



Bilkent University

Bilkent University Annual Summer Workshop in Economics Theme: Empirical Applications in Labor and Public Economics

16 June 2014

- 8:45-9:00 Welcome Reception
- 9:00-10:00 **Stephen Machin**, University College London
The Changing Returns to Crime: Criminal Responses to Changes in Prices
- 10:00-10:20 Coffee break
- 10:20-12.15 Session 1. Chair: **Stephen Machin**
Murat Kirdar, Middle East Technical University
Estimates of the Return to Schooling in a Developing Country:
Evidence from a Major Policy Reform in Turkey. (Discussant: Semih Tumen)
Asena Caner, TOBB-ETU University
The Causal Effects of Education on Happiness in Turkey (Discussant: Banu Demir)
Cagla Okten, Bilkent University
Cultural Norms and the Gender Gap in Education across Turkey (Discussant: Murat Kirdar)
- 12:15-13:40 Lunch
- 13:45-14:45 **H.S. Nielsen**, Aarhus University
Peer Effects in Math and Science
- 14:45-15:15 Coffee break
- 15:15-17:10 Session 2. Chair: **H.S. Nielsen**
Mehmet Soytas, Ozyegin University
What Accounts for the Racial Gap in Time Allocation and Intergenerational Transmission
of Human Capital? (Discussant: Ahmet Ali Taskin)
Orhan Erem Atesagaoglu, Suny Stony Brook
Technological Change, Wages and the Gender Unemployment Gap (Discussant: Gonul Sengul)
Semih Tumen, Central Bank of Turkey
Is Search Intensity Counter-cyclical? (Discussant: Mehmet Soytas)
- 19.00-21:00 Conference dinner at Trilye Restaurant. Bus departs from campus at 18.00

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Inference with Difference-in-Differences Revisited

10:00-10:20 Coffee break

10:20-12.15 Session 3. Chair: **Thomas Crossley**
Banu Demir, Bilkent University
Domestic Road Infrastructure and International Trade: Evidence from Turkey
(Discussant: Asena Caner)
Gonul Sengul, Central Bank of Turkey
To Work at Home or not to Work at Home: The Role of Rise in Services
(Discussant: Orhan Erem Atesagaoglu)
Ahmet Ali Taskin, Central Bank of Turkey
Sorted and Settled: Migration Decisions of Dual Income Families
(Discussant: Cagla Okten)

12:15-13:40 Lunch

14:00-16.00 Trip to Museum of Anatolian Civilizations and Old City

Practical Issues

1. All sessions will take place in Bilkent University, Faculty of Economics and Social Sciences (FEASS), room A130. Refreshments will be served outside of the conference room.
2. Invited speeches will be one hour long including a short (10 minutes) Q&A session.
3. In regular sessions, each presentation will take at most 30 minutes, followed by 5 minute discussion by a discussant. At the end of each regular session, there will be 10 minute Q&A session on the three papers presented in that session.
4. Participation in lunches and the workshop dinner is free for workshop speakers. Other participants are welcome to participate at their own expenses.
5. A service bus will be available to pick up workshop speakers from their lodging at 8:30 on both days of the workshop.
6. Coffee/tea and snacks will be served during welcome receptions and coffee breaks.
7. Registration is free but required. Slots will be allocated on first-registered first-served basis. Interested colleagues/students should send an e-mail to Ms. Nilgun Corapcioglu at nilgunc@bilkent.edu.tr to register. We have limited number of dormitory rooms for graduate students. Please mention in your registration e-mail whether you will need an accommodation or not.
8. For any other questions you have, you can contact Ms. Nilgun Corapcioglu (nilgunc@bilkent.edu.tr) or Dr. Cagla Okten (cokten@bilkent.edu.tr).