

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Current Affiliation(s)

University of Mannheim, Department of Economics

University of Oradea, Department of International Studies, Oradea

### Research Interests

International economics, behavioral economics, public economics, education economics, political economy. Political and social institutions' impact on policy outcomes such as well-being, public education, social capital, crime, etc.

### Current and Previous Positions

- 10/12- *Visiting fellow* at the University of Mannheim, Chair: Prof. Markus Frölich
- 10/11- *Invited Associate Professor* of Economics at the University of Oradea
- 08/11-07/12 *COFIT Fellow* and *Senior Researcher* at the World Trade Institute, University of Bern.
- 02/11-04/11 Post-Doc researcher at the University of Mannheim, Germany
- 11/10-12/10 Senior researcher at DIW Berlin, Department 'International Economics'
- 03/10-10/10 *Visiting Assistant Professor (TOM Marie Curie fellowship)*,  
University of Rome 'Tor Vergata', Rome, Italy
- 10/09-02/10 *Visiting full professor* of Public Finance at the *University of Hamburg*  
(W3-Lehrstuhlvertretung Public Finance).
- 03/09-09/09 Visiting Post-Doc researcher at the *University of Hohenheim*, financed by *OECD*
- 09/08-09/09 Project-Work (Employment and Consultancy) for the OECD, Paris. Section: ELS/SPD  
Project: Subjective Well-Being in OECD countries (Manager: Mark Pearson, M.Sc.)
- 3/08-8/08 Visiting Post-Doc researcher at the TWI, *University of Konstanz*  
(host: Prof. Urs Fischbacher)
- 4/07-3/08 *ENABLE Marie Curie experienced researcher*, Stockholm School of Economics  
(Mentor: Prof. M. Johannesson; leading house: Prof. F. van Winden, UvA)
- 2006-3/07 Research fellow, Hoover Institution, *University of Stanford* (host: Prof. B. Weingast)
- 2006 Research fellow, STICERD, London School of Economics (host: Prof. T. Besley)
- 2005-2007 Research associate at the FAA-HSG, *University of St. Gallen*.
- 2002-2005 Doctoral student at the *University of St. Gallen*, SIAW-HSG, Prof. G. Kirchgässner.

## Teaching Experience

*University of Oradea*

2012, 2011 International Economics Intensive Course, (26 hrs., Bachelor and Master)

2011-2012 Counseling of Master students and Post-Docs, *University of Bern*

2011 *University of Mannheim*

Health Economics (Bachelor)

Macroeconomic Policy (Seminar)

2009/2010 *University of Hamburg*

Health Economics (Bachelor 3<sup>rd</sup> year, lecture and exercise class), 4SWS

Behavioral Economics (Bachelor 3<sup>rd</sup> year, lecture and exercise class) , 4SWS

Quantitative Political Economy (Master, Seminar), 2SWS

Co-Advisor to various Master theses.

11/2009 Lecture in Macroeconomics (,From GDP to Subjective Well-Being'), (Bachelor),  
Department of Economics, *University of Padova*

*Stockholm School of Economics*

2007 Happiness Research (PhD seminar), Department of Economics, 2 SWS,  
*University of St. Gallen*

2003- 2005 Introductory Macroeconomics and Microeconomics (Bachelor 1<sup>st</sup> year, exercise class)  
Supervision of first-year students in writing a first research paper, 4 SWS  
(4 students each year 2003-2005)

*University of Mannheim*

2000 Tutorial in 'Advanced Microeconomic Theory' (graduate/Master), 4 SWS

## Third-Party Projects and Financing

2011 COFIT Marie Curie FP7-Project on globalization (co-financed by private sector)

2010 Marie Curie research grant (Transnationality of Migrants)

2009 EU commission project conducted at OECD

2008 Application (jointly with RWI) for project to the German Ministry of Finance

2007-08 Marie Curie Research Grant (ENABLE), 12 months

2006-07 Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF) Research grant

2002-04 Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF) Project on Direct Democracy (leader: G.  
Kirchgässner)

