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### STUART O. SCHWEITZER MEMORIAL PRIZE 2021-2022

The Italian University Center for Applied Economic Studies c.MET05, in collaboration with the Schweitzer family and in the framework of ERISP, has set up an annual prize for scholars in the early stages of their career in memory of Professor Stuart O. Schweitzer. The award is open to young academics working in the field of political economy, economic policies analysis and applied economic studies.

Stuart O. Schweitzer, distinguished American professor based for several decades at UCLA, devoted his academic career to economic studies with a particular focus on health industries (biotech and pharmaceutical), innovation, and industrial policy. His studies were driven by a deep passion for research and knowledge, by a profound intellectual curiosity and by a strong openness to international experiences. In teaching and conducting research, he mentored and collaborated with young scholars across several countries and different interdisciplinary backgrounds. Professor Schweitzer spent a great deal of time in Italy, collaborated with Italian scholars, and demonstrated a special interest for the Italian economy, economic policies, and politics.

The winner will be awarded with a check of \$2,500 US and up to an additional \$2,500 US to cover costs related to travel, boarding, and lodging, to spend a period as a visiting scholar in a foreign university or research institution, identified by the winner themselves. During the visit, the winner should deliver at least one seminar to the local academic community.

The prize will be awarded to scholars whose research makes a theoretical contribution, is empirically rigorous, and is relevant to political economy or public policy. The selection will account for research quality, its interdisciplinary and innovative nature, and the ability of the scholar to build bridges across nations and institutions.

To be considered in the 2021 competition, candidates should send their CV and a short cover letter describing their research and travel plans to: [cisp@unife.it](mailto:cisp@unife.it) by July, 1<sup>st</sup>.

The winner will be selected by an ad hoc committee of experts including c.MET05 fellows and a representative of the Schweitzer family.

The prize will be awarded during the annual workshop of The Italian University Center for Applied Economic Studies c.MET05. This year the Workshop will be held in Prato, Firenze, Tuscany between July, 13<sup>th</sup> and July, 15<sup>th</sup>.

