

*Conference Schedule*

***8<sup>th</sup> INFER ANNUAL CONFERENCE SEPTEMBER 22 - 24 2006, CORK, IRELAND.***

**Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2006**

12.00 – 13.00	Registration, Coffee & Sandwiches	O’Rahilly Building – 1 <sup>st</sup> floor foyer
13.00 – 13.30	Welcome addresses & Introduction to <i>INFER</i> <i>Edward Shinnick</i> (Conference organizer) <i>Michael Pickhardt</i> (Chair of INFER)	O’Rahilly Building Room 1.23
13.30 – 15.00	<b><i>Keynote Address 1</i></b> <i>Frank Barry</i> (University College Dublin, Ireland) “Institutional Capacity and the Celtic Tiger Economy: Ireland in Comparative Perspective”	O’Rahilly Building Room 1.23
15.00 – 15.30	<i>Coffee</i>	O’Rahilly Building – 1 <sup>st</sup> floor foyer
15.30 – 17.15	Parallel Sessions I (5 tracks)	O’Rahilly Building
17.30 – 19.00	<i>INFER</i> General Meeting	O’Rahilly Building Room 3.03
19.00 -	Pub’s of Cork	

**Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2006**

9.00 – 10.45	Parallel Sessions II (5 tracks)	O'Rahilly Building
10.45 – 11.15	<i>Coffee</i>	O'Rahilly Building – 1 <sup>st</sup> floor foyer
11.15 – 12.45	<b><i>Keynote Address 2</i></b> <i>Friedrich Schneider</i> (Linz, Austria) "Shadow Economies of 145 Countries all over the World: What do we really know?"	O'Rahilly Building Room 3.03
12.45 – 14.15	<i>Buffet Lunch and INFER Working Groups Fair</i>	O'Rahilly Building: Lunch – Room 1.24 WG Fair – 1 <sup>st</sup> floor foyer
14.15 – 16.00	Parallel Sessions III (5 tracks)	O'Rahilly Building
16.00 – 16.15	<i>Coffee</i>	O'Rahilly Building – 1 <sup>st</sup> floor foyer
16.15 – 17.45	<b><i>Keynote Address 3</i></b> <i>Inge Kaul</i> (United Nations, Office of Development Studies) "What is new about 'The New Public Finance'?"	O'Rahilly Building Room 3.03
19.30	<i>Conference Dinner</i>	Imperial Hotel, South Mall, Cork.

**Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> September 2006**

9.00 – 10.45	Parallel Sessions IV (5 tracks)	O'Rahilly Building
10.45 – 11.00	<i>Coffee</i>	O'Rahilly Building – 1 <sup>st</sup> floor foyer
11.00 – 12.45	Parallel Sessions V (5 tracks)	O'Rahilly Building Room
12.45 – 13.00	2007 AC Venue Presentation (by <i>Chris Richter</i> ) and Farewell by Board of <i>INFER</i>	O'Rahilly Building Room 3.03
Afternoon Social Events	Walking Trip of Cork City (about 1 hour) Or	Meet at Tourist Office, Grand Parade, Cork.
	Bus Trip to Kinsale (about 4 - 5 hours)	Bus to collect outside UCC gates and Imperial Hotel (conference hotel)

## Parallel Sessions

**Parallel Session I    Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>: 15.30 – 17.15**

Track A	Track B	Track C	Track D	Track E
<b>Budget Deficits</b>	<b>Political Corruption</b>	<b>Growth</b>	<b>Education</b>	<b>Government Expenditure</b>
<i><b>Chair: Jens Peter Siebel</b></i>	<i><b>Chair: Clara Delavallade</b></i>	<i><b>Chair: Christoph Meister</b></i>	<i><b>Chair: Christiane Schuppert</b></i>	<i><b>Chair: Benoit Tarroux</b></i>
An assessment of US fiscal sustainability: findings from present-value and accounting approaches	The Dark Side of Political Competition	Growth, Longevity and Public Policy	The Prison's Dilemma: Do Education and Jobs Programs Affect Recidivism	Causality between Expenditures and Revenues: Empirical Evidence from Switzerland
<b>[Matthieu Llorca]</b>	<b>[Athanassios Pitsoulis]</b>	<b>[Gregory Ponthiere]</b>	<b>[Fred Derrick]</b>	<b>[Silika Prohl]</b>
Reconciling Public Debt Controversies: The Role of Budgetary Institutions	Reducing Petty Corruption: What Role for a More Competitive Political System?	Economic Policies on Savings and Growth	Financial Decentralization and Educational Performance	Size and Soft Budget Constraints
<b>[David Duffy]</b>	<b>[John Wilson]</b>	<b>[Rukmani Gounder]</b>	<b>[Nobuo Akai]</b>	<b>[Ernesto Crivelli]</b>
Making a Budget Deficit Attractive: The Effect of Endogenous Voting	Why Do North African Firms Involve in Corruption?	Exploring Trade-Related Spillovers: A Network Approach	Optimal Education Policies in a Federation: The Role of Regional and Social Mobility	Are equalization payments making Canadians better off? A two-dimensional dominance answer
<b>[Jens Peter Siebel]</b>	<b>[Clara Delavallade]</b>	<b>[Christoph Meister]</b>	<b>[Christiane Schuppert]</b>	<b>[Benoit Tarroux]</b>
<i><b>Discussant:</b></i>	<i>Please try to read all papers in your session. Chairs may assign discussants within sessions upon mutual agreement.</i>			
<i><b>Room:</b></i>				

