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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Labor Economics, Public Economics, Regional Economics

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Candidate in Economics since 09/2022
University of Cologne *Cologne, Germany*

Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Sebastian Sieglösch

Ph.D. Candidate in Economics 08/2020 – 08/2022
University of Mannheim *Mannheim, Germany*

Joined my supervisor in his move to Cologne

M.Sc. in International Economics and Public Policy 10/2017 – 08/2019
Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz *Mainz, Germany*

ERASMUS+ Semester Abroad 09/2018 – 01/2019
Université Catholique de Louvain *Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium*

B.Sc. in Economics 10/2014 – 09/2017
Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz *Mainz, Germany*

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Student Research Assistant 04/2019 – 09/2019 and 11/2017 – 08/2018
Prof. Dr. Klaus Wälde *Mainz, Germany*

Student Research Assistant 01/2018 – 06/2019
Prof. Dr. Daniel Schunk *Mainz, Germany*

Internship as a Research Assistant 08/2017 – 09/2017
RWI – Leibniz Institute for Economic Research *Essen, Germany*

Internship as a Research Assistant 02/2017 – 04/2017
German Council of Economic Experts *Wiesbaden, Germany*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Macroeconomics since Winter 2022/23
University of Cologne *Cologne, Germany*

Empirical Economic Research
Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz

Summer 2018
Mainz, Germany

Macroeconomics I
Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz

Winter 2016/17
Mainz, Germany

Introduction to Economics
Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz

Winter 2015/16
Mainz, Germany

AWARDS & GRANTS

Scholarship of the DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service)
*Scholarship for a research stay
at the University of California, Berkeley in the United States*

01/2025 – 05/2025

Scholarship of the Peregrinus Foundation
*Scholarship for a semester abroad to study Economics
at the Université Catholique de Louvain in Belgium*

09/2018 – 01/2019

ERASMUS European Exchange Program Scholarship
Scholarship for a semester abroad with the Erasmus exchange program

09/2018 – 01/2019

Deutschlandstipendium
Scholarship holder

10/2016 – 09/2018

CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

Second Bonn-Frankfurt-Mannheim PhD Conference (Bonn)
Applied Microeconomics Seminar (Cologne)
ifo Dresden Workshop on Regional Economics (Dresden)
Mannheim Taxation Conference (Mannheim)

2024

First Bonn-Frankfurt-Mannheim PhD Conference (Frankfurt)
PSE Summer School on Economics of Gender (Paris)

2023

RESEARCH VISITS

University of California, Berkeley
Hosted by Prof. Emmanuel Saez

01/2025 – 05/2025
Berkeley, CA

SKILLS

Languages	German (native), English (fluent), French (beginner)
Software skills	R, Stata, Python, L ^A T _E X, Matlab

WORK IN PROGRESS

- “*Trade Shocks and Local Public Finance: Evidence from German Municipalities*”, joint with Adrian Lerche

Abstract: In this paper, we investigate the effect of import and export shocks on German municipalities’ local business tax (LBT) bases and fiscal outcomes for the period from 1992 to 2012. Import shocks have a detrimental effect on local outcomes, while export shocks increase LBT bases as well as municipal revenues and expenditures. The effect on expenditure patterns depends on municipalities’ initial fiscal and economic conditions. Results are stronger in the 2002 to 2012 period than in the 1992 to 2002 period. We find that our results are mostly driven by trade between municipalities located in West Germany and Eastern Europe.

- “*The Local Economic Impact of US Troop Withdrawals in Germany*”, joint with Jakob Schmidhäuser

Abstract: What are the local economic impacts of foreign troop deployments? To answer this question, we exploit variation from the historical large-scale US troop withdrawal from Germany at the end of the Cold War. We use administrative data from the US Department of Defense to precisely quantify the troop withdrawal’s size at the municipal level. We deploy a Synthetic Difference-in-Differences (SDID) estimator to estimate the impacts of the troop withdrawal on local outcomes. Our results show negative effects on local labor markets and municipal public finances. Local business tax revenues decrease. Affected municipalities react by lowering their expenditures, while increasing property tax multipliers.

- “*Tax Havens in Germany*”, single-authored
- “*Reducing Survivor Pension to Promote More Equal Labor Market Attachment of Women: Evidence from Sweden*”, joint with Nadja Dwenger, Martin Nybom and Sebastian Sieglösch

OTHER

Organisator of the biannual Young ECONtribute Program (YEP) Workshop for PhD in Economics students of the University of Cologne and the University of Bonn