

Themen für das Bachelor-Seminar „Aktuelle Fragen der Makroökonomik“

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WS 2024/25

A) INTERNATIONALE ÖKONOMIE

**WTO Dispute Settlement (Joao Oliveira)**

- Pervez, F. (2015) Waiting for election season. *Review of International Organizations*, 10:265–303
- Johannesson, L., Mavroidis, Petros C. (2017) The WTO Dispute Settlement System 1995-2016: A Data Set and Its Descriptive Statistics. *Journal of World Trade*, 51(3): 357-408.

**Uncertainty in Trade Policy and Agreements (Joao Oliveira)**

- Alessandria, G. A., Khan, S. Y., & Khederlarian, A. (2019). Taking stock of trade policy uncertainty: Evidence from China's pre-WTO accession. NBER Working Paper No. 25965 (Revision date: August 2022).
- Edjigu, H., Hakobyan, S., & Kassa, W. (2023). Uncertainty in Preferential Trade Agreements. World Bank Policy Research Working Paper 10424.

B) MAKROÖKONOMIE

**UK and the Industrial Revolution (Tobias Korn)**

- Caprettini , B. & Voth, H.-J. (2020): Rage Against the Machines: Labor-Saving Technology and Unrest in Industrializing England. *American Economic Review: Insights* 2: 305-20.
- Irwin, D. & Chepelyev, M. (2021): The Economic Consequences of Sir Robert Peel: A Quantitative assessment of the repeal of the corn laws. NBER Working Paper No. 28142.

**Colonial History and Economic Development (Bente Jessen-Thiesen)**

- Nunn, N. (2020). The Historical Roots of Economic Development. *Science*, 367:6485.
- Donaldson, D. (2018). Railroads of the Raj: Estimating the Impact of Transportation Infrastructure. *American Economic Review*, 108(4-5): 899-934.

**Deindustrialization: The world's rust belts (Julian Wichert)**

- Gagliardi, L., Moretti, E. and Serafinelli, M. (2023): The world's rust belts: The heterogeneous effects of de-industrialization on 1,993 cities in six countries. NBER Working Paper 31948.
- Kantor, S., and Whalley A. (2024): Moonshot: Public R&D and Growth. NBER Working Paper 31471.

## C) POLITISCHE ÖKONOMIE

### **The socio-economic effects of the First World War (Tobias Korn)**

- Acemoglu, D. et al. (2022): War, Socialism, and the Rise of Fascism: an Empirical Exploration." *The Quarterly Journal of Economics* 137(2): 1233-1296
- Koenig, C. (2020). Loose cannons: war veterans and the erosion of democracy in Weimar Germany. *CAGE Working Paper no. 497.*

### **Determinants of Terrorism (Martin Gassebner)**

- Gaibulloev, K., Sandler, T. (2019). What we have learned about terrorism since 9/11. *Journal of Economic Literature*, 57(2):275-328.
- Gassebner, M. Luechinger, S. (2011). Lock, Stock, and Barrel: A Comprehensive Assessment of the Determinants of Terror. *Public Choice*, 149, 235-261.

### **Can Development Aid Stabilize Peace after War? (Martin Gassebner)**

- Collier, P., Hoeffer, A. (2004). Aid, Policy and Growth in Post-Conflict Societies. *European Economic Review* 48(5): 1125-1145.
- Fearon, J., Humphreys, M., Weinstein, J. (2009). Can Development Aid Contribute to Social Cohesion after Civil War? Evidence from a Field Experiment in Post-Conflict Liberia. *American Economic Review* 99(2): 287-291.

### **The Threat of Revolution Hypothesis (Thomas Schiller)**

- Aidt, T., Franck, R. (2015). "Democratization under the Threat of Revoultion: Evidence from the Great Reform Act of 1832." *Econometrica*, vol. 83, no. 2, 2015, pp. 505–47.
- Aidt, T., Peter, J. (2014). "Workers of the world, unite! Franchise extensions and the threat of revolution in Europe, 1820–1938," *European Economic Review*, Elsevier, vol. 72(C), pages 52-75.

### **Social Ties and Favoritism in China (Thomas Schiller)**

- Fisman, R., Shi, J., Wang, Y., and Wu, W. (2020). "Social Ties and the Selection of China's Political Elite." *American Economic Review* 110 (6): 1752–81.
- Jia, R., Kudamatsu, M., Seim, D. (2015). Political Selection in China: The Complementary Roles of Connections and Performance, *Journal of the European Economic Association*, Volume 13, Issue 4, 1, Pages 631–668.

### **Mass Media and the Efficacy of Propaganda (Thomas Schiller)**

- Susan Ou, Heyu Xiong (2021). Mass persuasion and the ideological origins of the Chinese Cultural Revolution. *Journal of Development Economics*, Volume 153, 102732.

- Adena, M., Enikolopov, R., Petrova, M., Santarosa, V., Zhuravskaya, E. (2015). Radio and the Rise of The Nazis in Prewar Germany, *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*, Volume 130, Issue 4, Pages 1885–1939.

#### D) ENTWICKLUNGSÖKONOMIE

##### **Mobile Money and Socio-Economic Development (Bente Jessen-Thiesen)**

- Suri, Tavneet and William Jack (2016). The long-run poverty and gender impacts of Mobile Money. *Science*, 354(6317): 1288-1292:
- Burns, Scott (2018). M-Pesa and the ‘Market-Led’ Approach to Financial Inclusion. *Economic Affairs* 38(3): 305-463.

##### **“Zooming in“ on the environment: application of high-resolution satellite imagery (Julian Wichert)**

- Cózar, A., Arias, M., Suaria, G. et al. (2024) Proof of concept for a new sensor to monitor marine litter from space. *Nat Commun* 15, 4637
- Dietrich, Olivier et al. (2024). An Open-Source Tool for Mapping War Destruction at Scale in Ukraine using Sentinel-1 Time Series. *ArXiv* 2406. June 2024.

**Treffen zur Themenvergabe am 12.7.24 11:00 Uhr in Raum I-057. Nachträgliche Themenvergabe per Email an [gassebner@mak.uni-hannover.de](mailto:gassebner@mak.uni-hannover.de).**

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<b>Zuteilung Koreferat</b>	<b>02.12.2024</b>
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