2000; 1997 DAAD Postgraduate fellowship; U of Heidelberg student exchange grant

## Academic Degrees and Education

- 2005 *Ph.D.* (German: *Dr. oec.*) at the University of St. Gallen, Switzerland.  
Thesis: “The Impact of Direct Democracy on Society” as part of the SNSF-project “Political Economy of Direct Legislation”.  
Supervisors: Prof. Gebhard Kirchgässner (Political Economy; Economic Policy), Prof. Simon Hug (Political Science).
- 2002-2005 PhD courses within the Gerzensee program
- 2002 *M.A. in Economics*, European University Institute (EUI), Florence, Italy.
- 1999 *Diploma in Economics* at the University of Heidelberg, Germany.  
Thesis: „Johann Heinrich von Thunen’s Theory of Economics in his work ‘The Isolated State’ ” (partly published). Supervisor: Prof. Malte Faber
- 1996-1997 *Exchange Year* at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC), U.S.A.  
(GPA (undergraduate courses): 4.0/4.0)
- 1995 *A.B. (Economics)*, University of Heidelberg
- 1994 *Supplementary Certificate in "South-Asian Studies"*, University of Heidelberg
- 1992 Study of Law at the University of Regensburg (Courses in Civil Law, Philosophy of Law, Roman Law)
- 1991 *A-levels („Abitur“)* majoring in History, Latin, Mathematics and Fine Arts at the Bismarckgymnasium (‘Humanistisches Gymnasium’), Karlsruhe. (grade: 1,1)  
Latinum, Graecum.

## Continuing Education

- 2010 Mini-Course in Advanced Microeconometrics (J. Angrist) at Tor Vergata University
- 2008 Mini-Course in z-Tree programming (Urs Fischbacher) at the University of Konstanz.
- 2007 Mini-Course on Growth Policy (Philippe Aghion) at the SSE.  
MERSS Mannheim Empirical Research Summer School 2007.
- 2003-2005 Supplementary PhD Courses at Study Center Gerzensee.  
Copyright and Patent Law (Prof. Menell), Cooperative Game Theory (Prof. Maskin), Econometric Policy Evaluation (Prof. Heckman), Contract and Tort Law (Prof. Cooter), Politics and Economics of Fiscal Policies (Prof. Alesina)

## **Honors, prizes, grants and other merit-based achievements**

since 2007	<i>REPEC</i> top 5% in various categories, top 1% in Romania (3 <sup>rd</sup> place)
08/11-08/12	<i>COFIT-COFUND</i> fellowship (EU commission-funded)
03/10-10/10	<i>Marie Curie</i> experienced researcher fellowship (RTN TOM)
2010	' <i>Who is Who</i> '
2008	<i>Liberty Fund</i> fellowship
03/2007 – 03/2008	<i>Marie Curie</i> experienced researcher fellowship (RTN ENABLE)
2007	Grant of the Verein fuer Socialpolitik for presentation at the EEA/ESEM, awarded by the National Bank of Switzerland.
02/2006 – 03/2007	<i>Swiss National Science Foundation</i> (SNSF) Post-Doc Fellowship (University of Stanford, LSE).
2003	<i>Public Choice Outreach</i> Conference Grant, GMU, USA
2000-2001	<i>DAAD</i> -postgraduate fellowship (German Government), EUI Florence
2001	Thesis completion grant from the Economics Department, EUI Florence
1996-1997	University of Heidelberg Exchange Programme for Students (UIUC)
1990/1991	Prize for Extraordinary Achievements in Latin, Prize in Competition "Humanismus Heute" ('Humanismus Today')

