

New Research Horizons – Cooperate with ZEW



“I came to visit ZEW as it is one of the best economic research centres in Europe and matches my interest very well in environmental and resource economics.



During my stay for over one year, I was attracted by its frequently organised seminars, workshops and conferences, which, I believe, should be any scholar’s treasure, not even to say those creative, energetic, motivated and friendly staff around you.

*I think one sentence could conclude all my feelings:
I want to visit ZEW again.”*

Dr. Ling Yang, Xi’an Jiaotong University, China
Humboldt Fellow and ZEW Visiting Researcher, Research Department
“Environmental and Resource Economics, Environmental Management”



“The Visiting Researchers Programme offers a fine opportunity for economists to pursue their research interests. The ZEW community is divided into several (overlapping) units; the research focus is primarily applied and empirical in nature. Together with the “complementary asset” literally next door – the University of Mannheim’s economics faculty and students –, visitors can look forward to a stimulating experience. The schedule of research seminars is first rate and attracts speakers from around the world. Research support is excellent. The atmosphere is collegial and friendly.”

Mark J. McCabe, PhD, Questrom School of Business, Boston University, US
ZEW Visiting Researcher, Research Department
“Information and Communication Technologies”



“It was a great opportunity for me as a visiting researcher to carry out my research and collaborate with academic fellows at ZEW, one of Germany’s leading economic research institutes. The Visiting Researchers Programme helps not only to build a network for scholars for professional development, but, more importantly, to facilitate high-quality indigenous research.”



Jin Lei, McMaster University, Canada
ZEW Visiting Researcher, Research Department
“International Finance and Financial Management”

ZEW Research Units

Labour Markets, Human Resources and Social Policy

Head of Unit: Prof. Dr. Holger Bonin



- ◉ Inclusive Labour Markets
- ◉ Labour Markets in Organisations
- ◉ Education and Labour Market Entry
- ◉ Changing Labour Markets

Industrial Economics and International Management

Head of Unit: Dr. Georg Licht



- ◉ Innovation Processes in Firms
- ◉ Intellectual Property Rights and Intangible Investments
- ◉ Technology Transfer
- ◉ Start-up Growth and Firm Foundations
- ◉ Firm Closures
- ◉ ZEW Research Data Centre

Information and Communication Technologies

Head of Unit: Prof. Dr. Irene Bertschek



- ◉ Diffusion and Growth Potential of ICT
- ◉ ICT, Markets and Corporate Strategies
- ◉ Digital Networks and Knowledge Acquisition

International Finance and Financial Management

Head of Unit: Prof. Dr. Sascha Steffen



- ◉ Financial Intermediation
- ◉ Expectations and Price Formation on Financial Markets
- ◉ Asset Markets

Environmental and Resource Economics, Environmental Management

Acting Head of Unit: Dr. Oliver Schenker



- ▶ International Environmental and Resource Policies
- ▶ Energy Economics and Transport
- ▶ Innovation and Sustainable Development
- ▶ Macroeconomic Analysis of Environmentally Relevant Policies

Corporate Taxation and Public Finance

Head of Unit: Prof. Dr. Friedrich Heinemann



- ▶ Corporate Taxation and Tax Location Analysis
- ▶ Empirical Effects of Corporate Taxation
- ▶ Decision Making in Tax and Financial Policy
- ▶ Fiscal Policy, Fiscal Federalism and Economic Performance

International Distribution and Redistribution

Head of Unit: Prof. Dr. Andreas Peichl



- ▶ Income and Wealth Distribution
- ▶ Tax and Transfer Policy
- ▶ Fiscal Policy and Distribution in Europe

Competition and Regulation

Head of Unit: Prof. Dr. Kai Hüschelrath



- ▶ Competition and Regulation in Network Industries
- ▶ Competitive Strategy and Competition Policy



“I visited the “International Distribution and Redistribution” unit at ZEW as it harbors one of the strongest research groups in Europe in the area of taxation and public finance. ZEW is a very active and friendly environment with seminars, workshops and conferences with a highly policy-relevant focus, attracting top scholars from all over the world. ZEW is also perfectly located in the middle of Europe and has the University of Mannheim literally next door, creating a perfect environment for a stimulating and rewarding research experience.”

