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## Development Economics and Policy 2017

### Annual International Conference of the Research Group on Development Economics

Location: University of Göttingen, 37073 Göttingen

#### Program

##### Thursday, 1 June 2017

(Location: Tagungs- und Veranstaltungshaus Alte Mensa, [Adam-von-Trott-Saal](#), Wilhelmsplatz 3)

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| 14:45 | Registration and Coffee  |
| 16:00 | Plenary Session with Keynote Address and General Discussion<br>Chair: Stephan Klasen<br><b>Macartan Humphreys</b> , Columbia University<br>“Experimental Evidence on Political Accountability” |
| 17:00 | Poster Session with Coffee   |

#### Conflict and Violence

- Paper: **Stijn van Weezel** (University College Dublin). Communal Violence in the Horn of Africa Following the 1998 El Niño. Discussants: Eric Strobl (Aix-Marseille University), Philip Verwimp (Université Libre de Bruxelles)
- Paper: **Nathan Woolley** (Royal Holloway, University of London). Reporting Bias in Domestic and International Coverage of Conflict: Evidence from the Iraq War. Discussants: Macartan Humphreys (Columbia University), Susan Steiner (University of Hanover)
- Paper: **Catherine Mueller** (Institute of Development Studies), **Jean-Pierre Tranchant** (Institute of Development Studies). Domestic Violence amidst Humanitarian Crises: Evidence



from the 2014 Military Operation in Gaza. Discussants: Martin Gassebner (University of Hannover), Wolfgang Stojetz (Humboldt University and ISDC)

### Foreign Aid

- Paper: **Julian Donaubauer** (Helmut Schmidt University), Peter Nunnenkamp (Kiel Institute for the World Economy), **Dierk Herzer** (Helmut Schmidt University). The Effectiveness of Aid under Post-Conflict Conditions: A Sector-specific Analysis. Discussants: Mark Gradstein (Ben Gurion University), Rajesh Ramachandran (Goethe University Frankfurt)
- Paper: **Axel Dreher** (Heidelberg University), **Andreas Fuchs** (Heidelberg University), **Sarah Langlotz** (Heidelberg University). Does Aid Help Refugees Stay? Does Aid Keep Refugees Away? Discussants: Toman Barsbai (Kiel Institute for the World Economy), Rune Jansen Hagen (University of Bergen)
- Paper: **Gerda Asmus** (Heidelberg University), **Axel Dreher** (Heidelberg University), Peter Nunnenkamp (Kiel Institute for the World Economy). Is Targeted Aid More Effective? Sector-Specific Needs, the Composition of Aid and its Effects on Growth. Discussants: Erich Gundlach (University of Hamburg), Rainer Thiele (Kiel Institute for the World Economy)
- Paper: **Andreas Fuchs** (Heidelberg University), **Angelika Mueller** (Heidelberg University). Aid Donors. Discussants: Anke Höffler (University of Oxford), Jon Rogowski (Harvard University)
- Paper: **Kai Gehring** (University of Zurich), **Lennart Kaplan** (Heidelberg University/University of Göttingen), Melvin Wong (University of Hannover). Aid and Conflict at the Local Level – Mechanisms and Causality. Discussants: Thomas Andersen (University of Southern Denmark), Christoph Trebesch (LMU Munich)
- Paper: **Marine De Talancé** (Université Paris-Dauphine), Marin Ferry (Université Paris-Dauphine), Miguel Nino-Zarazua (UNU-WIDER). Did Debt Relief Initiatives Help to Reach the MDGs? A Focus on Education. Discussants: Valentin Lang (Heidelberg University), Markus Ludwig (University of Bayreuth)

### Education and Health

- Paper: **Krisztina Kis-Katos** (University of Göttingen), **Kerstin Unfried** (University of Göttingen). Educational Attainment in the Neighborhood of Conflicts: Evidence from Sub-Saharan Africa Using Geo-Referenced Data. Discussants: Richard Bluhm (University of Hannover), Andreas Landmann (Paris School of Economics / J-PAL)
- Paper: **Rahul Lahoti** (University of Göttingen), **Soham Sahoo** (University of Göttingen). Are Educated Leaders Good for Education? Evidence from India. Discussants: Katharina Michaelowa (University of Zurich), Gitanjali Sen (Shiv Nadar University)