## **Publications Justina A.V. Fischer**

### **Academic Journals/Periodicals (published and forthcoming):**

1. “Do Positional Concerns Destroy Social Capital: Evidence from 26 Countries”, (with Benno Torgler). Forthcoming in *Economic Inquiry*, 2013.
2. “Public sector decentralization and school performance: International evidence”, (with Torberg Falch). *Economics Letters* 114(3), 276-279, 2012.
3. “Does government decentralization reduce domestic terror? An empirical test“, (with A. Dreher). *Economics Letters* 111(3), 223-225, 2011.
4. “Formal Institutions and Subjective Well-Being: Revisiting the Cross-Country Evidence”, (with C. Bjørnskov and A Dreher). *European Journal of Political Economy* 26 (4), 419-430, 2010.
5. “Government decentralization as a disincentive for transnational terror? An empirical test“. (with A. Dreher). *International Economic Review* 51(4), 981-1002, 2010.
6. “The Effect of Direct Democracy on Income Redistribution: Evidence for Switzerland”, (with L.P. Feld & G. Kirchgässner). *Economic Inquiry* 48, 817-840, 2010.
7. “Does Job Satisfaction Improve Workers’ Health? New Evidence using Panel Data and Objective Measures of Health”, (with A. Sousa-Poza). *Health Economics* 18, 71-89, 2009.
8. “Is Competition Good for Trust? Cross-Country Evidence Using Micro-Data“. *Economics Letters* 100, 56-59, 2008.
9. “Cross-Country Determinants of Life Satisfaction: Exploring Different Determinants across Groups in Society”. (with C. Bjørnskov and A. Dreher). *Social Choice and Welfare* 30, 119-173, 2008.
10. “On Decentralization and Life Satisfaction”. (with C. Bjørnskov and A. Dreher.) *Economics Letters* 99, 147–151, 2008.
11. “Direct Democracy and Life Satisfaction Revisited-New Evidence for Switzerland”. (with D. Dorn, G. Kirchgässner, and A. Sousa-Poza.) *Journal of Happiness Studies* 9, 227-255, 2008.
12. „Personality, Job Satisfaction and Health - The Mediating Influence of Affectivity“, (with A. Sousa-Poza), *Swiss Journal of Statistics and Economics* 144, 379-435, 2008.
13. “Is It Culture or Democracy? The Impact of Democracy and Culture on Happiness”. (with D. Dorn, G. Kirchgässner, and A. Sousa-Poza.) *Social Indicators Research* 82, 505-526, 2007.

14. "The Bigger the Better? Evidence of the Effect of Government Size on Life Satisfaction around the World". (with C. Bjørnskov and A. Dreher.) *Public Choice* 127, 267-292, 2007.
15. "The Effect of Relative Income Position on Social Capital". (with B. Torgler.) *Economics Bulletin* 26, 1-20, 2006.
16. "Die Konzeption des homo oeconomicus im "Isolierten Staat" als Grundlage für eine ideale Ordnung" (The concept 'homo oeconomicus' in v. Thunen's *The Isolated State* as basis for an ideal order). Sonderheft: Johann Heinrich von Thünen, *Zeitschrift für Agrarpolitik und Praxis* 215, 228-248, 2002.

### **Publications in non-refereed journals**

Fischer, J.A.V. (2010), Stuttgart 21: mit direkter Demokratie aus der Sackgasse?, *Wochenbericht, DIW Berlin*, German Institute for Economic Research, vol. 77(51/52), 19-25.

### **Revise-and-resubmits**

"Inequality and happiness: When perceived social mobility and economic reality do not match," (with C. Bjørnskov, A. Dreher & J. Schnellenbach), CEIS Research Paper 173, Tor Vergata University, CEIS, revised 08 Nov 2010, revise and resubmit for JEBO.

### **Work in progress**

1. *Does globalization turn workers into materialists? The impact of economic integration on work attitude and preferred job characteristics (presented at the University of Magdeburg, Oct. 2012, IAB, Dec., 2012)*
2. *Globalization and Social Trust.*
3. *Social Trust and Development Aid.*
4. *Enforced versus voluntary tax compliance (with F. Schneider and J. Schnellenbach).*

### **Selected recent working papers**

1. "Globalization and Social Networks" MPRA Paper no. 40404, University Library of Munich, Germany, 2012.
2. "Globalization and Political Trust", NCCR working paper No. 2012/05 (also MPRA Paper no. 36327), World Trade Institute, University of Bern, 2012.

3. "The Choice of Domestic Policies in a Globalized Economy", NCCR working paper 2012/09 (also MPRA Paper no. 37816), World Trade Institute, University of Bern, 2012.
4. "Ist eine Deregulierung der Arbeitsmärkte in den südlichen EU-Staaten zur Bekämpfung der Eurokrise sinnvoll? [Does deregulation of labor markets in Southern EU-countries solve the Euro crisis?]," MPRA Paper 41543, University Library of Munich, Germany.
5. "Living under the 'right' government: does political ideology matter to trust in political institutions? An analysis for OECD countries", MPRA Paper 33344, University Library of Munich, Germany, 2011.
6. "Immigration, integration and terrorism: is there a clash of cultures?", MPRA Paper 27690, University Library of Munich, Germany, 2011.
7. "Inequality and happiness: When perceived social mobility and economic reality do not match," (with C. Bjørnskov, A. Dreher & J. Schnellenbach), CEIS Research Paper 173, Tor Vergata University, CEIS, revised 08 Nov 2010, revise and resubmit for JEBO.
8. "Does a Generous Welfare State Crowd out Student Achievement? Panel Data Evidence from International Student Tests", (with Torberg Falch), CESifo Working Paper No. 2383, 2008.