Spencer Bastani, Uppsala University, SE
ZEW Visiting Researcher, Research Group
“International Distribution and Redistribution”



“After completing a postdoc at ZEW, I still have close ties to the institute by working on various interesting research projects as a ZEW Research Associate. Inspiring discussions and the cooperation between ZEW and the University of Mannheim offer wonderful opportunities for new research perspectives on the issues I am working on – unemployment durations and the reform of unemployment compensation in Germany. I greatly enjoy the warmth and friendliness of my colleagues.”

Prof. Dr. Ralf A. Wilke, Copenhagen Business School, Denmark
ZEW Research Associate, Research Department
“Labour Markets, Human Resources and Social Policy”



“ZEW is a wonderful place to visit. A lively and welcoming group of empirical researchers. I always enjoy my visits and collaborations at ZEW. I hope they will continue!”

Sir Richard Blundell, University College London, UK
ZEW Research Associate, Research Group
“International Distribution and Redistribution”

Are You Looking for a Place to Spend a Research Visit?

ZEW offers many cooperation opportunities, including the Visiting Researchers Programme and the SEEK research programme. Long-standing cooperation partners may become ZEW Research Associates. You can get involved in our work, carry out your own research, and work on joint projects. You also have the chance to attend conferences, workshops, and in-house seminars.

Why ZEW?

A Leading European Institute for Economic Research

Our mission is to study the optimal performance of markets and institutions in Europe. Thanks to our cutting-edge research and scientifically grounded economic policy advising activities, we enjoy a strong international reputation.

Economic Policy Advice

Economic policy advice is one of ZEW's principal aims. Our clients are primarily government agencies and institutions at the European, national and regional level, as well as international organisations.

Focus on Microeconomics

We apply a range of methodologies with a focus on microeconomic and microeconomic research. ZEW also has a broad expertise in computable general equilibrium models, survey methods, and economic experiments.

Unique Databases

Creating and maintaining unique databases is at the core of our empirical research. The ZEW Research Data Centre (ZEW-FDZ) grants access to original data collected by ZEW.

Interdisciplinary and International Networking

ZEW has distinguished partners all over the world. Cooperation with the universities of Mannheim and Heidelberg facilitates resource sharing and interdisciplinary research.

An Outstanding Region to Visit

Mannheim is located near some of Germany's most popular holiday destinations. This truly inspiring region offers many cultural sites and attractions. The nearby city of Heidelberg, the ancient Roman trade route "Bergstraße", the vineyards of the Rhine Valley, the French-German borderlands, and the Black Forest are definitely worth a visit!

More information: www.mannheim.de/en



“It is always a pleasure to visit academically challenging places like ZEW. Throughout the time that I stayed at ZEW, I particularly enjoyed the stimulating discussions from which surely there is scope for further collaboration and which are the basis of a number of projects to be carried out.”

Prof. James J. Heckman, University of Chicago, US
Nobel Laureate, ZEW Visiting Researcher, Research Department
“Labour Markets, Human Resources and Social Policy”

ZEW Visting Researchers Programme (VRP)

We would be delighted to welcome you at ZEW. The institute offers outstanding opportunities to conduct research in an inspiring environment. Established economists as well as up-and-coming researchers benefit from research stays at ZEW organised as part of our Visiting Researchers Programme.

As a visiting researcher you will collaborate closely with colleagues from ZEW. You will be in-



**ZEW Visiting
Researchers
Programme**

tegrated into our research work and daily academic life. You will have the chance to attend workshops, conferences, and other events. You will be able to take advantage of the infrastructure at ZEW to conduct your own research.

