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10.30 - 12.30 **Parallel Sessions A**

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Chair: STEPHANE L'HUILLERY

MATHIAS KIRBACH, University of Ulm; CLAUDIA SCHMIEDEBERG, University of Hamburg
Innovation and Export Performance - Adjustment and remaining differences in East and West German Manufacturing

THOMAS ASTEBRO, University of Toronto; MASSIMO C. COLOMBO, Politecnico di Milano; RAFFAELLO SERI, University of Insubria
The Diffusion of Complementary Technologies: An Empirical Test

SPYROS ARVANITIS, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich (ETHZ) and Swiss Institute for Business Cycle Research (KOF); NORA SYDOW, ETHZ and KOF; MARTIN WÖRTER, ETHZ and KOF
Is There Any Impact of University-Industry Knowledge Transfer on the Performance of Private Enterprises? - An Empirical Analysis Based on Swiss Firm Data

STÉPHANE L'HUILLERY, EPFL - Collège du Management de la Technologie Lausanne
The impact of governance practices on R&D intensity of firms: an econometric study of the French largest groups

MARTIN FALK, Austrian Institute of Economic Research (WIFO)
What Determines Patents per Capita in OECD Countries?

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Session A2 R & D and Innovation

Chair: ALBRECHT BLÄSI

FRÉDÉRIC PAYOT, University of Lausanne

Dynamics of R&D Competition: An Alternative Setup

SPYROS ARVANITIS, Swiss Institute for Business Cycle Research (ETHZ); HEINZ HOLLENSTEIN, Swiss Institute for Business Cycle Research (ETHZ) and Austrian Institute of Economic Research (WIFO), Vienna

Determinants of Swiss Firms' R&D Activities at Foreign Locations

ALEXANDRA K. ZABY, University of Tübingen

Patents, Secrets and the Diffusion of Inventions

ALBRECHT BLÄSI, University of Kiel; TILL REQUATE, University of Kiel

Learning-by-Doing with Spillovers in Markets with Cournot Competition and Free Entry

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Session A3 Macro 1

Chair: MARCO CAVALIERE

JONAS STULZ, Swiss National Bank

Exchange Rate Pass-Through in Switzerland: Evidence from Vector Autoregressions

SÉBASTIEN WÄLTI, Trinity College Dublin

Contagion, interdependence and U.S. monetary policy

MARCO CAVALIERE, University of Bern and Study Center Gerzensee

Why is international risk-sharing so low despite remarkable development of international capital markets?

MATTHIAS HELBLE, Graduate Institute of International Studies Geneva

Quality and Trade Costs

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Session A4 Network Industries

Chair: MASSIMO FILIPPINI

PETER ZWEIFEL, University of Zurich; BORIS KREY,
University of Zurich

Efficient Electricity Portfolios for Switzerland

MASSIMO FILIPPINI, University of Lugano and Swiss Federal
Institute of Technology ETH Zurich; MEHDI FARSI, Swiss
Federal Institute of Technology ETH Zurich; DIEGO LUNATI,
University of Applied Science (SUPSI)

*Economies of Scale and Efficiency Measurement in the Swiss
Nursing Homes Industry*

CHRISTIAN GROWITSCH, Halle Institute for Economic
Research; JAMASB TOORAJ, University of Cambridge;
MICHAEL POLLITT, University of Cambridge

*Quality of Service, Efficiency, and Scale in Network Industries:
An Analysis of European Electricity Distribution*

RAFAEL LALIVE, University of Zurich, CESifo and IZA; ARMIN
SCHMUTZLER, University of Zurich, CEPR and ENCORE

*Competition for Railway markets: The Case of Baden
Württemberg*

URS VON ARX, ETH Zurich

*Principle guided investing: The use of negative screens and its
implications for green investors*

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Chair: CHRISTIAN KEUSCHNIGG

GABRIELLE WANZENRIED, University of Applied Sciences
Central Switzerland; Daniel Piazza and Maurice Pedergnana

*Board and Executive Compensation in the Swiss Banking
Industry - The Case of Cantonal Banks*

ACHIM HAUCK, University of Leipzig

Bank Capital and non verifiable lending risk

ANA FERNANDES, University of Bern and Stern School of
Business

Knowledge, Technology Adoption and Financial Innovation

RETO FOELLM, University of Zurich; MANUEL OECHSLIN,
University of Zurich
Equity and Efficiency under Imperfect Credit Markets

