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WORK EXPERIENCE

Senior Economist

Austrian Institute of Economic Research (WIFO) [11/2005 – Current]

Address: Arsenal, Objekt 20, 1030 Vienna (Austria)

Academic research and consulting of national and international policy makers in the field of Industrial Economics, Innovation and International Competition.

Areas of research

1. Firm demography and performance
2. Industrial economics, industrial policy and competitiveness
3. European integration
4. Development economics
5. Investment surveys

Deputy director

ASCII - Supply Chain Intelligence Institute Austria [03/2023 – Current]

Address: Josefstädter Straße 39, 1080 Vienna (Austria)

Website: <https://ascii.ac.at/>

External lecturer

Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU Wien), Institute of Macroeconomics [03/2014 – Current]

Address: Welthandelsplatz 1, 1020 Vienna (Austria)

- Lecture in development economics (Bachelor/Master level), organisation of two day workshops with development practitioners (e.g., <https://www.wu.ac.at/economics/vw-zentrum/events/vergangene-veranstaltungen/detail/economic-development-days-2017/>)

Visiting researcher

Sant'Anna Scuola Universitaria Superiore Pisa [11/2019 – 11/2019]

Address: Piazza Martiri della Libertà 33, 56127 Pisa (Italy)

- Research

Visiting researcher

The Ratio Institute [03/2016 – 04/2016]

Address: Sveavägen 59, 11359 Stockholm (Sweden)

- Research

Visiting researcher

Sheffield University Management School, Institute of Work Psychology [10/2014 – 12/2014]

Address: Conduit Road, South Yorkshire S10 1 FL Sheffield (United Kingdom)

- Research

Staff (JPO) of 'South Asia Finance and Private Sector Development'

The World Bank Group [11/2009 – 10/2011]

Address: 1818 H Street, 20433 Washington DC (United States)

- Key contributions to the design of an investment lending project in Bangladesh (PSD, Special Economic Zones; Report No: 53729-BD)
- Lead in the design, management, and analysis of firm level surveys (Co-Task-Team-Leader of Enterprise Surveys);
- Policy consulting; drafting of official documents and reports. Country focus on Afghanistan, Bangladesh, India and Sri Lanka.

Doctoral student / research assistant

Austrian Institute of Economic Research (WIFO) [10/2004 – 10/2005]

Address: Arsenal, Objekt 20, 1030 Vienna (Austria)

- Contributions to projects in the fields innovation in the mobile phone industry and telecom regulation

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

PHD in economics

University of Graz, Austria, Department of Economics [2003 – 2006]

Address: Graz (Austria)

Field(s) of study: Economics

Level in EQF: EQF level 8

Thesis title: 'Innovation and Competition in Mobile Telephony in the EU'

Empirical research that directly contributed to debates about innovation policy and sector specific regulation

Masters in Business Administration

University of Graz [1998 – 2003]

Address: Graz (Austria)

Field(s) of study: Business Administration – Accounting and Control

Level in EQF: EQF level 7

Bachelor of Arts majoring in Economics

University of Paisley (University of West Scotland) [2000 – 2001]

Address: (United Kingdom)

Field(s) of study: International economics and finance

Level in EQF: EQF level 6

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): **German**

Other language(s):

English

LISTENING C2 READING C2 WRITING C2

SPOKEN PRODUCTION C2 SPOKEN INTERACTION C2

Dutch

LISTENING B2 READING B2 WRITING B1

SPOKEN PRODUCTION B1 SPOKEN INTERACTION B1

Italian

LISTENING B1 READING B1 WRITING B1

SPOKEN PRODUCTION B1 SPOKEN INTERACTION B1

DIGITAL SKILLS

Microsoft Office / Stata: statistical software for data science / SAP / SPSS / Matlab / EViews / R

PUBLICATIONS

journal publications (selection)

