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Date of birth: September 20, 1973
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Current Positions

- Professor of Economics, esp. Social Policy and Labour Markets
University of Munich (LMU), Department of Economics, Center for Economic Studies since 01/2010
- Director of the Ifo Center for Labour Market Research and Family Economics
Ifo Institute – Leibniz Institute for Economic Research at the University of Munich since 01/2010

Affiliations

- Research Associate
Institute for Social & Economic Research (ISER)
- Research Fellow
CESifo
- Member of the Councils for Social Policy and Population Economics
Verein für Socialpolitik

Past Positions

- Associate Professor
University of St Andrews, School of Economics and Finance 08/2009 – 12/2009
- Assistant Professor
University of St Andrews, School of Economics and Finance 08/2005 – 07/2009
- Teaching Fellow
University of Essex, Department of Economics 08/2003 – 07/2005
- Teaching Assistant
University of Essex, Department of Economics 10/2000 – 07/2003

Education

- Ph.D. in Economics
University of Essex 05/2005
– Thesis: “Essays on the Economics of the Family”
– Supervisors: Abhinay Muthoo and Marco Francesconi
- Mag.rer.soc.oec. (≈M.A.) in Economics
University of Graz 10/1999
– Thesis: “A Bargaining Model of the Family”
– Supervisor: Nicholas Baigent

Research Interests

Family Economics, Population Economics, Applied Microeconomics
Theory: Models of Intra-Household Behavior; Taxation of Couples; Incomplete Contracts
Empirics: Economic Demography; Labour Economics; Social Preferences; Political Attitudes

Articles in Refereed Journals

1. Children of a (Policy) Revolution: The Introduction of Universal Child Care and its Effect on Fertility (with S. Bauernschuster and T. Hener), *Journal of the European Economic Association*, forthcoming.
2. Unemployment and Domestic Violence: Theory and Evidence (with D. Anderberg, J. Wadsworth and T. Wilson), *Economic Journal*, forthcoming.
3. Political Socialization in Flux? Linking Family Non-Intactness during Childhood to Adult Civic Engagement (with T. Hener and T. Siedler), *Journal of Royal Statistical Society: Series A*, forthcoming.
4. Unintended Consequences of Welfare Reform for Children with Single Parents: A Theoretical Analysis (with M. Francesconi and W. van der Klaauw), *Review of Economics of the Household*, forthcoming.
5. Pigou Meets Ramsey: Gender-Based Taxation with Non-Cooperative Couples (with V. Meier), *European Economic Review*, 2015, 77, 28-46.
6. Economic Abuse: A Theory of Intrahousehold Sabotage (with D. Anderberg), *Journal of Public Economics*, 2013, 97(1), 282-295.
7. The Effect of Power Imbalances on Incentives to Make Non-Contractible Investments (with M. Faravelli and O. Kirchkamp), *European Economic Review*, 2013, 61, 169-185.
8. Meet the Parents? Family Size and the Geographic Proximity between Adult Children and Older Mothers (with H. Holmlund und T. Siedler), *Demography*, 2013, 50(3), 903-931.
9. On the Optimality of Joint Taxation for Non-Cooperative Couples (with V. Meier), *Labour Economics*, 2012, 19(4), 633-641.
10. Family Location and Caregiving Patterns from an International Perspective (with T. Siedler), *Population and Development Review*, 2012, 38 (2), 337-351.
11. Education, Communication and Wellbeing: An Application to Sexual Satisfaction (with I. Smith), *Kyklos*, 2012, 65(4), 581-598.
12. Political Regimes and the Family: How Sex-Role Attitudes Continue to Differ in Reunified Germany (with S. Bauernschuster). *Journal of Population Economics*, 2012, 25(1), 5-27.
13. Assisted Reproductive Technologies in a Model of Fertility Choice (with G. Selvaretnam, D. Ulph), *Journal of Population Economics*, 2011, 24(3), 1101-1132.
14. Staying Together for the Sake of the Home? House Price Shocks and Partnership Dissolution in the UK (with I. Smith), *Journal of Royal Statistical Society: Series A*, 2010, 173(3), 557-574.
15. Social Networks in Determining Migration and Labor Market Outcomes: Evidence from the German Reunification (with T. Siedler), *Economics of Transition*, 2009, 17(4), 739- 767.
16. O Brother, Where Art Thou? The Effects of Having a Sibling on Geographic Mobility and Labor Market Outcomes (with T. Siedler), *Economica*, 2009, 76(303), 528-556.
17. Does Democracy Foster Trust? (with T. Siedler), *Journal of Comparative Economics*, 2009, 37(2), 251-269.
18. The Effects of In-Work Benefit Reform in Britain on Married Couples: Theory and Evidence (with M. Francesconi and W. van der Klaauw), *Economic Journal*, 2009, 119(535), F66-F100.
19. Subjective Income and Employment Expectations and Preferences for Redistribution (with T. Siedler). *Economics Letters*, 2008, 99(3), 449-453.

