

Short CV

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Short Overview

My talk will provide an overview of the literature on sovereign debts and history in the line of the survey paper I recently published (Oosterlinck K., (2013), “Sovereign Debt Defaults: Insights from History”, *Oxford Review of Economic Policy*, 29, 4, pp. 697-714). My aim is to present results from the literature in a structured way but also to highlight the recently published papers which I find the most original or thought provoking. From there on I will shortly discuss the genesis of some of my projects and their evolution which has ranged from premature death to publication. The presentation will thus mix a personal vision of the literature and my own research.