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FOREWORD

This annual report provides an overview of important developments and activities at the Department of Economics during the calendar year 2018. It keeps a record of the people who have been affiliated with the department during the reporting period and briefly describes how they have contributed to the departmental operations in teaching, research, knowledge transfer, and self-administration.

The Department of Economics at the University of Vienna is the top academic research unit in the area of economics within Austria, and it belongs to the leading economics departments in the German-speaking world. We try to maintain this position by publishing in international academic journals, by offering high-quality training to our students, and by engaging in the transfer of knowledge and expertise to the scientific community, the domestic industry, public institutions, and to the society at large.

I hope that this report conveys part of our engagement and enthusiasm for all aspects of economics and I encourage you to visit our website for up-to-date information on our activities.

Gerhard Sorger
Professor and Head of Department
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Personnel

- 31 full-time faculty consisting of 11 full professors, 3 associate professors, and 17 assistant professors
- 8 administrative staff members
- about three dozen guest professors, external lecturers, tutors, teaching assistants, and project assistants
- about 20 PhD students in the graduate school

Research and publications

Research conducted by members of the Department led to 28 journal articles during the reporting period, many of which appeared in high-profile outlets such as American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Economic Journal: Microeconomics, Rand Journal of Economics, European Economic Review, or Journal of Economic Theory. In addition, 14 working papers were published. Members of the Department were involved in 8 externally funded research projects.

Dissemination of research

The Department hosted almost 100 academic visitors and seminar speakers over the year and our faculty made a similar number of trips to visit other departments and to present their research at conferences and workshops. We organized two series of research seminars, in which 35 speakers presented their research, and hosted two international workshops. Members of the Department contributed also to public debates by giving interviews or public speeches and by expressing their views in the media.

Graduate School

The Department runs its own (externally funded) PhD program, the Vienna Graduate School of Economics, with a current enrollment of roughly two dozen PhD students. Placements during the reporting period include Oxford University and the University of Mannheim.

Teaching

The Department offers programs in economics at the Bachelor, Master, and PhD level and it contributes to teaching programs in neighboring disciplines such as business administration, banking and finance, or statistics. Finally, it is involved in various extension curricula in economics which are open to all students of the University of Vienna.

Administration and service to the profession

Faculty members have contributed part of their time to the administration of the University of Vienna at different levels (Department, Faculty, Rectorate) and have also served in various committees at other institutions. In addition, they have served as referees or held editorial positions for international scientific journals.
MANAGEMENT, FACULTY, AND STAFF

Organization

Head of Department: Gerhard Sorger
Deputy Head of Department: Ana Begona Ania Martinez
Deputy Director of Studies: Alejandro Cunat
Deputy Director of Graduate Studies: Philipp Schmidt-Dengler

Fulltime Faculty And Their Research Interests

Ana-Begona Ania-Martinez, associate professor
Microeconomics, Game Theory, Information Economics

Omar Bamieh, assistant professor
Labor Economics, Personnel Economics, Law & Economics

Alejandro Cunat, professor
Macroeconomics, Growth & Development, International Economics

Florian Exler, assistant professor
Macroeconomics, Household Finance, Quantitative Economics

Daniel Garcia, assistant professor
Game Theory & Applications, Industrial Organization, Information Economics

Monika Gehrig-Merz, professor
Macroeconomics, Labor Economics

Marc Goni-Trafach, assistant professor
Labor Economics, Public Economics, Economic History

Victor Gonzalez-Jimenez, assistant professor
Behavioral Economics, Experimental Economics

Maarten Janssen, professor
Microeconomics, Industrial Organization

Christian Koch, assistant professor (since September 2018)
Behavioral Economics, Experimental Economics, Public Economics

Martin Kocher, professor (currently not fulltime)
Behavioral Economics, Experimental Economics

Robert Kunst, professor
Applied Macroeconomics, Time Series Analysis

Eeva Mauring, assistant professor
Game Theory, Industrial Organization, Information Economics, Microeconomics

Iacopo Morchio, assistant professor
Macroeconomics, Labor Economics
Wieland Müller, professor
Economics & Psychology, Experimental Economics, Game Theory & Applications, Industrial Organization, Microeconomics

Paul Pichler, associate professor
Macroeconomics

Konrad Podczeck, associate professor
Economic Theory & Mathematical Economics, Game Theory & Applications, Microeconomics

Karl Schlag, professor
Economic Theory & Mathematical Economics, Experimental Economics, Game Theory & Applications, Industrial Organization, Microeconomics

Philipp Schmidt-Dengler, professor
Game Theory & Applications, Industrial Organization, Microeconomics

Natalia Shestakova, assistant professor (until November 2018)
Experimental Economics, Industrial Organization

Gerhard Sorger, professor
Macroeconomics, Growth & Development, Economic Theory & Mathematical Economics

Juha Tolvanen, assistant professor
Microeconomics, Information Economics, Industrial Economics

Matan Tsur, assistant professor
Microeconomic Theory, Financial Economics, Behavioral Economics

Jean-Robert Tyran, professor (since Feb. 2018 vice rector and on leave from the dept.)
Economics & Psychology, Economics & Sociology, Experimental Economics, Labor Economics, Microeconomics, Public Economics, Political Economy

Stephanos Vlachos, assistant professor
Political Economy, Public Economics, Applied Econometrics, Economic History

