Syllabus: The Economics of Organizations in Developing Countries

The rise of effective organizations, in both the private and public sector, is a central feature of economic growth and development. This course studies the challenges of creating effective organizations in the developing world. It thus sits in between microeconomic analysis of individual and household behavior and macroeconomic analysis of economic aggregates such as capital, labor, and output.

The course has a somewhat unusual structure. There are ten themes, listed A - J in the Course Outline below, which are covered from the perspective of the private sector in the first half of the course and from the perspective of the public sector in the second half of the course. Roughly one lecture will be devoted to each theme in each half of the course. Professor Niehaus will teach the first half of the course, on the public sector, and Professor Rauch will teach the second half of the course, on the private sector. Where possible we aim to relate the challenges facing private and public sector organizations to each other: for example, how is recruiting different in a bureaucracy as opposed to a startup enterprise?

The course requirements are as follows:

- 1. Submit one-paragraph research ideas by end of day Friday in weeks 2, 4, 7, and 9. We will provide feedback on these, with the aim of helping you develop the practice of quickly generating and iterating on new ideas. (50%)
- 2. Submit one paragraph each week describing the relationship between three (or more) papers on that week's reading list. You might think of this as a paragraph that could appear in the introduction to a paper. (50%)

In the following Course Outline, the papers covered most thoroughly in lectures are marked with an asterisk.

COURSE OUTLINE

I. The Public Sector

- A. Organizational Capacity / Motivation
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