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SFB/TR 15 Seminars

Berlin		
Date	Speaker (Institution)	Title
December 10	John Romer, Yale University	Kantian optimization: An approach to cooperative behaviour.
December 13	Moses Shayo, Hebrew University	Long term savings decisions: Inertia, peer effects and ethnicity.
December 17	Tobias König, Leibniz Universität Hannover	Public Provision of Private Goods when Status Concerns Matter.
October 22	Philipp Weinschenk	Reminders, Deadlines, and Incentives: Theory and Field Experiment
November 5	Marco Mariotti	Stochastic Choice and Consideration Sets
November 19	Iris Kesternich	Individual behavior as a causal link between early-life shocks and adult health outcomes: Evidence from hunger episodes in post-WW2 Germany
Mannheim		
Date	Speaker (Institution)	Title
November 27	Emeric Henry (Science Po)	Rational Parasites: Theory and Experiment
December 4	Joao Montez (London Business School)	How buybacks eliminate opportunism in vertical contracting
Munich		
Date	Speaker (Institution)	Title
December 4	Adam Szeidl (Central European University Budapest)	Treasure Hunt: Social Learning in the Field
December 3	Ana Babus (Imperial College London)	Trading and Information Diffusion in Over-the-Counter Markets
December 11	Charles Noussair (Tilburg)	tba
December 18	Massimo Morelli (U Columbia)	Re-election Through Division

December 10	Niko Matouschek (Northwestern University)	tba
December 17	Julia Nafziger (Aarhus University)	tba
December 3	Ralph Ossa (Chicago Booth)	Trade Wars and Trade Talks with Data
January 21	Veronica Rappoport (LSE)	tba

Bonn

Date	Speaker (Institution)	Title
November 7	Moritz Meyer-ter-Vehn, UCLA	"Relational Contracts in Competitive Labor Markets"
November 13	Eric van Damme, Universität Tilburg	"Producing coinsurance contracts for large risks"
November 14	Leonardo Felli, London School of Economics	"Why Stare Decisis?"
November 27	Daniel Chen, ETH Zürich	"The Deterrent Effect of the Death Penalty? Evidence from British Commutations During World War I"
November 28	Peter Eso, Oxford University	"Persuasion and Pricing"

Conferences Organized by SFB/TR15 Members

A2 (Konrad)

Name	Topic	Dates
Kai A. Konrad (co-organizer)	Shaping the Fiscal Institutions of Europe, Federal Ministry of Finance, Berlin	November 21
Kai A. Konrad (co-organizer)	The End of Federalism, WZB, Berlin	October 29-30

A7 (Strausz/Wolfstetter)

Name	Topic	Dates
Martin Pollrich, Roland Strausz	SFB/TR15-workshop on "Mediation in Contract Theory"	December 7 - 8

External Research Visits, Lectures and Seminars of SFB/TR 15 Members

A2 (Konrad)

Name	Topic	Dates
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Kai A. Konrad	Brothers in arms-An experiment on the alliance puzzle, Hanse-Wissenschaftskolleg, Institute for Advanced Study, Delmenhorst	November 8
Kai A. Konrad	Das Schuldenproblem in der Eurozone-die Rolle von Freiheit und Verantwortung, Familienunternehmer im Gespräch, Baden-Baden	November 9
Kai A. Konrad	Climate Policy Negotiations with Incomplete Information, University of Basel, Basel	November 12
Kai A. Konrad	When the weak stand together and the strong stand alone - on group formation in contests, University of Hamburg	November 15
Kai A. Konrad	When the weak stand together and the strong stand alone - on group formation in contests, Young Researchers Workshop on Contests and Tournaments, TU Dortmund	November 16

A4 (Schmidt)

Name	Topic	Dates
Fabian Herweg	Price Discrimination in Input Markets: Quantity Discounts and Private Information, University of Bamberg	December 20
Klaus Schmidt	A Theory of Ex-Post Inefficient Renegotiation, University of Hamburg	December 6

A7 (Strausz/Wolfstetter)

Name	Topic	Dates
Elmar Wolfstetter	Research Visit, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, Shanghai	October – November