- Paper: Shampa Bhattacharjee (Shiv Nadar University), **Aparajita Dasgupta** (Ashoka University). Examining the Quality-Quantity Trade Off: Evidence from a Public Health Intervention in India. Discussants: Matthias Schündeln (University of Frankfurt), Sebastian Vollmer (University of Göttingen)
- Paper: **Jörg Langbein** (RWI - Leibniz Institute for Economic Research). Firewood, Smoke and Respiratory Diseases in Developing Countries – The Underestimated Role of the Cooking Location. Discussants: Souvik Datta (University of Glasgow), Martin Qaim (University of Göttingen)
- Paper: **Lutz Deppenbusch** (University of Göttingen), **Stephan Klasen** (University of Göttingen). Putting Weight into The Equation: The Effect of Human Weight on Future Global Food Requirements. Discussants: Pierre André (Université de Cergy-Pontoise), Katja Kaufmann (University of Mannheim)

### **Inequality and Poverty**

- Paper: **Lisardo Erman** (Osnabrück University), **Daniel Marcel te Kaat** (Osnabrück University). Inequality and Growth: Industry-Level Evidence. Discussants: Mariko Klasing (University of Groningen), Christian Leßmann (Technische Universität Braunschweig)
- Paper: **Marina Dodlova** (University of Passau), Anna Giolbas (University of Göttingen, GIGA Hamburg), **Jann Lay** (University of Göttingen, GIGA Hamburg). Pro-poor or Political Targeting: An Analysis of Social Assistance in Developing Countries. Discussants: Patrizio Piraino (University of Cape Town), Michael Schleicher (Heidelberg University)
- Paper: **Dien H. Pham** (University of Hannover), Sabine Liebenehm (University of Hannover), Hermann Waibel (University of Hannover). Experimentally Validated General Risk Attitude Among Different Ethnic Groups – The Case of Dak Lak, Vietnam. Discussants: Awudu Abdulai (University of Kiel), Alexander Danzer (Katholische Universität Eichstätt-Ingolstadt)
- Paper: **Atika Pasha** (University of Göttingen). Impact of Cash Grants on Multidimensional Poverty in South Africa. Discussants: Dimri Aditi (University of Warwick), Miriam Manchin (University College London)

### **Savings, Expenditures, and Finance**

- Paper: **Janina I. Steinert** (University of Oxford), **Juliane Zenker** (University of Göttingen), **Ute Filipiak** (University of Göttingen), Ani Movsisyan (University of Oxford), Yulia Shenderovich (University of Cambridge), Lucie D. Cluver (University of Oxford). Do Saving Promotion Interventions Help Alleviate Poverty in Sub-Saharan Africa? A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis. Discussants: David Chivers (University of Durham), Ulrike Grote (University of Hannover)



