presented and around 450 people attending.

RESEARCH PURSUED ABROAD

Marco Becht

Adjunct Senior Research Scholar, Columbia University Law School, New York, US.

Alberto Caruso

LUISS Guido Carli, many times during the year as being co-supervised in a co-tutelle by prof. Giuseppe Ragusa, Rome, Italy.

Michael Castanheira

Boston University, Laurent Bouton, on several occasions, Boston, US.

Erasmus Universiteit Rotterdam, Benoît Crutzen, on several occasions, Netherlands.

Universitat Autónoma de Barcelona, on several occasions, Barcelona, Spain.

Antonio Conti

London School of Economics and Political Sciences, Matteo Barigozzi, 5/2013, London, UK.

Elisabetta Cornago

Nuffield College, Oxford University, visiting Renaud Foucart, 12/2013, Oxford, UK.

International Energy Summer Workshop, EWI and University of Cologne; 07/2013; Cologne, Germany.

Participation to international short courses:

Cologne International Energy Summer Workshop, EWI and University of Cologne, 07/2013, Cologne, Germany.

Summer school "The economics of electricity markets", UGent, 08/2013, Gent.

Summer school "The Theory of Incentives with Applications to Governmental Organizations and Environmental Issues" at the Università of Rome Tor Vergata, 09/2013, Roma, Italy.

Alessandro De Chiara

MIT Sloan School of Management, Hosting Professor: Professor Robert Gibbons, from 09/2012 to 02/2013, Cambridge, United States.

Catherine Dehon

Oxford, Frédéric Dobruszkes, 03/2013, London, UK.

"Does European high-speed rail affect the current level of air services? An EU-wide analysis", TSU lunchtime seminar, 03/2013, Oxford, UK.

David De Remer

Columbia University, 10/2013, New York, US.

Dalian University of Technology, Yi Qian, 7/2013, Dalian, China.

Bram De Rock

Oxford University, Ian Crawford, 02/2013, Oxford, UK.

Several one day visits (20 in total) to University College London, Richard Blundell, London, UK.

Antonio Estache

Imperial College, Business School, 09/2013-12/2013, London, UK.

Manuel Garcia Santana

Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, 11/2013, Minneapolis MN, US.

Grégoire Garsous

Pontificía Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro, 02-08/2013, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Harvard University, 09/2013 - 07/2014, Cambridge, US.

Marco Geraci

DG Financial Stability and Surveillance, European Central Bank, 03-10/2013, Frankfurt, Germany.

Victor Ginsburgh

McQuarie University, 04/2013, Sydney, Australia.

Julien Gooris

Duke University, Pr. Arie Lewin, 01/2013, Durham, US.

Alexander Groves

Tilburg University, 11/2013, Tilburg, Netherlands.

Maastricht University, 05/2013, Maastricht, Netherlands.

Marc Hallin

Visiting Senior Research Scholar, Princeton University, 09-12/2013, Princeton, US.

Georg Kirchsteiger

CREST, 12/2013, Paris, France.

University of Essex, 11/2013, UK.

Robert Kollmann

Invited keynote lecture, CESifo conference on "Macro, Money and International Finance", 02/2013, Munich, Germany.

Invited keynote lecture, 2013 Southern Workshop in Macroeconomics (SWIM), Reserve Bank of New Zealand and Victoria University, 04/2013, Wellington, New Zealand.

François Koulischer

Stanford University, Visiting Researcher (sponsor: Jakub Kastl) 01-03/2013, Stanford, US.

National Bank of Belgium, Visiting Research, Financial Stability (sponsors: Mathias Dewatripont and Janet Mitchell), June-August 2013, Brussels.

Patrick Legros

Boston University, work with A. Newman at, 11-12/2013, Boston, US.

Christophe Ley

Université de Lorraine, Prof. Ivan Nourdin, 01/2013, Nancy, France.

Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Prof. Holger Dette, 10/2013, Bochum, Germany.

Luca Merlino

Hamburg Institute of International Economics, Max Steinhardt, 01/2013, Hamburg, Germany.

KORA, Dario Pozzoli, 03/2013, Copehngaen, Denmark.

INRA, Liam Wren Lewis, 07/2013, Paris, France.

Università degli Studi di Padova, Antonio Nicolò, 07/2013, Padova, Italy.

Francisco Pino

University of Chile, 01/2013, Santiago, Chile.

Warwick University, Jordi Vidal-Robert, 02/2013, Coventry, UK.

Laura Puccio

Visiting Lecturer at the Passau University (Law Department), 14 hour seminar on "WTO law and case-law", 07/2013, Passau, Germany.

Guest lecturer at Monash University Prato Centre (Prato, Italy), title of the lecture given "The EU and its influences on world markets: an overview of the common agricultural policy and common commercial policy", 11/2013, Prato, Italy.

Period of research at the European University Institute, November-December 2013, Florence, Italy.

Christian Staat

Postgraduate trainee for the Food Task Force at the DG Competition of the European Commissision, 09-12/2013, Brussels.

Philip Verwimp

University of California at Berkeley, Visiting Scholar, 4 months, Fall 2013, Berkeley, US.

