

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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## PERSONAL DATA

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## EDUCATION

10/2007–01/2012 Eberhard Karls University, Tübingen  
PhD Student in Economics under the supervision of Professor  
Dr. Laszlo Goerke and Professor Dr. Kerstin Pull  
Dissertation “Essays on Political Economy and Social Preferences”  
defended in January 2012 (summa cum laude)

04/2003–09/2007 Johannes Gutenberg University, Mainz  
Student in Economics  
Degree: Diplom-Volkswirt  
Diploma thesis under the supervision of Professor Dr. Beatrice  
Weder di Mauro

08/1999–06/2002 Friedrich-Dessauer-Gymnasium, Frankfurt am Main  
Degree: Abitur

## CIVIL SERVICE (COMPULSORY IN GERMANY)

07/2002–04/2003 Bürgerhospital, Frankfurt am Main

## WORK

- 01/2012– Research Assistant at IAAEG (Institute for Labour Law and Industrial Relations in the European Community), University of Trier
- 10/2007–12/2011 Research Assistant at the Department of Public Economics, Professor Dr. Laszlo Goerke, Eberhard Karls University, Tübingen
- 04/2007–09/2007 Student Assistant at the Chair of Public Economics, follow-up Professor Dr. Georg Tillmann, Johannes Gutenberg University, Mainz
- 11/2006–03/2007 Student Assistant at the Chair of Economic Policy, Professor Dr. Jens Südekum, Johannes Gutenberg University, Mainz
- 09/2006–11/2006 Student Assistant at the Chair of International Macroeconomics, Professor Dr. Beatrice Weder di Mauro, Johannes Gutenberg University, Mainz
- 07/2006–08/2007 Scientific Assistant of Gerd Schreiner, Member of the Parliament of Rhineland-Palatinate
- 10/2005 Intern at Volksbank Rhein-Neckar eG, Department Global Bank Risk Management, Mannheim
- 05/2004–09/2006 Student Assistant at the Chair of Economic Policy, Professor Dr. Laszlo Goerke, Johannes Gutenberg University, Mainz

## PUBLICATIONS

- “Beating Thy Neighbor: Derby Effects in German Professional Soccer” (forthcoming), *Journal of Economics and Statistics*, with Agnes Bäker and Karin Vetter
- “Electoral Cycles in Active Labor Market Policies” (forthcoming), *Public Choice*, with Niklas Potrafke
- “Red Cards: Not Such Bad News For Penalized Guest Teams” (2011), *Journal of Sports Economics* 12(6), 621-646, with Agnes Bäker, Tobias Brändle and Karin Vetter
- “Employment Protection and Temporary Work Agencies” (2011), *LABOUR: Review of Labour Economics and Industrial Relations* 25(3), 308-329, with Florian Baumann and Nikolai Stähler
- “Wahlen und Finanzmarktreaktionen: Theorie und Evidenz für Emerging Markets”, 2008, VDM Verlag Dr. Müller: Saarbrücken, 112 pp.

## WORKING PAPERS

“It’s the Occupation, Stupid! Explaining Candidates’ Success in Low-Information Local Elections”

“What Makes Us Want to Have More Than Others? Explaining Relative Consumption Effects of Public and Private Goods”, with Inga Hillesheim

“Relative Consumption Concerns or Non-Monotonic Preferences?”, with Inga Hillesheim

“Keeping Up With the Müllers: Conspicuous Consumption in Reunified Germany”, with Tim Friehe

“How Much do Others Matter? Explaining Positional Concerns For Different Goods And Personal Characteristics”, with Inga Hillesheim

## WORK IN PROGRESS

“To Be or To Have: Material Incentives as Deterrents of Social Free Riding”, with Florian Hett

“Voting and Social Identity”

“Candidates’ Looks and Occupations: The Role of Electoral Cues in German Elections”, with Emanuel Hansen

“Political Business Cycle Effects on Sovereign Bond Spreads in Emerging Markets”, with Christoph Moser

## SCIENTIFIC PRESENTATIONS

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|---------|--|
| 09/2011 | Annual Congress of the German Economic Association (Verein für Socialpolitik), Frankfurt am Main |
| 07/2011 | THE Doctoral Workshop on Public Economics, Hohenheim   |
| 04/2011 | Annual Meeting of the European Public Choice Society, Rennes                                     |
| 04/2011 | Brown Bag Seminar, Tübingen  |
| 02/2011 | 3rd Workshop on Economics, Tübingen  |
| 10/2010 | 2nd European Conference in Sports Economics*, Cologne  |
| 09/2010 | Annual Congress of the German Economic Association (Verein für Socialpolitik), Kiel              |
| 08/2010 | Annual Congress of the European Economic Association*, Glasgow                                   |
| 06/2010 | Science Slam on Football Economics, Berlin   |