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- Paper: **Kristina Czura** (LMU Munich), Anett John (CREST Paris), **Lisa Spantig** (LMU Munich). Maintaining Repayment Discipline While Reducing Peer Pressure in Microfinance: Repayment Flexibility vs Social Insurance. Discussants: Sanjay Jain (University of Oxford), Li Yang (World Bank, Paris School of Economics)
- Paper: **Vincent Somville** (NHH – The Norwegian School of Economics), Lore Vandewalle (Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies). Access to Formal Banking and Household Finances: Experimental Evidence from India. Discussants: Amrit Amirapu (University of Kent), Jann Lay (University of Göttingen, GIGA Hamburg)
- Paper: **Antonia Grohmann** (DIW Berlin), **Theres Klühs** (University of Hannover), **Lukas Menkhoff** (Humboldt-University Berlin, DIW Berlin). Does Financial Literacy Improve Financial Inclusion? Cross Country Evidence. Discussants: Ute Filipiak (University of Göttingen), Bruno Martorano (ETH Zurich)
- Paper: **Nadine Marmai** (University of Turin). Weather shocks and mobile phones: Evidence from a Quasi-Experimental Design in Rural Tanzania. Discussants: Stephan Klasen (University of Göttingen), Juliane Zenker (University of Göttingen)
- Paper: **Friederike Lenel** (University of Göttingen). Choice Conditional Solidarity and Informal Exchange – Understanding Transfer Behavior in an Experiment Conducted in Cambodia. Discussants: Camille Boudot (University of Edinburgh), Dietmar Fehr (Heidelberg University)
- Paper: **Luciane Lenz** (RWI – Leibniz Institut for Economic Research), **Jörg Peters** (RWI – Leibniz Institut for Economic Research), **Michael Grimm** (University of Passau), Maximiliane Sievert (RWI - Leibniz Institut for Economic Research). Demand for Off-grid Solar Electricity – Experimental Evidence from Rwanda. Discussants: Chiara Kofol (University of Bonn, ZEF), Ferdinand Rauch (University of Oxford)

## Globalization

- Paper: **André Gröger** (Goethe University Frankfurt). Easy Come, Easy Go? Economic Shocks, Labor Migration and the Family Left Behind. Discussants: Hector Rufrancos (University of Sussex), Anisha Sharma (Ashoka University)
- Paper: **Barbora Sedova** (Mercator Research Institute on Global Commons and Climate Change), Matthias Kalkuhl (Mercator Research Institute on Global Commons and Climate Change). Environment and Migration Theory: Evidence on Rural-Urban Migration in India. Discussants: Tobias Stöhr (Kiel Institute for the World Economy), Michele Valsecchi (University of Gothenburg)
- Paper: **Ana Lucia Abeliansky** (University of Göttingen), **Inmaculada Martinez-Zarzoso** (University of Göttingen), Klaus Prettner (University of Hohenheim). How Does 3D Printing



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Affect Globalization? Discussants: Rolf Langhammer (Kiel Institute for the World Economy), Christoph Moser (University of Salzburg)

• Paper: **Manoel Bittencourt** (University of Pretoria), Matthew Clance (University of Pretoria), Yoseph Getachew (University of Pretoria). Trade Openness and Fertility Rates in Africa: Panel-Data Evidence. Discussants: Kai Gehring (University of Zurich), Bernhard Herz (University of Bayreuth)

### Labor, Employment, and Firms

- Paper: **Essa Chanie Mussa** (University of Bonn, ZEF), Assefa Admassie (Ethiopian Economics Association), Alisher Mirzabaev (University of Bonn, ZEF). The Effects of Childhood Work on Adult Earnings in Rural Ethiopia. Discussants: Christelle Dumas (University of Fribourg), Federico Tagliati (University College London)
- Paper: Thomas Gries (Paderborn University), **Margarete Redlin** (Paderborn University). Pirates – The Young and the Jobless: The Effect of Youth Bulges and Youth Labor Market Integration on Maritime Piracy. Discussants: Arye Hillman (Bar-Ilan University), Günther Schulze (Albert Ludwigs University of Freiburg)
- Paper: **Albrecht Bohne** (University of Mannheim), Jan Sebastian Nimczik (University of Mannheim). Learning Dynamics in Tax Bunching at the Kink: Evidence from Ecuador. Discussants: Kenneth Harttgen (ETH Zurich), Holger Strulik (University of Göttingen)
- Paper: Hadia Majid (Lahore University of Management Sciences), Ammar Malik (Urban Institute), **Katherine Vyborny** (Duke University). Microeconomic Impacts of Public Transit: Evidence from Lahore, Pakistan. Discussants: Markus Brueckner (Australian National University), Roland Hodler (University of St. Gallen)

- 19:00            Award Ceremony for the Prize for Excellence in Applied Development Research (sponsored by the KfW Development Bank)  
                         Chair: Axel Dreher
- 20:00            Conference Dinner  
                         Restaurant: Kartoffelhaus (Goethe-Allee 8, 37073 Göttingen)