PRIZES and SCIENTIFIC NOTORIETY

Marco Becht

Executive Director and Fellow, European Corporate Governance Institute (ECGI)

Acting Secretary General, European Corporate Governance Research Foundation (ECGRF)

Acting Secretary General, Global Corporate Governance Colloquia asbl (GCGC)

Member, Advisory Board, London Business School Centre for Corporate Governance, London, UK (2012.)

Member of the Financial Market Law Expert Group, German Ministry of Finance (2012-.)

Member of Kangaroo Group based at the European Parliament (2012-)

Senior Academic Adviser to OXERA (since 2006)

Estelle Cantillon

Associate Editor, Rand Journal of Economics

European Research Council, Panel SH1, Consolidator Grants (deputy chair)

Executive committee, European Association for Research in Industrial Economics (EARIE)

Executive committee, European Economic Association (EEA)

Steering committee, Rethinking Belgium initiative (Re-Bel)

Executive committee, Matching in Practice

Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR), Research Fellow

Belgian Energy Observatory, member of the scientific committee

OXERA, member of the Economics Council

Paola Conconi

Associate Editor, Review of International Economics (since 2013)

Editorial Advisor, Canadian Journal of Economics (since 2011)

Member of the Scientific Board, Midwest International Economics Group

Member of the Scientific Board, European Trade Study Group

Member of the Panel, Economic Policy (2012-2013)

Team leader, Dissettle Research and Training Network (http://dissettle.org)

Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR), Research Fellow

Griselda Deelstra

Associate editor, European Actuarial Journal.

Catherine Dehon

Membre du comité d'évaluation de l'AERES pour l'évaluation de l'Ecole d'Economie de Paris (Centre d'Economie de la Sorbonne et Paris Jourdan Science Economique) 2013

Christine De Mol

Chair of the SIAM Activity Group on Imaging Science, 2012-13.

Member of the Editorial Board, Numerical Functional Analysis and Optimization

Member (elected), Belgian National Committee for Theoretical and Applied Mechanics

Vice-President (elected), Belgian National Committee for Radio-Electricity (U.R.S.I.)

Chair (elected), SIAM Activity Group on Imaging Science

Scientific Council of the Royal Meteorological Institute

Bram De Rock

Director of ECARES

Mathias Dewatripont

Fellow and Council Member of the Econometric Society.

Fellow of the European Economic Association, former President, 2006.

Foundator Member of the Scientific Council of the European Research Council, 2005-2013.

Member of the Economic Advisory Group for Competition Policy, DG Concurrence, European Commission, since 2004.

Member of the Scientific Council of the Toulouse School of Economics.

Member of the Scientific Council of the Barcelone Graduate School of Economics.

Chairman of the Scientific Council of the Fondation ULB.

Member of the Académie Royale des Sciences, des Lettres et des Beaux-Arts de Belgique.

Foreign Honorary Member, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, since 2009.

Director of the National Bank of Belgium, since 2011.

Member of the Basel Committee on the global Financial System, 2011-2013.

Member of the European Banking Authority, 2011-2013.

Member of the European Systemic Risk Board - General Board, 2011-2013.

Member of the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision, since 2011, and Co-Chair of the Research Task Force from August 2013.

Member of the Supervisory Board of the European central bank, since 2014.

Member of the Board of Directors, National Account Institute, since 2012.

Manuel Garcia Santana

Awarded PEDL exploratory grant from CEPR for "Transportation Costs and Regional Differences in Scale of Operation", Principal Investigator. Other investigators: Jose Asturias (Georgetown University in Qatar), Scott Petty (University of Minnesota), and Roberto Ramos (Bank of Spain).

Marco Geraci

Scientific member of the Center for Studies in Asset Management (CESAM) at Université Catholique de Louvain

Scientific member of the Center for Research in Finance and Management at Université de Namur

Domenico Giannone

Associate Editor of the Journal of Applied Econometrics.

Associate Editor of the International Journal of Forecasting.

Associate Editor of the Empirical Economics.

Panel Member Economic Policy.

Associate Fellow of the Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR).

CEPR, member of the Euro Area Business Cycle Dating Committee.

Member of the Program Committee 27th Congress of the European Economic Association.

Member of the Program Committee 66th European Meeting of the Econometric Society.

Member of the Program Committee, "9th Annual CIRANO Workshop on Forecasting and Data Revision in Macroeconomics", Montreal, October 2013.

Member of the Program committee of the Econometric Society European meeting (ESEM), 2013.

Victor Ginsburgh

Journal of Wine Economics

Federal University of Ural, Yekaterinburg, Research Center in Economics

Nicolas Gothelf

Poster Competition, ICORS 2013, 2013.

Marc Hallin

Membre titulaire, Institut International de Statistique/International Statistical Institute (I.S.I.), 1985. Fellow, the Institute of Mathematical Statistics (I.M.S.) 1990.

Prix du Statisticien d'Expression française, Société de Statistique de Paris, 1993.

Fellow, the American Statistical Association (A.S.A.), 1997.

Membre élu, Classe des Sciences de l'Académie Royale des Sciences, des Lettres et des Beaux-Arts de Belgique, 1999.

Francqui Chair at the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, 2005.

Medal of the Faculty of Mathematics and Physics, Charles University, Prague, 2006.

Honorary Member (Membre d'Honneur), the Belgian Statistical Society, 2009.