1. Friesenbichler, Klaus, Reinstaller, Andreas, "Small and Internationalised Firms Competing with Chinese Exporters", *Eurasian Business Review*, 13, 2023, 167–192.
2. Kügler, Agnes, Reinstaller, Andreas, Friesenbichler, Klaus, "Economic performance and Value Chain Integration into the EU", *Journal of Industrial and Business Economics*, 50, 2023, 25-47.
3. Friesenbichler, Klaus, Hölzl, Werner, "High-growth firm shares in Austrian regions: the role of economic structures", *Regional Studies*, 54(11), 2020, 1585-1595.
4. Böheim, Michael, Friesenbichler, Klaus "Exporting the competition policy regime of the European Union: Success or Failure? Empirical evidence for acceding countries", *Journal of Common Market Studies*, 54(3), 2016, 569–582.

commissioned studies (selection)

1. Wolfmayr, Y., Bärenthaler-Sieber, S., Böheim, M., Christen, E., Felbermayr, G., Friesenbichler, K., Meinhart, B., Meyer, B., Pekanov, A. & Sinabell, F., *Strategische Außenwirtschaftspolitik 2030 - Wie kann Österreich Geoökonomie Konzepte nützen?*, WIFO Studie im Auftrag des Bundeskanzleramts, Wien,
2. Friesenbichler, Klaus, Meyer, Ina, „Sectoral and Environmentally Friendly Growth Potential in Uganda“, WIFO study commissioned by the World Bank and financed by the Government of the United Kingdom, Vienna, August 2022.
3. Friesenbichler, Klaus (Koordinator), Hölzl, Werner, Köppl, Angela, Meyer, Birgit, „Investitionen in die Digitalisierung und Dekarbonisierung in Österreich: Treiber, Hemmnisse und wirtschaftspolitische Hebel“, WIFO Studie im Auftrag der OeNB, Wien, Juni 2021
4. Hölzl, Werner, Bärenthaler-Sieber, Susanne, Bock-Schappelwein, Julia, Friesenbichler, Klaus, Kügler, Agnes, Reinstaller, Andreas, Reschenhofer, Peter, Dachs, Bernhard, Risak, Martin. "Digitalisation in Austria: State of play and reform needs", WIFO study commissioned by the European Commission, Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs, Study carried out within the Framework Service Contract, 'Studies in the Area of European Competitiveness' (ENTR/300/PP/2013/FCWIFO), March 2019, Vienna <https://ec.europa.eu/docsroom/documents/37267/attachments/1/translations/en/renditions/native>.

ORGANISATIONAL SKILLS

Organisational skills

- Coordination of national and international projects and interaction with the client
- Lead of multicultural teams
- Coordination of the organisational unit (incl. HR, budgeting and strategic development)
- Organisation of conferences, seminars and workshops

COMMUNICATION AND INTERPERSONAL SKILLS

Communication and interpersonal skills

Good communication skills gained through my experience as a university lecturer and various management positions

JOB-RELATED SKILLS

Job-related skills

- Designing, drafting and dissemination of policy reports at an international quality level
- Academic publishing in international peer-reviewed journals

- Numerous presentations at international conferences
- Extensive management experience
- Referee for academic journals in the field of industrial organisation (e.g., World Development; Small Business Economics; Industry and Innovation, Journal of Industry, Competition and Trade; Journal of Economics and Statistics).

TRAINING (SELECTION)

Training (selection)

- 'Measuring Causal Effects in the Social Sciences', Coursera (2014), Course held by Anders Holm (University of Copenhagen).
- 'Essid' in Dubrovnik (2007), The Economics of Science, Summer School, Scientific Organiser: Bocconi University
- 'European Science Days' in Steyr (2006), Science and Education, Summer School, Scientific Organiser: Harvard University
- A variety of World Bank training courses (e.g., Fundamentals of the Bank's Operations, Public Procurement; 2009-2011)
- Dutch language course and NT2-II certificate ("tweede moedertaal"), University of Groningen