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**Friday, 2 June 2017**

(Location: [Oeconomicum](#), Platz der Göttinger Sieben 3)

9:00                      Parallel Sessions

### **Session 1: Transfers and Urbanization**

#### **Oeconomicum 1.134**

Chair: Günther G. Schulze

- Paper 1: Matthias Flückiger (Queen's University Belfast), **Markus Ludwig** (University of Bayreuth). Malaria Suitability, Urbanization and Economic Development in Sub-Saharan Africa.
- Paper 2: **Markus Brueckner** (Australian National University). Mortality and Urbanization: SSA Paradox.
- Paper 3: **Federico Tagliati** (University College London). Welfare Effects of an In-kind Transfer Program: Evidence from Mexico.
- Paper 4: **Gerrit Gonschorek** (Albert Ludwigs University of Freiburg), **Günther G. Schulze** (Albert Ludwigs University of Freiburg), Bambang Suharnoko Sjahrir (Albert Ludwigs University of Freiburg). To the Ones in Need or the Ones You Need? The Political Economy of Central Discretionary Grants: Empirical Evidence from Indonesia.

### **Session 2: Gender Segregation**

#### **Oeconomicum 1.162**

Chair: Ute Filipiak

- Paper 1: Florence Kondylis (World Bank), Ariana Legovini (World Bank), **Katherine Vyborny** (Duke University), Astrid Zwager (World Bank). Do Women Value Gender Segregation? Evidence from Public Transport in Rio de Janeiro.
- Paper 2: Lars Ivar Oppedal Berge (NHH – The Norwegian School of Economics), Kjetil Bjorvatn (NHH – The Norwegian School of Economics), Tausi Kida (Economic and Social Research Foundation), Linda Helgesson Sekei (Development Pioneer Consultants), **Vincent Somville** (NHH – The Norwegian School of Economics), Bertil Tungodden (NHH – The Norwegian School of Economics). Barriers to Female Empowerment: Evidence from a Field Experiment in Tanzania.
- Paper 3: **Dimri Aditi** (University of Warwick), Véronique Gille (Dial, IRD), Philipp Ketz (Paris School of Economics). Measuring Sex-Selective Abortion: Are There Repeated Abortions?





- Paper 4: **Ute Filipiak** (University of Göttingen), **Antonia Grohmann** (DIW Berlin), Franziska Heyerhorst. Intra-household Decision Making and Long-term Welfare Effects: New Empirical Evidence.

### **Session 3: India**

#### **Oeconomicum 0.211**

Chair: Katharina Michaelowa

- Paper 1: **Camille Boudot** (University of Edinburgh), Anita Mukherjee (University of Wisconsin-Madison). The Perils of Pressure in Promoting Merit Goods: Evidence from a Sales Experiment in India.
- Paper 2: **Amrit Amirapu** (University of Kent). Justice Delayed is Growth Denied: The Effect of Slow Courts on Relationship-Specific Industries in India.
- Paper 3: Rakesh Basant (Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad), **Gitanjali Sen** (Shiv Nadar University). Impact of Affirmative Action in Higher Education for the Other Backward Classes in India.
- Paper 4: **Viola Asri** (University of Zurich), **Katharina Michaelowa** (University of Zurich), **Sitakanta Panda** (IIT Delhi), Sourabh Paul (IIT Delhi). Does Transparency Improve Public Program Targeting? Evidence from India's Old-age Social Pension Reforms.

### **Session 4: Crises, NGOs, War, and Protectionism**

#### **Oeconomicum 0.167**

Chair: Christoph Moser

- Paper 1: **Anisha Sharma** (Ashoka University). The Impact of a Macroeconomic Crisis on Child Schooling Outcomes in Indonesia.
- Paper 2: Ronelle Burger (Stellenbosch University), **Canh Thien Dang** (University of Nottingham), Trudy Owens (University of Nottingham). Do NGOs Providing Highly Satisfying Services Report Accurately? Evidence from the Ugandan NGO sector.
- Paper 3: **Tilman Brück** (International Security and Development Center), **Wolfgang Stojetz** (Humboldt University and ISDC). The War in Your Head: On the Origins of Domestic Violence.
- Paper 4: Robert Grundke (OECD), **Christoph Moser** (University of Salzburg). Hidden Protectionism? Evidence from Non-Tariff Barriers to Trade in the United States.



