

## Curriculum Vitae.

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### **Fields of Interest:**

Political Economics, Voting Theory, Economic Reforms, Information management.

### **Education**

- 1993-1998: Ph.D. at the Université Libre de Bruxelles (ULB), Supervisor: G. Roland. Thesis title: "Essays on Strategic Voting and on the Speed of Restructuring". Received: "*La Plus Grande Distinction*"
- 1992-1993: Master in Econometrics (ULB). Received: "*La Plus Grande Distinction*". Thesis on "*Vitesse optimale de transition dans les pays de l'Est: une analyse en équilibre général*". Supervisors: Professors G. Roland and J. Waelbroeck
- 1988-1992: Undergraduate studies (ULB). Received: "*La Plus Grande Distinction*". Thesis on "*Transfert de technologie et développement: l'apport de la théorie de la croissance endogène*". Supervisor: Pr. J. Waelbroeck

### **Current and past positions**

- Oct-2003 to date: FNRS *Chercheur Qualifié* at ECARES, ULB (Permanent Position), and Professor of Economics at ULB.
- Oct-2000 to Sept-2003: FNRS *Chargé de Recherche* at ECARES, ULB.
- Sept-1999 to Sept-2000: Research fellow at ECARES, ULB.
- Sept-1997 to Aug-1999: Marie Curie Research Fellow at IGIER (Bocconi, Milan, Italy).
- Oct-1992 to Aug-1997: Research and Teaching Assistant at ULB

### **Publications in International Refereed Journals**

Castanheira, Micael, Benoît Crutzen and Nicolas Sahuguet (forthcoming 2010) "Party Organization and Electoral Competition", *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization*, Vol 26(1)

Castanheira, Micael, Benoît Crutzen and Nicolas Sahuguet (2010). "The impact of party organization on electoral outcomes" (accepted subject to minor revisions: *Revue Economique*)

Castanheira, Micael and Juan Carrillo (2008). "Information and Strategic Political Polarization", *Economic Journal*, Vol. 118, Issue 530, pp845-874 (lead article)

Castanheira, Micael (2003). "Why Vote for Losers?", *Journal of the European Economic Association*, Vol. 1, Issue 5, pp1207-1238

Castanheira, Micael (2003). "Public Finance and the Optimal Speed of Transition", *Economics of Transition*, Vol. 11, No3, pp435-462

Castanheira, Micael (2003). "Victory Margins and the Paradox of Voting", *European Journal of Political Economy*, Vol. 19, Issue 4, pp817-841

Castanheira, Micael (2000). "The Optimal Speed of Transition: A General Equilibrium Analysis", *International Economic Review*, Vol.41, No1, pp219-239, joint with Gérard Roland.

## Other Publications

Castanheira, M., Nicodème, G. and Profeta, P. (2010). “On the political economics of taxation”, in Padovano, F. and Petretto, A. (eds), *Public Choice and Political Economy*, Pavia: Franco Angeli, forthcoming

Aragonés, Enriqueta and Micael Castanheira (2010) “Approval Voting”, *New Palgrave Dictionary of Economics*

Bouton, Laurent and Micael Castanheira (2009). “The Condorcet-Duverger Trade-Off: swing voters and voting equilibria”, in Aragonés, E., C. Beviá, H. Llavador and N. Schofield, Eds., *The Political Economy of Democracy*, Fundacion BBVA, pp121-142

« Réformes et Mondialisation : Exploiter la Diversité » (2008), in Weyemberg and Magnette editors : L'Union européenne : la fin d'une crise ?, Editions de l'Université libre de Bruxelles, pp115-131

« Les méthodes de la réforme : une approche politico-économique » (2007), in Nos Régions d'Europe, Charleroi: CIFOP Editions, pp449-466

Co-editor of Réalités et Illusions: réformer sans tabou (2007) with Jean Hindriks, Special issue of *Reflets et perspectives de la vie économique*, De Boeck Editor, 212 pages

“Les positions politiques des partis belges” (2007), with Abdul Noury, *Reflets et perspectives de la vie économique*, XLVI, n°1, pp15-29, De Boeck Editor