Katharina Wick, assistant professor
Environmental Economics, Game Theory & Applications, Growth & Development, Microeconomics, Public Economics, Political Economy

Martin Wolf, assistant professor
Applied Macroeconomics, International Macroeconomics, Monetary Economics

Dijana Zejcirovic, assistant professor (since September 2018)
Development Economics, Political Economy, Health Economics

Alexander Ziegenbein, assistant professor (since September 2018)
Macroeconomics, Applied Econometrics

Lennart Ziegler, assistant professor
Labor Economics, Applied Microeconometrics

Christine Zulehner, professor
Industrial Organization, Applied Microeconomics
Administrative Staff

Carmen Gruber, VGSE coordinator
Sylvie Hansbauer, department secretary
Annemarie Kellner, department secretary
Elisabeth Polster, department secretary
Gabriele Prochaska, department secretary
Katharina Simma, VGSE coordinator
Sandra Weißenböck, department secretary
Heide Marie Wurm, department secretary

Further Staff Members

Stefania Albanesi, guest professor
Atabek Atayev, VGSE student
Franz Baltzarek, external lecturer
William Burton, project assistant, tutor
Daniel Croner, project assistant
Kristin Duchateau, external lecturer
Christian Forster, study assistant
Niklas Gräschus, study assistant
Nikola Grga, VGSE student
Miriam Gross, study assistant
Anita Györfi, VGSE student
Alexander Hansak, VGSE student
Philipp Hergovich, VGSE student
Mario Holzner, external lecturer
Clemens Jobst, external lecturer
Bernhard Kasberger, external lecturer
Regina Kiss, VGSE student
Boris Knapp, external lecturer, VGSE student
Eryk Krysowski, VGSE student
Ivan Lakicevic, study assistant
Alexander Linsbichler, external lecturer
Flora Lutz, VGSE student, tutor
Further Staff Members

Jörg Mahlich, external lecturer
Simon Martin, external lecturer, VGSE student
Paul Mayer, study assistant
Gabriele Michalitsch, external lecturer
Karl Milford, external lecturer
Ion Mişcişin, VGSE student
Zuzana Molnárová, VGSE student
Caroline Moreau, study assistant
Manfred Nermuth, external lecturer
Milica Nikolić, external lecturer, VGSE student
Volker Nocke, external lecturer
Michal Palas, external lecturer, VGSE student
Philipp Peitler, study assistant, VGSE student
Martin Pesendorfer, guest professor
Lorenz Pfundner, tutor
Ariane Reichart, study assistant
Edona Reshidi, VGSE student
Peter Rosner, external lecturer
Sigma Samhita, VGSE student
Georg Sator, VGSE student
Jean-Marc Schneider, study assistant
Margit Schratzenstaller, external lecturer
Victoria Shchitinina, tutor
Radostina Shopova, tutor
Maria Antoinette Silgoner, external lecturer
Christine Simone Sing, external lecturer
Dominik Stelzeneder, VGSE student
Potjeh Stojanovic, study assistant, tutor
Justin Thanhäuser, tutor
Wolfgang Weigel, external lecturer
Cole Williams, project assistant
Leopold Zessner-Spitzenberg, VGSE student
Jurica Zrnc, external lecturer, VGSE student
The following Master theses and PhD theses were completed in 2018 under the supervision of the members of the department.

Altmann, Simone: Die Schweiz als Drehscheibe des globalen Rohstoffhandels, Master Thesis, Cunat, A.

Casagrande, Nicola: An empirical analysis of the determinants of current account imbalances in developing countries, Master Thesis, Cunat, A.

Cotet, Miruna Gabriela: The role of group identity in voting, Master Thesis, Tyran, J-R.

Gracic, Kenan: How much is the level of corruption affected by the method of payment? Evidence from studies, Master Thesis, Podczeck, K.

Groß, Miriam: Resource conservation in Antarctica: Applying the tragedy of the anticommons to an area without clearly defined property-rights, Master Thesis, Weigel, W.

Hargreaves, Samuel Clive: The credit rating market after the financial crisis and the role of ‚reputation‘: a focus on the European Union, Master Thesis, Cunat, A.

Iancu, Irina Valentina: Towards a better understanding of protest, Master Thesis, Weigel, W.

Khalil, Makram: Essays in International Macroeconomics and Finance, PhD Thesis, Cunat, A.


Knöbl, Julia: Flexible parental leave regulations and labour market outcomes for women in Europe, Master Thesis, Kunst, R.

Koutsomitopoulos, Konstantinos: The TRIPS agreement and developing countries - Is TRIPS inducing knowledge-based transformation in developing economies?, Master Thesis, Weigel, W.

Kristiansen, Mads Sturm: Counterfeit goods in durable good markets, Master Thesis, Janssen, M.

Krennmair, Patrick: The pragmatic problem of induction and economic policy, Master Thesis, Milford, K.

Lakicevic, Ivan: Vote buying through public employment, Master Thesis, Janssen, M.

Makkonen, Henri: Trusts and inequality: The links between economic inequality and the Anglo-Saxon legal vehicle called a trust, Master Thesis, Cunat, A.

Müller, Tanja: Potenzialanalyse für ein Betriebsgebiet in Ternitz, Master Thesis, Müller, W.