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## **Session 5: Economic History**

### **Oeconomicum 0.169**

Chair: Ferdinand Rauch

- Paper 1: Cheryl Long (Xiamen University), Peter Murrell (University of Maryland), **Li Yang** (World Bank, Paris School of Economics). Memories of Colonial Law: The Inheritance of Human Capital and the Location of Joint Ventures in Early-Reform China.
- Paper 2: **Jon Rogowski** (Harvard University), John Gerring (University of Texas at Austin), Lee Cojocaru (Boston University), Matthew Maguire (Boston University). Communications Infrastructure and Economic Development: Evidence from Postal Systems.
- Paper 3: **Rui Luo** (University of Leicester). Skill Premium and Technological Change in the very Long Run: 1300-1914.
- Paper 4: **Stephan Maurer** (London School of Economics), Jörn Pischke (London School of Economics), **Ferdinand Rauch** (University of Oxford). Of Mice and Merchants: Trade and Growth in the Iron Age.

10:45            Coffee Break

11:15            Parallel Sessions

## **Session 1: Labor**

### **Oeconomicum 1.134**

Chair: Susan Steiner

- Paper 1: **Isis Gaddis** (World Bank), Gbemisola Oseni (World Bank), Amparo Palacios-Lopez (World Bank), Janneke Pieters (Wageningen University). Farmers' Intention to Sell – Does It Match Reality? Evidence from Ghana on the New Statistical Definition of Employment.
- Paper 2: **Alexandra Avdeenko** (University of Mannheim). How Important Are Firm Visits for High School Students? Evidence from a Randomized-Control Trial.
- Paper 3: **David Chivers** (University of Durham). Success, Survive or Escape? Aspirations and Poverty Traps.
- Paper 4: **Andreas Landmann** (Paris School of Economics / J-PAL), **Helke Seitz** (DIW Berlin), **Susan Steiner** (University of Hannover). Intergenerational Co-Residence and Female Labour Supply.





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## Session 2: Political Economy

### Oeconomicum 1.162

Chair: Anna Minasyan

- Paper 1: **Vera Z. Eichenauer** (ETH Zurich). December Fever in Public Finance.
- Paper 2: **Michele Valsecchi** (University of Gothenburg). Corrupt Bureaucrats: The Response of Non-Elected Officers to Electoral Accountability.
- Paper 3: **Hector Rufrancos** (University of Sussex). (You Gotta) Strike if the Right (is the Party!) Strike Petitions, and the Electoral Cycle in Mexico.
- Paper 4: **Stephan Klasen** (University of Göttingen), **Anna Minasyan** (University of Göttingen). The Impact of Affirmative Action on the Gendered Occupational Segregation in South Africa.

## Session 3: International Financial Organizations

### Oeconomicum 0.211

Chair: Rune Jansen Hagen

- Paper 1: **Kai Gehring** (University of Zurich), **Valentin Lang** (Heidelberg University). Restoring Reputation? The IMF and Sovereign Creditworthiness.
- Paper 2: **Axel Dreher** (Heidelberg University), **Katharina Richert** (Heidelberg University). The International Finance Corporation's Hidden Lending Motives.
- Paper 3: **Valentin Lang** (Heidelberg University), **Andrea Presbitero** (International Monetary Fund). Room for Discretion? Biased Decision-Making in International Financial Institutions.
- Paper 4: **Rune Jansen Hagen** (University of Bergen). Gatekeeper? The IMF, Aid Flows, and Policymaking in Low-Income Countries.

