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**Special Session on
“News and Fiscal Policy”**



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Changes in the behaviour of fiscal and monetary policy influence beliefs about the way debt will be stabilized. Time consistent policies that are bound by rules are just one of the possible regimes. There have been large shifts in the policy mix in economic history. Exiting from current strategies might be complicated and not time-consistent anymore. If policies become locked in, and economic agents start to believe future changes are unlikely, the effects of fiscal and monetary policy may change. There are substantial economic, political and financial risks that put pressures on the continued support for a fiscal and monetary regime. Governments and central banks may be forced to adopt policies on-the-going with no option to reset those options later on. Forecasts by agents may help to learn something on the shifts of beliefs in one policy regime or the other over time.

Keywords: fiscal policy, forecasting, news, credibility, announcement.

JEL Codes: E60, H62, G52.

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Paper Submission Procedure

Full papers may be submitted, **as doc-files or pdf-files**, to the special session organizer, **Peter CLAEYS** (peter.claeys@vub.ac.be) and to the local organizers of the INFER Conference (infer@u-bordeaux.fr) by February 19th 2017. Please indicate that your submission is for the *Special Session on “News and Fiscal Policy”*.

Papers must be in English and must include a cover page with the following information:

- An abstract of up to 500 words, with JEL classification and no more than 5 keywords
- Authors' full name and affiliation
- Contact details for corresponding author, such as address, phone and e-mail

All submitted papers will be peer reviewed according to a high-quality and fast referee process. Authors will be notified whether their paper is accepted for presentation at the special session not later than April 2, 2017.

Special session presenters are expected to discuss one other paper during the session. The discussant assignments will be made by the special session organizer(s) at a later date.

Important dates

- Deadline for paper submission: **February 19, 2017**
- Deadline for notification of paper acceptance: **April 2, 2017**
- Deadline for early registration and payment: **May 2, 2017**
- Deadline for late registration and payment: **May 25, 2017**