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REGULAR RESEARCH SEMINARS

An overview is available at:

<http://sfb649.wiwi.hu-berlin.de/fedc/seminars.php>

SCHUMPETER SEMINAR

Location: Spandauer Str. 1, room 23
Time: every Tuesday, 4.00 – 6.00 p.m.

- 7 May 2013 **Jakub Steiner**
(CERGE)
"Price Distortions in High-Frequency Markets"
- 21 May 2013 **Albrecht Ritschl**
(LSE)
"Britain's Great Depression, 1920-1980: A General Equilibrium Approach"

WIAS RESEARCH SEMINAR MATHEMATICAL STATISTICS

Location: Weierstrass Institute for Applied Analysis and Stochastics,
Mohrenstraße 39, 10117 Berlin, Erhard-Schmidt-Hörsaal
Time: every Wednesday, 10.00 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.

- 8 May 2013 **Alexey Kulik**
(Taras Shevchenko University)
"Limit theorems and statistical inference in Markov models"
- 15 May 2013 **Matthias Scherer**
(TU München)
"On the construction and use of factor copula models"
- 22 May 2013 **Ismael Castillo**
(Université Pierre et Marie Curie)
"Some results on frequentist analysis of Bayesian posterior distributions"

REVIEW ABOUT CRC 649 EVENTS

17 – 19 April 2013

Energy Finance Workshop - Stolberg

Participants from HU: Brenda López Cabrera, Wolfgang Härdle, Martin Odening, Maria Osipenko, Franziska Schulz, Xiaofeng Cao, Zhiwei Shen, Matthias Ritter. Energy markets are developing rapidly, with new marketplaces emerging globally for electricity, weather and emissions. The Energy Finance workshop Stolberg 2013 focused on recent trends in modeling and management of risk in energy markets. The topics included, but were not limited to, Power and Weather Markets. Carbon, electricity, energy spread and emission trading derivatives were discussed in detail.

The event was organized jointly between Department of Statistics, Department of Agricultural Economics, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin and the Department of Energy Finance, University of Duisburg Essen. 15 participants from the three departments have presented and discussed their research in a friendly and inspiring atmosphere. Besides, the participants had the opportunity to complete the "Sportabzeichen", which was done with great success.

The workshop in Stolberg will be part of the annual series of conferences on energy finance. The next workshop will take place in May 2014. All presentations and more information can be found [here](#). (FS)



Participants of the workshop at the sports ground

NEWS OF THE PROJECTS

Barbara Choroś-Tomczyk (B1) gave a talk on "CDO Surfaces Dynamics" at the mathematics seminar in Justus Liebig University Giessen on 4 April 2013.

Wolfgang Härdle (B1) has organized an Oberwolfach conference on "Mathematical Statistics of partially identified objects" together with Joel Horowitz, Victor Chernozukov and Yaa'cov Ritov from 21 to 27 April 2013. He gave a talk on "RPID and brain correlates". **Weining Wang (B1)** held a talk about "CoVaR with very high dimension covariates" and **Maria Grith (B1)** presented a lecture about "Reference Dependent Preferences and the EPK Puzzle" on 25 April 2013.

Maria Osipenko (B1) successfully defended her PhD-thesis "Essays on Multivariate Dependence Modeling with Applications to Electricity Demand and Weather" on 15 April 2013.

Elena Silyakova (B1) also successfully defended her PhD-thesis "Modeling implied correlation dynamics" on 29 April 2013.

Michael C. Burda (C7) participated from 8 to 10 April 2013 on the "Scottish Economic Society 2013 Annual Conference" in Perth/Scotland and held a lecture about "Solow Residuals without Capital Stocks".

He gave the lecture "What Explains the German Labor Market Miracle in the Great Recession" on 25 April 2013 in the ESRI research seminar at the Economic and Social Research Institute and on 26 April 2013 in a seminar at the Central Bank of Ireland in Dublin.

Markus Bibinger (C12) presented a talk with the title "Volatility matrix estimation from noisy observations" at the Dynstoch workshop at Copenhagen on 17 April 2013.

AWARDS

Sigbert Klinke (B1) has been awarded the prize for innovative teaching for his lecture "Statistik" on 20 April 2013.

