From the Director

Dear friends and colleagues

Spring is finally here, and this month TTPI also looks forward to hosting many events. I am also very pleased to say our Working Paper series has now started, see some details below.

If you are in Canberra tomorrow, the next Australia-Japan Research Centre Brown Bag Seminar this Friday 4 September 2015, 12pm in Seminar Room 9, Crawford School looks fascinating. Professor Kazuki Onji from Osaka University will be presenting evidence of corporate tax avoidance in Japan, in mergers and takeovers. Please register your attendance to kaisei.iwano@anu.edu.au.

Our GST conference, The Future of Australia’s GST: good design for the real world, is set for Wednesday 16 September 2015, 8.30 - 5.15pm. This promises to be an extremely topical debate with a very interesting line up of speakers with law design, policy, economic, private sector and administrative experience. There will be a book launch in the lunch break, author is Dr Kathryn James. Details and event registration is available here.

TTPI is pleased to co-sponsor the forthcoming international conference on Welfare Reform and a public lecture by Professor Peter Dwyer, one of the leading thinkers on welfare conditionality in the UK, 17-18 Sep 2015, at ANU. A program and further details on registration are available here.

Our TTPI Working Paper series is now live on our website, and we encourage tax, transfer and public finance scholars from around the country to propose a paper for the series, which will have a presence on SSRN. The first four papers are on our website here.

Stewart M, The tax state, benefit and legitimacy WP1 /2015
Gillitzer C, Do output contractions cause investment in fiscal capacity? WP2 /2015
Gong X, Nonparametric kernel estimation of the impact of tax policy on the demand for private health insurance in Australia WP3 /2015
Ingles D, Should capital income be taxed? And if so how? WP4 /2015

Roads, cars and taxes

Professor Clifford Winston, leading public economist will be presenting on congestion and charging on Wednesday 9 September 2015, 3.30-5.30pm at Crawford School. Australian panellists are Dr Mark Harrison, ANU and Dr Elizabeth Taylor, RMIT. This event is jointly hosted by TTPI and the Centre for Applied Macroeconomic Analysis (CAMA). Further details and event registration is available here.

TTPI Seminar Series

Our next seminar will be held on Thursday 24 September 2015, 12.30-2.00pm, The impact of paid parental leave on labour supply and employment outcomes, presented by Professor Guyonne Kalb, University of Melbourne. Further details and registration are available on our website here.
As always, please circulate this information and newsletter widely to people who you think may be interested.

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