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SEMINAR CALENDAR

HCHE Research Seminar

[Nils Gutacker, University of York:](#)

Redesigning payment systems to reduce health inequality

Monday January 27

16:30-17:45

Esplanade 36, R. 4011/13

Hamburg Lectures in Law and Economics

[Shaheen Naseer, University of Oxford:](#)

*Unintended Trade-Offs of Inclusivity: How Gender Policies Reshape
Bureaucratic Careers*

Wednesday January 29

18:15–19:45

R. 223 (ILE)

Alsterterrasse 1

This seminar is held in a hybrid format. To register for online participation via Zoom please click the following [link](#) and fill in the necessary information or send an email to lectures-ile@uni-hamburg.de.

Interdisciplinary Research Seminar

[Chiara Lisciandra, Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf:](#)

Explanatory Norms and Interdisciplinary Collaboration

Thursday January 30

17:15–18:45

R. 0079 (VMP 5)

ABSTRACTS

HCHE Research Seminar

Nils Gutacker, University of York:

Redesigning payment systems to reduce health inequality

Abstract:

Socioeconomic inequality in health is a policy concern in many countries. Yet, strategies to reduce health inequalities have paid little attention to payment systems for health care providers. In this talk I will present the results of a study which sought to develop a methodology to set 'equity-sensitive' payments for health care services designed to incentivise reductions in socioeconomic inequalities in health. We provide quantitative evidence on the current level and distribution of health benefits from care provided under the Quality Outcome Framework (QOF) - a large national P4P programme - and how changes to QOF incentive payments are expected to change health inequality across socioeconomic groups.

Hamburg Lectures in Law and Economics

Shaheen Naseer, University of Oxford:

Unintended Trade-Offs of Inclusivity: How Gender Policies Reshape Bureaucratic Careers

Abstract:

This paper investigates the unintended trade-offs of identity-based policies on diversity, regional equity, and institutional cohesion in the All-Pakistan Service. Exploiting a gender-sensitive policy introduced in 2000 as a natural experiment, I analyse a panel dataset of deputy ministers' postings and career trajectories from 1985 to 2020. Using Triple Differences designs, I show that while the policy successfully increased women's participation in leadership positions, it diminished representation from minority provinces and deepened regional imbalances. By shifting cross-regional mobility patterns and consolidating provincial dominance, the policy converted inclusivity into a zero-sum game, undermining the integrative objectives of the All-Pakistan Service. These findings reveal the structural challenges of crafting representation policies that achieve equity without sacrificing cohesion, providing empirical evidence of the delicate balance required in designing inclusive institutions.

Interdisciplinary Research Seminar

Chiara Lisciandra, Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf:

Explanatory Norms and Interdisciplinary Collaboration

Abstract:

This paper provides resources from the philosophy of science to identify differences between explanatory norms across disciplines and to examine their impact on interdisciplinary work. While the body of literature on explanatory norms is expanding rapidly, a consensus on a theoretical framework for systematically identifying norms across disciplines has yet to be reached. The aims of this paper are twofold: (i) to provide such a framework and use it to identify and compare explanatory norms across different domains; and (ii) to derive indications about interdisciplinary practice accordingly. By pursuing these goals, this work aims to be both theoretically significant and practically relevant. It contributes to the ongoing work on explanatory norms; and offers recommendations for the analysis of interdisciplinary science.

ACTIVITIES OF DEPARTMENT MEMBERS

New Publications

- **Lucke, B. (2024)**, “Central Bank Losses and the Shareholder Values of Commercial Credit Institutions”, *International Journal of Economics, Finance and Management Sciences*, Vol. 12, No. 5, pp. 336-351.
- **Lucke, B. und Meyer, D. (2024)**, „Zentralbankverluste und leistungslose Zinseinkommen für Geschäftsbanken – ein Vorschlag zur Abschöpfung“, *ZBB (Zeitung für Bankrecht und Bankwirtschaft)*, 2024, 252, August.
- **Lucke, B. und Rehfeldt, E. (2023)**, “How does expropriation affect FDI? A synthetic control analysis of oil and gas sector nationalizations in South America”, *European Journal of Political Economy*, Vol. 80, December.

Miscellaneous

- „Wirtschaftsdienst -- Zeitschrift für Wirtschaftspolitik“ lädt ein zur Diskussion mit Ökonom **Prof. Gabriel Felbermayr** aus Wien über Freihandel und De-Globalisierung:

Zeitgespräch live: Hat Freihandel fertig?

am Mittwoch, 29. Januar 2025, 17:00 – 18:30 Uhr, Vortragsraum SUB.

Gemeinsam mit den renommierten Wirtschaftswissenschaftler Prof. Gabriel Felbermayr (WIFO, Wien) diskutieren wir anlässlich der Veröffentlichung seines Buches „Der Freihandel hat fertig“ Themen rund um Freihandel, De- Globalisierung und De-Risking. Wie stellen sich Deutschland und Europa für die Wirtschaftspolitik der Trump-Administration auf? Wie begegnet Europa weiteren außenwirtschaftlichen Abhängigkeiten von China oder bestimmten Industrien, nachdem „Wandel durch Handel“ nicht mehr trägt?

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