Urban economics seminar: Session 5

Friday June 5th, 2015
14:30-16:30
Room H405
Sciences Po, 28 rue des Saints-Pères, 75007 Paris

Attendance is free, open until full.

Interested participants should register on [this link](http://www.sciencespo.fr/liepp)

Speakers:

**Yves Zenou**
Stockholm University

"Neighborhood effects in Education"

(joint paper with Carlo Del Bello & Eleonora Patacchini)

Yves Zenou is professor of economics at Stockholm University. He is currently the Editor of Regional Science and Urban Economics and Associate Editor of the Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Public Economic Theory, Journal of Urban Economics and the Scandinavian Journal of Economics. His research is both theoretical and empirical and his interests include:


**Victor Couture**
UC Berkeley Haas School of Business

"Urban Revival in America, 2000-2010"

(joint with Jessie Handbury)

A new assistant professor at UC Berkeley Haas School of Business, Victor Couture’s research is on the economy of cities. His work on the value of urban density and diversity uses data from Google Maps to provide new evidence on how individuals benefit from urban living. Couture's current research focuses on documenting and explaining downtown revival and the urbanization of young professionals in American cities.
Summary of Talk: Mounting anecdotal evidence indicates that urban areas in American cities have experienced a reversal of fortune since 2000, but a clear characterization of this trend has proved largely elusive. In this paper, we show that urban revival affects almost all large CBSAs in the United States, and that it is a highly localized phenomenon, characterized by large increases in young college-educated individuals near the Central Business District (CBD) of each CBSA. After documenting the extent of urban revival in the US from 2000 and 2010, we assemble of rich database at fine spatial scale to test a number of hypotheses explaining the urbanization of young professionals.