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Personal Data

Date of Birth: May, 25, 1977
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Current and Past Positions

since 04/2011	Full Professor (W3), Chair for Public Economics and Center for Macroeconomic Research, <i>University of Cologne</i> , Germany
09/2010 – 03/2011	Visiting Professor (Lehrstuhlvertretung), Public Economics, <i>University of Mannheim</i> , Germany
06/2006 – 03/2011	Senior Research Fellow, <i>Max Planck Institute for Research on Collective Goods</i> , Bonn, Germany
09/2006 – 03/2007	Visiting Scholar, <i>Department of Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology</i> , Cambridge, USA
2004 – 2006	Research assistant, <i>Max Planck Institute for Research on Collective Goods</i> , Bonn, Germany
2002 – 2004	Research and teaching assistant for Professor Martin Hellwig, <i>University of Mannheim</i> , Germany

Education

05/2006	Dissertation, <i>University of Mannheim</i> . Advisors: Prof. Martin Hellwig, Ph.D. and Prof. Dr. Eckhard Janeba
10/2002 – 05/2006	Doctoral student, <i>Center for Doctoral Studies in Economics, University of Mannheim</i>
09/2002	Diploma in Economics, <i>University of Mannheim</i>
09/2000 – 06/2001	Erasmus exchange student at the university of Tilburg, The Netherlands
10/1997 – 08/2002	Studies in economics at the universities of Saarbrücken, Germany, and Mannheim, Germany

Awards

03/2013	Certificate of Excellence in Reviewing, <i>Journal of Public Economics</i>
08/2012	IIPF Young Economists Awards 2012 for the paper on <i>Political Competition and Mirrleesian Income Taxation: a First Pass</i> , joint with Pierre Boyer
07/2007	Dissertation awarded with Otto Hahn Medaille of the <i>Max Planck Society</i>
11/2003	Diploma thesis awarded with Prize of <i>Karin Islinger Foundation, University of Mannheim</i>

Further Professional Activities

2016	Member of Scientific Committee Annual Meeting European Economic Association
2016	Member of Scientific Committee International Institute for Public Finance
since 08/2014	Speaker of the Competence Area “Social and Economic Behavior” at the University of Cologne
since 06/2012	Member of the Committee on Public Finance (finanzwissenschaftlicher Ausschuss), Verein für Socialpolitik
since 04/2011	Research Affiliate, Max Planck Institute for Research on Collective Goods
since 10/2010	Editorial Board, European Journal of Political Economy
since 04/2009	CESifo Research Network Fellow

Conferences organized

05/2016	Toulouse Taxation Theory Conference (with Craig Brett, Helmut Cremer and Jean-Marie Lozachmeur)
12/2015	Public Policy and Social and Economic Behavior (with André Kaiser, Michael Krause and Clemens Kroneberg)
06/2014	Cologne Taxation Theory Conference (with Craig Brett and John Weymark)
11/2013	Fifo Policy-Fellows Conference (with Alex Ludwig and Michael Thöne)
12/2012	Christmas Meeting of German Economists abroad, Cologne (local organizer)
06/2012	Conference on Private Information, Interdependent Preferences and Robustness (with Dirk Bergemann, Martin Hellwig and Benny Moldovanu)
06/2012	Vanderbilt Taxation Theory Conference (with Craig Brett and John Weymark)
05/2008	Workshop on “Incentives, Efficiency, and Redistribution in Public Economics” at the <i>Hausdorff Institute for Mathematics</i> , Bonn (with Martin Hellwig)
10/2008	PGPPE 08 Workshop on “Competition, Regulation, Incentives and Governance” at the <i>Gustav Stresemann Institute</i> , Bonn (with Martin Hellwig)

Working Papers

- Public-Good Provision in Large Economies, with Martin Hellwig, October 2015,
- Robust Mechanism Design and Social Preferences, with Axel Ockenfels, Andreas Pollak and Désirée Rückert, September 2015
- Boring Banks and Taxes, with Rafael Aigner, April 2015
- On the legitimacy of coercion for the financing of public goods, December 2011
- Political Blockades and Election Timing, with Lydia Mechtenberg, September 2010

Refereed Publications

- Mechanism Design and Intentions, with Nick Netzer, *forthcoming, Journal of Economic Theory*
- Robustly Coalition-Proof Incentive Mechanisms for Public Good Provision are Voting Mechanisms and Vice Versa, with Martin Hellwig, *forthcoming, Review of Economic Studies*
- Efficiency, Welfare and Political Competition, with Pierre Boyer, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, vol.131, pp. 461-518, 2016.
- Tax incidence for fragile financial markets, *Journal of Public Economics*, vol. 120, pp. 107-125, 2014.
- The Pareto-frontier in a simple Mirrleesian model of income taxation, with Pierre Boyer, *Annals of Economics and Statistics*, vol. 113/114, pp. 185-206, 2014.
- Optimal tax and expenditure policy with aggregate uncertainty, *American Economic Journal: Microeconomics*, vol. 6, pp. 205-257, 2014.
- Strategic Nonlinear Income Tax Competition with Perfect Labor Mobility, with Craig Brett and John A. Weymark, *Games and Economic Behavior*, vol. 82, pp. 292-311, 2013.
- Political competition and Mirrleesian income taxation: A first pass, with Pierre Boyer, *Journal of Public Economics*, vol. 103, pp 1-14 (lead article), 2013.
- Distortionary Taxation and the Free-Rider Problem, *International Tax and Public Finance*, vol. 19, pp. 732-752, 2012.
- On the optimality of optimal income taxation, *Journal of Economic Theory*, vol. 146, pp. 2105-2116, 2011.
- Incomplete contracts and excludable public goods, *Journal of Public Economics*, vol. 95, pp. 553-569, 2011.
- Optimal democratic mechanisms for taxation and public-good provision, with Marco Sahn, *Journal of Public Economics*, vol. 94, pp. 453-466, 2010.
- A Note on Optimal Income Taxation, Public Goods Provision and Robust Mechanism Design, *Journal of Public Economics*, vol. 93, pp. 667-670, 2009.
- Optimal Income Taxation and Public Good Provision with Endogenous Interest Groups, *Journal of Public Economic Theory*, vol. 11, no. 2, pp. 311-342, 2009

Publications in German (not peer-reviewed):

- Ungleiche Einkommen, ungleiche Vermögen und optimale Steuern, *im Erscheinen, Perspektiven der Wirtschaftspolitik*.
- Steuervermeidung vermeiden. Sollen wir das wollen? *Ifo Schnelldienst*, Ausgabe 11/2013.
- Die Wirkung einer Finanztransaktionssteuer auf ein instabiles Finanzsystem, *Ökonomenstimme*, September 2012.