Honorary Member (Membre d'Honneur), the Société Française de Statistique, 2012.

Humboldt-Forschungspreis, Alexander-von-Humboldt-Stiftung, 2012-2013.

Editor in Chief, the International Statistical Review.

Editor in Chief, Statistical Inference for Stochastic Processes.

Associate Editor, the Journal of Econometrics.

Associate Editor, the Journal of the American Statistical Association.

Associate Editor, the Journal of the Japan Statistical Society.

Associate Editor, the Annals of Computational and Financial Econometrics.

Associate Editor, Annales de l'Institut de Statistique de l'Université de Paris.

Valutazione della Qualità della Ricerca 2004-2010, Evaluation of the quality of research in Italian Universities for the period 2004-2010: member of the panel of experts for Economics and Statistics (2013).

AERES evaluation of the Laboratoire de Statistique Théorique et Appliquée (Université Pierre-et-Marie-Curie (Paris 6): Chair of the visiting committee (2013).

European Research Council, ERC consolidator and frontier research grants, European Commission : evaluator (2013).

Member of the Charting Committee, International Society for Non Parametric Statistics,

Member of the IMS Nominating Committee for the period August 2012-July 2013.

Chair of the IMS Nominating Committee for the period August 2013-July 2014.

Member of the International Statistical Institute (ISI) Publication Committee.

Georg Kirchsteiger

Scientific panels: member of European Research Council

Executive committees and councils of learned societies: member of European Standing Committee of the Econometric Society

Membership to permanent international research networks: Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR) and CES-ifo

Robert Kollmann

Open Economies Review, Associated editor

Economics e-journal, Associated editor

Programme Committee, Annual conference, German Economics Association (Verein fuer Socialpolitik), 2013.

CEPR, Member

CAMA, Australian National University, Member

Globalization and Monetary Policy Institute, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, Member

Christophe Ley

Associate Editor for the journal QdS-Journal of Methodological and Applied Statistics.

Member of the Société Française de Statistique SFdS

Patrick Legros

Panel member SHS5 FNRS

Member of evaluation committee for the evaluation of TSE-AERES, visit of TSE in 2-3 September 2013.

Membre de la commission d'évaluation facultaire

Member of the scientific committee for EARIE 2013

Editor, Journal of Industrial Economics.

Member scientific council Oxera

Davy Paindaveine

Associate editor, The Annals of Statistics

Associate editor, Statistica Sinica

Associate editor, Journal of Statistical Planning and Inference

Associate editor, Statistics and Probability Letters

Associate editor, ESAIM: Probability and Statistics

Associate editor, International Statistical Review

FRIA jury for applied mathematics

Executive board, Belgian Statistical Society

Lionel Rama Ngenzebuke

Laureate of the mentorship program of the World Bank Project "Agriculture in Africa: Telling Facts from Myths", July 2013

Membership to GDNet (Global Development Network)

Membership of Agri_Hub Burundi

André Sapir

Member, Royal Academy of Belgium for Science and the Arts, elected in 2012.

Prix Emile de Laveleye, Royal Academy for Science and the Arts of Belgium, 2011.

Member, Academia Europaea, elected in 2010.

Member of the Editorial Board, World Trade Review

Associate Editor, Empirica – Journal of European Economics

Member of the Editorial Advisory Board, Open Economies Review and The World Economy

Chair, Advisory Scientific Committee, European Systemic Risk Board, ECB, Frankfurt

Member of the International Scientific Advisory Council:

- Vienna Institute for Comparative Economic Studies (WIIW)
- Centro Studi Luca d'Agliano (Torino)
- Swedish Institute for European Policy Studies (SIEPS)

Member: Euro-50 Group; Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR)

Senior Fellow, BRUEGEL

Philip Verwimp

Founding co-editor, Households in Conflict Working Paper Series, www.hicn.org Reviewer for the European Research Council Founding co-director, Households in Conflict Network Expert member of a meta-evaluation commission of belgian development aid

Maurizio Zanardi

Co-Director of the European Trade Study Group (ETSG) http://www.etsg.org

THE DOCTORAL SCHOOL

The ECARES Doctoral School offers internationally competitive, high quality PhD programs in "Economics and Statistics" and in "Quantitative Economics". The outstanding quality of the ECARES Doctoral School has been also confirmed by recent studies on the quality of doctoral schools in economics. One of them is based on the success of the graduates on the academic job market. It finds that the ECARES Doctoral School is among the top ten in Europe and the third best in Continental Europe. The other one is based on the scientific achievements of the graduates. It shows that one of our graduates, Domenico Giannone, is among the top 65 of young researchers worldwide who graduated less than 15 years ago.

The first two years of the PhD programs consist mainly of course work. During the first year the students follow courses in macroeconomics, microeconomics, econometrics, and statistics. In the second year students do field courses and write a first scientific paper and attend the research seminars. These first two years constitute the Master programs in "Quantitative Economics" and in "Economics and Statistics", respectively. After completing successfully the second year a master is granted.