A8 (Heidhues/Rady)

Name	Topic	Dates
Sven Rady	Strongly Symmetric Equilibria in Bandit Games, WHU – Otto Beisheim School of Management, Vallendar	November 26

B7 (Marin)

Name	Topic	Dates
Dalia Marin	Visited the Paris School of Economics to work with Thierry Verdier on joint research	November 12-14
Alexander Tarasov	"Trade in Tasks and the Organization of Firms" (joint with Dalia Marin), University of Nottingham, Seminar	November 26

C5 (Nocke)

Name	Topic	Dates
Volker Nocke	Work with Patrick Rey on "Vertical Integration and Foreclosure in Multilateral Relations"	September 12-15
Volker Nocke	Work with Ben Mermelstein, Mark Satterthwaite and Michael Whinston on "A Computational Model of Merger Policy"	September 16-20
Volker Nocke	SEARLE Conference on Antitrust Economics and Competition Policy, Chicago (Talk: "Vertical Integration and Foreclosure in Multilateral Relations")	September 21-22

Volker Nocke	Research Visit to New York University (Talk: "A Computational Model of Merger Policy". Work with Luis Cabral on "Regulator Reputation.")	October 17-20
Volker Nocke	Research Seminar at University of Bonn (Talk: "Merger Policy with Merger Choice")	October 24
Volker Nocke	Research Visit to Paris (Annual Conference of the Association of Competition Economists; Work with Patrick Rey on "Vertical Integration and Foreclosure in Multilateral Relations")	October 25-27
Volker Nocke	Research Seminar at University of Cambridge (Talk: "Merger Policy with Merger Choice")	November 14

C6 (Peitz/Stahl)

Name	Topic	Dates
Konrad Stahl	ECARES, Brussels, cooperation with Patrick Legros, talk at Catholic University of Leuven on "Strategic Backward Integration"	December 3 - 7
Konrad Stahl	University of Zurich, cooperation with Armin Schmutzler	December 17

Publications**A1 (Bester/Tröger)**

Name	Topic	Dates
Helmut Bester, Chrysovalantou Milliou and Emmanouel Petrakis	Wage Bargaining, Productivity Growth and Long-Run Industry Structure, Labour Economics, 19, 923-930.	2012

B5 (Schnitzer/Eckel)

Name	Topic	Dates
I. Kesternich	"On the Use of Information in Repeated Insurance Markets", Journal of Risk and Insurance.	forthcoming
H. Schumacher		
I. Kesternich, F. Heiss, D. McFadden, J. K. Winter	"Suit the Action to the Word, the Word to the Action: Hypothetical Choices and real Decisions in Medicare Part D", Journal of Health Economics.	forthcoming

Miscellaneous**A4 (Schmidt)**

Name	Topic	Dates
	The Chair for Economic Theory at the Department of Economics at the University of Munich offers a temporary lecturer/postdoc position in microeconomics starting on October 1, 2013. The contract (at salary level TV-L E13) is for two years initially and can be extended for another three years. For further details see http://www.et.vwl.uni-muenchen.de/jobs/index.html .	

C5 (Nocke)		
Name	Topic	Dates
Volker Nocke	Volker Nocke has been awarded a 5-year Starting Grant of the European Research Council (ERC)	November 2012

Dissertations and Habilitations

A2 (Konrad)		
Name	Topic	Dates
Elsayyad, May	Fighting Tax Havens and Climate Change, LMU Munich	October 31

New/Leaving Staff

A4 (Schmidt)		
Name	Topic	Dates
Caspar Siegert	Caspar Siegert has been coopted to Project A4	

A8 (Heidhues/Rady)		
Name	Topic	Dates
Mirjam Wuggenig	Mirjam Wuggenig is joining Project A8	January 1

B5 (Schnitzer/Eckel)		
Name	Topic	Dates
Katrin Peters	Katrin Peters left the SFB/TR 15 to join MPI	October 31
Tatjana Nabokin	Tatjana Nabokin joined the SFB/TR 15	November 1

B7 (Marin)		
Name	Speaker (Institution)	Date
Alexander Tarasov	Alexander Tarasov has been coopted to project B7	

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