

# BEAMM.CONF26

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CAPE is delighted to invite you to the Beamm.conf26, our annual conference on public finance and public policy evaluation.

Beamm.conf26 brings together researchers, policymakers and civil society to discuss Belgian and international fiscal and social policy issues. It reflects the Beamm spirit: a friendly and collaborative atmosphere, academic rigor, strong roots in Brussels and a commitment to societal impact.

## PROGRAM

### REGISTRATION :

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- 8h30 - 9h00** Welcome and coffee
- 9h00 - 9h40** **Cathal O'Donoghue** (University of Galway) - «Integrating Environmental and Social Protection Policy to Deliver Fair Decarbonisation»
- 9h40 - 10h20** **Gilles Grandjean** (CAPE - UCLouvain Saint-Louis) - «Incorporating the Preboud Effect in Housing Energy Retrofit: Distributional Results for Belgium»
- 10h20 - 10h50** Coffee break
- 10h50 - 11h30** **Tom Truyts** (CAPE - UCLouvain Saint-Louis) - «The Beamm policy evaluation platform: present and future»
- 11h30 - 12h10** **Antoine Soetewey** (CAPE - UCLouvain Saint-Louis) - «Common data for a shared reality - Information extraction from data with statistically enhanced LLMs»
- 12h10 - 12h20** Announcement posters
- 12h20 - 13h30** Gourmet lunch & poster presentations
- 13h30 - 14h10** **Simon Watteyne** (Université Libre de Bruxelles) - «The role of banks in public finance. How American and British bankers intervened in the Belgian debt and monetary crisis of the 1920s.»
- 14h10 - 14h50** **Koen Declercq** (CAPE - UCLouvain Saint-Louis) - «Declining unemployment benefits for low-income household heads with family responsibilities: Impact on job finding»
- 14h50 - 15h30** **Matteo Richiardi** (ISER - University of Essex) - «Demand and Supply of Care Over the Life Course»
- 15h30 - 16h00** Coffee break
- 16h00 - 16h40** **Karina Doorley** (Trinity College Dublin) - «Artificial Intelligence and Income Inequality. Evidence from Ireland.»
- 16h40 - 17h20** **Paula Gobbi** (Université Libre de Bruxelles) - «Housing inequality in Belgium: Novel estimates and a policy application.»
- 17h20 - 19h00** After work drinks, Brussels delicacies & poster session



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Call for contribution - poster session : We welcome poster presentations by early career stage researchers.  
An extended abstract should be sent to [cape-saintlouis@uclouvain.be](mailto:cape-saintlouis@uclouvain.be) before June 1<sup>st</sup>.