## **Other Publications**

### **Books: (Dissertation)**

1. *The Impact of Direct Democracy on Society*. Doctoral Thesis No. 3074, University of St. Gallen, October 2005. Available through:  
[http://www.biblio.unisg.ch/www/edis.nsf/wwwDisplayIdentifier/3074/\\$FILE/dis3074.pdf](http://www.biblio.unisg.ch/www/edis.nsf/wwwDisplayIdentifier/3074/$FILE/dis3074.pdf)

### **Contributions to 'Conference Proceedings' or 'Books of Abstracts':**

1. „The relation between inequality and happiness – do subjective perceptions matter?“ with Christian Bjørnskov and Axel Dreher. In: *Values and Economy, Proceedings of the 32nd IAREP Conference*, Univerza v Ljubljani, Ljubljana, 471-477, 2007.
2. „Competition and subjective Well-being: does competition make people unhappy?“ In: *Values and Economy, Proceedings of the 32nd IAREP Conference*, Univerza v Ljubljani, Ljubljana, 478-483, 2007.
3. „Are happy people more satisfied with their lives – The Impact of National Culture on the Difference Between Life Satisfaction and Happiness?“ with Gebhard Kirchgässner. In: *Values and Economy, Proceedings of the 32nd IAREP Conference*, Univerza v Ljubljani, Ljubljana, 75-79, 2007.

4. „The Impact of Political Institutions on Suicide in U.S. States.“ In: *Abstracts of the XXXth International Congress on Law and Mental Health, Padua, Italy*, p.241, Dordrecht: Springer, 2007

### **Book Reviews:**

1. Alice E.S. Tay and Günther Doeker-Mach (eds.): Asia-Pacific Handbook, Vol. I and II: People's Republic of China, *Aussenwirtschaft* (2003), IV, 577-580.
2. Jianfu Chen, Yuwen Li, and Jan Michiel Otto (eds.): Implementation of Law in the People's Republic of China , *Aussenwirtschaft* (2003), III, 446-448.
3. Review of: Nicholas R. Lardy (2002): Integrating China into the Global Economy, *WTO-News*, No. 6, June 2002, p. 4.

### **Press articles and Blog-contributions**

1. *Deregulation is not always the answer*, guest commentary, International Trade News: Journal of Economics, 28 September 2012, <http://www.internationaltradenews.com/en/articles/14336/Deregulation-is-not-always-the-answer.html>
2. *Helpen deregulierte Arbeitsmärkte in den südlichen Eurostaaten bei der Bekämpfung der Eurokrise?* 26. September 2012, [www.oekonomenstimme.org](http://www.oekonomenstimme.org), retrieved 1000 times
3. *Zerstört die Globalisierung die sozialen Bindungen des Menschen?* 7 September 2012, [www.oekonomenstimme.org](http://www.oekonomenstimme.org), retrieved 2096 times
4. *Führt die Globalisierung zu einer Abnahme des gesetzlichen Arbeitnehmerschutzes?* 28 June 2012, [www.oekonomenstimme.org](http://www.oekonomenstimme.org), retrieved 1303 times
5. *Das globalisierte Land – welche Aufgaben verbleiben für die nationale Politik?* 24 April 2012, [www.oekonomenstimme.org](http://www.oekonomenstimme.org), retrieved 1830 times
6. *Globalisierung und Vertrauen in die Politik*, 28 February 2012, [www.oekonomenstimme.org](http://www.oekonomenstimme.org), retrieved 1514 times
7. *Gibt es einen Zusammenhang zwischen Einkommensungleichheit, gesellschaftlicher Fairness und Glück?* 12 December 2010, [www.oekonomenstimme.org](http://www.oekonomenstimme.org), retrieved 4420 times
8. *Weltweit steigende Milchpreise: Ursachen und Bedeutung für den Thurgau?* [Worldwide rising prices for milk: causes and consequences for the canton Thurgau] (TWI Kolumne der Thurgauer Zeitung), 9 May 2008.



