Mehmet Ayaz

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Research interests

Public economics, optimal capital taxes and subsidies, inequality and redistribution

Education

| 2019 – | Ph.D. candidate in Economics, Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich <i>Supervisor:</i> Prof. Dr. Dominik Sachs |
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| 2023 | Visiting graduate student, University of Toronto Host: Prof. Dr. Burhan Kuruscu |
| 2017 – 2019 | M.S. in Economics, Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich |
| 2011 – 2017 | B.S. in Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Bogazici University |
| 2015 | Exchange semester in Electrical Engineering, University of Pavia |

Work experience

| 2018 – | Research assistant at the Center for Economic Studies at the University of Munich |
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| 2016 – 2017 | Intern after-sales engineer at Mercedes-Benz Turk A.S. |
| 2016 – 2017 | Undergraduate teaching assistant at the Department of Economics at Bogazici University |
| 2015 – 2016 | Undergraduate teaching assistant at the Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering at Bogazici University |

Publications

• "Who should bear the burden of Covid-19 related fiscal pressure? An optimal income taxation perspective," with Lea Fricke, Clemens Fuest and Dominik Sachs. 2023. *European Economic Review*, 153: 104381.

Work in progress

- "Joint taxation of income and wealth," with Dominik Sachs.
- "How should we tax capital? Interaction between capital taxes and saving motives."

Seminars and conferences

| 2023 | University of Toronto Macro Brown Bag Seminar (Toronto, ON, Canada) Annual Congress of the IIPF (Logan, UT, USA) |
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| 2022 | St. Gallen Public Economics Doctoral Workshop (St. Gallen, Switzerland) ZEW Public Finance Conference (Mannheim, Germany) International Conference on Public Economic Theory (Marseille, France) |

| 2021 | Annual Congress of the IIPF (virtual) EEA Annual Congress (virtual) MannheimTaxation Conference (virtual) |
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| 2020 | Winter School on Inequality and Social Welfare Theory (Canazei, Italy) CES Public Economics Seminar (Munich, Germany) |
| 2019 | Norwegian–German Seminar on Public Economics (Munich, Germany) |

Teaching

| 2022 | Instructor for <i>Tutorial for Public Economics</i> (Grad level). Teaching assistant for <i>The Economics of Tax Evasion</i> (Undergrad level), <i>Optimal Taxation of Top Incomes</i> (Undergrad level), and <i>International Taxation</i> (Grad level). |
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| 2021 | Instructor for <i>Tutorial for Public Economics</i> (Grad level). Teaching assistant for <i>Optimal Taxation of Top Incomes</i> (Grad level), <i>Gender Inequality – Empirical Facts and the Role of Policies</i> (Undergrad level), and <i>COVID 19 – Economic Impact and Policy Responses</i> (Undergrad level). |
| 2020 | Instructor for <i>Tutorial for Public Economics</i> (Grad level). Teaching assistant for <i>Arbeitsmarkt in Theorie und Praxis</i> (Undergrad level) and <i>Taxation and Inequality</i> (Grad level). |
| 2019 | Teaching assistant for <i>The Political Economy of Redistribution</i> (Grad level). |
| 2017 | Tutor for Macroeconomics I (Undergrad level) |

Other academic activities

| 2022 - 2023 | Academic coordinator of the Center for Economic Studies at the University of Munich |
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| 2015 - 2016 | Member of the Student Council of Bogazici University |

Grants and achievements

| 2017 | DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) scholarship for a master's program in Germany |
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| 2015 | ERASMUS exchange grant |
| 2011 | Bogazici University Excellence Scholarship |
| 2011 | Scholarship of the Turkish Prime Minister's Office for outstanding achievements |
| 2011 | 12th rank in Turkey on the university entrance exam among 1.8 million students |

Languages

Turkish (native), English (fluent), German (intermediate), Italian (intermediate)

References

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