This block course includes lecture and class and is taught on graduate level aiming at Master and PhD students. We offer the course at the Department of Economics at LMU Munich. It qualifies students for 6 ECTS or a doctoral course certificate respectively and can be converted into 2 CES-Lecture series.

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**Class:** Tim Stolper, M.Sc.

**Language:** English  
**Course assessment:** exam (120 min.)

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**CONTENT**

The strengthened internationalization of modern economies constitutes a new framework to public spending and revenue policies, creating new challenges for policy makers. This course analyses the incentives for and effects of state actions in an international setting. Topics include, among others, the theory of tariffs, strategic trade policy, tax competition, and further cooperative and non-cooperative interactions between countries that affect public finances.

**OUTLINE (PRELIMINARY)**

1. **Theory of tariffs**  
   a. Incidence of import tariffs and other trade instruments  
   b. Optimal tariffs  
   c. Tariff war  
   d. Strategic trade policy

2. **International public goods**  
   a. Non-cooperative provision of public goods in the field of international climate policy and the European debt crisis

3. **Tax competition**  
   a. Tax competition between welfare states  
   b. Tax competition and political economy
Max Planck Institute
for Tax Law and Public Finance

READING LIST (PRELIMINARY)


Further readings will be announced during the course.

LOCATION

LMU Munich, Ludwigstr. 28 (Rgb.), room 024

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