

University of Lausanne — December 4–5, 2025

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Each presentation lasts **45 minutes** split between 25 minutes of presentation, 10 minutes of discussion, and 10 minutes of Q&A.

Venue: [Villanova conference centre Route Cantonale 16, 1015 Lausanne](#).

Thursday, December 4

09:30–10:00 *Registration and Welcome Coffee*

10:00–10:15 *Introductory remarks Julian Marcoux*

Chair : Leon Huetsch (University of Lausanne)

10:15–11:00

A Scrooge McDuck Theory of Wealth Dynamics Valentin Marchal (Sciences Po)

Discussant: Aurélien Eyquem (University of Lausanne, CEPR)

11:00–11:45

Monetary Policy Shocks : A New Hope Rubén Fernández-Fuertes (Bocconi University)

Discussant: Jean-Paul Renne (University of Lausanne, CEPR)

11:45–12:30

Data, Targeted Advertising and Consumer Welfare Alejandro Rábano (Universitat Pompeu Fabra)

Discussant: Kenza Benhima (University of Lausanne, CEPR)

12:30–14:00 *Lunch Break*

Chair : Viktor Gradoux (University of Lausanne)

14:00–14:45

The Gravity of Violence Julian Marcoux (University of Lausanne)

14:45–15:30

Hegemonic competition with Carrots and Sticks Timothy Meyer (Kiel Institute, University of Bonn)

Discussant: Gernot Müller (University of Tübingen, CEPR)

15:30–16:00 *Coffee Break*

16:00–17:00 *Keynote speech online by Prof. Matteo Maggiori (Stanford University)*

19:00–22:00 *Conference Dinner at Restaurant du Théâtre Av. du Théâtre 12, 1003 Lausanne*

Friday, December 5

08:30–9:00 *Registration and Welcome Coffee*

Chair : Julien Bengui (Swiss National Bank)

9:00–9:45

Public Debt, iMPCs & Fiscal Policy Transmission Stefano Grancini (Nova SBE)

Discussant: Daniele Siena (Politecnico di Milano)

9:45–10:30

The Granular Role of Mergers and Acquisitions in Aggregate Fluctuations Seda Basihos (University of Cambridge)

Discussant: Céline Poilly (Aix-Marseille University, CEPR)

10:30–11:00 *Coffee Break*

Chair : Lorenzo Bretscher (University of Lausanne, SFI, CEPR)

11:00–11:45

The Impact of Pension Fund Investment on Economic Growth Johannes Matt (London School of Economics)

Discussant: Philippe Bacchetta (University of Lausanne, CEPR)

11:45–12:30

The nonbank sector, a macro perspective Mario Carceller (University of Lausanne)

12:30–14:00 *Lunch Break*

14:00–15:00 *Keynote speech by Associate Director General Carlos Thomas (Banco de España)*

15:00–15:15 *Coffee Break*

Chair : Dzhamilya Nigmatulina (University of Lausanne, CEPR)

15:15–16:00

Evaluating the EU Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism with a Quantitative Trade Model Noemi Walczak (IMT School for Advanced Studies Lucca)

Discussant: Claudia Gentile (University of Geneva)

16:00–16:45

Optimal Monetary Policy Subject to Sovereign Default Oskar Juul (Copenhagen Business School)

Discussant: Adrien Wicht (University of Basel)

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