20. Gender Discrimination and Efficiency in Marriage: the Bargaining Family under Scrutiny, *Journal of Population Economics*, 2008, 21(2), 305-329.
21. Should We Write Prenuptial Contracts, *European Economic Review*, 2007, 51(2), 337- 363.

Working Papers: Submitted

22. Daddy Months (with V. Meier), CESifo Working Paper No. 5033, 2014.
23. When Labor Disputes Bring Cities to a Standstill: The Impact of Public Transit Strikes on Traffic, Accidents, Air Pollution and Health (with S. Bauernschuster and T. Hener), CESifo Working Paper No. 5313, 2015.

Articles in Non-Refereed Journals

24. Streiks im öffentlichen Nahverkehr: Negative Folgen für Verkehr, Umwelt und Gesundheit (with S. Bauernschuster, A. Fichtl and T. Hener), *ifo Schnelldienst*, 67(24), 2014, 31-36
25. Kinder einer Politikreform: Führen mehr Krippenplätze zu mehr Kindern? (with S. Bauernschuster, A. Fichtl and T. Hener), *ifo Schnelldienst*, 67(10), 2014, 30-37
26. Child Benefit and Child Allowances in Germany: Their Impact on Family Policy Goals (with S. Bauernschuster, N. Danzer, A. Fichtl, T. Hener, C. Holzner and J. Reinkowski) *CESifo DICE Report*, 12(1), 2014, 37-45
27. Unemployment and Domestic Violence (with D. Anderberg, J. Wadsworth and T. Wilson), *CentrePiece*, Winter 2013/14, 10-13.
28. Lehren für die Familienpolitik - Zentrale Resultate der Gesamtevaluation familienbezogener Leistungen (with H. Bonin, A. Fichtl, C. K. Spieß, H. Stichnoth and K. Wrohlich), *ifo Schnelldienst*, 66(18), 2013, 22-30.
29. Politische Sozialisation im Wandel? Zusammenhang von Familienstruktur und bürgerschaftlichem Engagement (with A. Fichtl, T. Hener and T. Siedler), *ifo Schnelldienst*, 66(17), 2013, 3-11.
30. Kindergeld und Kinderfreibeträge in Deutschland: Evaluierung der Auswirkungen auf familienpolitische Ziele (with S. Bauernschuster, N. Danzer, A. Fichtl, T. Hener, C. Holzner and J. Reinkowski), *ifo Schnelldienst*, 66(9), 2013, 3-11.
31. Öffentlich geförderte Kinderbetreuung in Deutschland: Evaluierung der Auswirkungen auf die Arbeitsmarktbeteiligung von Müttern (with W. Auer, S. Bauernschuster, N. Danzer, A. Fichtl, T. Hener, C. Holzner, J. Reinkowski and M. Werding), *ifo Schnelldienst*, 66(7), 2013, 3140.
32. Im Blickpunkt: Betreuungsgeld (with A. Fichtl und T. Hener), *ifo Schnelldienst*, 65(21), 2012, 38-44.
33. Zeit für Familie – Thema des 8. Familienberichts (with W. Auer, H. Hofmann and J. Reinkowski), *ifo Schnelldienst*, 64(23), 2011, 31-33.
34. Das Bundesverfassungsgerichtsurteil zu den Hartz-IV-Regelsätzen: Hintergrund und Bedeutung (with S. Bauernschuster, W. Geis and C. Holzner), *ifo Schnelldienst*, 63(5), 2010, 21-29.
35. Politik und Kultur: Unterschiedliche Einstellungen bezüglich der Rolle der Frau in Ost und West” (with S. Bauernschuster), *Ökonomenstimme*, 28 May 2010.

