

# Master's Thesis Conference

## Preparatory Meeting

Gerlinde Fellner-Röhling



Department of Economics

Last update: October 16, 2024

# Basic information

## ► Presentations

- Present your completed (or almost finished) master's theses
- Broader audience
- Conference-style format
- Each presentation will have a discussant
- Instructor acts as sessions chairs

## ► Date

- Fri, October 25, 09:00 - 17:30

## ► Room

- TC.3.05

# Prerequisites

- ▶ You have a supervisor
- ▶ Your thesis is completed or at an advanced stage:
  - ▶ Your research question is clearly defined
  - ▶ Your literature review is largely completed
  - ▶ ...
- ▶ Your **core results** are established:
  - ▶ **Empirical project:** The central results of the estimations are ready for presentation
  - ▶ **Theoretical project:** The analysis of the main model is largely completed
- ▶ The written text does not have to be finished
- ▶ Revisions and additions to the analysis are still possible

# Procedure & Attendance

## ► Procedure

1. Each student presents their Master's thesis
2. After each presentation, another student provides a brief discussion
3. Following the formal discussion, questions will be taken from the audience

## ► Attendance

- Personal participation is essential and attendance during the event is required
  - Under specific circumstances (e.g., if a student no longer lives in Austria), it is possible to present online
- Ensure you arrive on time

## ► Participation

- Actively engage by asking questions and providing feedback

# Instructions for presenters

- ▶ Prepare a 20-minute presentation
  - ▶ Based on our experience you should have not more than 8 to 10 slides
- ▶ Focus on the key points of your research:
  - ▶ Research question & objectives
  - ▶ Methodology
  - ▶ Core results
  - ▶ Conclusions & implications
- ▶ Ensure that
  - ▶ your slides are clear and not overly text-heavy
  - ▶ all visual aids (charts, graphs, tables) are easy to read and interpret
  - ▶ you upload your presentation slides on Canvas before Oct.25, 9:00am ('Assignments')
- ▶ Practice your presentation to manage time effectively
- ▶ Be prepared for questions and feedback from the audience

# Instructions for discussants

- ▶ Prepare a 5-minute discussion
  - ▶ No slides needed
- ▶ Provide constructive feedback on:
  - ▶ Clarity of the research question and objectives
  - ▶ Appropriateness and rigor of the methodology
  - ▶ Validity and significance of the core results
  - ▶ Relevance and impact of the conclusions
- ▶ Engage with the presenter's work critically but respectfully
- ▶ Highlight both strengths and areas for improvement

## Session 1 – Friday, Oct 25, 09:00 - 10:30

	Presenter	Title of Thesis	Topic	Discussant
1/1	Conte	The language of sustainability: Linking ESG reports to corporate ESG profiles	Environmental	Gattier
1/2	Steinmaßl	The Effectivity of Environmental Policies in Reducing Population Exposure to Fine Particulate Matter	Environmental	Conte
1/3	Gattier	Assessing the true ecological impact of children	Environmental	Steinmaßl

**Room TC.3.05**

## Session 2 – Friday, Oct 25, 11:00 - 12:30

	Presenter	Title of Thesis	Topic	Discussant
2/1	Schulz	Modelling the Yield Curve in the United States and the Euro Area	Monetary	Bella
2/2	Di Gregorio	Regional Determinants of Growth across the European Union and its Candidates	Macro	Schulz
2/3	Bella	The Argentine Pendulum: a Varieties of Capitalism perspective on the Argentinian economy from the 1990s to present	Macro	Di Gregorio

Room TC.3.05



## Session 3 – Friday, Oct 25, 13:30 - 15:00

	Presenter	Title of Thesis	Topic	Discussant
3/1	Gadelrab	The Gender Divide in Competitions: How Performance Gaps Change Across Stages— A Case Study from Slovak Math Olympiads	Labor/Social identity	Nardo*
3/2	Kleiner	Uniting Nations: The influence of Championship Titles on National Identity, Evidence from Gaelic Football in Northern Ireland	Labor/Social identity	Gadelrab
3/3	Nardo*	Do refugees affect the German gender wage gap?	Labor/Social identity	Kleiner

### Room TC.3.05

\* via Zoom

#### ► Zoom-coordinates (also on Canvas)

- <https://wu-ac-at.zoom.us/j/67937374873?pwd=LiFbuWJF5i59V15M66Cog88YPbSe5a.1>
- Meeting-ID: 679 3737 4873
- Kenncode: 478859

## Session 4 – Friday, Oct 25, 15:30 - 17:00

	Presenter	Title of Thesis	Topic	Discussant
4/1	Miravet Castillo*	The Effects of Winning a Michelin Star on Rural Development	Regional/Develop.	Wimmer
4/2	Prinz	Panel Error Correction Models of the Austrian Housing Market	Regional/Develop.	Miravet Castillo*
4/3	Wimmer	What are the odds? Development of homeownership of Austrian households since 1990 and the significance of intergenerational transfers	Regional/Develop.	Prinz

### Room TC.3.05

\* via Zoom

► [Zoom-coordinates](#): same as before