Depending on the performance during the first two years, students are allowed to the thesis writing phase (doctorat) of the PhD programs. During this phase, the students work on the essays of their PhD-thesis under the supervision of an ECARES member (co-supervision with professors from other universities are welcome). Typically, the thesis writing phase will take another two to three years. During the thesis writing phase the PhD students present their research in the internal and external seminars, participate in workshops and conferences, attend summer and winter schools, follow advanced field courses, etc. They are also most welcome to take their own initiatives and create, e.g. reading groups or short topical courses.

Students that have already finished another master program (of 120 ECTS) that contained courses equivalent to those that we offer may apply directly to the Doctoral Training (Formation Doctorale). The doctoral training consists of one year coursework prior to the thesis writing phase. Its content is determined on a case-to-case basis.

ECARES is part of the European Doctoral Program network ENTER. This network allows the students to do part of their PhD at one of our partner universities (University College London, Universitat Mannheim, Tilburg University, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, Université Toulouse 1 Sciences Sociales, Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona, Stockholm School of Economics and Stockholm University). Students may participate in the ENTER network during the Master and/or during the thesis writing phase. In the former, students have to spend the entire second year in one of the partner universities. In the later, students have to spend at least 6 months at one of the other universities of the network. For more information visit the ENTER website.

The Doctoral School also organizes several seminar series. There are four weekly seminars (economics, econometrics and statistics, pure statistics and internal), one monthly seminar on the economics of art and culture, and four quarterly seminar joint with CORE, KULeuven and the National Bank of Belgium. Furthermore, ECARES and CORE from the UCL in Louvain-la-neuve organize together the ECORES seminar.

PHDS AWARDED IN 2013

Cédric Ceulemans, (ULB, SBS-EM), Three Essays in the Economics of Music: Reputation and Success of Musicians. Directors: Victor Ginsburgh and Patrick Legros.

Jérome Danguy (ULB, SBS-EM), *Essays on the Globalization of Innovation Using Patent-Based Indicators*. Director: Bruno van Pottelsberghe.

Grégoire Garsous (ULB, SBS-EM), *Essays in Infrastructure and Environmental Policies*. Director: Antonio Estache.

Julien Gooris (CEPII, Paris), *The Impact of Host-Country Environment and Home-Host Country Distance on the Configuration of International Service Activities*. Director: Carine Peeters.

Joachim Keller (National Bank of Belgium), *Essays on Innovation and Investment Decisions under Imperfect Competition*. Director: Patrick Legros.

Marco Mantovani (Facultés Universitaires Saint-Louis), *Essays in Forward Looking Behavior in Strategic Interactions*. Directors: Georg Kirchsteiger and Anonio Filippin (Milano University).

Gianluca Papa (European Commission), *Essays on Econometrics of Panel Data and Treatment Models*. Directors: Mathias Dewatrippont and Michele Cincera.

Aurélie Slechten (ULB, SBS-EM), Policies for Climate Change. Director: Estelle Cantillon.

Germain Van Bever (ULB, Faculty of Sciences), *Contributions to Nonparametric and Semiparametric Inference Based on Statistical Depth.* Director: Davy Paindaveine.

ONGOING THESES

Estelle Cantillon

Stefan Bergheimer, 2013 \to Li Chen, (co-supervision with Patrick Legros), 2011 \to Luisa Dressler, 2011 \to François Koulischer, 2009 \to

Micael Castanheira

Elisabetta Cornago, (co-supervision with Antonio Estache), 2011 \rightarrow Alice Duhaut, (co-supervision with Matthias Dewatripont), 2008 \rightarrow Marco Giani, 2010 \rightarrow Geoffrey Minne, (co-supervision with Pierre-Guillaume Méon), 2010 \rightarrow Alessandro Modica, 2010 \rightarrow

Michele Cincera

Ela Ince, (co-supervision with Nicolas Van Zeebroeck), 2012 \rightarrow

Paola Conconi

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Tommaso Aquilante, 2011 
ightarrow Eyal Ronen, 2013 
ightarrow Lorenzo Trimarchi, 2012 
ightarrow Roberto Venturini, 2012 
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Catherine Dehon

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El Maati Allaoui, 2009 \to Christopher Buffaerts, (co-supervision with Bram De Rock), 2009 \to Alice McCathie, 2008\to
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Christine De Mol

Loïc Lecharlier, 2013 \rightarrow

Bram De Rock

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Thomas Bury, 2006 \rightarrow Christopher Bruffaerts, (co-supervision with Catherine Dehon), 2009 \rightarrow Jesse D'Anjou, (co-supervision with Philip Verwimp), 2011 \rightarrow Olivia D'Aoust, (co-supervision with Philip Verwimp), 2011 \rightarrow Rama Lionel Ngenzebuke, (co-supervision with Philip Verwimp), 2012 \rightarrow Francesca Piazza, (in collaboration with KULeuven), 2011 \rightarrow Tom Potoms, 2013 \rightarrow Denni Tommasi, 2013 \rightarrow Barnabé Walheer, 2010 \rightarrow Alex Wolf, 2013 \rightarrow
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Mathias Dewatripont

Lidia Tsyganok, 2002 →

Antonio Estache

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Daniel Camos, (co-supervision with F. Bourguignon), 2009 \rightarrow Andrea Colombo, 2013 \rightarrow Elisabetta Cornago (co-supervision with M. Castanheira), 2011 \rightarrow Nastassia Leszczynska, 2012 \rightarrow Céline Piton, 2013 \rightarrow
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Domenico Giannone

