



Conference on *“Local Public Finance and Fiscal Federalism Around the World”*

Call for Papers

We invite submissions by economists, political scientists and legal scholars working on topics of fiscal federalism and local public finance in various countries around the world. The conference will take place on **July 07-08, 2025**, in Berlin.

The workshop will include a keynote lecture by:

- **Prof. David Agrawal (University of California, Irvine)**

Goal of the Conference

The aim of this conference is to bring together international scholars of all career stages working on topics of local public finance, fiscal federalism, interjurisdictional competition and cooperation and related topics. A major goal is to increase perspective by a broad international approach to local public finance. Both theory and empirical papers are welcome, as are researchers across a variety of fields. Potential topics might include, but are not limited to, tax competition and coordination, intergovernmental grants and transfer systems, interjurisdictional mobility, municipal mergers, education policy, zoning and regulations, bidding for firms, the effect of the digitalization, telework, and the pandemic on subnational governments, subnational business taxation, political economy, local austerity programs, and urban policy.

Location

The conference will take place **July 07-08, 2025** in the guesthouse of the Max Planck Society in Berlin: Harnack-Haus, Ihnestraße 16-20, 14195 **Berlin**.

Costs

Participation in the conference is free. The Max Planck Society will cover economy class travel as well as accommodation and meals during the conference.

Organizer

Georg Thuncke (Max Planck Institute for Tax Law and Public Finance) is the lead organizer and will be assisted by David Agrawal in selecting papers for the conference.

Important dates

Submission deadline: Please submit a complete paper or extended abstract along with the name of the presenting author by **April 15, 2025**, via email the conference [website](https://events.tax.mpg.de/event/10) (<https://events.tax.mpg.de/event/10>).