Petricicic, Dino: Forecasting Bitcoin and Litecoin using ARMA-GARCH models, Master Thesis, Kunst, R.


Ruzicic, Ivona: Makroökonomische Aspekte der EU-Osterweiterung auf den europäischen Arbeitsmärkten unter besonderer Berücksichtigung regionaler Beschäftigungseffekte für Österreich, Master Thesis, Kunst, R.

Schaufler, Dominik: Selection of politicians under hindsight bias, Master Thesis, Tyran, J-R.


Steiner, Kerstin Yvonne: Welches Steuersystem sollte für die Finanzierung von sozialer Sicherheit in einem Land des Globalen Südens gewählt werden?, Master Thesis Cunat, A.


Stelzeneder, Dominik: The effects of frames on performances in and preferences for competitions, Master Thesis, Müller, W.


Wohlschläger: Patrick, Is the British environmental tax system the "blueprint" for European countries?, Master Thesis, Weigel, W; Schratzenstaller, M.

Yildiz, Turgay: Directors’ dealings in Austria, Master Thesis, Kunst, R.
PUBLICATIONS AND RESEARCH GRANTS

Articles in Refereed Journals


Working Papers


Andersson, O., Holm, H., Tyran, J-R. & Wengström, E., 2018, Robust Inference in Risk Elicitation Tasks, (Discussion papers / Department of Economics, University of Copenhagen; Nr. 18-09)


Haeckl, S., Sausgruber, R. & Tyran, J-R. (2018), Work Motivation and Teams, (Discussion papers / Department of Economics, University of Copenhagen; Nr. 18-08)


Research Grants

FIW Cooperation Project
2013 – 2018
Funding agency: Bundesministerium für Wirtschaft, Familie und Jugend
Contact person: Alejandro Cunat

Fairness, personal responsibility, and the welfare state
2015 – 2018
Funding agency: NORFACE
Contact persons: Jean-Robert Tyran

Essays on Consumer Search
2016 - 2018
Funding agency: ÖAW
Contact person: Maarten Janssen

Understanding Consumer Search
2017 - 2020
Funding agency: FWF
Contact person: Philipp Schmidt-Dengler

Digital Experimentation on Pricing Schemes
2018-2019
Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG)
Contact person: Jean-Robert Tyran with Alexander Wagner

Supranational climate-policy delegation
2018 – 2021
Funding agency: FWF
Contact person: Paul Pichler

Vienna Graduate School of Economics
2017 - 2021
Funding agency: FWF
Contact person: Philipp Schmidt-Dengler

Information Acquisition, Diffusion and Disclosure in Markets
2018 - 2021
Funding agency: FWF
Contact person: Maarten Janssen
**DISSEMINATION OF RESEARCH**

**Vienna Joint Economics Seminar (VJES)**
(joint with the Institute for Advanced Studies)

http://econ.univie.ac.at/research/research-seminars/vienna-joint-economics-seminar/

**Jan 11**
Christian Gehrke (U Graz)
Title: Sraffa's Constructive and Interpretive Work, and Marx (joint with Heinz D. Kurz)

**Jan 18**
Marialaura Pesce (U Napoli)
Title: Fairness in Market Economies

**Jan 25**
Robert A. Becker (Indiana U, Bloomington)
Title: Recursive Utility and Thompson Aggregators: The Recovery Theorem

**Mar 15**
Ahmed Mushfiq Mobarak (Yale U)
Title: No Shit: Demand Estimation Under Strategic Complementarities (joint with R. Guiteras and J. Levinsohn)

**Mar 22**
Jan Stuhler (U Carlos III de Madrid)
Title: Kinship Correlations and Intergenerational Mobility

**Apr 12**
Yongmin Chen (U Colorado at Boulder)
Title: Competitive Differential Pricing (joint with Jianpei Li and Marius Schwartz)

**Apr 19**
Michele Tertilt (U Mannheim)
Title: Does Female Empowerment Promote Economic Development (joint with Matthias Doepke)

**Apr 26**
Keyu Jin (LSE)
Title: The One-Child Policy and Household Saving (joint with Taha Choukhmane and Nicolas Coeurdacier)

**May 3**
Xavier Raurich (U Barcelona)
Title: Agricultural Composition, Structural Change and Labor Productivity (joint with Cesar Blanco)
May 17
Alessandro Gavazza (LSE)
Title: Regulatory Interventions in Consumer Search Markets: The Case of Credit Cards
(joint with Manolis Galenianos)

May 24
Nicola Fuchs-Schündeln (U Frankfurt)
Title: Hours Worked Across and Within Countries

Jun 7
Ariel Rubinstein (Tel Aviv U)
Title: Multi-dimensional Reasoning in Games: Framework, Equilibrium and Applications
(joint with Ayala Arad)

Jun 14
Reto Föllmi (U St.Gallen)
Title: Harmful Pro-Competitive Effects of Trade in Presence of Credit Market Frictions
(joint with Manuel Oechslin)

Jun 21
Volker Nocke (UCLA)
Title: An Aggregative Games Approach to Merger Analysis in Multiproduct-Firm Oligopoly
(joint with Nicolas Schutz)

Jun 28
Camelia Kuhnen (U North Carolina)
Title: Socioeconomic Status and Macroeconomic Expectations (joint with Sreyoshi Das and Stefan Nagel)

