

FRIBIS Summer School

Microsimulation and Social Welfare Maximization

Provisional programme

The lectures will be (mainly) based on:

Ugo Colombino & Nizamul Islam (2022), The “Robot Economy” and optimal tax-transfer reforms. There is an IZA discussion paper with the same title, but the attached version offers a more recent and substantial revision.

18 July, 2023

Overall presentation of the paper: main assumptions, methods and results.

19 and 20 July, 2023

More detailed analysis of various topics:

- approaches to empirical optimal taxation
- microsimulation under market equilibrium
- welfare evaluation
- and/or other topics suggested by the students.
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The participants are free to devote the afternoon and/or “evening” session on 18 July to reading, or re-reading, the paper in order to identify topics that they would like to be further explained, or developed, during the lectures on 19 and 20 July and/or in the respective “evening” sessions.