

JOHANNES SPINNEWIJN

January 2025

London School of Economics
Department of Economics & STICERD
Houghton Street
London WC2A 2AE

Phone: +44 (0)20 7955 7022
Fax: +44 (0)20 7955 6951
Email: j.spinnewijn@lse.ac.uk
<http://personal.lse.ac.uk/spinnewi/>

APPOINTMENTS

2009 –	London School of Economics and Political Science
2021 –	Professor in Economics
2017 – 2021	Associate Professor in Economics
2014 – 2017	Tenured Lecturer in Economics
2009 – 2014	Lecturer in Economics
2025 Spring	Wesley Clair Mitchell Visiting Professor at Columbia University
2018 – 2019	Visiting Scholar at UC Berkeley
2016 Spring	Visiting Scholar at MIT
2014 –	Visiting Scholar at KULeuven
2009 – 2014	Visiting Scholar at Ecares, ULB

EDUCATION

2009	Massachusetts Institute of Technology - Ph.D. in Economics
2004	Universite Libre de Bruxelles - M.A. in Economics
2003	Katholieke Universiteit Leuven - B.A. in Economics

OTHER APPOINTMENTS & AFFILIATIONS

- Director – *CEPR, Public Economics Program*
- Co-Director – *STICERD and III, Public Economics Program*
- Research Fellow – *Centre for Economic Performance*
- Research Fellow – *Institute for Fiscal Studies*
- Associate Editor – *American Economic Review* (2021 -)
- Associate Editor – *Review of Economic Studies* (2018 -)
- Associate Editor – *Fiscal Studies* (2014 -)
- Associate Editor – *International Tax and Public Finance* (2016 -)
- Co-Editor – *Journal of Public Economics* (2016-23)
- Panel Member – *Economic Policy* (2011-13)

PRIZES, GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

- Award Swedish Unemployment Insurance Fund's Research Council (2021)
- ERC Starting Grant – HeteroPolis - (€1.5 mio, 2017-2022)
- Excellence in Refereeing – *Economic Journal* (2020), *American Economic Review* (2018), *Review of Economic Studies* (2014)
- Wiley Prize, British Academy (2015)

- FORTE (Swedish Research Council) Grant (2015)
- STICERD Grant (2015)
- NBER Grant; Unemployment and Consumption (2014)
- Austin Robinson Memorial Prize (2013)
- ESRC Grant, Public Finance and Development (£200K, 2012-14)
- Distinguished CESifo Affiliate Award (2010)
- W.E. Upjohn Institute Dissertation Award (2009)
- BAEF Fellow; Francqui Fellow; MIT Robert M. Solow Fellowship (2004-2006)

KEYNOTES & LECTURES

- International Institute of Public Finance – Annual Congress, Utah 2023
- Lowlands Health Economists, Rotterdam 2023
- Belgian Economists Christmas Meeting, Brussels 2022
- NBER - Behavioral Public Economics, Cambridge 2022
- CESifo - Public Economics Workshop, Munich 2020
- Dutch Royal Society of Economics - Annual Workshop, Den Haag 2020
- Bank of Italy - Labour Market Workshop, Rome 2019
- University of Copenhagen - Public Economics Workshop, Copenhagen 2013

WORKING PAPERS

1. "The Chronic Disease Index: Analyzing Health Inequalities Over the Lifecycle" (with Kaveh Danesh, Jon Kolstad and Will Parker) – December 2024
2. "The Nature of Long-Term Unemployment: Predictability, Heterogeneity and Selection" (with Andreas Mueller) – forthcoming in the *Journal of Political Economy*

