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#### Talks and Research visits

<u>Illia Pasichnichenko</u>, Queen Mary University of London, and former (2018-20) visiting scientist at the AWI, courtesy of a fellowship from the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation to do joint research with Prof. Dr Jürgen Eichberger, will be visiting from April 15 - 18. He will be staying at Jürgen's office, AWI 00.005 a.

Wael Bousselmi, ESSCA, Angers France, will stay for research visit with Stefan Trautmann at the AWI (room 01.026) from April 15 – Mai 31.

Andis Sofianos, Durham University, will stay for research vistit with Jörg Oechssler at the AWI from April 11 – 17.

Anne Opschoor, School of Business and Economics University of Amsterdam, will stay for research visit with Christian Conrad at the AWI (room 01.026) from April 8 - 19.

Arjun Sengupta, Nottingham University Business School, is staying for research visit with Christoph Vanberg at the AWI (room 00.004) from April 4 - 24.

**Stefan Trautmann** presented the paper "Updating in light of the unforeseen" at the University of New South Wales on March 13 and at the University of Maastricht on April 4; the paper "A Choice-Based Approach to the Measurement of Inflation Expectations" at the University of Sydney on March 14 and at the European Central Bank's CES Seminar on March 21; and the paper "Higher order risk attitudes predict economic decisions at Nanyang Technological University" Singapore on March 7.

**Giovanni Burro** went to Warwick for a research visit (Coventry and Belfast from March 18-28) and presented his paper "A Walk Down Memory Lane: How Memories Influence Stock Investment and Information Processing" at the *Royal Economic Society's RES 2024 Annual conference* held at Queen's University Belfast, United Kingdom, on March 26.

**Anca Balietti** presented the paper "Strategic Ignorance and Perceived Control", joint work with Angelika Budjan, Tillmann Eymess, and Alice Soldà at the *Humboldt Foundation* in Bonn on March 5<sup>th</sup> and in the economics department seminar at the *Geneva Graduate Institute* on March 25.

**Christian Conrad** presented the paper "Long-Term Volatility Shapes the Stock Market's Sensitivity to News" (joint with Julius Schoelkopf and Nikoleta Tushteva) at the Annual Symposium of the *Society for Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics*, University of Padova, March 22.

**Tom Zeising** presented the Paper "Racial Disparities in Environmental Auditing" (joint with Anca Balietti) at the AURÖ Workshop on Environmental and Resource Economics at the Fraunhofer Institute for Systems and Innovation Research (Fraunhofer ISI) in Karlsruhe on March, 22.

**Ferdinand Rauch** gave a talk on "Identifying Agglomeration Shadows: Long-run Evidence from Ancient Ports", at the Paris Trade Seminar, *Paris School of Economics* in Paris on March 12.

**Jörg Oechssler** presented his paper "On the benefits of robo-advice in financial markets" (with Marco Lambrecht and Simon Weidenholzer) at the *Department of Economics of the University of Vienna* on March 7.

**Zeno Enders** presented the paper "The Transmission of Supply Shocks in Different Inflation Regimes" (joint work with Sarah Arndt) at the *Annual Meeting of the Standing Field Committee for Monetary Economics of the German Economic Association* in Vienna, on February 29 - March 1.

**Katharina Momsen** gave a presentation on "How do defaults affect information acquisition and processing" at the Department of Economics at Durham University on February 22.

**Julian Matthes** attended the *Ghent BOSA Winter School* from Feb 5 – 8, 2024: During the week of Feb. 5-9, over 50 data scientists, sports scientists and other sports experts gathered for the second edition of the Becoming Outstanding in Sports Analytics (BOSA) Winter School. The week was organized by IDLab Sports Data Science teams of Ghent University and the University of Antwerp. BOSA offered a mix of theoretical lectures on important topics in sports analytics, specific use cases from several sports, and a practical, real-life sports data project the participants worked on all week.

**Joerg Oechssler** attended *the Southern Europe Experimental Team's Meeting*, SEET 2024, in Málaga and gave a presentation on "Dissolving an ambiguous partnership" (joint work with Alex Roomets), on February 1 – 2.

#### **New Publications**

Pascal Kieren and Martin Weber: "Expectation Formation under Uninformative Signals" was accepted for publication in Management Science.

## **New Working Papers**

Chi Cui, Ming Dai, Christiane Schwieren: "Following Social Norms, Signaling, and Cooperation in the Public Goods Game", AWI Discussion Paper Series No 746, April 2024.

Anca Balietti and Tom Zeising: "Racial Disparities in Environmental Auditing", AWI Discussion Paper Series No 745, February 2024.

Siddhartha Bandyopadhyay, Moumita Deb, Johannes Lohse and Rebecca McDonald: "The Swing Voter's Curse Revisited: Transparency's Impact on Committee Voting", AWI Discussion Paper Series No 744, February 202

### **New and Leaving Staff**

**Lucas Ferrero** is beginning a 4-month teaching visit. Lucas Ferrero is a professor of Monetary Economics and Public Economics, and Director of the Economics Department at the National University of the Northeast Region in Argentina. He holds Ph.D. in Economics from Bocconi University, Milan. For more information, please visit his website here, or drop by his office (AWI, ground floor, room 00.006).



**Felix Schmücker** (room 01.008) will join the Chair of Economic Theory 1 as a Ph.D. student in June. He studied economics at the University of Heidelberg and worked as a student research assistant to Prof. Ebert. His research interests lie in the field of machine learning, behavioral economics and finance. He will work on beliefs and decision-making.



**Tilmann Waffenschmidt** (room 01.019b) joined the Chair of International and Development Politics as a Ph.D. student under the supervision of Axel Dreher in September. He has completed a Bachelor's degree in Socioeconomics in Hamburg with a semester abroad in Stellenbosch, South Africa, as well as a Master's degree in International and Development in Berlin and a Master's degree in International Political Economy in Marburg and at the UT Dallas (Double Degree). His research interests are Economic History, International Political Economy and Development economics particularly in relation to Sub-Saharan Africa.



**Thomas Eife**, formerly with the Chair of Economic Policy of Zeno Enders, has taken up a visiting position at Bard College in Berlin.