Sebastian O. Schneider

Research Areas

- o Applied Microeconomics: Behavioral Economics, Health Economics, Development Economics
- Stochastics of Experiments: Treatment Assignment, Data-driven Analysis

Employment

Max Planck Institute for Research on Collective Goods

Bonn (Germany)

Senior Research Fellow, Unit Matthias Sutter (Experimental Economics Group)

12/2017-Present

University of Goettingen

Goettingen (Germany)

Research Fellow

05/2014-11/2017

Education

PhD in (Behavioral Development) Economics

University of Goettingen (Germany)

Final grade: Summa cum laude

2014–2017

Supervision: Prof. M. Ibanez and Prof. M. Schlather (University of Mannheim)

M. Sc. Mathematics in Business and Economics

University of Mannheim (Germany)

Major in Stochastics, final grade: 1.3 (scale 1-5, 1 being best)

2011–2014

B. Sc. Mathematics in Business and Economics

University of Mannheim (Germany)

Major in Mathematical Finance

2008-2011

Research Visits and Stays Abroad

University of California, Santa Barbara (USA), invited by Gary Charness	10/2019
University of California, Berkeley (USA), invited by Elisabeth Sadoulet	10/2017-11/2017
Exchange semesters in Nice (France) and Lima (Peru)	2010, 2012

Research

Working Paners

- o Barron K, Harmgart H, Huck S, **Schneider SO**, Sutter M (2020). Discrimination, Narratives and Family History: An Experiment with Jordanian Host and Syrian Refugee Children. IZA Discussion Paper No. 13337. Revise and resubmit, Review of Economics and Statistics
- **Schneider SO**, Sutter M (2020). Higher Order Risk Preferences: New Experimental Measures, Determinants and Field Behavior. IZA Discussion Paper No. 13646
- Riener G, Schneider SO, Wagner V (2020). Addressing Validity and Generalizability Concerns in Field Experiments. DICE Discussion Paper No. 345
- Ibanez M, Schneider SO (2020). Income Risk, Precautionary Saving, and Loss Aversion An Empirical Test. Working Paper MPI Bonn
- **Schneider SO**, Schlather M (2019). Treatment Assignment for One and Multiple Treatment Groups. Courant Research Centre Discussion Paper No. 228
- Schneider SO, Ibanez M, Riener G (2019): Measuring Utility An Application to Higher Order Risk and Saving in Bogota. Working Paper MPI Bonn

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Work in Progress.....

- o Are Nudges Effective to Contain COVID-19? A Randomized Control Trial in Rural Bangladesh, with S. Chowdhury, H. Schildberg-Hörisch, and M. Sutter. Data collection completed, draft in preparation, preregistration at the AEA RCT Registry: https://doi.org/10.1257/rct.5728-1.0
- Higher Order Risk Preferences, Financial Decision-Making, Job Selection, Mental Health and Addiction Evidence from the General German Population (SOEP). Data collection completed
- o Tree: Ready-made Apps for Elicitation of Higher Order Risk Preferences due to Eeckhoudt & Schlesinger, Ebert & Wiesen, and Schneider, Ibanez and Riener. Draft in preparation
- Heterogeneity in Effort Provision: Evidence from a Lab-in-the-field Experiment, with Z. Bašić, S. Bortolotti, A. Cappelen, U. Gneezy, D. Salicath, S. Schmidt, M. Sutter, and B. Tungodden. Data collection ongoing

Software.....

- Schneider SO, Baldini G, Külper M (2020). Software for Elicitation of Higher Order Risk Preferences (in Python for use with oTree); see http://horp-otree-apps.sebastianschneider.eu/
- o Schneider SO (2020). R Package for Estimating Utility Curves and Higher Order Risk Preferences from Utility Points According to Schneider et al. (2019); available via CRAN, package name 'utility-Function Tools'
- Schneider SO (2019). Software Package for Treatment Assignment for One And Multiple Treatment Groups (R package); available via CRAN, package name 'minMSE'
- Schneider SO (2017). Software Package for Treatment Assignment for One And Multiple Treatment Groups (Stata ado-package); available at http://minmse.sebastianschneider.eu

Dissertation...