Policy Reports

36. Kindergeld (with S. Bauernschuster, N. Danzer, T. Hener, C. Holzner and J. Reinkowski), *ifo Forschungsberichte 60*, ifo Institut, 2013.

37. Kinderbetreuung (with S. Bauernschuster, W. Auer, Natalia Danzer, M.Hancioglu, B. Hartmann, T. Hener, C. Holzner, N. Ott, J. Reinkowski and M. Werding), *ifo Forschungsberichte 59*, ifo Institut, 2013.

Book

38. *Expertisen zum 8. Familienbericht – Zeit für Familie* (edited with Fabienne Becker-Stoll, Hans-Peter Klös and Gregor Thüsing), ifo Institut, 2012.

Work in Progress

A Theory of Irrational Marriage-Specific Investments (with K. Roeder)

Do We Need (Incomplete) Contracts? (with O. Kirchkamp)

Immigration and Political Attitudes (with J. Saurer)

Acquired Research Projects

- Economic Uncertainty and the Family (EcUFam)
Leibniz Association, Pact for Research and Innovation, 2015 - 2018
– Co-Investigator
- Optimal Immigration Policies in Europe: From Conflicting Interests to Mutual Gains
Leibniz Association, Pact for Research and Innovation, 2012 - 2014
– Co-Investigator
- External Effects of Strikes in Natural Monopoly Industries
Carl Friedrich von Weizsäcker Foundation, 2012 - 2014
– Principal Investigator
- Coordination of the 8th Report on Family Affairs
Federal Ministry of Family Affairs, 2010 - 2012
– Head of Coordination Office
- Ex-post Evaluation of Monetary Family-Related Benefits in Germany
Federal Ministry of Finance and Federal Ministry of Family Affairs, 2010 - 2012
– Principal Investigator
- Ex-post Evaluation of Public Child Care in Germany
Federal Ministry of Finance and Federal Ministry of Family Affairs, 2010 - 2011
– Principal Investigator
- Family Structure and Adult Children's Location Decisions
Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), 2008 - 2009
– Co-Investigator

Awards and Scholarships

- Prize for Exceptional Achievements in Third-party Funded Research (2013). Awarded by the Ifo Institute (Project: Ex-Post-Evaluation of Child Benefits).
- Prize for Exceptional Achievements in Third-party Funded Research (2012). Awarded by the Ifo Institute (Project: Ex-Post-Evaluation of Public Subsidies for Child Care).
- Special Award for Exceptional Achievements (2012). Awarded by the Ifo Institute (Project: Coordination of the 8th Report on Family Affairs of the Federal Government of Germany).
- Research Stipend, Department of Economics, University of Essex (2000-2003)

- Graduate Teaching Assistant Prize, Department of Economics, University of Essex, (2002)
- Award for “Diplomarbeit”, University of Graz, Austria (1999)
- Exchange student grant (University of Paris X) financed by ERASMUS (1996-1997)