**Parallel Session II Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>: 9.00 – 10.45**

<b>Track A</b>	<b>Track B</b>	<b>Track C</b>	<b>Track D</b>	<b>Track E</b>
<b>Budgetary Fiscal Policy</b>	<b>Monetary Crises</b>	<b>Structure &amp; Scope of Government</b>	<b>Governance</b>	<b>Business Economics</b>
<b>Chair: Igor Lebrun</b>	<b>Chair: Willy Spanjers</b>	<b>Chair: Fabio Padovano</b>	<b>Chair: Eoin Reeves</b>	<b>Chair: John Sell</b>
How Credible Are Multiannual Budgetary Plans In The EU?	Making Explosive Cocktails: Recipes and Costs for 26 Argentine Crises	The Regional Integration Policy of the Russian Federation	The Political Economy of Governance and Development: Towards a New Worldview	SMEs' perceived constraints as an indicator of relative regulatory burdens across Europe
<b>[Peter Wierts]</b>	<b>[Ana María Cerro]</b>	<b>[Katarzyna Czerewacz]</b>	<b>[Ismail Adams]</b>	<b>[Sean Lyons]</b>
Strategic Surveillance and Fiscal Policy-Making Before and Under the Stability Pact	Loss of Confidence and Currency Crises	Regional Features of Development of Ukraine	The Contractual Governance of Public Private Partnerships in the Irish Schools Sector	Measurement Of Personnel Controlling Qualitative Indices In A Selected Industrial Enterprise
<b>[Eloise Steclebout-Orseau]</b>	<b>[Willy Spanjers]</b>	<b>[Nadiya Dubrovina]</b>	<b>[Eoin Reeves]</b>	<b>[Roman Zamecnik]</b>
Fiscal councils, independent forecasts and the budgetary process: lessons from the Belgian case		Decentralization as a constraint to Leviathan: a panel cointegration approach		Testing the Economic Relevance of Business Culture
<b>[Igor Lebrun]</b>		<b>[Fabio Padovano]</b>		<b>[John Sell]</b>
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**Parallel Session III Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>: 14.15 – 16.00**

<b>Track A</b>	<b>Track B</b>	<b>Track C</b>	<b>Track D</b>	<b>Track E</b>
<b>Public Finance &amp; Business Cycle</b>	<b>Central Banks</b>	<b>Labour</b>	<b>Market Analysis</b>	<b>International Trade Issues</b>
<b>Chair: Erdal Atukeren</b>	<b>Chair: Iris Biefang-Frisancho</b>	<b>Chair: Helena Marques</b>	<b>Chair: Pia Weiss</b>	<b>Chair: Inmaculada Martínez-Zarzoso</b>
The Information Content of Elections and Varieties of the Partisan Political Business Cycle	Why are federal central banks more activist?	Vicious And Virtuous Circles: The Political Economy of Unemployment	Equilibrium Nonexistence in Spatial Competition with Quadratic Transportation Costs	The Free Trade Agreement between Chile and the EU: Its Potential Impact on Chile's Export Industry
<b>[Cameron Shelton]</b>	<b>[Hein Roelfsema]</b>	<b>[Ruthira Naraidoo]</b>	<b>[Manuel Saez]</b>	<b>[Sebastian Vollmer]</b>
Public Finance, Private Investments and External Disequilibrium in Transition Countries	Reserve Pools	Bargaining and on the Job Search	On Monopoly Power and Ramsey Taxation	Relating Productivity and Trade: A Chicken and Egg Analysis
<b>[Aleksander Aristovnik]</b>	<b>[Risto Herrala]</b>	<b>[Roberto Bonilla]</b>	<b>[Sheikh Selim]</b>	<b>[Eleanor Doyle]</b>
Politico-Economic Determinants of the Crowding-in Effects of Public Investments in Developing Countries	Monetary Policy Transparency and Uncertainty	Manufacturing Wages in the Enlarged EU: a New Economic Geography Approach	Entry Deterrence in Markets with Endogenous Consumer Switching Costs	Determinants of Trade Patterns: the Importance of Technological Innovation
<b>[Erdal Atukeren]</b>	<b>[Iris Biefang-Frisancho]</b>	<b>[Helena Marques]</b>	<b>[Pia Weiss]</b>	<b>[Inmaculada Martínez-Zarzoso]</b>
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**Parallel Session IV Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>: 9.00 – 10.45**

