

## NEW AT DICE DATABASE

### Recent entries to the DICE Database

In the third quarter of 2013 the DICE Database received a number of new entries, consisting partly of updates and partly of new topics. Some topics are mentioned below.

- Political Constraints Index on Feasibility of Policy Change
- Trust in the European Institutions
- Gender Inequality Index
- Press Freedom Index
- State/Province Governments: Locally Elected
- Employment in Knowledge-intensive Service Sectors and in High- and Medium-high-technology Manufacturing Sectors
- Public Social Expenditure by Function
- Commitment to Development Index
- Index of Economic Freedom

The interactive graphics application **Visual Storytelling** has been further expanded.

## FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES

### 8<sup>th</sup> Workshop on Macroeconomics and Business Cycle 21–22 November 2013, in Dresden

The two day workshop is jointly organised by the Dresden Branch of the Ifo Institute for Economic Research and the Helmut Schmidt University in Hamburg. It is intended to provide a forum for the exchange and discussion of current research in the field of macroeconomics, while contributing to better networking of economic research. The workshop is held in German language.

Scientific organisers:  
Michael Weber, Robert Lehmann

### 7<sup>th</sup> Workshop on Political Economy 2013 29–30 November 2013, in Dresden

CESifo, the Center of Public Economics at TU Dresden and the Ifo Institute for Economic Research Dresden will jointly organize a workshop on Political Economy. In the tradition of the previous workshops the conference will take place in Saxony's capital Dresden.

The two-day workshop will serve as a forum to present current research results in political economy and will give researchers the opportunity to network.

Scientific organisers:  
Christian Lessmann, Gunther Markwardt

### Macroeconomics and Survey Data 2013 06–07 December, in Munich

This conference, organised by The Business Cycle Analysis and Survey Department of Ifo in association with Ruediger Bachmann (RWTH Aachen University) and Eric Sims (University of Notre Dame), will discuss ongoing research on survey and micro data and its role and usage in macroeconomics

Scientific organisers:  
Ruediger Bachmann, Eric Sims and Klaus Wohlrabe

### CESifo Economics Studies & CEMIR conference on Migration 2013 13–14 December, in Munich

The conference gathers a highly distinguished group of scholars presenting their research on the economic and political determinants and consequences of immigration policies. Economists and political scientists will share their insight and cutting edge research based on original data, and rigorous method and design to shed light on the highly debated topic of immigration policies and reforms.

Scientific organisers:  
Francesc Ortega and Giovanni Peri

## NEW BOOK ON INSTITUTIONS

### The Bankers' New Clothes: What's Wrong with Banking and What to Do about It

Anat Admati and Martin Hellwig,  
Princeton University Press 2013

### Political Transformations and Public Finances

Mark Dincecco,  
Cambridge University Press 2013

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