



Conference Political Economy of Populism

27-28 September, 2023

Hosted by: Wheeler Institute for Business and Development, London Business School

Wednesday, 27th September

9am-10am	Morning Keynote Dani Rodrik
10am-10.30am	Coffee break
10.30am-12pm	Drivers of populism Hillel Rapoport. <i>Populism and the Skill-Content of Globalization.</i> Stephane Wolton. <i>The structural transformation of the public sphere: High Street change and populism.</i>
12pm-1pm	Lunch
1pm – 2.30pm	Drivers of populism Nikita Melnikov. <i>Mobile Internet and Political Polarization.</i> Giacomo Ponzetto. <i>Do Incompetent Politicians Breed Populist Voters? Evidence From Italian Municipalities.</i>
2.30pm-3pm	Coffee break
3pm-4.30pm	Immigration and populism Lavinia Piemontese. <i>Populism and Proximity to Immigrants and Refugees: Evidence from Individual-level Voting Behaviour.</i> Eugenio Levi. <i>Narratives on migration and political polarization: how the emphasis in narratives can drive us apart</i>
4.30pm-5pm	Coffee break
5pm-5:30pm	Check-in and refreshments
5:30pm-7pm	Evening Policy Panel (Open to the public) – Populism: Then and Now A conversation with Sergei Guriev and Andrés Velasco

Location: Sammy Ofer Centre, London Business School ([Register for in-person event](#)) or virtual via Zoom ([Register for zoom](#))



Thursday, 28th September

9am-10am

Morning Keynote

Tim Besley

10am-10.30am

Coffee break

10.30am-12.45pm

Implications of populism and backlash

Selva Demiralp. *Do Financial Markets Respond to Populist Rhetoric?*

Massimo Pulejo. *Pro-Social Backlash: The Effect of Far-Right Success on Voluntary Welfare Provision*

Cecilia Testa. *Black Empowerment and White Mobilization: The Effects of the Voting Rights Act.*

12.45pm-1.45pm

Lunch

1.45pm – 4pm

Learning by voters

Mario Carillo. *Populism and Complexity.*

Gilat Levy. *The Dynamics of Cohort Effects in Politics.*

Pamela Campa. *Facing the Hard Truth: Evidence from Climate Change Ignorance.*

4pm-4.30pm

Coffee break