### **Book Collaborations and Book Contributions:**

1. “Direct Democracy in Switzerland and Public Education: Student Achievement in Reading, Mathematics and Natural Science”. In: N. Soguel, (ed.), *Governance and Performance of Education Systems*. Conference Proceedings. Springer. 2007. (based on my doctoral thesis)
2. Henneberger, F. & Sousa-Poza, A., with collaboration by Justina Fischer: *Arbeitsplatzwechsel in der Schweiz: Eine empirische Analyse der Motive und Bestimmungsgründe*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, Paul Haupt Verlag, Bern-Stuttgart – Wien, 2007.
3. *Society at a Glance* (2009). OECD, Paris 2009.
4. Report for the OECD to the European Commission on the determinants of SWB in OECD countries. Scope for its policy application, particularly in the fields disability, work and leisure, retirement, and income redistribution, chapters 1-3 (author), chapters 4, 5, and 7 (contributor).

## Presentations by Justina A.V. Fischer

### Invited lectures, plenary and public speeches

- 2012 „Neueste empirische Erkenntnisse aus der Glücksforschung“, Hochschule für Gestaltung, 18<sup>th</sup> April 2012, Karlsruhe
- 2011 Session Organizer ‘Terrorism’ at the Verein für Socialpolitik-conference, Frankfurt
- 2009 “From Income to Subjective Well-Being” at the University of Padova, 4<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2009.
- 2008 „Happiness and Politics: happy politicians, happy citizens?“, Happiness Conference 2008 at the University of Stockholm, 31 May/01 June 2008
- 2007 „Happiness and institutions, how are they connected?“, Happiness Conference 2007 in Goteborg, 27/28 October 2007
- “The institutional determinants of early retirement in Europe”, Conference ‘Economic growth, Labour Market Performance and Public Policy’, Copenhagen, November 22, 2007:
- „Does gender equality make men unhappy ?-A cross-national analysis“, public speech at the University of Stuttgart-Hohenheim, 9 May 2007
- 2006 International Conference Educational Systems and the Challenge of Improving Results, 15/16 September 2006, University of Lausanne, Switzerland.

### Presentations at conferences

- 2012 German Law and Economics Association (GLEA), (Magdeburg 19-20 October)  
CESifo-Workshop ‚Regionalökonomie‘, (27/28 September, Dresden)  
Verein für Socialpolitik, (9-12 September 2012)  
AHE-IIPPE-FAPE Conference on Political Economy and Heterodox Economics, (Paris, 4–7 July)  
Humboldt University conference on direct democracy, (22-24 March, Berlin)
- 2011 CESifo workshop in political economy, Dresden (Dec.)  
ESEM/EEA 2011 (Oslo, 24-29 August)  
Lisbon Meeting on Institutions and Political Economy 2011 (Sept.)  
European Public Choice Society 2011 (Rennes)  
Verein fuer Socialpolitik (Frankfurt) 2011
- 2009 ESEM/EEA 2009 (Barcelona, 23-27 August, 2009)  
ISQOLS IX (Florence, 19-23 July, 2009)  
QEM-workshop of GESIS at Mannheim (15-16 July 2009)
- 2008 Annual Congress of the Verein für Socialpolitik October, 2008 (invited)  
IAREP/SABE, Rome (September)  
ESEM, Milano (August)  
EEA, Milano (August)