Enabling scientific exchange between you and ZEW researchers is very important to us, we therefore invite you to present your work in our seminars and to contribute to joint publications. Many research visits at ZEW have resulted in long-term scientific cooperation.

The application process is informal. You can apply by sending a cover letter indicating the ZEW research unit in which you would like to complete your stay, your preferred time-frame, your full CV, a publication record, a letter of motivation which includes an abstract of the work you wish to undertake at ZEW (topic, description and time schedule), and the contact details of two references. There are no deadlines. Applications should be submitted electronically to the ZEW research unit you are interested in. For further information, please go to:

www.zew.eu/visitingresearchers



“I was drawn to ZEW because it provides a great research atmosphere and allows me to work with German colleagues.”



Prof. Yossi Spiegel, Tel Aviv University, Israel
ZEW Research Associate, Research Department
“Industrial Economics and International Management”

ZEW Research Associates

Research Associates show great dedication in supporting our work. They often have the role of research project managers, supervise the dissertations of doctoral candidates at ZEW, and contribute to expanding the institute’s research network. Long-standing research partners may become ZEW Research Associates. We currently collaborate with about 90 Research Associates, most of whom are professors at universities in Germany or abroad.

ZEW Research Data Centre

The ZEW Research Data Centre (ZEW-FDZ) grants external researchers access to micro-level original data collected for surveys and scientific projects. Datasets include firm- and individual-level data. Some datasets are provided as Scientific-Use-Files for external usage or as Education-Use-Files for application in university teaching.

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ResearchDataCentre

ZEW research data is only accessible for scientific, non-commercial usage. Access to the ZEW-FDZ is free of charge. An overview of accessible datasets and more information are available at: www.zew.de/zew-fdz

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“My association with ZEW has grown over the last few years from a seminar visit, to collaboration with ZEW researchers who collect and analyse the Mannheim Innovation Panel, to a recent SEEK project grant to further develop our research ideas.



It has been great to work with ZEW staff, who are extremely knowledgeable about the innovation data and empirical methods. My association with them has been a productive learning experience for me.”

Prof. Mark Roberts, Pennsylvania State University, US
ZEW Research Associate, Research Department
“Industrial Economics and International Management”

Strengthening Efficiency and Competitiveness in the European Knowledge Economies (SEEK)



Against the backdrop of the current economic crisis in Europe, demand for economic expertise and independent policy advice is particularly high. Projects within the SEEK

programme provide research results which support the development of policy instruments and address the effectiveness and efficiency of policies. The SEEK research programme invites proposals for innovative applied research in economics which relates to the main topic “Overcoming the Crisis in Europe”.

Another aim of the SEEK programme is to strengthen international cooperation between researchers from all economic disciplines. ZEW researchers therefore undertake projects in close cooperation with international partners. Proposals are evaluated by a scientific board of distinguished scholars. The main criteria are:

- ◉ scientific quality,
- ◉ originality of the proposal,
- ◉ strength of scientific cooperation, including exchange of researchers.

For more information, please go to: <http://seek.zew.eu>

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Travelling by plane via Frankfurt International Airport

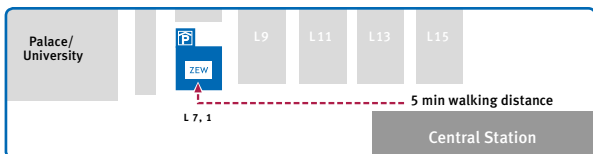
It is a 30-minute journey from Frankfurt International Airport to Mannheim Central Station via ICE high-speed train.

Travel time to Frankfurt International Airport (non-stop):

from New York: approx. 8 hrs / from Beijing: approx. 10 hrs

Travelling by plane to Mannheim City Airport

from Hamburg and Berlin: approx. 60 minutes



By foot from Mannheim Central Station

It is a five-minute walk from Mannheim Central Station to ZEW.



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