CHRISTIAN KEUSCHNIGG, University of St. Gallen (IFF),
CEPR and CESifo; SOREN BO NIELSEN, University of
St. Gallen (IFF), CEPR and CESifo
*Self-selection, Screening and Advising in Venture Capital
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PETER KUGLER, President SSES
MARINA MASONI, Minister Economy TI
RICO MAGGI, Chairman of the Programme Committee

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JOSEPH DEISS, Minister Economy CH
*Switzerland's perspectives as a competitive location in a global
context*

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SUZANNE SCOTCHMER, UC Berkeley
Political Economy of Intellectual Property Treaties

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Chair: RETO FOELLM

RETO FOELLM, University of Zurich

Different Savings Propensities and Inequality in the Neoclassical Growth Model

VOLKER GROSSMANN, University of Fribourg, CESifo and IZA; THOMAS M. STEGER, ETH Zurich
Anti-Competitive Conduct, In-House R&D, and Growth

MANFRED STADLER, University of Tübingen

Education and Innovation as Twin-Engines of Growth

DIEMO DIETRICH, Halle Institute for Economic Research

Internal capital markets of multinational corporations: What role for multinationality?

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Chair: GIANMARIA MARTINI

ATTILA AMBRUS, Harvard University; MARKUS REISINGER, University of Munich
Platform Competition and Welfare: Media Markets Reconsidered

STEFAN BUEHLER, University of Zurich, University of St. Gallen and ENCORE; ARMIN SCHMUTZLER, University of Zurich, CEPR and ENCORE
Intimidating Competitors - Endogenous Vertical Integration and Downstream Investment in Successive Oligopoly

ANDRAS NIEDERMAYER, University of Bern

Does a Platform Owning Monopolist Want Competition?

JOAO VIEIRA-MONTEZ, University of Lausanne, Ecole des HEC

*Downstream Concentration and Producer's Capacity Choice:
Why Bake a Larger Pie when Getting a Smaller Slice*

GIUSEPPE COLANGELO, University of Insubria, Como and
Cranec, Catholic University of Milan; GIANMARIA MARTINI,
University of Bergamo
*Recommended Retail Prices, Maximum RPM and the Role of
Buyer Power*

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Chair: PETRA GERLACH-KRISTEN

MARTIN P. EVERTS, University of Bern
Duration of Business Cycles

PETRA GERLACH-KRISTEN, Swiss National Bank and
University of Basel
A Two-Pillar Phillips Curve for Switzerland

KATRIN ASSENMACHER-WESCHE, Swiss National Bank;
STEFAN GERLACH, Committee on the Global Financial
System, Bank for International Settlements
*Money Growth, Output Gaps and Inflation at Low and High
Frequency: Spectral Estimates for Switzerland*

SAMUEL REYNARD, Swiss National Bank
Money and the Great Disinflation

ATTILIO ZANETTI, Swiss National Bank
Do Wages Lead Inflation? Swiss Evidence

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Chair: SERGIY RADYAKIN

DRAGANA DJURDJEVIC, University of St. Gallen and
Technische Universität Darmstadt; SERGIY RADYAKIN,
Technische Universität Darmstadt
*Decomposition of the Gender Wage Gap Using Matching: an
Application for Switzerland*

OSCAR GONZALEZ, University of California, Berkeley and University of Lugano; RICO MAGGI, University of Lugano
Are foreigners discriminated by regulation? Evidence from a trans-border labour market

TANJA ZEHNDER, University of Zurich; RETO FOELLM, University of Zurich
Is it Good to Subsidize Bad Jobs?

JEAN-MARC FALTER, University of Geneva
Educational attainment in Switzerland: the role of observable and non-observable family factors

OSCAR GONZALEZ, University of California, Berkeley and University of Lugano; RICO MAGGI, University of Lugano; JASMITH ROSAS, University of Applied Sciences, Lugano
Different Endowment or Remuneration? Exploring Wage Differentials in Switzerland

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Session B5 Fiscal Issues

Chair: FLORENCE MIGUET

CARSTEN COLOMBIER, Federal Finance Administration - Government of Switzerland
Testing the Growth Effects of Fiscal Policies Using Modified M-Estimator

SOULEYMANE COULIBALY, University of Lausanne and University of Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne
Empirical Assessment of the existence of taxable agglomeration rents

CHRISTOPH A. SCHALTEGGER, Swiss Federal Tax Administration, CREMA and University of St. Gallen; LARS P. FELD, Phillips-University of Marburg, CREMA and CESifo
Are Fiscal Adjustments less Successful in Decentralized Governments?

