

School/Department:	Erasmus School of Health Policy & Management / Department of Health Economics
Project Title:	Time preferences in health
Abstract:	<p>In recent years, the supervisor (Arthur Attema) has developed and tested new methods to measure time preferences for both monetary and health outcomes, while controlling for the distorting effect of utility curvature (e.g. Attema et al. 2010, 2012, 2016; Attema and Lipman 2018). This is pioneering work, still at its early stages. In the current project, the candidate will develop this methodology further. This includes both the creation of theoretical models, and design and administration of new experiments. Of particular interest are the study of time inconsistency (present bias), differences in time preferences for gains and losses, the relation of time preferences to healthy behavior and health state valuations, and the role of time discounting in health economic evaluations. In addition, the candidate may consider the related topics of decision under risk, decision under ambiguity, and societal preferences for health.</p> <p>References:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attema AE, Bleichrodt H, Gao Y, Huang Z, Wakker PP (2016). Measuring discounting without measuring utility. <i>American Economic Review</i>, 106 (6), 1476-1494. 2. Attema AE, Bleichrodt H, Rohde KIM, Wakker PP (2010). Time-tradeoff sequences for analyzing discounting and time inconsistency. <i>Management Science</i>, 56 (11), 2015-2030. 3. Attema AE, Bleichrodt H, Wakker PP (2012). A direct method for measuring discounting and QALYs more easily and reliably. <i>Medical Decision Making</i>, 32 (4), 583-593. 4. Attema AE, Lipman SA (2018). Decreasing impatience for health outcomes and its relation with healthy behavior. <i>Frontiers in Applied Mathematics and Statistics</i>, 4 (16).

<p>Requirements of candidate:</p>	<p>Background: The successful applicant for this position is expected to have a recent or almost completed Master's degree in (health/behavioural) economics or econometrics. The ideal candidate has advanced mathematical skills and a strong economic and psychological intuition. This will enable the candidate to build a bridge between theoretical work and applied work in clever experiments. Knowledge of programming languages is a plus. Applicants must have excellent communication and writing skills in English, and have a strong motivation for doing methodological research in the field of health economics.</p> <p>Master's degree: Yes</p> <p>EUR English requirement: IELTS: 7.0 (min. 6.0 for all subs.); or TOEFL: 100 (min. 20 for all subs.)</p>
<p>Supervisor information:</p>	<p>Applicant and daily supervisor: Dr. Arthur Attema E-mail: attema@eshpm.eur.nl Website: https://www.eur.nl/people/arthur-attema/</p> <p>Formal promotor: Prof. Werner Brouwer (ESHPM) Co-promotor: Prof. Kirsten Rohde (ESE)</p> <p><i>Recent publication list Arthur Attema (last 5 years)</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attema AE, Bleichrodt H, l'Haridon O (in press). Ambiguity preferences for health. <i>Health Economics</i>. 2. Lipman SL, Brouwer WBF, Attema AE (in press). "A QALY loss is a QALY loss is a QALY loss: A note on independence of loss aversion from health states." <i>The European Journal of Health Economics</i>. 3. Rouyard T, Attema AE, Baskerville R, Leal J, Gray A (2018). Risk attitudes of people with 'manageable' chronic disease: an analysis under prospect theory. <i>Social Science & Medicine</i>, 214, 144-153. 4. Attema AE, Brouwer WBF, Pinto JL (2018). Peer effects in health valuation: The relation between rating of contemporaries' health and own health. <i>Health and Quality of Life Outcomes</i>, 16: 148. 5. Attema AE, Brouwer WBF, Claxton K (2018). Discounting in economic evaluations. <i>Pharmacoeconomics</i>, 36 (7), 745-758. 6. Attema AE, Bleichrodt H, l'Haridon O, Perreti-Wattel P, Seror, V (2018). Discounting Health and Money: New evidence using a

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