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Lidia Brun, 2013 \rightarrow Alberto Caruso, 2011 \rightarrow Antonio Conti, 2010 \rightarrow Laurent Cyrus, 2012 \rightarrow
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Claudio Schioppa, 2012 →

Marc Hallin

Chintan Mehta, US, Princeton University, to be defended in 2014 (co-advisor)

Tobias Kley, German, Ruhr Universität Bochum, to be defended in 2014 (co-advisor)

Georg Kirchsteiger

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Olivier Body, 2009 \rightarrow
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Dominique Chariot, (in collaboration with Université Catholique de Louvain), 2010 ightarrow

Luca Livio, 2011→

Ester Manna, 2010→

Robert Kollmann

Juan Equiza, 2011 →

Patrick Legros

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Alexsandra Boutin, 2012 →
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Li Chen, (co-supervision with Estelle Cantillon), 2011 \rightarrow

Alessandro de Chiara, 2010 →

Mate Fodor, 2010 \rightarrow

Mohamed Sraieb, 2003 \rightarrow

Christian Staat, 2011 →

Davy Paindaveine

Isabelle Charlier, 2012 \rightarrow

Bruno van Pottelsberghe

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Jérôme Danguy, 2009 \rightarrow
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Catherine Duverger, 2012 \rightarrow

Xia Liu, 2012 \rightarrow

David Veredas

Thiago De Oliveira Souza, 2010 \rightarrow

Yves Dominicy, 2009 \rightarrow

Marco Geraci, 2012 →

Na Li, 2013 \rightarrow

Shogo Miura, 2013 →

Claudi Pacella, 2013 →

Lorenzo Ricci, 2010 →

Harry Vander Elst, 2012 \rightarrow

Philip Verwimp

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Olivia d'Aoust, (co-supervision with Bram de Rock), 2011 \rightarrow Juan Carlos Munoz Mora, 2012 \rightarrow Kasia Cieslik, (co-supervision with Marek Hudon), 2011 \rightarrow Jesse d'Anjou, (co-supervision with Bram de Rock), 2011 \rightarrow Rama Lionel Ngenzebuke, (co-supervision with Bram de Rock), 2012 \rightarrow
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Philippe Weil

Narcissa Balta, 2005 ightarrowRafal Raciborski, 2002 ightarrowBenjamin Rausch, 2010 ightarrow

Maurizio Zanardi

Tommaso Aquilante, (co-supervision with Paola Conconi), 2011 ightarrow

RESEARCH CONTRACTS

Estelle Cantillon

ERC 2008-2014

COEURE 2013-1016

FRESH Li Chen

FNRS Luisa Dressler

FNRS François Koulischer

FNRS Luca Merlino

Michele Cincera

National Bank of Belgium, promotor, 2012 – 2013.

Paola Conconi

Mandat d'Impulsion Scientifique, FNRS, 2012-2015.

FNRS Tommaso Aquilante

Catherine Dehon

FNRS 2012-2015

Christine De Mol

ARC Contract, *Méthodes de Shrinkage pour l'Econométrie de données de Haute Dimension*, 2010-2015. Other promotors: **Domenico Giannone** and **Robert Kollmann**

Bram De Rock

Belspo "Measuring Equivalent Incomes: The implementation of individual well-being measures from Belgian data", 2013-2017. Co-promotor (with F. Maniquet (UCL), E. Schokkaert (KUL) and K. Decanq (UA)

FNRS grant "Microfinance and intrahousehold behavior", 2012-2015. Co-promotor (with M. Hudon, P. Verwimp and A. Szafarz

FWO grant "Multi-output efficiency analysis with joint inputs", 2012-2016. Co-promotor (with L. Cherchye)

FWO grant "A revealed preference analysis of household consumption models", 2011-2015. Copromotor (with L. Cherchye and T. Demuynck

ERC starting grant "A revealed preference analysis of household consumption models", 2010-2015. FWO grant "Methods and models for testing the rationality of revealed preferences", 2011-2014. Copromotor (with L. Cherchye and F. Spieksma)

Antonio Estache

GRASP, CEPR, EU, 2009-2013 Chaire Bernard Vanommeslaghe FNRS Elisabetta Cornago, 2012-2016

Georg Kirchsteiger

FRFC, Preference dynamics in adaptive networks, 2012-2015, G. Kirchsteiger and T. Lenaerts

Robert Kollmann

Mini-ARC Grant, Juan Equiza, 2011-2015.

ARC (with Christine De Mol and Domenico Giannone), 2010-2015.

Patrick Legros

ARC Contract, Evolution des marchés, concurrence et politique économique: théorie et évidence, 2008-2013

FNRS Alessandro de Chiara, 2011-2015

FNRS Maté Fodor 2011-2015

FNRS Alexandra Boutin, 2012-2014

Christophe Ley

Grant Hubert Curien 2013 for the project "Nouvelles caractérisations de lois probabilistes et applications" (collaboration with the Institut Elie Cartan of the Université de Lorraine, promoter there: Prof. Ivan Nourdin).

