

**Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> of July 2015, KIT Campus Süd, Bdg. 20.12 room 002**

- 09:00 – 09:40 [Testing Against Local Asymmetry in Tail Dependence Functions](#)  
**Carsten Bormann** (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology)  
*Discussant: **Alexander Glas** (University of Heidelberg)*
- 09:40 – 10:20 [Predicting Volatility Using Mixed-frequency Data](#)  
**Onno Kleen** (University of Heidelberg)  
*Discussant: **Carsten Bormann** (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology)*
- 10:20 – 11:00 [The Variance Risk Premium and Fundamental Uncertainty](#)  
**Karin Loch** (University of Heidelberg)  
*Discussant: **Fabian Krüger** (Heidelberg Institute for Theoretical Studies)*
- 11:00 – 11:20 Coffee break
- 11:20 – 12:00 [Measuring Connectedness of Euro Area Sovereign Risk](#)  
**Rebekka Gätjen** (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology)  
*Discussant: **Karin Loch** (University of Heidelberg)*
- 12:00 – 12:40 [Inflation Uncertainty, Disagreement and Monetary Policy: Evidence from the ECB Survey of Professional Forecasters](#)  
**Alexander Glas** (University of Heidelberg)  
*Discussant: **Rebekka Gätjen** (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology)*
- 12:40 – 14:00 Lunch break
- 14:00 – 14:40 [When Does Information on Forecast Variance Improve the Performance of a Combined Forecast?](#)  
**Matthias Hartmann** (University of Heidelberg)  
*Discussant: **Andreas Dzemski** (University of Mannheim)*
- 14:40 – 15:20 [Using Entropic Tilting to Combine BVAR Forecasts with External Nowcasts](#)  
**Fabian Krüger** (Heidelberg Institute for Theoretical Studies)  
*Discussant: **Onno Kleen** (University of Heidelberg)*
- 15:20 – 15:40 Coffee break
- 15:40 – 16:20 [Testing Index Sufficiency with a Predicted Index](#)  
**Andreas Dzemski** (University of Mannheim)  
*Discussant: **Chong Liang** (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology)*
- 16:20 – 17:00 [Determination of Vector Error Correction Models in Higher Dimensions](#)  
**Chong Liang** (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology)  
*Discussant: **Matthias Hartmann** (University of Heidelberg)*