

Call for Papers

Special Issue on

"Redistribution in a Globalized World"

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Topic: Due to technological change, the opening of borders, and increased economic integration, the financial costs of relocating businesses and factors of production, moving residences, changing jobs, and transporting goods and services have decreased substantially over the last several decades. At the same time, income and wealth inequality within and across countries has risen dramatically in many countries. Despite this, inequality of economic opportunity and poverty are highly concentrated and migration rates within some countries have fallen dramatically. This special issue will focus on the theoretical and empirical analysis of redistributive policies, broadly defined, in a globalized setting. Policymakers have proposed for countries or states to adopt progressive wealth taxes, progressive consumption taxes, and to increase taxes on top-income earners, while also reforming social insurance systems, safety net programs, and intergovernmental transfers to low-income regions. Yet, how these policies interact with increasing mobility opportunities and fiscal competition is not yet well understood. Moreover, policymakers must better understand the effects of these policies on economic outcomes, inequality, and behavioral responses. This special issue will tackle these challenges for countries or sub-national regions.

We welcome theoretical or empirical contributions that address the following types of topics:

- Studies that measure regional inequality over time or across jurisdictions.
- Redistributive policies, such as the income or wealth tax, in the presence of a mobile tax base.
- The role of place-based policies on inter-regional inequality, poverty, and mobility.
- The consequences of globalization for fiscal systems and optimal progressivity.
- The effect of intergovernmental grants as a way of equalizing outcomes or other objectives across places.
- Social insurance systems and the safety net and their effects.
- The effects of fiscal competition on redistributive policies.
- Changes in opportunities for tax evasion or avoidance as a result of globalization, and the implications for policy.
- Studies that measures the mobility of people, businesses, profits, factors, or online shopping in response to policies.
- The effect of removing border controls or reducing transportation costs.

Submission: All papers will be handled by one of the guest editors and anonymous referees. Papers should be submitted in English to <https://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/jbnst> as an "Original Article" indicating that it is submitted for the special issue on Redistribution in a Globalized World. If you have questions about whether your paper might be a good fit for the special issue, please contact one of the guest editors.

Timeline: First submission of full papers	October 1, 2021
Decisions / feedback from referees and editor	January 1, 2022
Submission of revised papers	September 1, 2022
Final decision	December 1, 2022