Davy Paindaveine

BELSPO (IAP); P7/06 Developing crucial Statistical methods for Understanding major complex Dynamic Systems in natural, biomedical and social sciences (StUDyS); Catherine Dehon, Christine De Mol, Domenico Giannone, Marc Hallin, Siegfried Hörmann, Maarten Jansen; 2012-2017

Communaté française (ARC); Statistical methods for complex static and dynamic dependence models; Catherine Dehon, Siegfried Hörmann, Maarten Jansen; 2010-2015

FNRS (FRIA) Isabelle Charlier 2012-2014

André Sapir

DISSETTLE, 2011-2015

Bruno van Pottelsberghe

GRASP, 2009-2013

David Veredas

Prime Horizon Europe FNRS Matteo Luciani, 2011-2014 FRIA Yves Dominicy, 2012-2014

Philip Verwimp

TAMNEAC, Marie-Curie Training Network, EU 7th Framework, 2011-2014, promotor Intrahousehold Allocation and Microfinance, FNRS, 2011-2015, co-promotor ULB-UNICEF-Burundi Partnership, 2013-2015, promotor

VISITING PROFESSORS IN 2013

Jose Asturias, Georgetown University / University of Qatar

Matteo Barigozzi, London School of Economics

Daniela Bragoli, Università di Milano

Andrea Canidio, Central European University, Budapest

Benoît Crutzen, Erasmus Universiteit, Rotterdam

Gaétan de Rassenfosse, University of Melbourne

Simona Delle Chiaie, Banque de France

Enrico Diecidue, INSEAD

Sabine Flamand, Universidade Nova de Lisboa

Ben Freyens, University of Canberra

Thomas Gall, Bonn University

Gery Geenens, University of New South Wales

Frédéric Malherbe, London Business School

Guido Maretto, Universidade Nova de Lisboa

Andy Newman, Boston University

Abdul Noury, NY University

Rachida Ouysse, University of New South Wales

Carlo Perroni, Warwick University

Diane Pierret, NY University / UCL

Gérard Roland, Berkeley University

Olivier Scaillet, University of Geneva and Swiss Finance Institute

Wolf Wagner, Tilburg University

WORKSHOPS and CONFERENCES ORGANIZED BY ECARES

ENTER Jamboree

8-9 Mars

Matching in Practice

Organized by Peter Biro (Hungarian Academy of Science), **Estelle Cantillon** (Université Libre de Bruxelles) and Antonio Miralles (Universidad Autonomà de Barcelona), held on May 20-21, 2013.

ECORE Summer School

Organized by Jean Hindriks (CORE, Université catholique de Louvain), **Georg Kirchsteiger** (ECARES, Université Libre de Bruxelles), François Maniquet (CORE, Université catholique de Louvain), Jo Van Biesebroeck (CES, KU Leuven), held on May 27-30, 2013.

New Developments in Econometrics and Time Series

Organized by Holger Dette (Ruhr Universität Bochum), **Domenico Giannone** (Université Libre de Bruxelles), **Marc Hallin** (Université Libre de Bruxelles) and **Siegfried Hörmann** (Université Libre de Bruxelles), held on Septembre 12-13, 2013.

Dissettle Network Conference

Organized by **Paola Conconi** and the Centre for Trade and Economic Integration (CTEI) at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies (Geneva). Held in Brussels on September 19-20, 2013.

Analytical Tools for Energy Policy Design

Organized by Antonio Estache and the Bernard Vanommeslaghe Chair held on November 14-15, 2013.

Current Account Imbalances and International Financial Integration

Organized by **Robert Kollmann** (ECARES and CEPR), Joshua Aizenman (UC Santa Cruz, JIMF co-editor), Menzie Chinn (University of Wisconsin, JIMF co-editor), Mick Devereux (UBC and CEPR), Alexandr Hobza (European Commission), Kees Koedijk (Tilburg University and CEPR, JIMF editor), João Nogueira Martins (European Commission), Stefan Zeugner (European Commission), held on December on 6-7 decembre, 2013.

ACE Confernce

Organized by Patrick Legros and Alexis Walckiers. Held on December 13-14, 2013.

SEMINARS ORGANIZED BY ECARES

In Economics

Diego Puga, CEMFI, International Trade and Institutional Change: Medieval Venice's Response to Globalization.

Chris Forman, Georgia Tech, *The Trillion Dollar Conundrum: Complementarities and Health Information Technology*.

Xavier Boutin, EC and IEE, Mergers and the Dynamics of Innovation.

Frank Schorfheide, University of Pennsylvania, Sequential Monte Carlo Sampling for DSGE Models.

Renato Gomes, Toulouse School of Economics, *Cross-Subsidization and Matching Design*.

Mathieu Parenti, UCLouvain, International Trade: David and Goliath.

Veronica Rappoport, London School of Economics, *Horizontal versus Vertical Foreign Direct Investment: Revisiting Evidence from U.S. Multinationals*.

Chad Syverson, Chicago University, *The Slow Growth of New Plants: Learning about Demand?*.

Fred Schroyen, Norwegian School of Economics, *Multidimensional Screening in a Monopolistic Insurance Market*.

Daniel John Zizzo, East Anglia University, *Obedience*.

Rani Spiegler, University College London, Competition Framing.

Morten Ravn, UCLondon, Job Uncertainty and Deep Recessions.