Oct 5
Michael Kosfeld (U Frankfurt)
Title: You Cannot Save the World Alone - Incentives and the Sorting of Motivated Agents
(with Kevin Bauer and Ferdinand von Siemens)

Oct 11
Peter Wakker (U Rotterdam)
Title: Belief Hedges: A New and Easy Method for Directly Measuring Uncertainties of
Application-Relevant Events if no Probabilities are Known (joint with Aurélien Baillon, Han
Bleichrodt, & Chen Li)

Oct 18
Francis Kramarz (ENSAE/CREST, Paris)
Title: Firm-to-Firm Trade: Imports, Exports, and the Labor Market (joint with Jonathan
Eaton and Samuel Kortum)

Oct 25
Eliana La Ferrara (Bocconi U)
Title: Revealing Stereotypes: Evidence from Immigrants in Schools (joint with A. Alesina,
M. Carlana and P. Pinotti)
Nov 8
Estelle Cantillon (U Brussels)
Title: Information Aggregation in Emissions Markets with Abatement (joint with Aurélie Slechten)

Nov 15
Michelle Sovinsky (U Mannheim)
Title: Internet (Power) to the People: The Impact of Demand-side Subsidies in Columbia (joint with Julian Hidalgo)

Nov 29
Árpád Ábrahám (European University Institute)
Climbing the Wage Ladders: Determining the Sources of Idiosyncratic Wage Dynamics and Implications for Policy

Dec 6
Petr Sedlácek (U Oxford)
The Nature of Firm Growth (joint with Benjamin W. Pugsley and Vincent Sterk)

Dec 13
Paul Heidhues (U Düsseldorf)
Identifying Procrastination from the Timing of Choices (joint with Philipp Strack)

Applied Economics Seminar
https://econ.univie.ac.at/research/research-seminars/applied-seminar/

Mar 6, 2018
Nicolas de Roos (University of Sydney)
Title: Startup Search Costs

Mar 20, 2018
Erik Lindqvist (University of Zurich)
Title: The Long-Run Effect of Lottery Wealth on Well-Being

Apr 17, 2018
Lorenzo Casaburi (University of Zurich)
Title: The Electoral Impact of Wealth Redistribution: Evidence from Land Reform in Italy (with Bruno Caprettini)

May 8, 2018
Martin Halla (University of Linz)
Title: Extractive Institutions: A Little Goes a Long Way: The Soviet Occupation of Austria versus Germany; By Christoph Eder (U Innsbruck) and Martin Halla (U Linz)

May 22, 2018
Rudolf Winter-Ebmer (University Linz)
Title: He Whose Bank Dares: Bank Equity and Small-firm Risk Taking
Jun 5, 2018
Benjamin Sand (York University)
Title: Geographic Spillovers from Booms: The Effects of Canada’s Resource Boom on Canada-US Differences in Wages, July 2016. (with David A. Green and Rene Morissette)

Oct 9, 2018
Matthias Fahn (JKU Linz)
Title: What Drives Reciprocal Behavior? The Optimal Provision of Incentives Over the Course of Careers. (mit Anne Schade und Katharina Schüßler)

Oct 23, 2018
Andreas Grunewald (University Bonn)
Title: Auto Loan Intermediation

Nov 6, 2018
Josef Zweimüller (U Zürich)
Wages and the Value of Nonemployment

Nov 20, 2018
Rafael Lalive (U Lausanne)
Title: Home Sweet Home? Job Search with Commuting and Unemployment Insurance

Dec 4, 2018
Michele Belot (U Italy)
Title: The Formation and Malleability of Dietary Habits: A Field Experiment with Low Income Families

Workshops & Conferences

Workshop on International Economic Networks
July 6-7, 2018
Organizers: Pol Antràs (Harvard) and Alejandro Cuñat (Univ. of Vienna)
Sponsors: FIW (Research Centre International Economics), wiwi (Wiener Institut für Internationale Wirtschaftsvergleiche) and University of Vienna

Workshop "The next (5G) telecom auction in Austria: an international perspective"
April 9, 2018
Organizers: Maarten Janssen (Univ. of Vienna), Christine Zulehner (Univ. of Vienna).
Sponsor: A1 Telecom Austria
Public press

Alejandro Cunat, Philipp Schmidt-Dengler, Also Burgenländern Familienbeihilfe kürzen, Der Standard, Jan. 14, 2018

Alejandro Cunat, You can’t always get what you want: The real exchange rate and manufacturing performance in a world of global value chains, VOX, Oct. 2, 2018

Marc-Goni Trafach, Inheritance among childless elites, in Vox CEPR Policy Portal, April 28, 2018

Große politische Akzente sieht man nicht, Medienportal Uni Wien, Mar. 22, 2018,
In Zeiten der Globalisierung lieber Menschen als Arbeitsplätze schützen, Kronen Zeitung, Oct. 10, 2018,
Arrivederci, bella Italia? Das italienische Dilemma, Die Presse, Nov. 1, 2018

Paul Pichler, Der Bitcon ist keine Erfolgsgeschichte, Der Standard, Jan. 25, 2018,
Eine Klimabehörde zum Selbstschutz, Medienportal Uni Wien, June 20, 2018,
Ein Nobelpreis für das Klima, Medienportal Uni Wien, Oct. 9, 2018,
Die Mär von den enteigneten Sparern, Der Standard, Sept. 7, 2018,
Die Nobelpreise 2018: Wirtschaft, OE1, Dec. 6, 2018

