

German business daily *Handelsblatt* recognizes WU research performance



The German business daily *Handelsblatt* publishes an annual ranking of economics departments and business school professors. WU faculty placed well again in 2010: In the recently published "Economists Ranking 2010", four WU researchers are included among the top 250 researchers in the category "Lifetime Achievement". WU's Department of Economics placed among the 25 best and most productive research institutions in the German-speaking world.

Manfred Fischer, Head of the Institute for Economic Geography & GIScience, Ulrich Berger from the Institute for Analytical Economics, Christoph Weiss, Head of the Institute for Economic Policy and Industrial Economics, and Fritz Breuss, Professor Emeritus from the Research Institute for European Affairs were ranked among the 250 best researchers in the German-speaking world for their lifetime achievements.

Top placements for WU researchers and outstanding young researchers

The *Handelsblatt* ranking consists of four individual rankings, including the category "Top 100 researchers under 40", in which WU researcher Ulrich Berger came in at an excellent 13th place. Berger also placed 26th in the category "Top 100 Economists – Recent Research Achievements".

WU is also proud to have excellent young researchers among its newly hired faculty. Economics professor Harald Badinger (12th place) and Jesus Crespo Cuaresma (35th place), both recently recruited to WU, were included in the "Top 100 researchers under 40" ranking. Badinger also took 34th place in the category "Top 100 Economists – Recent Research Achievements".

Selection and methods

Four years after the first ranking in 2006, *Handelsblatt* has now revised the methods used to compile the listings. The number of journals included in the analysis was increased, currently totaling over 1,250 periodicals, and the statistical method for weighting individual journals was adjusted. The ranking analyzes and evaluates a total of 21,000 articles published by 1,700 researchers from the German-speaking world.

Results of the "Economists Ranking 2010" and all individual rankings (in German):
<http://www.handelsblatt.com/politik/vwl-ranking/>

Contact:

Cornelia Moll
PR Manager
Tel: + 43-1-31336-4977
Email: cornelia.moll@wu.ac.at