Tayfun Sonmez, Boston College, *Priorities vs. Precedence in School Choice: Theory and Evidence from Boston*.

Eric Budish, Chicago Booth, *The High Frequency Trading Arms Race: Frequent Batch Auctions as a Market Design Response*.

Alexis Walckiers, Belgian Competition Authority, *Selling to a Cartel of Retailors: a Model of Hub and Spoke Collusion*.

Andrea Tambalotti, Federal Reserve bank New York, *The Effects of the Saving and Banking Glut on the US Economy*.

Arnaud Costinot, MIT, Comparative Advantage and Optimal Trade Policy.

Filipe Campante, Harvard University, *Does Religion Affect Economic Growth and Happiness? Evidence from Ramadan*.

Francis Bloch, Ecole Polytechnique, Optimal Assignment of Objects to Queuing Agents.

Francis Kramarz, CREST, Diversification in the Small and in the Large: Evidence from Trade Networks.

Alan Kirman, GREQAM/EHESS, Aix -Marseille School of Economics, Crisis in Economic Theory.

Sergei Guriev, New Economic School, Effect of Income on Trust: Evidence from the 2009 Crisis in Russia.

Ekaterina Zhuravskaya, PSE, Radio and the Rise of the Nazis in Prewar Germany.

Jesus Fernandez-Villaverde, University of Pennsylvania, *Optimal Capital versus Labor Taxation with Innovation-Led Growth*.

Gérard Roland, University of California, Berkeley, *Culture, Institutions and the Wealth of Nations*.

In Econometrics and Statistics

Enrique Sentana, CEMFI, Dynamic Specification Tests for Dynamic Factor Models.

Paolo Santucci de Magistris, Aarhus, *Testing for Level Shifts in a Potentially Long Memory Framework: a State-Space Approach*.

Xisong Jin, University of Luxembourg, *Banking Systemic Vulnerabilities: a Talk-Risk Dynamic CIMDO Approach*.

Michael Andersson, Sveriges Riksbank, On Conditional Forecasts in Dynamic Multivariate Models.

Andrea Carriero, Queen Mary University, *No Arbitrage Priors, Drifting Volatilities, and the Term Structure of Interest Rates*.

Moritz Jirak, Humboldt-Universität Berlin, Extreme Inference for Stationary Time Series.

Valérie De Bruyckere, Ghent University, The Network Structure of the European Financial Sector.

Michael Wolf, University of Zurich, *Spectrum Estimation: A Unified Framework for Covariance Matrix Estimation and PCA in Large Dimensions*.

Alfred Galichon, Sciences Po, Multivariate Quantile Regression.

Todd Clark, Federal Reserve Bank Cleveland, *Real-Time Nowcasting with a Bayesian Mixed Frequency Model with Stochastic Volatility*.

Rachida Ouysse, University of New South Wales, *Forecasting Using a Large Panel of Predictors: Bayesian Model Averaging and Principal Components Regression*.

Jozef Barunik, Chartles University, Semiparametric Conditional Quantile Models for Financial Returns and Realized Volatility.

Giuseppe Ragusa, Luiss University, Anchoring the Yield Curve with Survey Expectations.

John Aston, Warwick, Functions, *Covariances and Learning Foreign Languages*.

Anne Vanhems, Toulouse Business School, *Non-parametric Instrumental Regression with Non-Convex Constraints*.

Gabriele Fiorentini, University of Firenze, *Issues in Non Gaussian Pseudo Maximum Likelihood Esimation and Inference with Multivariate Dynamic Regression Models*.

Rainer Dahlhaus, Universität Heidelberg, *Cointegration and Phase Synchronization: Bridging Two Theories*.

Henryk Zaehle, Saarland University, *Comparative and Qualitative Robustness for Law-Invariant Risk Measures*.

Chen Zhou, National Bank the Netherlands, *The Cross-Section of Tail Risks in Stock Returns*.

Tarik Roukny Ornia, IRIDIA, ULB, Unraveling the Role of Networks in the Emergence of Systemic Risk.

Lieven Baele, Tilburg University, *Flights-to-Safety*.

Mark Podolskij, Heidelberg University, A Test for the Rank of the Volatility Process: The Random Perturbation Approach.

Olivier Scaillet, Geneva University, *Predictability Hidden by Anamalous Observations*.

Kamil Yilmaz, Koç University, Volatility Connectedness of Bank Stocks Across the Atlantic.

In Statistics

Matteo Barigozzi, London School of Economics, Nets: Network Estimation for Time Series.

Konstantin Glombek, Kohln University, High-Dimensionality in Statistics and Portfolio Optimization.

Marianne Clausel, Université Joseph Fourier Genoble, *Hyperbolic Wavelet Transform : A New Tool for Analyzing Anisotropic Textures*.

Holger Dette, Ruhr-Universitaet Bochum, *Optimal Designs, Orthogonal Polynomials and Random Matrices*.

Jean-Marc Freyermuth, KULeuven, *Hyperbolic Wavelet Thresholding Rules: The Curse of Dimensionality Through the Maxiset Approach*.

Victor Panaretos, EPFL, Doubly Spectral Analysis of Stationary Functional Time Series.

Richard Samworth, Cambridge University, *Log-Concave Density Estimantion with Applications*.

