

# 4. Weihnachtstreffen der deutschen Wirtschaftswissenschaftler im Ausland

20. - 22.12.2007

Universität Mannheim und ZEW

*Donnerstag, 20.12.*

**17:30 Abfahrt aus Mannheim zu Weinprobe und Abendessen  
in der Pfalz<sup>1</sup>**

*Freitag, 21.12.*

**09:00 Registrierung, Kaffee, Begrüßung der Teilnehmer<sup>2</sup>**

**09:30-11:00**

## **Session 1A Organizational Economics**

**Christina Gathmann** (Stanford): “Organizational Change and Careers Inside Firms: Evidence from Matched Data”

**Philipp Otto** (UCL): “The Psychological Representation of Corporate ‘Personality’”

**Marc Möller** (Carlos III): “Competition amongst Contests”

## **Session 1B Computational Economics and Econometrics**

**Karl Schmedders** (Northwestern): “Competitive Equilibria in Semi-Algebraic Economies”

**Thomas Mertens** (Harvard): “Bayesian Estimation with Sparse Grids”

**Stefan Hoderlein** (Mannheim): “Partial Identification and Nonparametric Estimation of Nonseparable, Nonmonotonic Functions”

**11:00-11:30 Kaffee**

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<sup>1</sup> Die Weinprobe findet im Weingut A. Christmann statt und das Abendessen in Nett’s Restaurant, beide in Neustadt-Gimmeldingen.

<sup>2</sup> Das offizielle Programm findet im Zentrum für Europäische Wirtschaftsforschung (ZEW), L7,1, Mannheim statt

## **11:30-13:00**

### **Session 2A Matching Theory**

**Bettina Klaus** (Maastricht): “Competition and Resource Sensitivity in Marriage and Roommates Markets”

**Lars Ehlers** (Montreal): “Matching Markets under (In)Complete Information”

**Philipp Kircher** (Penn): “The Sorting Effect of Price Competition”

### **Session 2B Empirical Labour Economics**

**Steffen Habermalz** (Northwestern): “News Shocks, Skill-biased Technological Change and Wage Inequality”

**Nicola Fuchs-Schuendeln** (Harvard): “Explaining the Low Labor Productivity in East Germany: A Spatial Analysis”

**Katja Maria Kaufmann** (Stanford): “Marginal Returns to Schooling, Credit Constraints, and Subjective Expectations of Earnings”

## **13:00-14:30 Mittagessen**

## **14:30-16:30**

### **Session 3A Finance**

**Stefan Nagel** (Stanford): “Carry Trades and Currency Crashes”

**Andreas Park** (Toronto): “Herd Behaviour in Efficient Financial Markets”

**Ernst-Ludwig von Thadden** (Mannheim): “How Does Liquidity Affect Government Bond Yields?”

**Alexander Muermann** (WU Wien): “Hidden Regret and Advantageous Selection in Insurance Markets”

### **Session 3B Industrial Organization**

**Volker Nocke** (Oxford): “Sequential Merger Review”

**Karsten Neuhoff** (Cambridge): “Innovation in the Value Chain”

**Martin Peitz** (Mannheim): “Intermediation and Investment Incentives”

**Konrad Stahl** (Mannheim): “Global versus Local Competition”

## **16:30-17:00 Kaffee**

## **17:00-18:30**

### **Session 4A Public Economics**

**Dirk Krueger** (Penn): “Taxing Capital? Not a Bad Idea After All!”

**Michele Tertilt** (Stanford): “Sexual Behavior and HIV in Malawi”

**Eckhard Janeba** (Mannheim): “The Globalization of Tax Policy: What German Politicians Believe”

### **Session 4B Experimental Economics**

**Bjoern Bartling** (Zurich): “Shifting the Blame: On Delegation and Responsibility”

**Rosemarie Nagel** (Pompeu Fabra): “Beauty Contest in the Brain: A Parametric Investigation of the Neural Basis of Theory of Mind”

**Markus Walzl** (Maastricht): “The Impact of the Irrelevant: Temporary Buy-Options and Bidding Behavior in Online Auctions”

## **19:30 Konferenzen**

*Samstag, 22.12.*

### **9:15-11:15**

#### **Session 5A Macroeconomics**

**Axel Dreher** (ETH Zurich): “Does Membership on the UN Security Council Influence IMF Decisions? Evidence from Panel Data”

**Ralf Hepp** (Fordham): “Central Bank Preferences in Post-Crisis East Asia”

**Gerhard Glomm** (Indiana): “Social Security, Public Education and the Growth-Inequality Relationship”

**Dirk Niepelt** (Gerzensee): “Population Ageing, Government Budgets, and Productivity Growth”

**Philip Jung** (Amsterdam): “Taxation and Labor Market Fluctuations: Why Capital Taxes are a “Good Idea””

#### **Session 5B Empirical Microeconomics**

**Holger Sieg** (CMU): “Meeting the Challenges of Public Housing Policies in a Large Metropolitan Area”

**Matthias Schuendeln** (Harvard): “Financing Constraints: A New Test and an Application to Developing Countries”

**Robert Hauswald** (American): “The Choice Between Arm's-Length and Relationship Debt: Evidence from eLoans”

**Dennis Novy** (Warwick): “Gravity Redux: Measuring International Trade Costs with Panel Data”

### **11:15-11:30 Kaffee**

### **11:30-13:00 Runder Tisch “Die wirtschaftswissenschaftlichen Forschungsbedingungen in Deutschland“**

(Gesprächsleitung: Olaf Storbeck, Handelsblatt)

### **13:00-14:30 Informelles Mittagessen**

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