

Urban Economics PhD Workshop

2 June 2025

The Workshop will take place at the Aalto University Undergraduate Centre (Otakaari 1, 02150 Espoo). Presentations will be in room **M240**.

Short presentations will be 20 minutes long and long presentations will be 30 minutes long. Both types of presentations will be followed by 5 minutes of comments from the discussant and 5 minutes for questions and discussion from the audience.

9:30	Erkka Silvennoinen: "Effectiveness of First-Time Homebuyer Subsidies: Evidence from Finland" Discussant: Oskari Harjunen (Aalto)
10:15	Max Toikka: "Residential Choices in Response to Housing Benefits: Evidence from the Finnish Student Housing Allowance Reform" Discussant: Amanda Ang (Aalto)
11:00	Touko Väänänen: "Metro Investment and Car Use" Discussant: Prottoy Akbar (Aalto)
11:45	Lunch
13:00	Marika Ventovuori: "The effect of housing wealth shock on household mobility, labor market decisions and life events: evidence from land rent increases in Helsinki" Discussant: Pablo Warnes (Aalto)
13:45	Marko Ikävalko: "Remotely Possible: Work from Home and Commuting Distances" Discussant: Cristina Bratu (VATT)
14:30	Break
14:45	Matias Kokoi: "The impact of internal migration on couples' labor market outcomes: Evidence from Finland" Discussant: Jeremias Nieminen (LABORE / Turku)
15:30	Babak Firoozi Fooladi: "The effect of municipal financial incentives on the speed of housing development" Discussant: Tuukka Saarimaa (Aalto)