

BONN ECON NEWS

October 20–24, 2025

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Incoming BGSE students 2025

Workshops and seminars

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

BGSE Applied Microeconomics Workshop

Max Müller (University of Bonn)

“How Amenities Affect Gender Inequality”

Bonn Applied Microeconomics Seminar (CRC TR 224 Seminar)

Ines Helm (Johannes Kepler University Linz)

“Workplace Heterogeneity in Wage Growth”

Wednesday, October 22, 2025

MEF/ECONtribute Seminar (Macro/Econometrics/Finance)

Naijia Guo (University of Hong Kong)

“Growing without Divergence: The Impact of Innovation on Low- and High-skilled Migration in China”

ECONtribute LawEcon Workshop

Juliane Mendelsohn (Technische Universität Ilmenau)

“Beyond “Rule-Setting” Power”: Investigating other Forms of Normative Power and Exploitative Abuse”

Finance/CRC/ECONtribute Seminar

Neeltje van Horen (Bank of England/University of Amsterdam)

“Title”

Micro Theory Seminar

Junjie Zhou (Tsinghua University)

“Digital Ecosystems and Data Regulation”

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Lorenzo Rinaldi (University of Bonn)

“The Credit Channel of Inflation”

MPI Research Seminar

Ro'ee Levy (Tel Aviv University)

“Frictions in News Consumption: Evidence from Social Media”

Incoming BGSE students 2025

Dariga Alpyspayeva

Research Interests: Microeconomic Theory and Applied Microeconomics

Jannis Bernschein

Research Interests: Applied Microeconomics

Kenneth Colombe

Research Interests: Applied Microeconomics and Econometrics and Statistics

Anik De

Research Interests: Econometrics and Statistics

Diana Marina Fierro Oroza

Research Interests: Macroeconomics and Public Economics

Paul Fuhr

Research Interests: Microeconomic Theory and Applied Microeconomics

Johann Jacob

Research Interests: Macroeconomics and Public Economics and Microeconomics Theory

Serkan Karademir

Research Interests: Microeconomic Theory and Applied Microeconomics

Lara Joyce Käser

Research Interests: Econometrics and Statistics and Applied Microeconomics

Carlo Knapp

Research Interests: Financial Economics and Macroeconomics

Mayukh Mukhopadhyay

Research Interests: Macroeconomics and Econometrics and Statistics

Roberto Patino

Research Interests: Macroeconomics and Public Economics and Econometrics and Statistics

Maximilian Reith

Research Interests: Microeconomic Theory and Applied Microeconomics

Bernhard Klaus Sicking

Research Interests: Microeconomic Theory and Applied Microeconomics

Johanna Josephine Striegel

Research Interests: Macroeconomics and Public Economics and Econometrics and Statistics

Eliott von Pine

Research Interests: Financial Economics and Macroeconomics

Sining Wei

Research Interests: Applied Microeconomics

Workshops and seminars

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

BGSE Applied Microeconomics Workshop

Max Müller
(University of Bonn)

"How Amenities Affect Gender Inequality"

Coauthors

Antonia Bleser, Simon Cordes

Abstract

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Time

13:00–14:00 CET

Location

IZA, Conference Room, Schaumburg-Lippe-
Straße 9

Bonn Applied Microeconomics Seminar (CRC TR 224 Seminar)

Ines Helm
(Johannes Kepler University Linz)

"Workplace Heterogeneity in Wage Growth"

Coauthors

Diego Battiston, Martin Friedrich

Time

14:15–15:45 CET

Location

IZA, Conference Room, Schaumburg-Lippe-
Straße 9

Abstract

We study differential wage growth across firms. To this end, we propose a statistical model that extends the workhorse model of wage determination by Abowd, Kramarz, and Margolis (1999) to allow for firm-type-specific wage growth. We estimate the model using linked employer–employee data from Germany for the years 1996 to 2016. We show that wage growth differs across firms and that these differences can at least partially be explained by differential human-capital accumulation. Workers keep the additional accumulated pay when switching firms. This has important considerations for our understanding of the sources of wage inequality. We show that the presence of firm-type-specific wage growth biases the variance and sorting components of the AKM model. The dispersion of worker quality and sorting is less important in explaining wage inequality than previously thought.

MEF/ECONtribute Seminar (Macro/Econometrics/Finance)

Naijia Guo
(University of Hong Kong)

"Growing without Divergence: The Impact of Innovation on Low- and High-skilled Migration in China"

Coauthors

Suqin Ge, Zibin Huang, Junsen Zhang, Li Zhang

Time

12:00–13:15 CET

Location

Juridicum, Faculty Meeting Room (U1.040)

Abstract

This paper examines the impact of innovation on migration patterns across skill groups, taking into account labor market, housing market, and amenity responses. Utilizing data from the Chinese Census spanning 2005 to 2015, we find that cities experiencing higher patent growth attract more low-skilled migrants than high-skilled migrants, a pattern that contrasts with findings from other developed countries. These cities also exhibit stronger wage growth for both low- and high-skilled workers, but not faster growth in amenities. To interpret these empirical results, we develop and estimate a spatial equilibrium model. Our analysis indicates that low-skilled workers prioritize wages more highly, whereas high-skilled workers place greater value on amenities. Furthermore, a higher proportion of skilled workers in a city increases the local supply of amenities. As a result, a positive shock to patent activity draws in more low-skilled than high-skilled workers. This then leads to a reduction in amenities, and thereby further discourages high-skilled migration. Counterfactual analysis suggests that technological growth in China has substantially increased wages and welfare for both low-skilled and high-skilled workers. In general, we find that the growth in China in the last decade did not lead to spatial divergence.

ECONtribute LawEcon Workshop

Juliane Mendelsohn
(Technical University of Ilmenau)

"Beyond "Rule-Setting" Power": Investigating other Forms of Normative Power and Exploitative Abuse"

Time

12:15 - 13:45 CET

Location

Juridicum, Seminar Room of the Institute for Commercial Law, Westtower, 1.016

Abstract

TBA

Finance/CRC/ECONtribute Seminar

Neeltje van Horen (Bank of England/University of Amsterdam)	"Title"
Time 14:45–16:00 CET	Abstract TBA
Location Juridicum, Faculty Lounge (0.036)	

Micro Theory Seminar

Junjie Zhou (Tsinghua University)	"Digital Ecosystems and Data Regulation"
Coauthors Andrew Rhodes, Jidong Zhou	Abstract
Time 16:30–17:45 CET	This paper provides a framework in which a multiproduct ecosystem competes with many single-product firms in both price and innovation. The ecosystem is able to use data collected on one product to improve the quality of its other products. The framework is used to evaluate the impact of three data policies on pricing, innovation, and consumer welfare: restricting cross-product data usage within the ecosystem, requiring the ecosystem to share its data with smaller competitors, and establishing a data cooperative among small firms to facilitate data sharing with each other.
Location Juridicum, Faculty Meeting Room (U1.040)	

Bonn Macro Internal Seminar

Lorenzo Rinaldi (University of Bonn)	"The Credit Channel of Inflation"
Time 15:00–16:00 CET	Abstract —
Location Kaiserplatz 7–9, Room 4.006	

MPI Research Seminar

Ro'ee Levy (Tel Aviv University)	"Frictions in News Consumption: Evidence from Social Media"
Coauthors Luca Braghieri and Hannah Trachtman	Abstract TBA
Time 16:00–17:00 CET	
Location MPI, Kurt-Schumacher-Str. 10, 53113 Bonn, EG Seminar Room	