GUESTS OF THE CRC 649

You find a summary about all guests here:
http://sfb649.wiwi.hu-berlin.de/fedc/guests_actual.php

Current Guests of the CRC 649 "Economic Risk":

24.04.2013 – **Dietz, Benjamin**
 23.07.2013 TU Berlin

Project: *Emergence and reintegration of spin-offs*

Spandauer Str. 1, room: PC-Pool
 phone: 2093 5602



29.04.2013 – **Lim, Kian Guan**
 03.05.2013 Singapore Management University

Project: *A Generalized Two-Moment Asset Pricing Model*

Spandauer Str. 1, room 402
 phone: 2093 5649



18.04.2013 – **Welchering, Sandra**
 18.07.2013 TU München

Project: *Pension aggressiveness of corporations and impact of social networks on corporations discretionary spending*

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06.02.2013 – **Arevilca Vasquez, Bismarck Javier**
 06.05.2013 Università di Milano

Project: *Economic Growth, Balance of Payments and Structural Reforms in Bolivia. A cointegration analysis*

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07.03.2013 – **Korte, Josef**
17.05.2013 Goethe University Frankfurt

Project: *Sovereign risk correlations and banks*

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18.03.2013 – **Dai, Xianhua**
17.06.2013 Wuhan Institute of Technology

Project: *Nonparametric Techniques in Economics*

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phone: 2093 5748



04.01.2013 – **Seibert, Nicolas**
15.05.2013 Universität Potsdam

Project: *Treasury Management of International Companies*

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phone: 2093 5895



19.02.2013 – **Cui, Wei**
24.05.2013 Princeton University

Project: *Conducting Research on Inference for the NAIRU Curve*

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10.10.2012 – **Gaiduchevici, Gabriel**
31.07.2013 Bucharest Academy of Economic Studies

Project: *Credit Risk Mitigation Technique*

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phone: 2093 5895



01.03.2013 – **Pešta, Michal**
 01.06.2013 Charles University in Prague

Project: *Research on Stochastic reserving methods in insurance and Errors-in-variables models*

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01.11.2012 – **Karaman Örsal, Deniz Dilan**
 21.05.2013 Leuphana Universität Lüneburg

Project: *Likelihood-Based Panel Cointegration Testing and its Applications in Macroeconomics and Financial Market Analysis*

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NEW DISCUSSION PAPERS

You find all discussion papers here:

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- 2013-016** **Lars Winkelmann**
 "Quantitative forward guidance and the predictability of monetary policy - A wavelet based jump detection approach -"
- 2013-017** **Markus Bibinger, Nikolaus Hautsch, Peter Malec, Markus Reiß**
 "Estimating the Quadratic Covariation Matrix from Noisy Observations: Local Method of Moments and Efficiency"
- 2013-018** **Fabian Y.R.P. Bocart, Christian M. Hafner**
 "Fair re-valuation of wine as an investment"
- 2013-019** **Michael C. Burda**
 "The European Debt Crisis: How did we get into this mess? How can we get out of it?"
- 2013-020** **Maren Brede**
 "Disaster Risk in a New Keynesian Model"
- 2013-021** **Markus Bibinger, Lars Winkelmann**
 "Econometrics of co-jumps in high-frequency data with noise"

- 2013-022** **Hong Lan, Alexander Meyer-Gohde**
"Decomposing Risk in Dynamic Stochastic General Equilibrium"
- 2013-023** **Maria Grith, Wolfgang Karl Härdle, Volker Krätschmer**
"Reference Dependent Preferences and the EPK Puzzle"

PUBLICATIONS

Angelova, V. and Regner, T. (2013)

Do voluntary payments to advisors improve the quality of financial advice? An experimental deception game,
Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization.
DOI: 10.1016/j.jebo.2013.03.022

Spokoiny, V., Wang, W. and Härdle, W. (2013)

Local Quantile Regression (with discussion),
Journal Statistical Planning and Inference.
DOI: 10.1016/j.jspi.2013.03.008

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Greek philosophy seems to have met with something with which a good tragedy is not supposed to meet, namely, a dull ending."

Karl Marx (1818–1883)

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