



CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

For the Max Planck Summer School on the
Political Economy of Conflict and Redistribution 2025

Taking place in Berlin, Germany, July 21 - 24, 2025

The Political Economy of Conflict and Redistribution (PoEcCon) Summer School 2025 is aimed at young researchers in the early stage of their careers as PhD students and Postdocs, notably in the fields of Economics and Political Science. The School provides research-oriented lectures by senior experts in the field of the Political Economy of Conflict and Redistribution.

Methodologically it will cover theory and experiments in the field and in the laboratory. In addition to these lectures, participants will have the opportunity to present and discuss their own research to the whole group. There will also be a panel discussion by the Summer School lecturers. Opportunities will also be available for work and discussion in informal groups that might lead to collaborative research efforts among the participants.

The working language of the Summer School is English.

Scientific Organizers:

Kai A. Konrad, Max Planck Institute for Tax Law and Public Finance and CEPR

Dan Kovenock, Economic Science Institute, Chapman University, USA

Dominic Rohner, Geneva Graduate Institute, University of Lausanne and CEPR

Among the Lecturers are:

- Kai A. Konrad, MPI for Tax Law and Public Finance
- Dan Kovenock, Chapman University
- Sara McLaughlin Mitchell, University of Iowa

Local organizer: Sandra Sundt-Johannesen, MPI for Tax Law and Public Finance

Location: The PolEcCon Summer School 2025 will take place at the historical → Harnack House of the → Max Planck Society in Berlin, Germany.

Dates: The Summer School runs from **July 21 – 24, 2025**. Participants are expected to stay for the full duration of the meeting.

Funding and Fees: The 2025 event is generously supported by the → Max Planck Institute for Tax Law and Public Finance. There is no participation fee for the Summer School. However, participants have to cover their own cost of travel and accommodation. Room capacity is reserved at the event location, but independent booking is also feasible. More information will be provided to the participants who are admitted.

Application: Your application file should include:

- A current Curriculum Vitae in pdf format
- A short outline of your research interests and why they might fit with the topic of the Summer School
- Optional - a research paper you might want to present/discuss at the meeting
- Optional - letter(s) of recommendation

To submit your application for the PolEcCon Summer School please go to <https://events.tax.mpg.de/event/9/> Submissions are open from **December 15, 2024** until **March 31, 2025**.

Tentative Timeline: Applicants will be notified about the admission decision by April 20, 2025. Admitted students will be asked to inform the organizers whether they would like to present a paper or a research draft. We plan to announce the program for the Summer School in early July 2025 and will also update the conference homepage continuously.

Questions: If you have questions regarding admissions or any other academic matters, please contact kai.konrad@tax.mpg.de with “PolEcCon2025” in the subject line. If you have questions about lodging, travel arrangements or other logistic matters, please contact sandra.sundt-johannesen@tax.mpg.de with “PolEcCon2025” in the subject line.