

## NEW AT DICE DATABASE

### Recent entries to the DICE Database

In February and March 2012 the DICE Database received about 200 new entries consisting partly of updates of existing entries and partly of new topics. The institutional field "Business and Financial Markets" was also restructured. And the theme "Banking" is now represented in a separate division with 7 subdivisions.

The new or updated topics include:

- Status of the Basel II and III Adoption
- Deposit Insurance Systems and Guarantee Arrangements
- Inflation Targeting of Central Banks
- Regulation of Emissions Trading Systems
- Policy Instruments to Address Pollution and to Protect the Environment
- Unemployment Benefit Schemes
- Average Working Time of Employees
- Regulation of Migrant Entrepreneurship and Self-employment
- Business, Corporate and Personal Tax Rates

## FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES

### CESifo Area Conference on Public Sector Economics 2012

12 April – 14 April, in Munich

This annual area conference aims to give an overview of the current research undertaken by members of the Public Sector Economics area of the CESifo network and to stimulate interaction and co-operation between area members.

Keynote Lecture by Pierre Pestieau (Université de Liege): The Public Economics of Increasing Longevity

Scientific organizer: Rick Van der Ploeg

### CESifo Area Conference on Employment and Social Protection 2012

27 April – 28 April, in Munich

The purpose of the conference is to bring together CESifo members to present and discuss their ongoing research and to stimulate interaction and co-operation between them. The papers presented deal

with any topic within the domains of employment and social protection.

Keynote Lecture by Ronnie Schöb (FU Berlin): Identity and Unemployment

Scientific organiser: Kai A. Konrad

### CESifo Area Conference on Global Economy 2012

25 May – 26 May 2012, in Munich

This conference offers members of the Network's Global Economy area to present their current research and aims to stimulate interaction and co-operation between area members. The papers to be presented cover a wide range of issues including trade, international finance, migration, global environmental issues and many other topics.

Scientific organisers: Peter Egger, John Whalley

## NEW BOOKS ON INSTITUTIONS

### From Optimal Tax Theory to Tax Policy

Robin Broadway

MIT Press, Cambridge, Mass., London (2012)

### The Continuing Evolution of Europe

Thiess Buettner and Wolfgang Ochel (eds.)

MIT Press, Cambridge, Mass., London (2012)

### The Green Paradox

Hans-Werner Sinn

MIT Press, Cambridge, Mass., London (2012)