Philipp Schmidt-Dengler, Wien's Wirtschaft im Aufwind, Kronen Zeitung, June 23, 2018

Jean-Robert Tyran, Putting a price on prejudice, AEAweb, June 29, 2018

Alexander Ziegenbein, 10 Years After the Lehman Collapse - Why Are the Shockwaves Still Being Felt, BRINK News, Oct. 14, 2018

International Visitors

Stefania Albanesi, Univ. of Pittsburgh, Dec 10 – 20, 2018
Andreas Asseyer, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Jun 20, 2018
Michele Belot, European Univ. Institute, San Domenico di Fiesole, Italy, Dec 3 – 4, 2018
Lorenzo Casaburi, Univ. Zurich, Apr 17, 2018
Syngjoo Choi, Seoul National Univ., Dec 12 – 18, 2018
Nicolas de Roos, Univ. of Sydney, Mar 6, 2018
Matthias Fahn, Johannes-Kepler-Univ. Linz, Oct 9 – 10, 2018
Gerlinde Fellner-Röhling, Univ. of Ulm, Jan 12, 2018
Tobias Gamp, Humboldt Univ. of Berlin, Sept – Dec, 2018
Anita Gantner, Univ. of Innsbruck, Jun 14 – 15, 2018
Andreas Grunewald, Goethe Univ., Frankfurt am Main, Oct 22 – 24, 2018
Martin Halla, Johannes-Kepler-Univ. Linz, May 8, 2018
Astrid Hopfensitz, Toulouse School of Economics, Dec 13 – 14, 2018
Kazumichi Iwasa, Research Institute for Economics and Business Administration (RIEB), Kobe Univ., Japan, from May 09, 2017 until Feb. 2019
Natalia Jimenez Jimenez, Middlesex Univ. of London, Apr 26 – 27, 2018
Terri Kneeland, Univ. College London, May 17 – 20, 2018
Christoph Kuzmics, Karl-Franzens-Univers. Graz, Nov 23, 2018
Rafael Lalive, Univ. of Lausanne, Nov 19 – 21, 2018
Erik Lindqvist, Univ. Stockholm (SOFI); Mar 19 – 20, 2018
Anand Murugesan, Central European University, Jan, 01, 2018
Andreas Nicklisch, Univ. of Applied Sciences, Zurich, Jun 14 – 15, 2018
Giorgia Romagnoli, Univ. Amsterdam, Mar 15 – 18, 2018
Benjamin Sand, York, Univ. Toronto, Jun 5, 2018
Peter Schwardmann, Ludwig-Maximilians-Univ. of Munich, Apr 26 – 27, 2018
Alexander Sebald, Univ. of Copenhagen, Oct 11- 12, 2018
Roman Sheremeta, Case Western Reserve Univ., May 18 – 19, 2018
Boris van Leeuwen, Tilburg Univ., Mar 15 – 16, 2018
Eline van der Heijden, Tilburg Univ., Jan 11 – 13, 2018
Rudolf Winter-Ebmer, Johannes-Kepler-Univ. Linz, May 22 – 23, 2018
Yilong Xu, Univ. of Heidelberg, Nov 22 – 24, 2018
Josef Zweimüller, Univ. of Zurich, Nov 5– 7, 2018
INDIVIDUAL REPORTS BY FULLTIME FACULTY

Ana Begona ANIA MARTINEZ

Presentation of research results

- **Seminar presentation**: Laboratory federalism with public funds sharing, Universidad de Murcia, Oct. 26, 2018

Other activities and affiliations

- **Refereeing**: International Tax and Public Finance; Law, Probability and Risk; SERIEs (Journal of the Spanish Economic Association); Journal of Evolutionary Economics

Alejandro CUNAT

Presentation of research results


Other activities and affiliations

- **Research visit**: Georgetown University, 18.03.2018 – 22.03.2018

• **Research fellow**: CES-ifo (Munich), CeFiG (Budapest)
• **Workshop organizer**: Workshop on International Economic Networks (WIEN), University of Vienna, 06.07.2018 – 07.07.2018
• Since 1.10.2018: Director of Studies for Economics

**Florian EXLER**

Presentation of research results

- **Conferences**: “Regulation of Consumer Credit with Over-Optimistic Borrowers”, 43 Simposio de la Asociación Española de Economía, Spain, Dec. 13, 2018; EEA/ESEM (Cologne); Midwest Macroeconomics Meetings, Madison, Wisconsin; USA, May 18-20, 2018

Other activities and affiliations

- **Awards**: Dissertation Award, Karin-Islinger-Stiftung; Dissertation Award “Fürther Ludwig-Erhard-Preis”
- **Refereeing**: Review of Economic Dynamics

**Daniel GARCIA**

Presentation of research results

- **Conference presentation**: Myopia and dynamic pricing, CESifo Area Conference on Digitization, Munich, Nov. 30 – Dec. 1

**Monika GEHRIG-MERZ**

Presentation of research results

- **Research Seminars**: DIW Berlin, June 6, 2018; University of Pittsburgh, Macro Seminar, October 19, 2018
- **Conference presentation**: Midwest Macroeconomic Conference, Nashville, TN, November 2-4, 2018