PUBLISHED PAPERS

3. "The Socio-Economic Distribution of Choice Quality: Evidence from Health Insurance in the Netherlands" (with Ben Handel, Jonathan Kolstad and Thomas Minten) – *American Economic Review: Insights* 6 (3), 395-412. September 2024.
4. "Retirement Consumption and Pension Design" (with Jonas Kolsrud, Camille Landais and Daniel Reck) – *American Economic Review* 14 (1), 89-133. January 2024.
5. "The Value of Unemployment Insurance" (with Camille Landais) – *Review of Economic Studies* 88 (6), 3041-3085, November 2021.
6. "The Income Gradient in Mortality during the Covid-19 Crisis: Evidence from Belgium" (with Andre Decoster and Thomas Minten) – *Journal of Economic Inequality* – Special Issue on COVID-19 - 3, 551-570, September 2021.
7. "How to Improve Tax Compliance? Evidence from Population-wide Experiments in Belgium" (with Jan-Emmanuel De Neve, Clement Imbert, Teodora Tsankova and Maarten Luts) – *Journal of Political Economy* 129 (5), 1425-1463, May 2021.

8. "Risk-based Selection in Unemployment Insurance: Evidence and Implications" (with Camille Landais, Arash Nekoei, Peter Nilsson and David Seim) – *American Economic Review* 111 (4), 1315-1355, April 2021.
9. "Inferring Risk Perceptions and Preferences using only Choice from Insurance Menus: Theory and Evidence" (with Keith Ericson, Philipp Kircher and Amanda Starc) – *Economic Journal* 131 (634) – featured article, 713-744, February 2021.
10. "Job Seekers' Perceptions and Employment Prospects: Heterogeneity, Duration Dependence and Bias" (with Andreas Mueller and Giorgio Topa) – *American Economic Review* 111 (1), 324-364. January 2021.
11. "The Value of Registry Data for Consumption Analysis: An Application to Health Shocks" (with Jonas Kolsrud and Camille Landais) – *Journal of Public Economics* 189, 1040-1088. September 2020.
12. "Information Frictions and Adverse Selection: Analyzing Policy Interventions in Insurance Markets" (with Ben Handel and Jon Kolstad) – *Review of Economics and Statistics* 101(2), 326-340. May 2019.
13. "The Optimal Timing of Unemployment Benefits: Theory and Evidence from Sweden" (with Jonas Kolsrud, Camille Landais and Peter Nilsson) – *American Economic Review* 108(4-5), 985-1033. April 2018.
14. "Heterogeneity, Demand for Insurance and Adverse Selection" – *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy* 9(1), 308-343. February 2017.
15. "Rewarding schooling Success and Perceived Returns to Education: Evidence from India" (with Sandra Sequeira and Guo Xu) – *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization* 131, 373-392. November 2016.
16. "Production vs. Revenue Efficiency with Limited Tax Capacity: Theory and Evidence from Pakistan" (with Michael Best, Anne Brockmeyer, Henrik Kleven and Mazhar Waseem,) – *Journal of Political Economy* 123(6), 1311-1355. December 2015.
17. "Revising Claims and Resisting Ultimatums in Bargaining Games" (with Frans Spinnewyn) – *Review of Economics Design* 19(2), 91-116. June 2015.
18. "Unemployed but Optimistic: Optimal Insurance Design with Biased Beliefs" – *Journal of European Economic Association* 13(1), 130-167. February 2015.
19. "Delay and Deadlines: Freeriding and Information Revelation in Partnerships" (with Arthur Campbell and Florian Ederer) – *American Economic Journal: Microeconomics* 6(2), 163-204. May 2014.
20. "Insurance and Perceptions: How to Screen Optimists and Pessimists" – *Economic Journal* 123, 606-633. June 2013.
21. "Training and Search during Unemployment" – *Journal of Public Economics*, 99, 49-65. March 2013.

22. "Capital Income Taxes with Heterogeneous Discount Rates" (with Peter Diamond) – *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, 3(4), November 2011.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

