

## Vitezslav Titl (Resume)

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### FORMAL EDUCATION

**KU Leuven**, Belgium *2016 – 2020*

PhD Economics (Candidate; defence September 25th 2020)

- Supervised by Prof. Dr. Kristof De Witte and Prof. Dr. Benny Geys
- Dissertation Topic: “The Role of Political Connections in Public Procurement”
- Interests: political economy, public economics, public procurement markets
- Research visits: Bocconi University (Fall 2019) and Princeton University (Spring 2020)

**KU Leuven**, Belgium *2015 – 2016*

MSc in Advanced Studies in Economics (cum laude)

- Supervised by Prof. Dr. Kristof De Witte
  - Dissertation Topic: “Political donations and the allocation of public procurement contracts”

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**EconLab, z.s. (Charles University)**, Prague, Czech Republic *1/2015 – present*

Research Fellow

- Policy oriented research of political party funding and public procurement market
- Funded by the U.S. Embassy and the Open Society Fund; the research outcomes showcased in an online course (I taught one part of it) by Stanford University

**The European Parliament**, Brussels, Belgium *10/2016 – 02/2017*

Robert Schuman Stagiaire at the Directorate for Budgetary Affairs

**University of Siegen**, Siegen, Germany *08/2015 – 09/2016*

Research and teaching assistant at the Chair for European Economic Policy (Prof. Carsten Hefeker)

- TA for Courses: “Econometrics” and “Topics in Development Economics”

**The German Development Institute**, Bonn, Germany *08–10/2014*

Summer Research Assistant/Intern supervised by Dr. Christian von Haldenwang (full-time)

- Econometric analysis of taxation in developing and/or resource-rich countries

**National Economic Council of the Government of the Czech Republic**, Prague, Czech Republic *10–12/2010*

Research assistant in the competitiveness group

### PUBLICATIONS

Titl, V. and Geys, B. (2019). Political Donations and the Allocation of Public Procurement Contracts. *European Economic Review*. Volume 111, p. 443-458.

- BOOKS/CHAPTERS Titl, V., De Witte, K., Holz O. and M. Smet (2019). Financing Quality Education For All The Funding Methods of Compulsory and Special Needs Education. *Leuven University Press*. ISBN 978-94-627-0191-5, Leuven: Belgium.  
Titl, V., Palanský M. and J. Skuhrovec (2015). Analysis of Political Party Donations [in Czech]. In V. Simicek (Ed.), *Funding of Political Life* (pp. 155-174). *Masaryk University Press*. ISBN 978-80-210-7994-6, Brno: Czech Republic.
- WORKING PAPERS Titl, V. and K. De Witte (2020). The Cost of Favoritism in Public Procurement. *Discussion Paper Series FEB KU Leuven DPS20.07*.  
Titl, V. and K. De Witte (2020). How Politics Influence Public Good Provision. *R&R Socio-economic planning sciences*.  
Titl, V., De Witte, K. and Geys, B. (2019). Political donations, public procurement and government efficiency. *CESifo WP nr. 7591*.  
Titl, V., (2020). *Single Bidding in Public Procurement*. Mimeo.  
Baranek, B. and Titl, V., (2020). *The Costs of Favoritism in Public Procurement*. Mimeo (submitted).  
Titl, V., Mazrekaj, D. and Schiltz F. (2019). *Identifying Politically Connected Firms: A Machine Learning Approach*. Mimeo.
- IN PROGRESS Baranek, B., Musolff, L. and Titl, V. (2020). *E-Procurement and Collusion: Evidence from Ukraine*.  
Baranek, B., Baratuche, S., Sun, J. and Titl, V. (2020). *European Regional Policy and Public Procurement in Spain*.  
Soltés, M., Titl, V. and Asatryan, Z. (2020). *Nudging for Tax Compliance: Evidence from Czechia*.
- POLICY REPORTS Titl, V. and Geys, B. (2019). Donations to Political Parties and Procurement Contracts: Evidence from the Period 2007 – 2014. IDEA Policy Study 10/2019, CERGE-EI: Prague.  
Titl, V., De Witte, K., Holz, O. and Smet, M. (2018). Funding Formulas in Compulsory Education: Report on Secondary Education.  
Titl, V., De Witte, K., Holz, O., Smet, M. and van Assche, R. (2017). Funding Formulas in Compulsory Education: Report on Primary Education.  
Titl, V., De Witte, K., Holz, O., Smet, M. and van Assche, R. (2017). Funding Formulas in Compulsory Education: Report on Special Needs Education.  
1/2015 Analysis of Czech Political Party Donations (with Jiri Skuhrovec and Miroslav Palansky), Centre for Applied Economics at the Charles University in Prague mimeo.
- AWARDS Council for the Lindau Nobel Laureate Meetings – Selected to participate in the 7th Lindau Meeting on Economic Sciences, 2021.  
Finalist (1 out of 3) Ostrom Prize, Public Choice Society, 2020.  
Winner OECD Youth ResearchEdge Competition 2019.  
Runner-up, the Best Young Czech Economist of 2019 (awarded by the Czech Economic Society, with Bruno Baranek).  
3rd place the Wicksell Prize for the best paper at EPCS 2018.
- GRANTS **Career Integration Fellowship (2021-2023)**, CERGE Foundation, 2020 (24,000 USD)  
**Grant for a conference abroad (Lindau)**, Research Foundation – Flanders (FWO), 2020 (2,500 EUR)  
**Grant for a long stay abroad (at Princeton University)**, Research Foundation – Flanders (FWO), 2020 (circa 3,300 EUR)

