

## Workshop „Spatial Dimensions of the Labour Market“, ZEW Mannheim, Germany

Monday, 23rd November

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8.45-9.15 am    Registration

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9.15-9.30        Welcome and Introductory Remarks

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### Session I: Urban Space, Chair: Melanie Arntz

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9.30-10.20    **Eva Gutiérrez-i-Puigarnau**    *Are workers with a long commute less productive?  
An empirical analysis of absenteeism*  
  
Discussant: Denys Nizalov

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10:20-11:10    **Roland Rathelot**        *Wrong origin or wrong neighborhood:  
Explaining lower labor market performance of French individuals of African origin*  
  
Discussant: Nicola Fuchs-Schündeln

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11:10-11:25    Coffee Break

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### Session II: Regional Returns I, Chair: Anette Haas

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11:25-12:15    **Nils Braakmann**        *Are there social returns to both firm-level and regional human capital? –  
Evidence from German social security data*  
  
Discussant: Aleksey Oshchepkov

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12:15-1:05	<b>Uwe Blien</b>	<i>The Effects of Cultural Diversity on Regional Labour Markets in Germany</i> Discussant: Marisa Tavares
<b>1:05-2:15</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>	
	<b>Keynote Lecture, Chair: Holger Bonin</b>	
2:15-3:30	<b>Gianmarco Ottaviano</b>	<i>Immigration, diversity and economic performance</i>
3:30-4:00	Coffee Break	
	<b>Session III: Regional Returns II, Chair: Alfred Garloff</b>	
4:00-4:50	<b>Samuel Mühlemann</b>	<i>Firm-sponsored Training and Poaching externalities in regional labour markets</i> Discussant: Timo Mitze
4:50-5:40	<b>Holger Bonin</b>	<i>Occupational Segregation by Sex and Regional Gender Imbalances in Post-Unification Germany</i> Discussant: Holger Stichnoth
<b>6:00</b>	<b>Dinner ZEW</b>	

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**Session IV: Regional Economic Performance, Chair: Katja Wolf**

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9.00-9:50      **Nicola Fuchs-Schündeln**      *Explaining the Low Labor Productivity in East Germany - A Spatial Analysis*

Discussant: Roland Rathelot

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9:50-10:40      **Denys Nizalov**      *How Different Are the Sources of Regional Unemployment?*

Discussant: Marina Furdas

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**10:40-11:00      Coffee Break**

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**Session IV: Regional Mobility, Chair: Norbert Schanne**

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11:00-11:50      **Timo Mitze**      *Internal Migration, Regional Labour Market Dynamics and Implications for German East-West Disparities – Results from a Panel VAR*

Discussant: Roberto Patuelli

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11:50-12:40      **Marisa Tavares**      *Workers' Mobility and Internal Labour Markets*

Discussant: Nils Braakmann

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**12:40-2:00      Lunch**

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**Session V: Interregional Disparities, Chair: Melanie Arntz**

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2:00-2:50      **Aleksey Oshchepkov**      *Are Interregional Wage Differentials in Russia Compensative?*

Discussant: Eva Gutiérrez-i-Puigarnau

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2:50-3:40      **Roberto Patuelli**      *Persistent Disparities in Regional Unemployment:  
Application of a Spatial Filtering Approach to Labour Market Areas in Germany*

Discussant: Samuel Mühlemann

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**3:40-4:00      Coffee Break**

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4:00-4:50      **Marina Furdas**      *Benchmarking of Regions:  
Estimating the Counterfactual Distribution of Labor Market Outcomes*

Discussant: Uwe Blien

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**Goodbye and Farewell until the next SDLM**

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