

***9th Geoffrey J.D. Hewings Regional Economics Workshop on
Topics in Applied Regional and Spatial Economics***

Organized by:
Austrian Institute of Economic Research (WIFO)

Date: Vienna, 3-4 October, 2016

Location: WIFO, Arsenal Object 20, 1030 Vienna

Program:

Monday, October 3, 2016

8:15 – 8:20

Welcome by **Christoph Badelt**, Director of WIFO

Session: Regional Heterogeneity and Firm Performance

Session Chair: **Dieter Pennerstorfer**

8:20 – 9:05 **Angela De Martiis:** Regional Quality and Impaired Firms: Evidence from Italy

9:05 – 9:45 **Julia Bachtrögl:** Who are the Beneficiaries of the EU Regional Funds? A New Firm-Level Dataset

9.45 – 10.15 Coffee Break

Session: Trade, Technology and Regional Growth

Session Chair: **Jarko Fidrmuc**

10:15 – 10:55 **Astrid Krenz:** The Impact of Trade, Taxes and R&D for the Location Decision of German Enterprises

10:55 – 11:35 **Maximilian Böck:** Income Growth and Convergence in a Small-Scale Regional Framework: A Spatial Econometric Approach for Municipalities in Austria

11:35 – 12:15 **Anja Kukuvec:** Human Capital, Technology Diffusion and Total Factor Productivity Growth in Regions

12.15 – 13.15 Lunch (provided by WIFO)

13.15 – 14.15 WIFO Public Lecture

Jürgen Essletzbichler: The Evolution of Specialization in the EU 15 Knowledge Space

Session Chair: **Peter Mayerhofer**

Discussant: **Andreas Reinstaller**

14.15 – 14.45 Coffee Break

Session: Spatial Analysis of Retail Industries

Session Chair: **Agnes Kügler**

14.55 – 15.35 Johann Burgstaller: Dynamics of Retail-Bank Branching in Austria

15.35 – 16.15 Biliana Yontcheva: Frequency of Price Adjustment and Market Power

16.15 – 16.45 Coffee Break

Session: Regional Fiscal Policy

Session Chair: **Gerhard Streicher**

16.45 – 17.25 Simon Melch: Inter-Municipal Cooperation (IMC) and Local Public Expenditures: Empirical Evidence from Germany

17.25 – 18.05 Monika Köppl-Turyna: Do Equalization Payments affect Subnational Borrowing? Evidence from Regression Discontinuity

20.00 Workshop Dinner (optional)

Tuesday, October 4, 2016

Session: Regional Topics in Migration and Housing

Session Chair: **Oliver Fritz**

9:05 – 9:45 **Sören Gröbel:** Understanding Age-related Housing Depreciation: Inter- and Intraregional Disparities in the Valuation of Single-Family Homes

9:45 – 10:25 **Diana Gutiérrez Posada:** Moving along the Spanish Urban Hierarchy: Migration Patterns and Urban Wage Premium in the Crisis Context

10.25 – 10.55 Coffee Break

Session: Transport Economics: Intra-Regional and Inter-Continental Mobility

Session Chair: **Philipp Piribauer**

10:55 – 11:35 **Stefanie Peer:** Determinants of Cycling Propensity among University Students

11:35 – 12:15 **Marco Percoco:** The Impact of Intercontinental Air Accessibility on Local Economies: Evidence from the De-hubbing of Malpensa

12.15 – 13.15 Lunch (provided by WIFO)

13.15 – 14.15 **WIFO Public Lecture**

Michael L. Lahr: Updating Household Consumption with Fuzzy Social Accounts

Session Chair: **Oliver Fritz**

Discussant: **Jarko Fidrmuc**

14.15 – 14.45 Coffee Break

Session: Spatial Econometrics Applications

Session Chair: **Matthias Firgo**

14:55 – 15:35 **Florian Huber:** Measuring International Uncertainty

15:35 – 16:15 **Tamás Krisztin:** A Bayesian Hierarchical Modeling Approach for Explaining Interregional Freight Transportation Flows: An Application to US Commodity Flows

16.15 – 16.45 Coffee Break

Session: Regional Labor Markets

Session Chair: **Peter Huber**

16:45 – 17:25 **Geoffrey Hewings:** Addressing Labor Heterogeneity in Regional Economic Models

17:25 – 18:05 **André Carrascal Incera:** Youth Unemployment in Europe: The North-South Divide interpreted using a Bi-regional Demoeconomic Model

End of Workshop