<b>Track A</b>	<b>Track B</b>	<b>Track C</b>	<b>Track D</b>	<b>Track E</b>
<b>Tax Evasion</b>	<b>Collective Decision Making</b>	<b>Regulation &amp; Transport Policy</b>	<b>Issues in Health Policy</b>	<b>Pensions</b>
<b><i>Chair: Alberto Zanardi</i></b>	<b><i>Chair: Holger Kolb</i></b>	<b><i>Chair: Bridin O'Leary</i></b>	<b><i>Chair: Ciaran O Neill</i></b>	<b><i>Chair: Paola Profeta</i></b>
Why Do Individuals Evade Payroll and Income Taxation in Estonia?	The good, the bad and the populist	Willingness to Pay for Air-line Services Attributes	The Factors affecting Dietary Patterns	The Political Feasibility of Postponing Retirement
<b>[Karsten Staehr]</b>	<b>[Colin Jennings]</b>	<b>[Antonio de Menezes]</b>	<b>[Ann Kirby]</b>	<b>[Vincenzo Galasso]</b>
It's A Lot, But Let It Stay: How Tax Evasion Is Perceived Across Italy	A theory of intergenerational institutions	The state and railways – a historical comparison of economic policy in relation to railways	An Analysis of factors which affect the Demand for Malaria Treatment in the Gambia	Early Retirement and Social Security: A Long Term Perspective
<b>[Alberto Zanardi]</b>	<b>[Juan Perote-Peña]</b>	<b>[Martin Kvizda]</b>	<b>[Leanne Burke]</b>	<b>[Paola Profeta]</b>
	States as Clubs? The Political Economy of State Membership	Does Airport Regulation Benefit Consumers?	The English Patient	
	<b>[Holger Kolb]</b>	<b>[Bridin O'Leary]</b>	<b>[Ciaran O Neill]</b>	
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**Parallel Session V Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>: 11.00 – 12.45**

<b>Track A</b>	<b>Track B</b>	<b>Track C</b>	<b>Track D</b>	<b>Track E</b>
<b>Regulation &amp; Public Goods</b>	<b>Inequality &amp; Household Behaviour</b>	<b>Finance</b>	<b>Growth &amp; Business Cycles</b>	<b>Governance &amp; Information</b>
<b>Chair: Peter Haug</b>	<b>Chair: Rémi Bazillier</b>	<b>Chair: Niall O'Sullivan</b>	<b>Chair: Sofia Vale</b>	<b>Chair: Tim Friehe</b>
Incomplete Contracts and Efficiency in a Regulated Activity	Determinants of Waiting Times in Ireland: An Equity Analysis	Partisan Politics and Stock Market Performance	Monetary Shocks, Real Business Cycle Theory and Aggregate Labour Market Fluctuations	Governance and Private Investment in the Middle East and North Africa
<b>[Shinji Kobayashi]</b>	<b>[Seamus Coffey]</b>	<b>[Roland Füss]</b>	<b>[Pedro J. Gutierrez]</b>	<b>[Ahmet Aysan]</b>
Strategic Delegation and Complement Public Goods	Inequalities and Health: Identify the socio-economic factors	Nonlinearities in the present value model of U.S. Stock Prices	Human capital and economic growth: the Portuguese case	Engineering Governance - Controlling Complexity
<b>[Lenka Gregorova]</b>	<b>[Michelle Barry]</b>	<b>[Geraldine Ryan]</b>	<b>[Sofia Vale]</b>	<b>[Mohamed Hassan]</b>
Local Government Control and Efficiency of the Water Industry	Is There a Social Kuznets Curve: The Influence of Labour Standards on Inequality	UK Mutual Fund Performance: skill or luck		Repeat Offenders and Imperfect Information
<b>[Peter Haug]</b>	<b>[Rémi Bazillier]</b>	<b>[Niall O'Sullivan]</b>		<b>[Tim Friehe]</b>
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