Invited Seminars and Conferences

- **2014** University of Victoria || Council for Social Policy (VfS), Dresden || ISER, University of Essex.
- **2013:** University of Hamburg || University of Passau || University of Bamberg || University of East Anglia || University of St Andrews || Workshop “Parental and Public Investments and Child Outcomes”, University of Turin || RES Annual Conference, London || EEA Annual Conference, Gothenburg || ESEM, Gothenburg || CESifo Area Conference Employment and Social Protection, Munich || VfS Annual Conference, Düsseldorf || Council for Social Policy (VfS), Eichstätt || European Commission Workshop “Early Childhood Education and Care”, Brussels || MPISOC Annual Conference “Sozialrecht und Sozialpolitik des Alters”, Munich || BLLV Workshop “Frühkindliche Förderung”, Munich || Workshop “Verfassungsrechtliche Grundlagen der Familienpolitik”, Eichstätt.
- **2012:** University of St Andrews || University of Linz || ESPE Annual Conference, Bern || EALE Annual Conference, Bonn || Journées Louis-Andre Gerard-Varet, Marseille || Council for Social Policy (VfS), Berlin.
- **2011:** ISER, University of Essex || University of St. Gallen || University of Dresden || EALE Annual Conference, Cyprus || CESifo Area Conference Employment and Social Protection, Munich || Council for Social Policy (VfS), Berlin.
- **2010:** University of St Andrews || University of Linz || ESPE Annual Conference, Essen || CESifo Area Conference Employment and Social Protection, Munich || MPG Workshop “Taxation and the Family”, Munich.
- **2009:** University of Munich || University of Cologne.
- **2008:** University of St. Gallen || University of Kent || University of Aberdeen || University of Stirling || University of Linz || ESPE Annual Conference, London.
- **2007:** RES Annual Conference, Warwick || EEA Annual Conference, Budapest.
- **2006:** University of Birmingham || University of Edinburgh || Heriot-Watts University || University of Stirling || ESPE Annual Conference, Verona || RES Annual Conference, Nottingham || ESEM, Vienna || IFAU/IZA Conference “Labor Market Policy Evaluation”, Uppsala.
- **2005:** University of St Andrews || University of Glasgow || University of Newcastle || 9th World Congress of the Econometric Society, London.
- **2004:** University of Birmingham || Queen Mary, University of London || University of Keele.
- **2003:** University of Graz || EEA Annual Conference, Stockholm.

Teaching

- **Professor, University of Munich (since 2010):** Public Economics and the Household (postgraduate), Mathematical Methods in Economics (undergraduate), Applied Labour Economics (undergraduate), Economics of the Family (undergraduate).
- **Assistant/Associate Professor, University of St Andrews (2005 to 2009):** The Economics of Negotiations (postgraduate), Intermediate Microeconomics (undergraduate), Law and Economics (undergraduate), Contemporary Issues: Auctions (undergraduate).

- **Teaching Fellow, University of Essex (2003 to 2005):** Advanced Microeconomics (postgraduate), Game Theory (postgraduate), Mathematical Methods in Economics (undergraduate), Contemporary Topics in Microeconomics (undergraduate), The Economics of Negotiations (undergraduate).
- **Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of Essex (2000 to 2003):** Mathematical Methods (postgraduate), Introduction to Economics (undergraduate), Intermediate Microeconomics (undergraduate), Introduction to Quantitative Economics (undergraduate)

Services to the Profession

- **Refereeing Activities:** Comparative Population Studies, Contemporary Economic Policy, Economic Journal, Empirical Economics, Economics of Transition, German Economic Review, International Economic Review, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Industrial Organization, Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Population Economics, Journal of Public Economic Theory, Labour Economics, Manchester School, Mathematical Social Sciences, Public Choice, Research in Labor Economics, Review of Economic Studies, Tourism Management, Economic and Social Research Council, Oesterreichische Nationalbank Working Paper Series.
- **Organizational Activities:** Organizer of the inaugural “St Andrews Workshop in Applied Microeconomics”, September 2007. Founder and organizer of the “SIRE Forum for Young Researchers”, February 2008.

Memberships

European Economic Association, European Society for Population Economics, Royal Economic Society

References

On Request