FLORENCE MIGUET, University of Geneva
Does Fiscally Induced Migration Enhance Tax Competition? Evidence from Switzerland

GEBHARD KIRCHGÄSSNER, University of St. Gallen, SIAW-HSG, CESifo, and Leopoldina; SILIKA TERESHCHENKO, University of St. Gallen, SIAW-HSG
Causality between Expenditure and Revenues: Empirical Evidence from Switzerland

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Chair: GIULIANO MASIERO

GIULIANO MASIERO, University of Bergamo and University of Lugano; KARINE MOSCHETTI, University of Lugano, IDEP and GREQAM

Market structure, capacity and regulation of secondary care markets with congestion effects

VERONIKA GRIMM, University of Cologne; GREGOR ZOETTL, Catholic University of Louvain (CORE)

Capacity Choice under Uncertainty: The Impact of Market Structure

SIMON LOERTSCHER, University of Bern

Horizontally Differentiated Market Makers

CHRISTOPH EICHHORN, Ludwig-Maximilians University of Munich

Tax Evasion and Tax Enforcement in a Model of Imperfect Competition

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Chair: LUCA CRIVELLI

MICHAEL BREUER, University of Zurich

Negative Indemnities in Health Care

MICHAEL GERFIN, University of Bern and IZA Bonn; ROBERT E. LEU, University of Bern

Separating selection and moral hazard effects in Swiss health insurance - nonparametric bounds analysis

LUCA CRIVELLI, University of Lugano and University of Applied Sciences of Southern Switzerland; MASSIMO FILIPPINI, University of Lugano and Swiss Federal Institute of Technology ETH Zurich;
Regional Public Health Care Spending in Switzerland: An Empirical Analysis

FABIO B. LOSA, University of Fribourg and Statistical office of the Ticino Canton
The determinants of working poverty: an empirical analysis on Swiss data using logistic regression and classification trees

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Chair: AHMET ATIL ASICI

FRANK SCHMID, University of Bern
Scrap variables? Better diffusion index forecasts by using less variables

WOLFGANG DROBETZ, University of Basel; PERER KUGLER, University of Basel; GABRIELLE WANZENRIED, University of Applied Science Central Switzerland (Zug); HEINZ ZIMMERMANN, University of Basel
Heterogeneity in Asset Allocation Decisions - Empirical Evidence from Switzerland

ELMAR MERTENS, Study Center Gerzensee and University of Lausanne
Puzzling Comovements between Output and Interest Rates? Multiple Shocks are the Answer

AHMET ATIL ASICI, Graduate Institute of International Studies; NADEZHDA IVANOVA, Graduate Institute of International Studies; CHARLES WYPLOSZ, Graduate Institute of International Studies and CEPR
How to Exit from Fixed Exchange Rate Regimes

MARKUS LEIPPOLD, Federal Reserve Bank of New York and University of Zurich; FABIO TROJANI, University of St. Gallen; PAOLO VANINI, University of Zurich and Zurich Cantonal Bank
Learning and Asset Prices under Ambiguous Information

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Chair: FABIO TROJANI

CHRISTINE CHOIRAT, University of Insubria; RAFFAELLO SERI, University of Insubria
Estimation in Discrete Parameter Models

VERONIKA CZELLAR, University of Geneva; G. ANDREW KAROLYI, The Ohio State University; ELVEZIO RONCHETTI, University of Geneva and University of Lugano
Indirect Robust Estimation of the Short-term Interest Rate Process

BLAISE MELLY, University of St. Gallen
Estimation of counterfactual distributions using quantile regression

LORIANO MANCINI, University of Zurich; FABIO TROJANI, University of St. Gallen
Robust Semiparametric Bootstrap Methods for Value at Risk Prediction und GARCH-type Volatility Processes

PAOLO PARUOLO, University of Insubria
A LR rank test for a cointegration sub-matrix

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Chair: CHRISTA BRUNNSCHWEILER

CHRISTA BRUNNSCHWEILER, ETH Zurich and University of Zurich
Financing the alternative: renewable energy in developing and transition countries

BERND SÜSSMUTH, Munich University of Technology; ROBERT K. VON WEIZSÄCKER, Munich University of Technology, CEPR London, CESifo Munich and IZA Bonn
Relative Wealth, Risk Taking, and Ponzi Games

GEBHARD KIRCHGÄSSNER, University of St. Gallen, SIAW-HSG, CESifo, and Leopoldina; SILIKA TERESHCHENKO, University of St. Gallen, SIAW-HSG
Sustainability of Swiss Fiscal Policy

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Microeconomics of the Media Industries
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A. SCHMUTZLER (University of Zurich), Chair
D. HARHOFF (University of Munich)
S. SCOTCHMER (UC Berkeley)
R. VEUGELERS (European Commission and KU Leuven)
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