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## Upcoming Seminars

### **Monday, 9.11.15**

#### **Departmental Seminar**

17.15-18.15

AWI 00.010

Ingo Geishecker, European University Viadrina

(invited by Axel Dreher)

"Intensive and Extensive Margins of Offshoring and Associated Labour Market Effects: Empirical Evidence from Matched Employer-Employee Data content"

### **Tuesday, 10.11.15**

#### **Special Seminar**

13.15-14.15

South Asia Institute

INF 330, room 509

Magnus Hatlebakk, Chr. Michelsen Institute, Bergen

(invited by Stefan Klöpper)

"Usufructuary Mortgages as a Source of Funds in Need"

### **Wednesday, 11.11.15**

#### **Internal Seminar**

12.15-13.15

AWI 00.010

Francesco Berlingieri

"Local labor market size and qualification mismatch"

## Further Events

### **Thursday, 12.11.15**

#### **Tauschen, Teilen, Trixen**

18.00-19.00

Grabengasse 3-5

NUni HS 7

Markus Pohlmann, Max Weber Institut,  
Universität Heidelberg

"Schmierer und Tricksen – Zur Erklärung von Korruption und Manipulationen von Managern, Bankern und Ärzten"

### Departmental Seminar

Ingo Geishecker

"Intensive and Extensive Margins of Offshoring and Associated Labour Market Effects: Empirical Evidence from Matched Employer-Employee Data content"

In this paper we analyse how the extensive margin of offshoring shapes individual workers' labour market outcomes exploiting matched employer-employee data for the universe of Danish manufacturing firms. In a first step we explicitly model heterogeneous firms' selection into multiple offshoring modes differentiating between high-wage and low-wage country offshoring. In a second step we assess individual labour market outcomes while conditioning on the propensity scores obtained in the first step. We find pronounced negative medium-run wage effects of an expansion of offshoring along its extensive margin to low-wage countries that point to significant displacement effects from entering offshoring. This is underlined by evidence for a significant impact of an extensive offshoring expansion on individual employment separation probabilities. However, these negative displacement effects are partly counteracted by positive productivity effects from offshoring as suggested in the theoretical literature.

### Special Seminar

Magnus Hatlebakk

"Usufructary Mortgages as a Source of Funds in Need"

In India, households sometimes enter into debt contracts where the owner of agricultural land borrows money, and in exchange the lender gets the user rights to the land until the borrower decides to repay the loan. In this paper we show theoretically under what conditions such a contract may be useful for both parties, and test the model's predictions with original household-level data from a backward area of Eastern India.

### Internal Seminar

Francesco Berlingieri

"Local labor market size and qualification mismatch"

This paper investigates the effect of the size of the local labor market on skill mismatch. Using survey data for Germany, I find that male workers in large cities are both less likely to be overqualified for their job and to work in a different field than the one they are trained for. Different empirical strategies are employed to account for the potential sorting of talented workers into more urbanized areas. Results on individuals never moving from the place of childhood and fixed-effects estimates obtaining identification through regional migrants suggest that sorting does not fully explain the existing differences in qualification mismatch across areas. This provides evidence of the existence of agglomeration economies through better matches. However, better job matching in larger cities seems to explain only a small part of the urban wage premium.

## Talks and Research Visits

**Matthias Hartmann** presented the paper "When does information on forecast variance improve the performance of a combined forecast?" (joint with Christian Conrad) at the department of economics research seminar, University of Gießen, October 28.

**Jonas Dovert** presented the paper „A Multivariate Analysis of Forecast Disagreement: Confronting Models of Disagreement with Survey Data“ at the research seminar of the Deutsche Bundesbank, October 16.

## Miscellaneous

**Axel Dreher** took part at the panel discussion on "Entwicklungszusammenarbeit in Afrika: Zwischen Aufbruch und Migration", organized by the Hanns Seidel Stiftung, November 5, 2015, Munich, Germany.

**Editorial deadline for issue 25/2015 of the newsletter:  
Wednesday, November 11, 2015, 12 p.m.  
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