**Travel Grant**, Public Choice Society, 2019 (500 USD)  
**The effect of donating firms to political parties on procurement contract allocations**, with Kristof De Witte and Benny Geys, Research Foundation – Flanders FWO, 2018 (circa 223,000 EUR)  
**The Design of School Funding Systems in Primary, Secondary and Special Needs Education for the German-speaking Community of Belgium** with Kristof De Witte, Mike Smet and Oliver Holz, 2017 (circa 81,000 EUR)

TEACHING                    **2017, 2018, 2019** – Public Finance (2 guest lectures each year), Vrije Universiteit Brussel  
**2016** – TA for Topics in Development Economics, University of Siegen  
**2015** – TA for Econometrics, University of Siegen

PRESENTATIONS           **Invited seminars/talks**

- **2020** – Princeton University, KU Leuven
- **2019** – Bocconi University, University of Barcelona, Hungarian Academy of Science, The Parliament of the German-speaking Community of Belgium
- **2018** – European Commission, ZEW Mannheim, Radboud University Nijmegen, Hungarian Academy of Sciences
- **2017** – University of Konstanz

**Conferences**

- **2020** – The 2020 Royal Economic Society Annual Conference (UK; cancelled), The Royal Economics Society Symposium of Junior Researchers 2020 (UK; cancelled), The 2020 Meeting of the EPCS (Switzerland; cancelled), Public Choice (CA; online presentation for the Ostrom prize panel)
- **2019** – Annual Congress of the European Economic Association (UK), Public Choice (KY), 18th Journées Louis-André Gérard-Varet (France), 2019 ZEW Public Finance Conference: The Political Economy of European (Dis)Integration (Germany), The 2019 Meeting of the EPCS (Israel), Global Anti-Corruption and Integrity Forum (France)
- **2018** – Annual Congress of the European Economic Association (Germany), 17th Journées Louis-André Gérard-Varet (France), Conference on Political Parties Funding, Faculty of Law (Czech Republic), The 2018 Meeting of the European Public Choice Society (Italy), Royal Economics Society Symposium of Junior Researchers (UK)
- **2017** – Annual Congress of the European Economic Association (Portugal), The 2017 Royal Economic Society Annual Conference (UK)
- **2015** – The 2015 Meeting of the European Public Choice Society (the Netherlands)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE           **Journal reviewer**

- American Political Science Review, Business & Politics, European Journal of Political Economy, International Transactions in Operational Research, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, Research & Politics, Sustainability

**Conference/Workshop organizer**

- Workshop on Empirical Public and Political Economics, KU Leuven, September 25, 2020.
- Internal seminar in public and education economics, KU Leuven, 2018–2020.

**Conference reviewer**

- Spring Meeting of Young Economists (SMYE 2020)

MEDIA COVERAGE        VoxEU.org, Česká televize (in Czech), Het Laatste Nieuws (in Dutch), De Morgen (in Dutch)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP European Economic Society, Royal Economic Society

STATISTICAL SOFTWARE STATA (advanced), Python (advanced), R (advanced), Latex (expert)

LANGUAGES Czech (native), English (proficient), German (limited working proficiency), Dutch (intermediate), French(beginner)

REFERENCES

**Francesco Decarolis**

- Associate Professor of Economics
- Bocconi University, Via Guglielmo Röntgen, 1, 20136 Milano MI, Italy
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