Other activities and affiliations

- **Academic service**: Head of Department, until September 30, 2018; Member, Senate of the University of Vienna, since October 2016; Member, search committee “Professorship for International Business”; External examiner, doctoral dissertation, Lennart Ziegler, VU Amsterdam, March 2018
Marc GONI-TRAFACH

Presentation of research results

- Conferences: 22nd Annual Conference of the Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics (SIOE), June 21-23, Montreal, Association For the Study of Religion, Economics and Culture (ASREC Europe 2018), Luxembourg, June 6-8
- Seminars: IRES Lunch seminar, Université catholique de Louvain, Oct. 2, 2018

Other activities and affiliations

Victor GONZALEZ-JIMENEZ

Presentation of research results

- Guest visits: Tilburg University, Sept. 10-28, 2018; University of Arizona, April 28—May 2, 2018
- Conferences: Bogota Experimental Economics Conference, “Exploiting the workers' probability distortions”, Del Rosario University, Columbia, Jan 12; Economic Science Association Conference; USA, May 25-June 1, 2018; Foundations of Utility and Risk Conference, University of York; UK, June 25-27, 2018
- Seminars: Vienna Graduate School of Economics, March 6, 2018; Seminar Maastricht University, Sept. 18, 2018; Vienna Business School of Economics and Business, Dec. 5, 2018

Other activities and affiliations
- Member of the Royal Economic Society, UK, Member of the Economic Science Association since May 2018

Maarten JANSSEN

Presentations of Research Results

- Talks: Regulating False Disclosure. University of Copenhagen (February, 2018) Retail Discrimination and Consumer Search, Industrial Economics of the German Economic Association (WU Vienna, March 2018); Searching for Service. Consumer Search Workshop, University Pompeu Fabra (June 2018);

Consumer Search in Vertical relations. Invited Lecture. EARIE. Maastricht (August 2018);
Information Acquisition and Diffusion in markets. HSE workshop, Moscow (September, 2018);
Retail Discrimination and Consumer Search, University of Mannheim, (October 2018);
Retail Discrimination and Consumer Search, IO workshop Bergamo, (October 2018);
Regulating False Disclosure. Keynote Lecture. University St. Gallen (November, 2017);
Retail Discrimination and Consumer Search, University of Zurich, (December 2018)

Other activities and affiliations

- **Workshops**: Organization of workshop on Consumer Search, June, Barcelona
- **Member**: Replacement member of Wettbewerbskommission (Austria)
- **Research Guest Professor**, Higher School of Economics, Moscow
- **Elected Fellow of the Center for Economic Policy Research (CEPR), London**
- **Academic service**: Speaker Vienna Graduate School of Economics, until July 1, 2018, Member Scientific Committee EARIE 2018 Conference
- **Elected Foreign Member** of the Royal Holland Society of Sciences and Humanities
- **Research Grant**: “Information Acquisition, Diffusion and Disclosure in Markets”, Austrian Science Foundation (FWF), 358 K€, period 2018-2020

**Martin KOCHER**

Presentations of Research Results

- **Talks**: Affirmative Action Policies and Sabotage Behavior in Promotional Tournaments: An Experiment, Feb. 09, 2018; Mini-Workshop on Experiments and Interventions in Schools, Feb. 28, 2019;
  Wirtschaftliche Entwicklung und regionale Identität aus globaler Perspektive, May 3, 2018; Gefahr eines Handelskrieges, May 8, 2018; Citizenship, identity, and trust: Combining a large-scale artefactual field experiment with a natural experiment, May 10, 2018; Cooperation in a company: A large-scale experiment, May 18, 2018;
  Cooperation in a company: A large-scale experiment, May 29, 2018; Sucht, Verlangen und Freiheit Jun. 5, 2018; Multi-annual Financial Framework and Budget, Jun. 8, 2018; Cooperation in a company: A large-scale experiment, Jun. 27, 2018;
  Affirmative Action Policies and Sabotage Behavior in Promotional Tournaments: An Experiment Jul. 20, 2018
Regulation as anchoring, Oct. 11, 2018; Private Pensionsvorsorge in Österreich: Reformvorschläge, Oct. 7, 2018; (Unternehmens-)steuern und Wirtschaftswachstum/ Investitionen, Oct. 23, 2018; Behavioral economics and its application in policy design, Oct. 24, 2018; Cooperation in a company: A large-scale experiment, Nov. 2, 2018; Affirmative Action Policies and Behavior in Promotion Tournaments, Nov. 9, 2018; Verhaltensökonomie und Globalisierung and Europas Zukunft: Wirtschafts- und finanzpolitische Dimensionen, Nov. 12, 2018; Cooperation in a company: A large-scale experiment and Roundtable Verhaltensökonomie, Nov. 13, 2018; Time pressure in bidding, Nov. 28, 2018; Soziale Normen und Familienpolitik, Nov. 29, 2018; Entscheidungen unter Zeitdruck und Stress: Ökonomische Experimente, Nov. 30, 2018; Understanding dishonest behavior: Implications for insurance, Dec. 10, 2018

Other activities and affiliations

- **Research grants:** Scientist career path: An explorative analysis; Australian Research Council, Discovery Grant; with Benno Torgler, Ali Önder, Jonathan Feinstein, Jana Gallus, 2017-2019; Using behavioral economic insights to overcome student procrastination; Australian Research Council, Discovery Grant; with Stephen Cheung, Lionel Page, 2017-2019; Consequences of cooperation. Linking cooperative behavior and outcomes in a large-scale experiment; Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft; with Christiane Schwieren, 2017-2019; DFG Collaborative Research Center TRR 190 “Rationality and Competition: The Economic Performance of Individuals and Firms”, Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft; with several applicants, 2017-2020.