- Ratio Institute & Liberty Funds seminar (August)  
 Silvaplana workshop on the Political Economy (July)  
 Workshop on capabilities and happiness, Nijmegen (August)  
 IIPF conference, Maastricht (August)  
 Workshop “The First Decade of European Monetary Union”, U of Muenster (May)  
 European Public Choice Society (March)  
 4<sup>th</sup> European Symposium on Economics and Psychology (ENABLE final symposium),  
 U. of Amsterdam (March)  
 CESifo seminar on ‘Ethics and Economics’ (Feb)  
 Conference on the Political Economy of International Organizations (Feb)
- 2007  
 Annual Congress of the Verein für Socialpolitik October, 2007  
 CEPR/ NETSPAR conference “Transforming European Pension Systems”, September  
 IAREP 2007 in Ljubljana (Sept),  
 EEA 2007 in Budapest (Aug),  
 Royal Economic Society Conference, April 2007  
 ENABLE Young Researchers’ Meeting, University of Zurich, November  
 Conference on ‘Policies for Happiness’ in Siena 2007  
 First Public Choice World Congress, March  
 30th International Congress on Law and Mental Health, University of Padua, June
- 2006  
 Invitations to Annual Congress of the Verein für Socialpolitik (German Economic  
 Association) 2006, the EALE 2006, Madrid, IAREP 2006.  
 European Public Choice Conferences.  
 American Public Choice Conferences  
 3rd International Conference on Panel Data Users in Switzerland
- 2005  
 CESifo Norwegian-German Seminar on Public Economics  
 EALE, Ljubljana, Slovenia  
 European Public Choice Conferences.  
 American Public Choice Conferences  
 French-German Talks in Law and Economics  
 2nd International Conference on Panel Data Users in Switzerland  
 Annual Congress of the Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics  
 Workshop on the L & E of Intellectual Property and Information Technology
- 2004  
 EALE (European Association of Law and Economics), Zagreb, Croatia;  
 Annual Congress of the Verein für Socialpolitik (German Economic Association),  
 European Public Choice Conferences.  
 American Public Choice Conferences  
 Workshop on “Happiness, Economics and Interpersonal Relationships”  
 4th Workshop of the Hanns Martin Schleyer-Stiftung and the Walter Eucken Institute,  
 Freiburg (Brsg.)  
 European and American Societies for Criminology  
 British Society for Criminology  
 Annual Congress of the Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics

2003 3-Laender Conference of the German, Austrian, and Swiss Associations of Political Science in Bern

2000 Thuenen-Conference in Rostock

### **Academic Visits**

2012 IAB, Nuremberg, December 12-13 (Dr. Hermann Gartner)  
University of Madgeburg, October, 15-20 (Prof. R. Kirstein)  
Deutsche Bundesbank, July, 30-31 July (Dr. F. Somogyi)  
University of Rome, La Sapienza (Feb. 2012; March – July 2012)

2011 University of Trondheim (Aug/Sept 2011) (Prof. T. Falch)  
University of Oradea (October 2011) (Prof. Ioan Horga)

2010 University of Gothenburg (September 2010)  
University of Hamburg (April 2010)

2009 RWI at Essen, (Dec 2009, Dr. Lars Siemers)  
University of Goettingen (Nov 2009, Prof. A. Dreher)  
University of Padova (Nov 2009, Prof. Benedetto Gui)  
Max-Planck-Institute for Economics, Jena (Jan 2009) (Prof. Ulrich Witt)

2008 University of Rotterdam (Oct 2008) (Prof. R. Veenhoven)  
KOF, ETH Zurich (June 2008)  
Stockholm School of Economics (Jan – March 2008, May 2008)  
RWI Essen (April 2008)

2007 Stockholm School of Economics (April 2007 – Dec 2007)  
University of Stanford (Jan-March 2007) (Prof. B. Weingast)  
University of Zurich (Dec, Prof. Ernst Fehr)  
University of Amsterdam (Sept/ Nov). (Frans van Winden)  
Norwegian University of Science and Technology (Oct). (Prof. Torberg Falch)  
ETH Zurich, Department of Economics (July) (Dr. Axel Dreher)  
Aarhus School of Business, University of Aarhus (May) (Prof. Christian Bjørnskov)  
University of Stuttgart-Hohenheim (May) (Prof. A. Sousa-Poza)

2006 ETH Zurich, Department of Economics (October) (Dr. Axel Dreher)  
University of Stanford (October 2006 – March 2007) (Prof. B. Weingast)  
London School of Economics (Feb. – August 2006) (Prof. T. Besley)

### **Other invited academic lectures and faculty seminars**

2012 Globalization and preferred workplace characteristics, IAB, December  
Globalization and preferred workplace characteristics, University of Magdeburg (Oct.)  
Globalization and Social Capital, Deutsche Bundesbank, Bonn (June)  
Culture, Religion and Terrorism, World Trade Institute, University of Bern (February)

2011 Are leftists as left-wing as they think they are? University of Mannheim (April)

2010 Immigration, Integration and Terrorism, University of Gothenburg (Sept)  
Immigration and Trust, EIB, Barcelona, June 2010