## Session 4: Education

### Oeconomicum 0.167

Chair: Pierre André

- Paper 1: **Thang Dao** (Mercator Research Institute on Global Commons and Climate Change), **Julio Davila** (Université Catholique de Louvain). The Gender Gap in Education Investment and the Demographic Transition in Developing Countries.
- Paper 2: **Mariko J. Klasing** (University of Groningen), **Petros Milionis** (University of Groningen). The International Epidemiological Transition and the Education Gender Gap.



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- Paper 3: **Dimitrios Varvarigos** (University of Leicester). Economic Growth and the Cultural Transmission of Attitudes towards Education.
- Paper 4: **Pierre André** (Université de Cergy-Pontoise), Yannick Dupraz (University of Warwick). The Effect of Women's Education on Polygyny: Schools, Matching and the Marriage Market in Cameroon.

### **Session 5: Growth and Development**

#### **Oeconomicum 0.169**

Chair: Erich Gundlach

- Paper 1: **Mongoljin Batsaikhan** (Georgetown University). Growth for Micro Enterprises in Developing Countries: Evidence from Phone Card Wholesalers in Mongolia.
- Paper 2: **Mark Gradstein** (Ben Gurion University), Marc Klemp (University of Copenhagen, Brown University). Can Black Gold Shine? The Effect of Oil Prices on Nighttime Light in Brazil.
- Paper 3: **Gan Jin** (Albert Ludwigs University of Freiburg). Circle of Fortune: The Long Term Impact of Western Tax Regime in China.
- Paper 4: **Erich Gundlach** (University of Hamburg), Martin Paldam (Aarhus University). A Hump-shaped Transitional Growth Path.

13:00 Lunch

14:15 Plenary Session with Keynote Address and General Discussion  
(Location: [ZHG 105](#), Platz der Göttinger Sieben)  
Chair: Holger Strulik  
**Carl-Johan Dalgaard**, University of Copenhagen  
“The Bounty of the Sea and Long-Run Development”



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15:15 Parallel Sessions

### **Session 1: Labor and Employment**

#### **Oeconomicum 1.134**

Chair: Christelle Dumas

- Paper 1: Patricia Augier (Université Aix-Marseille), Marion Dovis (Université Aix-Marseille), **Clementine Sadania** (Université Aix-Marseille). Shocks on the Labor Market, Youth's Time Allocation and Women's Empowerment: Insights from the 2011 Egyptian Uprising.
- Paper 2: Shubha Chakravarty (World Bank), Mattias Lundberg (World Bank), Plamen Nikolov (Binghamton University), **Juliane Zenker** (University of Göttingen). The Role of Training Programs for Youth Employment in Nepal.
- Paper 3: **Stephan Maurer** (London School of Economics), Andrei Victor Potlogea (University of Edinburgh). Male-biased Demand Shocks and Women's Labor Force Participation: Evidence from Large Oil Field Discoveries.
- Paper 4: Pierre André (Université de Cergy-Pontoise), Esther Delesalle (Université de Cergy-Pontoise), **Christelle Dumas** (University of Fribourg). Returns to Farm Child Labor in Tanzania.

### **Session 2: Health**

#### **Oeconomicum 1.162**

Chair: Sebastian Vollmer

- Paper 1: Torben Fischer (University of Mannheim), Markus Frölich (University of Mannheim), **Andreas Landmann** (Paris School of Economics / J-PAL). Adverse Selection in Low-Income Health Insurance Markets: Evidence from a large-scale RCT in Pakistan.
- Paper 2: Anca Balietti (Harvard University), **Souvik Datta** (University of Glasgow). The Impact of Indoor Solid Fuel Use on the Stunting of Indian Children.
- Paper 3: **Dorothee Buehler** (University of Hannover), Rebecca Hartje (University of Hannover), **Ulrike Grote** (University of Hannover). Can Household Level Food Security Predict Individual Undernutrition? Evidence from Cambodia and Lao PDR.
- Paper 4: **Marion Krämer** (University of Göttingen), Santosh Kumar (Sam Houston State University), **Sebastian Vollmer** (University of Göttingen). School Feeding, Iron-fortified Salt and Child Cognitive Ability – Evidence from a Randomized Controlled Trial in Rural India.