23. "From Pension Reforms to Welfare: A Unifying Framework" (with Camille Landais) in *Rethinking Pension Reform*, in Giupponi and Seibold (Eds), CEPR eBook, chapter 5. November 2024.
24. "From Evidence to Pension Policy: What have we Learned?" (with Camille Landais) in *Rethinking Pension Reform*, in Giupponi and Seibold (Eds), CEPR eBook, chapter 9. November 2024.
25. "Risk Scores for Long-Term Unemployment and the Assignment to Job Search Counseling" (with Sebastian Ernst and Andreas Mueller) – *AEA Papers & Proceedings* 114, 572–76. May 2024.
26. "The Value and Limits of Unemployment Insurance" (with Jonas Kolsrud) – *LSE Public Policy Review* 3(2), 1-8. March 2024.
27. "Expectations data, labor market and job search" (with Andreas Mueller) – in the *Handbook of Economic Expectations*, in Bachman et al. (Eds.), Elsevier, vol. 1, chapter 22, November 2022.
28. "A Pigouvian Approach to Social Insurance Design" (with Nathan Hendren and Camille Landais) - *Annual Review of Economics* 13, 457-486, May 2021.
29. "The Trade-off between Insurance and Incentives in the Design of Differentiated Unemployment Policies" – *Fiscal Studies, Special Issue: 50th anniversary of IFS* 41(1), 101-127. May 2020.
30. "Solutions Manual to Accompany Contract Theory" (with Arthur Campbell, Moshe Cohen, and Florian Ederer) – *MIT Press*, September 2007.

WORK IN PROGRESS

31. "Socioeconomic Differences in Cancer Incidence, Stage, and Survival in the Netherlands, 2011-2017: an Observational Study" (with Kaveh Danesh, Jon Kolstad, Will Parker and Mieke Aarts)
32. "Private Health Insurance under Universal Coverage: Balancing Efficiency and Equity" (with Arizo Karimi, Marten Palme, David Seim and Jens Wikström)
33. "The Social Determinants of Mental Health" (with Jon Kolstad, Canishk Naik and Will Parker)

34. "Peer Effects and Social Inequality: Evidence from Health Insurance in the Netherlands" (with Chloé de Meulenaer, Ben Handel and Jon Kolstad)
35. "Treatment Heterogeneity and Targeting of Unemployment Policies" (with Sebastian Ernst and Andreas Mueller)

INVITED AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2025	<i>Scheduled:</i> Whistler Health Conference, Harvard Opportunity Insights, Columbia, Princeton, Yale, NYU, UVA, UPenn, Northwestern, Chicago Harris
2024	NBER Summer Institute, Bocconi, Bologna, EIEF, NHH Bergen, Tinbergen Institute Amsterdam, LSE Health Policy, INSEAD
2023	University of Oslo, BI Norwegian Business school, Bank of Spain, JRC Sevilla, Central Planning Bureau - Netherlands
2022	Manchester, Princeton, IFS-LSE-UCL, IIES, Uppsala, Sciences Po
2021	AEA, UPenn, UPompeu Fabra, MIT/Harvard health, Stanford, NYU, Bonn, Gothenburg, Mannheim, CEPR Bocconi, Sciensano, Imperial College
2020	Edinburgh, Rotterdam, NYU Sloan-Nomis, IFS, UC Berkeley health, Virginia, Wisconsin
2019	ASU, UC Santa Barbara, Harvard, UC San Diego, UCLA, IFS-UCL conference, Bank of Italy, Cambridge
2018	TSE, Oxford, Cambridge, London-Paris PE conference, Berkeley, San Luis Obispo, Stanford, Davis, OPR Michigan
2017	IFS-UCL conference, Tinbergen Amsterdam, ETH Zurich, CEPR Public Policy, Chicago Econ, Chicago Harris Wharton
2016	Science Po, Oxford, Sussex, Harvard, MIT, Columbia, Boston University, Duke, KULeuven, LMU, Ecole Polytechnique, UCL, CEPR Public Policy, Einaudi, Bonn
2015	Helsinki, NBER Public Finance, SED Warsaw, KULeuven, EEA Mannheim, Yale, IIES, Bristol
2014	Sveriges Riksbank, St Louis Brussels, CSB University of Antwerp, CEPR Public Policy, CESifo
2013	AEA San Diego, Copenhagen University, Edinburgh University, CEU Budapest, University of Michigan, Stanford University, Bergen University, Oxford University, London Business School, PEUK conference, IGC growth week, ETH Zurich
2012	NBER Summer Institute, CPER Public Policy, IFS-STICERD, CREST, DIW Berlin, Southampton University, Max Planck Institute Bonn
2011	CORE Louvain, Rotterdam University, LSE, Essex University, HEC Lausanne, Zurich University, Uppsala University, Warwick University, CESifo
2010	ASSA Atlanta, Paris School of Economics, UC Berkeley, UC Davis, Universiteit Antwerpen, ULB Ecares, Tel Aviv University, Hebrew University, CESifo, Munich University, IIES Stockholm University, Pompeu Fabra, Munich University, IRES Louvain
2009	Paris School of Economics, CES KULeuven, Oxford University, SITE Economics and Psychology, CEPR Public Policy, Max Planck Institute, Harvard University, NBER Public Finance, Tinbergen Institute, Maastricht