- **Research fellowships and other affiliations:** Director, Institute for Advanced Studies, Vienna; Guest Professor, Economics Department, University of Gothenburg; Research Fellow, CESifo Network; Research Fellow, National Centre for Econometric Research, Australia

- **Professional organizations:** Member Executive Committee, Nationalökonomische Gesellschaft, Austria; Member Executive Committee, International Association for Research in Economic Psychology, Member Scientific Advisory Board of the Liechtenstein-Institute, Member of the Sozialwissenschaftlicher Ausschuss, Verein für Socialpolitik, Member of the Scientific Advisory Board of the European Forum Alpbach (EFA) and the EFA Economic Symposium

- **Editorial tasks:** Co-Editor-in-chief, Journal of Economic Psychology, Co-Editor-in-chief, Homo Oeconomicus, Associate Editor, Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics

- **Member of PhD committee:** Despoina Alempaki, University of Nottingham, Stefan Grimm, LMU Munich, Felix Klimm, LMU Munich, Lisa Spantig, LMU Munich

- **Academic services:** Director, Vienna Center for Experimental Economics
Robert KUNST

Presentation of research results


Other activities and affiliations

- **Research Fellowship**: Research Fellow at Institute for Advanced Studies
- **Editorial tasks**: Coordinating Editor, Empirical Economics
- **Academic services**: Vice study coordinator until end of September 2018.

Eeva MAURING

Presentation of research results

- **Conferences and workshops**: Workshop in Higher School of Economics, Moscow, 24.09.2018; EARIE Conference, Athens, 01.09.2018; Stony Brook Conference on Game Theory, Stony Brook, 19.07.2018; CEPR Applied IO Conference, Leuven, 20.06.2018; SaM Conference, Cambridge, poster, 23.05.2018; RES Conference, Brighton, 28.03.2018

Other activities and affiliations


Iacopo MORCHIO

Presentation of research results

- **Seminars**: University of Kent, Birkbeck College, Vienna Macro Workshop, EES Workshop, BI Norwegian Business School, EIEF, SAEE Meeting

Other activities and affiliations

- **Research Fellowship**: Fellow of the Global Labor Organization
Wieland MÜLLER

Activities and affiliations

- **Other Affiliation** (part time): Tilburg University, Department of Economics (Full Professor)
- **Research fellow** at VCEE (Vienna, Managing Director), CentER (U Tilburg), TILEC (U Tilburg)
- **Editorial Tasks**: Member Editorial Board of Experimental Economics and Journal of the Economic Science Association; Member Scientific Advisory Board of the German Institute for Economic Research (DIW Berlin)
- Member of the Scientific Advisory Board for Social Sciences and Humanities of the Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO)
- **Departmental Activities**: Member Fakultätskonferenz, Member Forschungskommission, Member recruitment committee Professorship "Economic and Social History with a focus on the World Economy in the 19th and 20th Century"
- **Member of PhD committee Yilong Xu** (U Tilburg)
- **Research seminars**: NYU Abu Dhabi

Paul PICHLER

Presentation of research results

- **Public talks/panel discussions**:
  - "Should Central Banks Issue Cryptocurrencies?", Interdisciplinary Symposium on Cryptocurrency, Univ. of Vienna, 10/2018
  - „Wie retten wir unser Klima?“; Salon conversation; Univ. of Vienna, 06/2018
  - „Cryptocurrencies – Hype oder Hoffnung?“; talk and discussion at BAFIT – Bitcoin Symposium, Univ. Innsbruck, 05/2018
  - „Cryptocurrencies – Hype oder Hoffnung?“; Vienna Univ. of Economics and Business, 05/2018
  - „Die Blockchain“, Discussion Event of student representatives, Faculty of Business, Economics and Statistics, Univ. of Vienna, 04/2018

Konrad PODCZECK

Presentation of research results:

Karl SCHLAG

Presentation of research results:


Philipp SCHMIDT-DENGLER

Presentation of research results:

- **Research Seminar**: Higher Economic School, Moscow, 2018

Other activities and affiliations:

- **Academic service**: Speaker Vienna Graduate School of Economics (Austrian Science Fund Doctoral Program), Vice-SPL Doctoral Studies, Co-PI Austrian Science Fund Individual Project 30922-G27 "Understanding Consumer Search" with Daniel Garcia; Uni Doc Selection Committee; University Promotion Panel (Cluster 2).
- **Affiliations**: Austrian Institute of Economic Research (WIFO), Scientific Consultant; Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR), Research Fellow, Industrial Organisation Programme; Centre for European Economic Research (ZEW), Research Affiliate; CES-Ifo Network Affiliate; Austrian Academy of Sciences, Corresponding Member.
- **Conference Organization**: 33d Congress of the European Economic Association, Cologne, Germany (Area Coordinator in Industrial Organization); 45th Annual Conference of the European Association for Research in Industrial Economics (EARIE), Athens, Greece
- **Editorial Tasks**: Co-Editor, International Journal of Industrial Organization; Editorial Board Member, Review of Economic Studies; Associate Editor, Journal of Applied Econometrics; Associate Editor, Journal of the European Economic Association; Editor, Journal of Industry, Competition and Trade
Gerhard SORGER