Efoevi Koudou, Université de Lorraine, *Independence Properties of the Matsumoto-Yor Type*.

Matt Nunes, Fylde College Lancaster, Modelling and Forecasting of Network Time Series.

Richard Weber, Cambridge University, A More General Pandora's Rule.

Gery Geenens, University of New South Wales, *Probit-Transformation for Kernel Density Estimation on* (0,1) and Application.

Yvik Swan, Université du Luxembourg, Stein's Method and the Influence of the Prior.

Toshihiro Abe, Tokyo University, *Skew Distributions with Unimodality and Mode-Perserving Property*.

Daniel Hlubinka, Univerzita Karlova, Praha, Data Depth and Functional Data.

Rainer Dyckerhoff, Köln Universität, Convergence of Depths and Central Regions.

Stephen Senn, Université du Luxembourg, Various Varying Variances: The Challenge of Nuisance Parameters to the Practising Biostatistician.

In Economics of Arts

Thierry Lenain, Université Libre de Bruxelles, Authenticité Iconique vs Authenticité Artistique. A Partir d'une Oeuvre de Francis Alÿs.

Dominique Vanwijnsberghe, Institut Royal du Patrimoine Artistique, Bruxelles, *Entre Restauration et Contrefaçon: Jef Van Der Veken et les Tableaux de la Collection Renders*.

Sylvie Nozaradan, UCLouvain, *Music Embedded in the Brain: Ce que Neuroscience et Musique Peuvent Apprendre l'une de l'autre.*

Internal Seminars

Marco Mantovani, ECARES, Limited Backward Induction.

Manuel Garcia Santana, ECARES, Foreign Firms, Distribution of Income, and the Welfare of Developing Countries.

Paola Conconi, ECARES, Guns and Votes.

David De Remer, ECARES, Non-Tariff Measures, Scale Economies, and the Role of Trade Agreements.

François Koulischer, ECARES, *The Collateral Channel of Monetary Policy: Evidence from the European Central Bank*.

Sibilla Di Guida, ECARES, An Eye-Tracking Study of Feature-Based Choice in One Shot Games.

Aurélie Slechten, ECARES, Environmental Agreements under Asymmetric Information.

Alex Groves, ECARES, *Identifying what Is Tempting*.

Ester Manna, ECARES, Intrinsically Motivated Agents: Blessing or Curse for Firms?.

Manuel Santana, ECARES, *Transportation Costs, Competition and Aggregate Productivity*.

Juan Equiza, ECARES, *Growth Expectations and Endogenous Public Purchases*.

ENTER Seminars

Gyula Seres, Tilburg University, *Collusion Mechanisms in Hybrid Auctions*.

Francesco Gallio, Universitat Autónoma Barcelona, *Social Capital as Trust: A Time Series Foundation of the Italian Long Term Picture*, 1861-2011.

Nikolas Tsakas, Universidad Carlos III, Madrid, *Diffusion by Imitation: the Importance of Targeting Agents*.

Ewa Lazarczyk, Stockholm School of Economics, Strategic Withholding Through Production Failures.

ECORES Seminars

Pierre Picard, UCL and University of Luxembourg, *State Owned Firms: Private Debt, Cost Revelation and Welfare*.

Joris Morbee, KULeuven, Risk Spillovers and Hedging: Why Do Firms Invest Too Much in Systemic Risk?.

Remebrt De Blander, KULeuven, *Iterative Estimation Correcting for Error Autocorrelation in Short Panels Applied to Lagged Dependent Variable Models*.

Frédéric Vermeulen, KULeuven, Sharing Rule Identification for General Collective Consumption Models.

Anthony Papavasiliou, UCL, Self-commitment of Combined Cycle Units under Electricity Price Uncertainty.

Paola Conconi, ECARES, *Guns and Votes*.

ULB-UCL Seminars

Domenico Giannone, ULB, Unspanned Macroeconomic Factors in the Yields Curve.

Abdelaati Daouia, UCL, On Kernel Smoothing for Extremal Quantile Regression.

Joint NBB – CES, KUL – ECARES, ULB – UCL Seminars

Jan De Loecker, Princeton University, Prices, Markups and Trade Reform.

Frank Schorfheide, University of Pennsylvania, *Macroeconomic Dynamics near the ZLB: a Tale of Two Equilibria*.

Beata Javorcik, Oxford University and CEPR, *Multi-Product Firms at Home and Away: Cost versus Quality Based Competence*.

Jean-Marc Robin, Sciences Po, Labour Market Reforms and Unemployment Dynamics.

James Tybout, Pennsylvania State University, A Search and learning Model of Export Dynamics.

Arvind Krishnamurthy, Northwestern University, *Short-Term Debt and Financial Crises: What We Can Learn from U.S. Treasury Supply*.

Andrea Tambalotti, Federal Reserve Bank New York, The FRBNY DSGE Model.

Mark Roberts, Pennsylvania State University, *Estimating Dynamic R&D Demand: An Analysis of Costs and Long-Run Benefits*.

Ferre De Graeve, Sveriges Riksbank, Identifying Fiscal Inflation.

Jesus Fernandez-Villaverde, University of Pennsylvania, Fiscal Volatility Shocks and Economic Activity.

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