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Curriculum Vitae

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Personal Data

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

since 04/2011	Professor, Chair for Public Economics and Center for Macroeconomic Research, <i>University of Cologne</i> , Germany
09/2010 – 03/2011	Replacement chair, 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> . Title: “ <i>Essays on Public Goods Provision and Income Taxation</i> ”, Grade: summa cum laude. Advisor: Prof. Martin Hellwig, Ph.D., Second Advisor: 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

Further Professional Activities

since 10/2010	Editorial Board, European Journal of Political Economy
05/2008	Organization of the workshop on "Incentives, Efficiency, and Redistribution in Public Economics" at the <i>Hausdorff Institute for Mathematics</i> , Bonn (with Martin Hellwig)
10/2008	Chair of the organizing committee and co-chair of the scientific committee for the PGPPE 08 Workshop on "Competition, Regulation, Incentives and Governance" at the <i>Gustav Stresemann Institute</i> , Bonn
07/2004	Organization of BGSE Summer Research Workshop at the <i>Max Planck Institute</i> , Bonn (with Michael Evers and Stephan Lauerermann)
05/2004	Freelance at the German Monopolies Commission

Awards

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	Otto Hahn Medaille of the <i>Max Planck Society</i> for Dissertation on the interdependence of the welfare optimal provision of public goods and income tax under conditions of incomplete information.
11/2003	Prize of <i>Karin Islinger Foundation</i> for outstanding Diploma Thesis, <i>University of Mannheim</i>

Refereed Publications

- "Distortionary taxation and the free-rider problem", *International Tax and Public Finance*, forthcoming.
- "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 Sahm, *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.

Working Papers

- Mechanism Design and Intentions, with Nick Netzer, revised August 2012
- On the incidence of a financial transactions tax in a model with fire sales, June 2012
- Optimal tax and expenditure policy with aggregate uncertainty, December 2011
- Mechanism Design and Voting for Public-Good Provision, with Martin Hellwig, revised December 2011 (an earlier version of this manuscript circulated under the title "Public-Good Provision in a large economy").
- On the legitimacy of coercion for the financing of public goods, revised December 2011
- Strategic Nonlinear Income Tax Competition with Perfect Labor Mobility, with Craig Brett and John A. Weymark, January 2011
- Political competition and Mirrleesian income taxation: A first pass, with Pierre Boyer, July 2011
- Political Blockades and Election Timing, with Lydia Mechtenberg, revised September 2010
- The Pareto-frontier in a simple Mirrleesian model of income taxation, with Pierre Boyer, May 2010