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| 06/2010 | Brown Bag Seminar, Tübingen  |
| 06/2010 | Brown Bag Seminar*, Mainz  |
| 04/2010 | Spring Meeting of Young Economists, Luxembourg   |
| 04/2010 | Annual Meeting of the European Public Choice Society, Izmir                                  |
| 02/2010 | 2nd Workshop on Economics, Tübingen  |
| 11/2009 | Brown Bag Seminar, Tübingen  |
| 09/2009 | Annual Congress of the German Economic Association (Verein für Socialpolitik), Magdeburg     |
| 08/2009 | Annual Congress of the European Economic Association, Barcelona                              |
| 06/2009 | Annual Conference of the European Society for Population Economics, Sevilla                  |
| 04/2009 | Annual Meeting of the European Public Choice Society, Athens                                 |
| 04/2009 | Annual Meeting of the Public Choice Society*, Las Vegas                                      |
| 02/2009 | 1st Workshop on Economics, Tübingen  |
| 12/2008 | Research Seminar*, Duisburg-Essen  |
| 12/2008 | Brown Bag Seminar*, Konstanz   |
| 11/2008 | CESifo Workshop on Political Economy, Dresden  |
| 10/2008 | 9. Arbeitstreffen des DFG-Schwerpunktprogramms, Essen  |
| 07/2008 | Brown Bag Seminar, Tübingen  |
| 06/2008 | Heterogeneous Labor Conference, Konstanz   |
| 03/2008 | Annual Meeting of the European Public Choice Society, Jena<br>* Paper presented by Co-Author |

## **STIPENDS AND PRIZES**

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| 02/2011  | 3rd Workshop on Economics, Tübingen: Best Paper Award   |
| 12/2009  | Verein für Socialpolitik: Award for presentation of a paper at the EEA conference in Barcelona, Spain, sponsored by the Austrian Nationalbank |
| 11/2009– | Graduate Stipendiary of the Konrad-Adenauer-Foundation  |
| 06/2009  | ESPE Conference, Sevilla: Conference fee waiver (one of the 10 best papers authored by PhD students)  |

- 12/2008 Verein für Socialpolitik: Award for presentation of a paper at the EPCS conference in Jena, Germany, sponsored by the German Central Bank
- 12/2007 Award for Diploma thesis, Johannes Gutenberg University, Mainz
- 11/2004–09/2007 Stipendiary of the Konrad-Adenauer-Foundation

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

- Winter 2011/12 Seminar on Labor Economics (with Laszlo Goerke), Trier
- Winter 2010/11 Social Security, Lecture (3rd year Bachelor), Eberhard Karls University, Tübingen
- Winter 2009/10 Social Security, Tutorial, Eberhard Karls University, Tübingen
- Winter 2009/10 Introduction to Scientific Research for Economists, Colloquium, Eberhard Karls University, Tübingen
- Summer 2009 Introduction to Scientific Research for Economists, Colloquium, Eberhard Karls University, Tübingen
- Winter 2008/09 Social Security, Tutorial, Eberhard Karls University, Tübingen
- Winter 2008/09 Introduction to Scientific Research for Economists, Colloquium, Eberhard Karls University, Tübingen
- Summer 2008 Economic Policy and Public Economics, Tutorials, Eberhard Karls University, Tübingen
- Winter 2007/08 Social Security, Tutorial, Eberhard Karls University, Tübingen
- Summer 2007 Economics of Taxation, Tutorial, Johannes Gutenberg University, Mainz

## **SUMMER/WINTER SCHOOLS**

- 08/2011 Behavioral and Emotional Economics, University Mainz, Professor Botond Kőszegi, PhD (University of California, Berkeley)
- 12/2010 Behavioral and Experimental Economics, University of Hohenheim, Professor Dr. Matthias Sutter (University of Innsbruck)
- 10/2007 Labour Market Matching and Search Theory, IAW Tübingen, Dr. Christian Holzner (LMU Munich)

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

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| Referee     | Public Choice, European Journal of Political Economy   |
| Membership  | German Economic Association (Verein für Socialpolitik), European Economic Association, Royal Economic Society  |
| Miscellanea | Member of the Faculty Council, Faculty of Economics and Social Sciences, Eberhard Karls University, Tübingen<br>Conference organization (Workshop on Economics 2009, 2010, 2011, Tübingen) |

## REFERENCES

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