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Upcoming Seminars

Wednesday, 25.06.2025

12.15-13.15

AWI room 00.010

Internal Seminar

Jörg Öchssler

" Solving Dilemma Games with Evolving Conditional Commitments "

Abstract

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I study a formal mechanism that can sustain Pareto optimality in a new and very broad class of dilemma games. In the absence of a central authority that could enforce multilateral agreements, the mechanism is based on binding unilateral commitments, which condition a player's (possibly multidimensional) contribution on other players' contributions. I show that unexploitable better response dynamics converge to Pareto optimal contributions when the game is played repeatedly.

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Talks and Research visits

Christoph Becker presented the paper "Sampling for others in a principal-agent setting" at the Economic Science Association World Meeting in Beijing, June 8.

Zeno Enders presented the paper "Dancing in the Dark: Sentiment Shocks and Economic Activity2 (joint with Max Böck, Michael Kleemann, and Gernot Müller) at the 6th IMF-AMSE-Dauphine Biennial Conference on Uncertainty and Risk in Macroeconomics at the University Aix-Marseille, June 12-13.

Julian Matthes presented the paper "On the Demand for Mental Models" (joint with Katharina Momsen) at the Zeuthen Workshop on Cognitive Foundations of Economic Decision Making in Copenhagen on May 27th, and in the poster session of the EER Behavioral Economics summer school in Rome, June 5.

Manuel Schick gave a talk on "Multivariate Economic Tail Risk and Scenario Analysis using the Survey of Professional Forecasters" (joint work with Anne Opschoor) at the 12th HKMetrics Workshop at the ZEW Mannheim, June 6.

Christopher Zuber (Sachverständigenrat Wirtschaft) will present the Spring Report of the German Economic Council with a special focus on the current economic situation in Germany and its fiscal policy. Tuesday, June 24 at 13:15-14:30 in Heuscheuer II. The talk will be held in German. Everybody interested is welcome!

New Publication

Becker C. K., Duersch P., Eife T., Glas A., Personalizing probabilistic survey scales, Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization, Volume 236, 2025.

Link: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jebo.2025.107072.

Miscellaneous

<u>Patrick Schmidt</u> studied Mathematics with a major in computational statistics and obtained a PhD in Economics from the Graduate School for Economics, Finance and Management (GSEFM) at Goethe University Frankfurt. He was an interim professor teaching Econometrics at Goethe University and completed postdoctoral research at the Universities of Zurich and Basel.

Patrick Schmidt works on uncertainty quantification in forecasting, surveys, experiments, and economic modeling with interests in decision theory, computational statistics and economics.



He sits in room 01.001 at AWI. Welcome!