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## SEMINAR CALENDAR

### Research Seminar “Labour Economics”

Helena Skyt Nielsen, Aarhus University:  
*Effects of School Referral on Bilingual Children’s Outcomes*

Monday November 18  
16:30-18:00  
Esplanade 36, R. 4011/13

### Forschungsseminar “Quantitative Wirtschaftsforschung“

Quentin Vandeweyer, EZB:  
*Treasury Debt and the Pricing of Short-Term Assets*

Tuesday November 19  
12:15–13:45  
R. A215 (VMP 9)

### Environmental and Development Economics

Johannes Emmerling, RFF-CMCC EIEE:  
*Climate Change and Inequality - The Role of Mitigation and Adaptation*

Wednesday November 20  
**Achtung: 12:30–13:45**  
WiWi 0079 (VMP 5)

### Hamburg Lectures on Law & Economics

Prof. Daniel Naurin, University of Gothenburg:  
*Will do? Selecting Judges on the Basis of Policy Preferences or  
Performance Indicators*

Wednesday November 20  
18:15–19:45  
R. 110, Johnsallee 35

### HCHE Research Seminar

- no seminar -

### PhD Seminar

- no seminar -

### Research Seminar “Microeconomics”

- no seminar -

## ABSTRACTS

### **Research Seminar “Labour Economics”**

Helena Skyt Nielsen, Aarhus University:

*Effects of School Referral on Bilingual Children’s Outcomes*

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*Abstract:*

Multiple initiatives have been implemented internationally to mitigate potential adverse effects of residential segregation of minority groups. We exploit exogenous variation from a school referral policy to evaluate the impact of forced busing on bilingual school starters. Bilingual pupils exposed to forced busing were referred to schools with fewer immigrant pupils, more high SES pupils, but lower per pupils spending compared to the district school. We find that forced busing reduces academic performance and wellbeing of bilingual pupils. We explore potential mechanisms going through peers, learning environment and school budgets.

### **Environmental and Development Economics**

Johannes Emmerling, RFF-CMCC European Institute on Economics and the Environment (EIEE):

*Climate Change and Inequality - The Role of Mitigation and Adaptation*

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*Abstract:*

We study the interaction of inequality and climate change from a conceptual perspective, empirically estimating the relationship on growth, inequality, and regional temperature increase, and implement the result in an optimizing integrated assessment model. We show that several conceptual challenges exist, propose solutions, and show the resulting global income distributions for different scenarios including the 1.5 and 2.0 degree targets.

### **Hamburg Lectures on Law & Economics**

Prof. Daniel Naurin, University of Gothenburg:

*Will Do? Selecting Judges on the Basis of Policy Preferences or Performance Indicators*

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*Abstract:*

Judicial politics scholars agree that the power to select judges is a key instrument by which representative political institutions may exercise some control over the judiciary. Nevertheless, in spite of its status as the most powerful of international courts, and as the motor of the judicialization of politics in Europe, the EU governments’ choices of judges to the Court of Justice of the EU (CJEU) is a blank spot in the research. In this paper, we theorize EU governments’ choices as a function of an evaluation of both the will and ability of candidates to move policy in the desired direction. In particular, we study the effect of shifts in governments and judicial candidates’ previous performance on the retention of incumbent judges. We rely on original data on appointment decisions to the CJEU over time, biographical information and key performance measures of judges’ activities at the Court. Our results speak to the degree of politicization in the selection of judges, but also to the

interdependence between member states and the Court's leadership, as de-facto dual principals in relation to the judges.

## ACTIVITIES OF DEPARTMENT MEMBERS

### Miscellaneous

- **Research Training Group „Collective Decision-Making“**

The German Research Foundation (DFG) establishes a new Graduiertenkolleg (Research Training Group, RTG) “Collective Decision-Making”. The interdisciplinary research program of the RTG is concerned with decision-making procedures like voting and deliberation, electoral competition and responsibility for collective decisions. The RTG will have up to 19 doctoral researchers in political science, economics and philosophy who will be supervised by 13 participating researchers from the three disciplines. The RTG will start in October 2020 and will receive approximately €4.9 million in funding for an initial period of 4.5 years including a 22 percent program allowance for indirect project costs. The spokesperson is Prof. Dr. Anke Gerber from the Department of Economics.

*The next EconNewsletter will be published on Monday, November 25, 2019.*

*Editorial deadline: **Friday, November 22, 2019.***

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