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	Education
10.2020-	Economics, PhD Candidate , Berlin School of Economics (associated with Freie Universität Berlin), Berlin Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Alexander Kriwoluzky
10.2015- 05.2018	Economics, M.Sc., University of Tübingen, Tübingen
Fall Term 2016	Economics, M.A., Queen's University, Kingston, Canada
2011-2015	Economics and Business Administration, B.Sc., University of Hohenheim, Stuttgart-Hohenheim
2001-2010	$\begin{array}{lll} \textbf{Higher Education Entrance Qualification}, & \textit{Wildermuth-Gymnasium}, \\ \textbf{T\"{u}bingen} \end{array}$
	Professional Experience
	Research
08.2021-	German Institute for Economic Research , Research Associate, Berlin, Macroeconomics Department
	Freie Universität Berlin, Research and Teaching Assistant, Chair of Macroeconomics
	Deutsche Bundesbank , <i>Internship</i> , Frankfurt am Main, Monetary Policy and Analysis Division - Group Fundamental Questions
	European Central Bank , Research Analyst, Frankfurt am Main, International Policy Analysis, DG International & European Relations
	European Central Bank , <i>Traineeship</i> , Frankfurt am Main, External Developments Division, DG International & European Relations
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	Miscellaneous
2010-2011	Voluntary Year of Social Service, Katharinenhospital Stuttgart, Stuttgart

Teaching

2021/2022

Winter term Behavioral Macroeconomics - Seminar (B.Sc.), Teaching Assistant

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Summer Fundamentals of Macroeconomics (B.Sc.), Teaching Assistant

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Winter term Behavioral Macroeconomics - Seminar (B.Sc.), Teaching Assistant

Publications

07.2022 Do words hurt more than actions? The impact of trade tensions on financial markets, Journal of Applied Econometrics 37(6), 1138-1159, jointly with Massimo Ferrari and Maria Sole Pagliari

> We use machine learning techniques to quantify trade tensions between the United States and China. Our measure matches well-known events in the US-China trade dispute and is exogenous to the developments on global financial markets. Local projections show that rising trade tensions leave US markets largely unaffected, except for firms that are more exposed to China, while negatively impacting stock market indices and exchange rates in China and emerging markets. We complement these findings with additional evidence suggesting that the US-China trade tensions have been interpreted as a negative demand shock for the Chinese economy rather than as a global risk shock.

Working Papers & Work in progress

The energy-price channel of (European) monetary policy, DIW Discussion Paper 2033, jointly with Gökhan Ider, Alexander Kriwoluzky, and Ben Schumann

This study examines whether central banks can combat inflation that is caused by changes in energy prices. By using a high-frequency event study and a Vector Autoregression model, we find evidence that the Federal Reserve (FED) and the European Central Bank (ECB) are capable of doing so. In fact, changes in energy prices play a significant role in the transmission mechanism of monetary policy. Specifically, the energy-price channel of monetary policy operates mainly by decreasing the demand for energy, which in turn lowers its price. As one major source of energy, e.g. oil, is denominated in US Dollars, the Euro-Dollar exchange rate affects the euro area in two ways. An appreciation lowers local prices through cheaper imports, while also stimulating demand and subsequently increasing global and local prices. Our counterfactual analysis demonstrates that both effects are present, but the latter effect is stronger than the former.

2023 The fiscal channel of monetary policy, Work in progress

Policy Work

- 2023 **DIW-Konjunkturprognose: Aussichten reichen von wolkig bis heiter**, *DIW Weekly report*, 90(50), 703-742, jointly with Bönke, T., Dany-Knedlik, G., Baldi, G. et al.
- 2023 **Gemeinschaftsdiagnose**, *Joint economic forecast*, Autumn 2023, Spring 2022, and Autumn 2021.
- 2023 **DIW-Konjunkturprognose: Deutschland hinkt der Weltwirtschaft hinterher**, *DIW Weekly report*, 90(36/37), 471-503, jointly with Bönke, T., Dany-Knedlik, G., Baldi, G. et al.
- 2023 And yet they move: Energy prices fall when key interest rates increase, despite countervailing effects, *DIW Weekly report*, 90(8), 87-94, jointly with Gökhan Ider, Alexander Kriwoluzky, and Ben Schumann.
- 2023 DIW-Konjunkturprognose: Deutsche Wirtschaft kämpft sich aus der Winterrezession, DIW Weekly report, 90(24), 287-321, jointly with Bönke, T., Dany-Knedlik, G., Baldi, G. et al.
- 2022 ECB can lower fuel and heating costs by increasing interest rates but would risk economic recovery, DIW Weekly report, 89(14), 219-225, jointly with Gökhan Ider and Alexander Kriwoluzky.
- 2022 **DIW-Konjunkturprognose: Dem Wintertief folgt ein Sommerhoch**, *DIW Weekly report*, 89(8), 123-133., jointly with Baldi, G., Berenberg-Gossler, P., Engerer, H. et al.
- 2021 Weltwirtschaft nach Dämpfer im Sommer wieder auf Erholungskurs, DIW Weekly report, 88(37), 600-614, jointly with Baldi, G., Dany-Knedlik, G., and Engerer, H.

Software expertise

Expert: Matlab (& Dynare), LATEX

Intermediate: Julia, Stata

Languages

German, mother tongue English, fluent

Spanish & French, basic