Co-editor of Reforms without Prejudice (2006), with T. Boeri, R. Faini, and V. Galasso, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 322 pages

“How to gain political support for reforms?” (2006), joint with S. Carcillo, V. Galasso, G. Nicoletti, E. Perotti, and L. Tsyganok, in Boeri, Castanheira, Faini, and Galasso (editors), Reforms without Prejudice. Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp141-262

“Economie Politique de la Taxation” (2006), joint with Christian Valenduc. *Reflets et Perspectives de la Vie Economique*. Tome XLV, n°3. pp19-37

“Regions in Europe: Sisyphus or Phoenix?” (2004), in Magnette, P., et Remacle, E. (eds.) La Grande Europe, pp167-184 (joint with Georges Siotis)

“Political Economy of Growth: Lessons Learned and Challenges Ahead” (2003), in McMahon, G., and L. Squire (eds) Explaining Growth: A Global Research Project, Palgrave (joint with Hadi Esfahani). pp159-212

Workbook to accompany ‘Political Economics: Explaining Economic Policy’ (2000), MIT Press (joint with Isabelle Brocas, Ronny Razin, and David Strömberg). 240 pages.

“La politique de l’union européenne en faveur des régions moins favorisées: théorie et pratique” (2000), in Magnette, P., et Remacle, E. (eds.) Le nouveau modèle européen. Les politiques internes et externes, joint with Georges Siotis, pp47-62.

“Le phénomène de convergence et l’effort de solidarité européen” (1994), 11è congrès des Economistes Belges de Langue Française, with Georges Siotis. 27 pages.

## Discussion Papers and Mimeos

Bouton, Laurent and Micael Castanheira (2010). “One Person, Many Votes: Divided Majority and Information Aggregation” (a previous version appeared in 2008 as CEPR DP 6695)

Castanheira, Micael and Benoît Crutzen (2009). “Districts, Party Discipline, and Polarization”

Castanheira, Micael, Gaëtan Nicodème, Paola Profeta and Viktor Trasberg (2009). “A Political Economics Approach to Tax reforms”

Castanheira, Micael, Benoît Crutzen and Nicolas Sahuguet (2009). “The impact of party organization on electoral outcomes”

Castanheira, Micael, Benoît Crutzen and Nicolas Sahuguet “Party Governance and Political

Competition with an Application to the American Direct Primary” (2005), CEPR DP 4890 (title of new version: Party Organization and Electoral Competition)

Castanheira, Micael and Mikko Leppämäki (2005) “Technological Progress and Organizational Change”

Castanheira, Micael and Mikko Leppämäki (2003) “Communication and Information Management: Organizations and Markets”, CEPR DP 4072

Castanheira, Micael and Armel Jacques (2002) “Consumers Prefer Flexible Firms. A Note on ‘Strategic Choice of Flexible Production Technologies and Welfare Implications’ ”

Castanheira, Micael and Vladimir Popov (2000) “Political Economy of Growth in Transition Economies” (2000) in Filer, R. (ed) Growth in Transition, 76 pages.

Castanheira, Micael and Gérard Roland (1996) “Restructuring and Capital Accumulation in Transition Economies: A General Equilibrium Perspective”, CEPR DP 1372

### **Work in Progress**

Advertising Assurance, with Simon Anderson

Wag the Dog, with Enriqueta Aragonés

Taxation under political pressure, with Gaëtan Nicodème and Paola Profeta

### **Articles in the Press**

October 2008: *Episode V: Expectations strike back*, VoxEU.org (An Italian translation appeared on LaVoce.info and was published by La Repubblica on Oct. 20th, 2008)

June 2007: *Réformer sans tabou*, L’Echo (with Jean Hindriks)

December 2005: *Plus de taxes, moins d’impôts*, La Libre Belgique

October 8, 2005: *Enrayer le travail des enfants*, La Libre Belgique (with Charlotte Lacroix)

September 28, 2005: *Germany needs a technical caretaker government*, Financial Times (with Tito Boeri)

April 9, 2005: *Une valeur en béton*, La Libre Belgique

February 22, 1999 : *Immobili e disoccupati*, Corriere della Sera

September 7, 1998 : *Quanto vale un politico? Ecco un prezzo economico*, Corriere della Sera

### **Radio and television:**

Interviews with BFM (Radio), Deutsche Welle, Radio France International, RTBF (TV), and Canal Z (TV).