2008

University, UCLouvain, INSEAD, London School of Economics, University College London, Chicago Booth, Harvard Kennedy School, UPenn Wharton, Stanford University, EEA-ESEM Barcelona
Tilburg University, Toulouse School of Economics, EEA-ESEM Milan

CONFERENCE ORGANISATION

- Program Committee, 2025 Econometric Society World Congress, Seoul
- Co-organizer, 2024 CEPR Winter Week, Paris
- Co-organizer, 2024 CEPR Public Economics Symposium, Iseg-Nova, Lisbon
- Co-organizer, 2023 CEPR Winter Week / London-Paris Public Economics, Paris
- Co-organizer, 2023 CEPR Public Economics Symposium, LSE, London
- Program Committee 2021 Summer Meeting European Economic Association, Online
- Co-organizer, 2020 CEPR Conference on “New Consumption Data”, Copenhagen
- Program Committee 2020 Summer Meeting European Economic Association, Rotterdam
- Co-organizer, 2019 London-Paris Public Economics Conference, PSE, Paris
- Co-organizer, 2018 London-Paris Public Economics Conferences, IFS, London
- Co-organizer, 2018 NBER Tapes – Trans-Atlantic Public Economics Seminar, London
- Program Committee, 2017 International Institute for Public Finance Annual Conference, Tokyo
- Co-organizer, 2016 CEPR Conference on “New Perspectives on Consumption Measures”, London School of Economics
- Co-Chair, 2015 Royal Economic Society Conference, Manchester
- Program Committee, 2015 European Winter Meeting of the Econometric Society, Milan
- Program Committee, 2015 Econometric Society World Congress, Montreal
- Program Committee, 2014 European Winter Meeting of the Econometric Society, Madrid

REFeree ACTIVITY

American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics, American Economic Journal: Microeconomics, American Economic Review, Econometrica, Economic Journal, Fiscal Studies, Games and Economic Behavior, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of European Economic Association, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Public Economic Theory, Journal of Risk and Insurance, Labour Economics, Management Science, Quantitative Economics, Review of Economic Design, Review of Economics and Statistics, Review of Economic Studies, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Quarterly Journal of Economics

TEACHING (Current and Past)

PhD Public Economics (ec534, 14.472 at MIT), MSc Public Economics (ec426), MPA Public Economics (ec410), Contract Economics (ec301), LSE Summer School – Principles in Microeconomics (ec101)

PHD ADVISING

Mohammed Vesal (Sharif University), Michael Best (Columbia), Mazhar Waseem (Manchester University), Erika Deserranno (Northwestern, Kellogg), Luis Martinez (Chicago, Harris), Albert Brue-Perez (private sector) , Panos Mavrokonstantis (INSEAD, post-doc), Andres Barrios-Fernandez (VATT, post-doc; MIT, post-doc; Los Andes, Santiago), Dita Eckardt (Warwick University), Thomas Minten (MD KULeuven), Kilian Russ (McKinsey), Jack Fisher (HBS, post-doc; University of Virginia), Maria Ventura (Edinburgh). *In progress*: Andres Fajardo-Ramirez, Will Parker, Canishk Naik, Chloe De Meulenaer, Sebastian Ernst, Tatiana Pazem