 Schneider SO (2017). Advances and Applications of Experimental Measures to Test Behavioral Saving Theories and a Method to Increase Efficiency in Binary and Multiple Treatment Assignment; available at http://hdl.handle.net/11858/00-1735-0000-002E-E306-0

Conferences, Workshops and Invited Talks (since 2017)

- 2020 7th Workshop in Behavioral and Experimental Health Economics, Innsbruck - Winter School on Credence Goods, Incentives and Behavior, Innsbruck (canceled) – World Meeting of the Econometric Society, Milan (online) - GEA (German Economic Association, VfS) Annual Conference, Cologne (online) - NBER Development Economics fall meetings 2020 (online)
- 2019 Brown Bag Seminar, UC Santa Barbara - North-American ESA Meeting and Workshop on Experiments with Children, Los Angeles - Nordic Conference on Behavioral and Experimental Economics, Kiel - European ESA Meeting, Dijon - Workshop Behavioral Insights in Development and Peace Building, Goettingen – TIBER, Tilburg – Brown Bag Seminar, University of Mainz – M-BEPS, Maastricht – IMEBESS, Utrecht
- 2018 MPI/CREED Workshop, Bonn - Foundations of Utility and Risk, York - Experimental Finance Conference, Heidelberg – M-BEES, Maastricht – Symposium on Economic Experiments in Developing Countries (SEEDEC), Wageningen - Inaugural Conference, Experimental Economics Group, MPI Bonn, Bonn – International Conference on Globalization and Development, Goettingen – German Probability and Statistics Days, Freiburg
- 2017 Development Lunch Seminar, UC Berkeley - North-American ESA Meeting, Richmond (VA) European ESA Meeting, Vienna – GEA Annual Conference, Vienna – GEA AEL (Research Group on Development Economics) PhD workshop, Hanover – Centre for Statistics (ZfS) University of Goettingen, On-site Evaluation, Goettingen – GEA AEL Annual Conference, Goettingen - Graduate Seminar Applied Statistics and Econometrics, Goettingen

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Scholarships, Awards and Successful Proposals

2020	Method for elicitation of higher order risk preferences (Schneider et al., 2019) selected for implementation in innovation sample of the German Socio-Economic Panel, SOEP administration at DIW, Berlin
2015-2017	PhD Scholarship, Stiftung der Deutschen Wirtschaft (Foundation of German Business, merit scholarship)
2011-2012	Bronnbacher Stipendium, Kulturkreis der deutschen Wirtschaft im BDI (Association of Arts and Culture of the German Economy at the Federation of German Industries) and University of Mannheim
2009-2010	Tuition fee waiver ("Gebührenstipendium", merit scholarship), University of Mannheim
2009-2014	Study grant, Stiftung der Deutschen Wirtschaft (merit scholarship)
2007	Award for outstanding social commitment and award for the best possible final grade in A-levels (1.0) , Gymnasium am Rosenberg, Oberndorf am Neckar, and Kreissparkasse Rottweil, Germany

Teaching, Workshops and Supervision

SS '21	Microeconomics II (lecture, Bachelor level), University of Cologne (scheduled)
WS '17/'18	Advanced Microeconomics (tutorial, Master level), University of Goettingen
SS '17, SS '16	Lecture and practice session (self-designed) on Maximum-Likelihood-Estimation for Risk and Time Preferences as part of the course "Behavioral Development Economics" (PhD/Master Level), University of Goettingen
SS '10	Stock exchange workshop (self-designed), Girls Day, University of Mannheim
WS '09/'10	Calculus I (tutorial, Bachelor level), University of Mannheim

Master Thesis Supervision: 2015, Sonia Triviño, thesis title: "Saving for the old age: an analysis under prospect theory", Co-supervision with Prof. Marcela Ibanez

Refereering

European Economic Review, Games and Economic Behavior, Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Finance, Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization, Management Science

Additional Qualifications & Competences

German (native), **English** (fluent, C1/C2), **Spanish** (fluent, B2/C1), **French** (fluent, B1/B2)

Certificate Program Applied Statistics and Empirical Methods (2017), Centre for Statistics, University of Goettingen

Software, Programming, and Network

Mobile lab & oTree server setup, oTree & Python, C, PHP, MySQL, R, Stata & Mata, Git, Latex, QGis

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