Presentation of research results

- **Research seminars:**
  “Capital price bubbles and dynamic inefficiency”, Zürich, March 20, 2018
- **Conferences:**
  Dynamics, Economic Growth and International Trade, "The Ramsey model with heterogeneous time-preference: a selective survey”, Moscow, Sept. 6, 2018;
  14th Viennese Conference on Optimal Control and Dynamic Games, “Bubbles and cycles in the Solow-Swan model”, Vienna, July 5, 2018;
  Symposium zu Ehren von Gustav Feichtinger, “On the implications of collateral constraints”, Vienna, Nov. 15, 2018

Other activities and affiliation

- **Research visit:** Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich, March 19-23, 2018
- **Member of PhD committee:** Elliot Aurissergues (Université Paris I Panthéon Sorbonne)
- **Academic services:** Head of Department

Jean-Robert TYRAN

Presentation of research results

- **Conferences:** “Decision-Making in Groups” (keynote lecture), 9th Thurgau Experimental Economics Meeting, Konstanz, April 2018;
  „Cultural Heritage and Innovation”, Peking University, May 2018;
  “Wie kann gesellschaftliche Kooperation entstehen?”, Wirtschaftsuniversität Wien, June 2018;
  “A Behavioral and Experimental Economics Perspective on Voting”, 6th Summer School in Behavioral Economics and Experimental Research: Institutions and Behavior, Université de Lausanne (in Kandersteg abgehalten), June 2018;
  „Scientific Writing and Publishing”, Université de Fribourg, October 2018;
  “The Legacy of Humanism in Economics”, Charles University Prague, October 2018
Other activities and affiliations

- **Research fellowship**: Visiting Professor, Department of Economics, University of Copenhagen, Research fellow at CEPR and at Centre for Economic Policy Research (London) and EPRU, Economic Policy Research Unit (Copenhagen)
- **Professional organizations**: Board member: Society for the Advancement of Behavioral Economics (SABE); Chairman of the scientific advisory board, Vienna Behavioral Economics Network (VBEN); European University Association: Member of the Research Policy Work Group; Austrian Science Fund (FWF), Board of delegates; Wassercluster Lunz GmbH, Board of directors; Wiener Wissenschafts-, Forschungs- und Technologiefonds (WWTF), Board of directors (Kuratorium); Vienna University Press, Scientific Advisory Board; Hochschuljubiläumsstiftung, Board of directors (Kuratorium); Foundation of Bank Austria for Science and Research at the University of Vienna, Board of directors (Kuratorium); Austrian Agency for Research Integrity (OeAWI), Board of directors (Vorstand)
- **Academic services**: Dean, Faculty of Business, Economics and Statistics, University of Vienna (until Feb 2018); Vice-Rector for Research and International Affairs, University of Vienna (since Feb. 2018); Director, VCEE (Vienna Center for Experimental Economics, University of Vienna)

**Stephanos VLACHOS**

Presentation of research results

- **Research seminars**: Johannes Kepler Universität Linz research seminar, Jan. 10, 2018

Other activities and affiliations

- **Awards**: Doctoral Prize “Nicolas and Hélène Porphyrogenis” 2018, HEC Lausanne
Martin WOLF

Presentation of research results

- **Conferences**: IM-TCD Dublin, RIDGE Montevideo, CESifo Venice, AEA ASSA Chicago
- **Research seminars**: U Tübingen, U Bonn, U Vienna

Other activities and affiliations

- **Research grant**: Hardegg Grant

Lennart ZIEGLER

Presentation of research results

- **Conferences**: Conference Austrian Economic Association (NOeG), Vienna
- **Seminars**: Research Seminar Linz University, Linz
- **Workshops**: Workshop Arbeitsmarktökonomie, Vienna

Other activities and affiliations

- **Research grant**: Hardegg Grant
- **Research affiliate** IZA (Institute of Labor Economics)
- **Referee** Labour Economics

Christine ZULEHNER

Presentation of research results

- **Conferences**: Annual Meeting of the Committee for Industrial Economics in Vienna, 10th Conference on Digital Economics in Paris, MaCCI Summer Institute in Annweiler, Annual Meeting of the European Association for Research in Industrial Economics in Athens, Conference of the German Economic Association in Freiburg, Annual Conference of the European Association of Law and Economics in Milan
- **Seminar presentations**: CREST, Vienna University of Technology, University of St. Gallen

Other activities and affiliations

- **Professional organization**: Chair of the Committee for Industrial Economics, German Economic Association
- **Editorial activities**: Co-editor, B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy, Co-editor, German Economic Review
- **PhD students**: Florian Deuflhardt, Goethe University Frankfurt, Co-adviser, Oddmund Berg, NHH Bergen, external member of the PhD committee, Nicolas Eschenbaum, University of St. Gallen, external reviewer
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