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### **Session 3: Conflict**

#### **Oeconomicum 0.211**

Chair: Richard Bluhm

- Paper 1: **Axel Dreher** (Heidelberg University), **Martin Gassebner** (University of Hannover), **Paul Schaudt** (University of Hannover). The Effect of Migration on Terror – Made at Home or Imported from Abroad?
- Paper 2: **Kai Gehring** (University of Zurich), **Sarah Langlotz** (Heidelberg University), Stefan Kienberger (Salzburg University). Illicit Economy and Violence: The Effect of Opium Cultivation on the Geography of Conflict in Afghanistan.
- Paper 3: Caterina Alacevich (Universitat Pompeu Fabra), **Dijana Zejcirovic** (Universitat Pompeu Fabra). War and Political Participation in Bosnia and Herzegovina.
- Paper 4: **Richard Bluhm** (University of Hannover), Melvin Wong (University of Hannover). Neighborhood Disputes? Spatial Inequalities and Civil Conflict in Africa.

### **Session 4: Migration**

#### **Oeconomicum 0.167**

Chair: Thomas Andersen

- Paper 1: Guido Friebel (Goethe University Frankfurt), **Miriam Manchin** (University College London), Mariapia Mendola (University of Milano Bicocca), Giovanni Prarolo (University of Bologna). Human Smuggling and Intentions to Migrate to Europe.
- Paper 2: André Gröger (Goethe University Frankfurt), **Tobias Stöhr** (Kiel Institute for the World Economy). Searching for a Better Life: Now-casting International Migration with Online Search Keywords.
- Paper 3: Dany Bahar (The Brookings Institution), Andreas Hauptmann (Institute for Employment Research), **Cem Özgüzel** (Paris School of Economics), Hillel Rapoport (Paris School of Economics). Learning on the Job: Productive Knowledge Diffusion through Migrant Workers.
- Paper 4: **Thomas Andersen** (University of Southern Denmark), **Carl-Johan Dalgaard** (University of Copenhagen), Pablo Selaya (University of Copenhagen), Christian Volmar Skovsgaard (University of Southern Denmark). Historical Migration Flows and Global Health Differences.



### Session 5: Favoritism

#### Oeconomicum 0.169

Chair: Rajesh Ramachandran

- Paper 1: **Mathias Iwanowsky** (IIES). The Role of Ethnic Networks in Africa.
- Paper 2: **Michael Schleicher** (Heidelberg University), Aurélia Souares (University of Heidelberg), Athanase Narangoro Pacere (Nouna Health Research Centre, Ministry of Health, Burkina Faso), **Stefan Klonner** (Heidelberg University). Ethnic Favoritism in Targeted Welfare Programs: Evidence from Burkina Faso.
- Paper 3: **Sanjay Jain** (University of Oxford), Sumon Majumdar (Queen's University). Redistributive Promises, Transfers to Special Interests, and the Political Economy of Reform with Limited State Capacity.
- Paper 4: Ashwini Deshpande (Delhi School of Economics), **Rajesh Ramachandran** (Goethe University Frankfurt). The Persistence of Traditional Caste Hierarchies: The Role of Affirmative Action, Early Childhood Outcomes and Discrimination.

### Session 6: Disasters and Conflict

#### ZHG 105

Chair: Eric A. Strobl

- Paper 1: **Elisa Maffioli** (Duke University). The Politics of Slow-Onset Disasters: Evidence From the Ebola Outbreak.
- Paper 2: **Victor Stephane** (CERDI). Ashes to Ashes, Dust to Trust: Volcanic Risk and Social Behaviors.
- Paper 3: Tommaso Ciarli (University of Sussex), **Chiara Kofol** (University of Bonn, ZEF), Carlo Menon (London School of Economics). Business as Unusual. An Explanation of the Increase of Private Economic Activity in High Conflict Areas in Afghanistan.
- Paper 4: **Vera Z. Eichenauer** (ETH Zurich), **Andreas Fuchs** (Heidelberg University), **Sven Kunze** (Heidelberg University), **Eric A. Strobl** (Aix-Marseille Université). The Allocation and Financing of Emergency Aid after the 2015 Nepal Earthquake.