- 2009 University of Padova, department seminar (Nov)  
University of Hamburg, department seminar (Nov)  
University of Hohenheim, Brown Bag (June)  
University of Hohenheim, faculty seminar (May)  
Max-Planck-Institute for Economics Jena (January) (host: Prof. U. Witt)
- 2008 “Involving citizens/communities in measuring and fostering well-being and progress”.  
Organized by the Council of Europe. (Nov)  
Internal seminar OECD STD (global forum) (Dec)  
Internal seminar OECD, ELS/SPD (Oct)  
Brown Bag Seminar University of Konstanz (June)  
RWI Essen (April)  
TWI, University of Konstanz (April, August (democracy))  
University of Jena (March)  
Stockholm School of Economics (March)  
University of Konstanz (Jan)  
Ratio Institute, Stockholm (Jan)
- 2007 ETH Zurich,  
Aarhus Business School, University of Aarhus  
Economics Department, University of Aarhus  
Norwegian University of Science and Technology (Trondheim)  
University of Uppsala  
Stockholm School of Economics
- 2006 London School of Economics (STICERD)
- 2003 University of St. Gallen

### **Press Coverage (selected)**

- 2012 Der Standard (an Austrian Daily Newspaper), on globalization and employment protection, 19./20. July 2012  
n-tv, on the Eurozone crisis, 13. July 2012  
Euro am Sonntag and n-tv, on optimal privatization policies of the German train, 13. April 2012 on n-tv and 14. April 2012 in Euro am Sonntag
- 2011 Direkte.Demokratie.com on my commentary about Stuttgart 21  
(<http://www.direktedemokratie.com/2011/02/21/hoheres-wohlfahrtsniveau-durch-direkte-demokratie/>)  
Livescience.com on happiness research, June 2011  
Welt am Sonntag, March 2011  
Handelsblatt, February 2011  
24 heures Lausanne on happiness research, Jan. 2011
- 2010 Ökonomenstimme, 17. Dez. 2010.  
FAZ am Sonntag on direct democracy, Aug. 2010
- 2008 Oct, 16. Reuters news on happiness
- 2007 Newspaper ‘Stuttgarter Nachrichten’ , May 2007,  
on ‘Gender Discrimination and Happiness’

- Munich-based Radio station M 94, 5 (Fr 14. Sept. 2007), interview  
 Der Spiegel online, on happiness  
 SWR1 Radio Rheinland-Pfalz, interview
- 2005 Weekly magazine 'CASH', on 'Promising young researchers in Switzerland'
- 'Leadership': Academic Administration and Social Engagement (selected)**
- 2011 Organizer of Session on Terrorism at the Verein für Socialpolitik-Meeting 2011  
 2009-10 Active member of the Holler-A. Smith-Seminar-Discussion-Group at the UHH  
 2008-09 Active member of ALORA, a cultural organization for OECD employees  
 2007 Opponent for doctoral thesis defense, Stockholm School of Economics  
 2004-2006 Vice president of a group of female doctoral researchers at the Universities St. Gallen-Basel-Zurich (2004-2005), financed by the Swiss federal government in Bern, and active membership (2005-2006)  
 2004-2005 Elected member of the University Commission of the University of St. Gallen Students' Nutrition Commission.  
 2004-2005 Elected member of the Gender Equality Commission of the University of St. Gallen.  
 1998 Elected member of the faculty's council of the University of Heidelberg. Construction and implementation of the new graduation rules, advisor to students  
 1991-1995 Active member of AIESEC and member of executive board

**Referee Activities**

Aging and Society, Agricultural Economics, Applied Economics, BMC Public Health, Economics Letters, European Journal of Political Economy, European Journal of Population, Health Economics, Industrial Health (IPEC), Journal of Socio-Economics, Journal of Pension Economics and Finance, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Perspektiven der Wirtschaftspolitik, Public Choice.  
 Routledge Book (Publisher)

**Languages**

English (speaking: fluent; reading: fluent; writing: fluent)

German (speaking: native; reading: native; writing: native)

Italian (speaking: intermediate, reading: intermediate, writing: intermediate)

French (speaking: intermediate, reading: intermediate, writing: intermediate)

Spanish (speaking: intermediate, reading: intermediate, writing: intermediate)

Latin (speaking: basic, reading: fluent, writing: fluent)

Greek (speaking: basic, reading: intermediate, writing: intermediate)

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