### **Teaching**

Professor for:

- *Topics in Political Economics*. Graduate level, course for the Free University of Brussels, the Catholic University of Louvain, and the University of Namur, in English, 2006-to-date
- *Introductory Microeconomics* (“Introduction à la microéconomie”). Undergraduate level, Free Brussels University, in French, 2004-to-date
- *Introductory Economics* (“Economie Politique” – Micro and Macro). Undergraduate level, Free Brussels University, in French, 2001-to-2004
- *Microeconomics*, undergraduate level, Free Brussels University, in French, 2004-2005
- *Macroeconomics*, undergraduate level, Free Brussels University, in French, 1999-2001
- *Macroeconomics*, undergraduate level, Bocconi University (DIEM Programme), in English, 2002-2003

- *International Macroeconomics*, graduate level at the Bocconi University, in English, 1997-1999
- *Industrial Organization*, undergraduate level at the Free Brussels University, in French. 1998-1999

Ph.D. Thesis supervision:

- Benoît Crutzen, 2001-2004 (co-supervision with G. Roland)
- Anne Michels, 2005-to-date
- Laurent Bouton, 2006-to date
- Renaud Foucart, 2008-date

Undergraduate and Master Thesis supervision: 5 to 8 students a year

### **Additional Professional Experience**

Scientific advisor for the *Institut des Comptes Nationaux* (Observatoire des prix, Belgian Ministry of the Economy)

Secretary General of the *European Network for Training in Economic Research* (ENTER), since 2006

Member of the *Institut Belge des Finances Publiques*

Member of the Board of Editors of *Reflets et Perspectives de la vie Economique*, since 2005

Conference organization: ARC conference on “Political Economy and Institutional Performance”, co-organized with P. Legros (ULB) and J.-P. Platteau (U. of Namur). June 2004. PAI conference on “The rise and fall of democracies, with N. Schofield (Wash. U.), G. Aldashev (U. Namur) and E. Ooghe (KUL), August 2009

Administrative tasks at ULB: President of the Masters programme since 2008, Head of the Jury for the Master since 2005. Organization of the economics seminar, 2004-2008. Head of the Commission on discipline issues.

Academic consultancy: Foreign Expert for EERC-Russia (Economics Education and Research Consortium, 1997-2001); Expert for the World Bank (Global Development Network programme, 1999-2002); Expert for the Bertelsmann Stiftung (2007, 2010); Scientific Expert for Solvay Inc. (since 2008).

Computers: Network supervisor for several LANs at ULB (1993-2002). Experience of Novell, DOS, Windows, Micro-TSP, TSP, GAMS, Mathematica, Maple, Microsoft Office Suite, etc...

### **Refereeing**

American Economic Review

American Political Science Review

Economics of Governance

Economic Journal

Economic Systems

Economics of Transition

European Economic Review

European Journal of Political Economy

Journal of Common Market Studies

Journal of Comparative Economics

Journal of Economic Theory

Journal of the European Economic Association

Journal of Public Economics

Political Studies

Public Choice

Quarterly Journal of Political Science

Review of Economic Studies

Scandinavian Journal of Economics

### **Languages**

*French*: Mother language

*English, Italian*: Fluent

*Dutch, Portuguese*: Average

**Recent conferences**

Tax Forum (European Commission), March 2010

PIEP (Harvard): Political Institutions and Economic Policy Conference - December 5, 2009. Invited Speaker

1st APE-X meeting (Analysis in Political Economy – bruXelles) on “The Rise and Fall of Democracy”, August 2009, 19-21. Organizer

PEDI (Hoover – Stanford): Political Economy of Democratic Institutions – May 21-22, 2009. Invited Speaker