17:00

Coffee Break



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17:30 Parallel Sessions

### Session 1: Marriage and Divorce

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Chair: Philip Verwimp

- Paper 1: **Aixa García-Ramos** (University of Birmingham). Divorce Laws and Intimate Partner Violence: Evidence from Mexico.
- Paper 2: **Jagori Saha** (University of Washington). Banking and Marriage Markets: Evidence from India's Branch Licensing Policy.
- Paper 3: **Philip Verwimp** (Université Libre de Bruxelles). Escape from Poverty through Marriage.

### Session 2: Inequality

#### Oeconomicum 1.162

Chair: Christian Leßmann

- Paper 1: Patricia Justino (Institute of Development Studies), **Bruno Martorano** (ETH Zurich). Redistribution, Inequality and Political Participation: Evidence from Mexico During the 2008 Financial Crisis.
- Paper 2: **Samuel Kofi Tetteh-Baah** (ETH Zurich), **Kenneth Harttgen** (ETH Zurich), **Isabel Günther** (ETH Zurich). Measures of Horizontal Inequality Across Developing Countries.
- Paper 3: **Christian Leßmann** (Technische Universität Braunschweig), Arne Steinkraus (Technische Universität Braunschweig). The Geography of Natural Resources, Ethnic Inequality and Development.

### Session 3: Labor Markets

#### Oeconomicum 0.211

Chair: Marc Witte

- Paper 1: Martin Abel (Harvard University), Rulof Burger (Stellenbosch University), **Patrizio Piraino** (University of Cape Town). The Value of Reference Letters - Experimental Evidence from South Africa.
- Paper 2: **Kerstin Grosch** (University of Göttingen), Marcela Ibañez (University of Göttingen), Angelino Viceisza (Spelman College). Competition and Prosociality – a Field Experiment in Ghana.





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- Paper 3: Stefano Caria (University of Oxford), Simon Franklin (London School of Economics), **Marc Witte** (University of Oxford). Searching with Friends.

#### **Session 4: Field Experiments**

##### **Oeconomicum 0.167**

Chair: Dietmar Fehr

- Paper 1: **Sebastian O. Schneider** (University of Göttingen), Martin Schlather (University of Mannheim). A New Approach to Treatment Assignment for One and Multiple Treatment Groups.
- Paper 2: Anna Aevardsdottir (IIES - Stockholm University), **Nicholas Barton** (Goethe University Frankfurt), Tessa Bold (IIES). Rural Electrification: The Potential and Limitations of Solar Power.
- Paper 3: **Dietmar Fehr** (Heidelberg University), Guenther Fink (Harvard University), Kelsey Jack (Tufts University). The Endowment Effect: Evidence from Small-Scale Farmers in Rural Zambia.

#### **Session 5: Credit and Insurance**

##### **Oeconomicum 0.169**

Chair: Michael Grimm

- Paper 1: **Joeri Smits** (ETH Zurich), **Isabel Günther** (ETH Zurich). Microcredit, Financial Literacy and Household Financial Distress.
- Paper 2: **Min Xie** (Heidelberg University), **Stefan Klonner** (Heidelberg University). Does Rural Credit Supply Matter? Entrepreneurship and Household Welfare in the Wake of Thailand's Village Fund.
- Paper 3: Fadima Bocoum (IRSS), **Michael Grimm** (University of Passau), Renate Hartwig (University of Namur), Nathalie Zongo (Asmade). Nudging Households to Take up Health Insurance: Evidence from a Randomized Experiment in Burkina Faso.

19:00            End of the Conference

Dinner at Bullerjahn (at own expense, Am Markt 9, 37073 Göttingen)