

Curriculum vitae: Vidar Christiansen

Personal data

Born in Drammen, Norway, 12 June 1948. Married, two children.

Academic degrees

Cand. oecon. (M.Phil.) (University of Oslo), Dr. oecon. (Norwegian School of Economics and Business Administration)

Positions and affiliations

Professor of Economics, University of Oslo, former Head of Department 1999-2002
Research Fellow, ESOP Centre of Excellence funded by the Research Council of Norway
CESifo Research Fellow

Honours

The Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters, elected member
The Royal Norwegian Society of Sciences and Letters, elected member
The David Davidson prize for best article in the Scandinavian Journal of Economics, 1989
Best Paper Award at the 53rd Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance, Kyoto 1997 (with Sören Blomquist)

Editorial activities and refereeing

Guest Editor of the special conference issue of International Tax and Public Finance 2006-07
Journal of Public Economics, associate editor, 2003-
International Tax and Public Finance, associate editor, 1999-2004
European Economic Review, associate editor, 1987-89
Economic Policy Panel 1996-98
Served as referee for American Economic Review, Economic Policy, European Economic Review, FinanzArchiv, German Economic Review, International Tax and Public Finance, Journal of Economics, Journal of Economic Literature, Journal of Population Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Public Economic Theory, Oxford Economic Papers, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Review of Economic Studies, Sosialökonomen.

IIPF service

The Scientific Committee of the IIPF Congress 1999
Invited plenary lecture IIPF Congress 2002
Chair of the Scientific Committee of the IIPF Congress 2006

Selected other academic and professional activities

Nordic Economic Research Council 1992-96 (chair 1993-96)
The programme committee of the Congress of the European Economic Association 1989
Nordic Tax Research Council, 2000-2009
The Board of the Norwegian Tax Research Programme, 1997-

Government service

Norway: Advisory group to the Ministry of Finance on cost-benefit analysis, 1975-76, Government committee on energy legislation, 1980-85, Advisory group to the government committee on taxation of capital and firms, 1988-89, Expert committee on differentiating VAT rates, 1992-93 (chair), Green Tax Commission, 1994-96. Sweden: Adviser to the Swedish Ministry of Finance on VAT differentiation 2010.

Selected publications

Implicit social preferences in the Norwegian system of indirect taxation, *Journal of Public Economics* 10, 1978 (with Eilev S. Jansen).

Two comments on tax evasion, *Journal of Public Economics* 13, 1980.

Evaluation of public projects under optimal taxation, *Review of Economic Studies* 48, 1981

Some important properties of the social marginal utility of income, *Scandinavian Journal of Economics* 85, 1983.

Which commodity taxes should supplement the income tax? *Journal of Public Economics* 28, 1984.

Choice of occupation, tax incidence and piecemeal tax revision, *Scandinavian Journal of Economics* 90, 1988.

A normative analysis of capital income taxes in the presence of aggregate risk, *Geneva Papers on Risk and Insurance Theory* 18, 1993.

Normative aspects of differential, state-contingent capital income taxation, *Oxford Economic Papers* 47, 1995.

Topping up or opting out? The optimal design of public provision schemes. *International Economic Review* 39 (2), 1998 (with Sören Blomquist).

Price subsidies versus public provision. *International Tax and Public Finance* 5, 1998 (with Sören Blomquist).

The political economy of publicly provided private goods. *Journal of Public Economics* 73, 1999 (with Sören Blomquist).

The marginal cost of public funds under information constrained taxation. *FinanzArchiv* 56 (2), 188-201, 1999.

The role of prices for excludable public goods. *International Tax and Public Finance* 12, 2005 (with Sören Blomquist).

Optimal Commodity Taxation with Duty-Free Shopping. *International Tax and Public Finance* 15, 274-296, 2007 (with Stephen Smith).

Two approaches to determine public good provision under distortionary taxation. *National Tax Journal*, 60 (1), 2007.

On taxing capital income with income shifting. *International Tax and Public Finance* 15, 527-545, 2008 (with Matti Tuomala).

Public Provision and Nondistortionary Marginal Tax Rates. *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, May 2010 (with Sören Blomquist and Luca Micheletto).