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SEMINAR CALENDAR

HCHE Research Seminar

Prof. Walter Ried, Universität Greifswald:
*Ambulante Notfallversorgung in Deutschland
– gibt es Reformbedarf?*

Monday May 30
16:30–18:00
R. 4011 (Esplanade 36)

Forschungsseminar “Quantitative Wirtschaftsforschung”

Hamza Polattimur, Universität Hamburg:
*Macroeconomic Effects of the Federal Reserve's
Mortgage-Backed Securities Purchases*

Tuesday May 31
12:15–13:45
R. 0029 (VMP 5)

Hamburg Lectures on Law & Economics

Prof. Daniel M. Klerman, USC Gould School of Law:
The Selection of Disputes for Litigation

Wednesday June 1
18:15–19:45
R. 1083a (VMP 5)

Research Seminar “Microeconomics”

Lorenz Götte, Universität Bonn:
*Real-time feedback for resource conservation: behavioral
impact and underlying mechanisms*

Thursday June 2
17:00–19:00
R. 0029 (VMP 5)

PhD Seminar

Kathrin Thiemann, University of Hamburg:
*Culture as a Determinant of Intergenerational Education
Mobility- Cross Country Evidence from PISA 2012*

Thursday June 2
12:15–13:15
R. 0029 (VMP 5)

Research Seminar “Labour Economics”

- no seminar -

ABSTRACTS

PhD Seminar

Kathrin Thiemann, University of Hamburg:

Culture as a Determinant of Intergenerational Education Mobility- Cross Country Evidence from PISA 2012

Abstract:

This paper analyzes how the impact of family background on student achievement differs between countries. The impact of family background is thereby measured by the years of education of the student's parents. The data used for estimation is from PISA 2012. Among the factors that cause country differences in intergenerational education mobility, the focus is on country-specific (family) culture. Measures for culture are mainly derived from a question in the World Values Survey about important child qualities. Including these measures in interactions with parents education, an education production function is estimated including more than 50 countries. Moreover the data on students' immigration background is used in order to identify disadvantages in education mobility due to cultural background. We find that disadvantages caused by family background can be overcome more easily in competitive countries. Countries in which religious faith plays a big role in families have lower mobility between generations. Qualities like hard work or determination that parents value in their children do not seem to play a role.

ACTIVITIES OF DEPARTMENT MEMBERS

Miscellaneous

- Am 26. und 27. 5. sowie vom 1. bis 3. Juni begrüßen wir Herrn Jan Sauermann in unserem Fachbereich (Raum 2084). Herr Sauermann unterrichtet an der Graduate School einen PhD Kurs zu Personal Economics. Der Kurs ist immer von 15-18 Uhr und davor hat er Zeit und Interesse, sich mit Leuten zu treffen und sich auszutauschen. Kontaktieren Sie ihn gerne direkt (jan.sauermann@so.su.se) oder schauen Sie bei ihm im Büro vorbei.

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