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Thursday March 19 2026

12.00	Welcome
12.30	Lunch at Memorabile, via Boscorio 16, Lugano
14.00	Session 1 Alexandre Jenni Child Penalty in the Extended Family Mahla Saber The Unintended Consequences of Pro-Natalist Policies on Female Education and Labor Supply: Evidence from Iran Jakob Wall Time-varying Firm Premiums and the Immigrant-Native Earnings Gap
16.00	Coffee Break
16.30	Keynote Lecture Giovanni Pica, USI Lugano The Double-Edged Sword of Skilled Immigration
17.45	Director's meeting
19.30	Dinner at Lanchetta, viale Castagnola 16

Friday March 20 2026

9.00	Session 2 Lorenzo Pesaresi The Long-Run Effects of Short-Time Work on Workers Sofia Schroeter The Role of Human Capital in Earnings Losses after Job Displacement
10.20	Coffee Break
10.50	Session 3 Jan Ringling Severance Pay and Long-term job Outcomes Lukas Rodrian Optimal Public Sick Leave Insurance
12.10	Lunch at Porto Bello, via Foce 11, Lugano
14.00	Session 4 Alberto Marcato Effects of Mandatory Job Postings on Labor Market Outcomes Marie-Renée Andreescu Do you need an extra applicant? Evidence from quasi-random assignment of caseworkers Mirjam Bächli Automated and Personalized Job Recommendations for Jobseekers: Evidence from a Randomized Intervention
16.00	Concluding remarks, coffee, and drinks

List of Participants

Marie-Renée Andreescu, Paris School of Economics
 Mirjam Bächli, University of Lausanne
 Kevin Blättler, University of Zurich
 Giulio Botte, USI Lugano
 Fabrizio Colella, USI Lugano
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 Benjamin Lerch, Federal Finance Administration (EFV)
 Alberto Marcato, USI Lugano
 Lorenzo Pesaresi, University of Zurich and Bank of Italy
 Giovanni Pica, USI Lugano
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