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Current & Past Positions

- Head of Department, Department of Economics, Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU Wien), 2018 –
- Professor of Public Economics, Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU Wien), 2013 –
- Associate Professor of Economics, University of Innsbruck, Austria: 2005-2013

Education

- Venia Legendi (Habilitation) in Economics, University of Innsbruck: 2005
- Doctoral Degree in Economics at the University of Innsbruck: 2001
- Post-Graduate Program at the Institute for Advanced Studies (IAS); Vienna: 1997-98
- Master in Economics at the University of Innsbruck: 1993

Visiting Positions

- Visitor at the University of Copenhagen, Denmark: 08/2012, 08/2014, 08/2017
- Visiting Scholar at the University of Michigan, Office of Tax Policy Research, Ann Arbor: Sept. 2010.
- Visiting Professor at the Department of Economics, University of Bremen, Germany: March-April 2009.
- Visiting Associate Professor at the Department of Economics, University of Copenhagen, Denmark: Feb.-July 2008
- Visiting Associate Professor at the Department of Economics, University of Copenhagen, Denmark: Sept. 2005-Jan. 2006
- Visitor at the University of Adelaide, Australia: Sept.-Oct. 2004
- Research Fellow at the Max Planck Institute for Research into Economic Systems in Jena, Germany: Sept. 2002-Dec. 2002
- Research Fellow at the Center for Research in Experimental Economics and Political Decision Making (CREED), University of Amsterdam, Netherlands: Sept.-Nov. 2001
- Visiting Graduate Research Scholar (IFREE Pre-Doctoral Fellowship) at the Economic Science Laboratory, University of Arizona, USA: Jan.-June 2000

Publications

Journal articles

- Cognitive Ability and In-group Bias (2018), with Fabian Paetzel. Forthcoming: **Journal of Public Economics**.
- Allotment in First-Price Auctions (2017), with Luca Corazzini, Stefano Galavotti, and Paola Valbonesi. **Experimental Economics** 20 (1), 70-99.
- Higher taxes, more evasion? Evidence from border differentials in TV license fees (2016), with Melissa Berger, Gerlinde Fellner-Röhling, and Christian Traxler. Forthcoming: **Journal of Public Economics** 135, 74-86.
- Social Preferences and Voting on Reform – An Experimental Study (2014), with Fabian Paetzel and Stefan Traub. **European Economic Review** 70: 36-50.
- Discriminatory Taxes are Unpopular – Even when they are Efficient and Distributionally Fair (2014), with J.-R. Tyran. Forthcoming: **Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization** 108: 463-476
- Honesty on the Streets: A Natural Field Experiment on Newspaper Purchasing (2013), with G. Pruckner. **Journal of the European Economic Association** 11 (3): 661–679.
- Testing Enforcement Strategies in the Field: Threat, Moral Appeal and Social Information (2013), with G. Fellner and C. Traxler. **Journal of the European Economic Association** 11 (3): 634–660
- The Pivotal Mechanism Revisited - Some Evidence on Group Manipulation (2013), with Anita Gantner and Wolfgang Höchtl. **Experimental Economics** 16(1): 23-51.
- Confusion and Reinforcement Learning in the Voluntary Contributions Game (2013), with R.-C. Bayer and E. Renner. **Experimental Economics** 16(4): 478-496.
- Inequality Aversion and Voting on Redistribution (2012), with W. Höchtl and J.-R. Tyran. **European Economic Review** 56: 1406–1421.
- Are We Taxing Ourselves? How Deliberation and Experience Shape Voting on Taxes (2011), with J.-R. Tyran. **Journal of Public Economics** 95: 164–76.
- Voting on Thresholds for Public Goods: Experimental Evidence (2010), with J. Rauchdobler and J.-R. Tyran. **Public Finance Analysis (FinanzArchiv)** 66(1): 34–64.
- The Chopstick Auction: An Experimental Study of the Exposure Problem in Multi-Unit Auctions (2009), with F. Englmaier, P. Guillen, L. Llorente, and S. Onderstal. **International Journal of Industrial Organization** 27(2): 286–291.
- A Note on Peer Effects between Teams (2009). **Experimental Economics** 12: 193–201.
- Voting between Tax Regimes to Fund a Public Good (2008), with W. Güth. **Economics of Governance** 9(4): 287–303.
- Pure Redistribution and the Provision of Public Goods (2007). with J.-R. Tyran. **Economics Letters** 95: 334–338
- Early vs. Late Coalition Announcement in Experimental Democracies (2007), with R.E. Goodin and W. Güth. **British Political Science Review** 38: 181–191.
- A Little Fairness may Induce a Lot of Redistribution in Democracy (2006), with J.-R. Tyran. **European Economic Review** 50(2): 469–85.

- Testing the Mill Hypothesis of Fiscal Illusion, with J.-R. Tyran (2005). **Public Choice** 122 (1): 39–68.
- Tax Morale and (De-)Centralization, with W. Güth and M.V. Levati (2005). **Public Choice** 125 (1): 171–88.
- The Diffusion of Policy Innovations (2005), with J.-R. Tyran. **Journal of Evolutionary Economics** 15 (4): 423–42.
- Conformism and Reciprocity in Public Good Provision (2005), with N. Bardsley. **Journal of Economic Psychology** 26 (5): 664–81.

Chapters in books, book reviews, articles in policy-oriented journals, comments (selection)

- Sun, Lixing: The fairness instinct: The Robin Hood mentality and our biological nature. *Journal of Economics* 115 (1) (2015): 99-101
- Die Elastizität des steuerbaren Einkommens: Konzept und Evidenz aus Österreich, mit Matthias Stöckl und Hannes Winner, in: Josef Nussbaumer, Gerald Pruckner, Rupert Sausgruber and Hannes Winner (Hrsg.), Gesundheits- und Sozialpolitik im Diskurs, Festschrift für Engelbert Theurl zum 60. Geburtstag, Wien et al.: Springer 2011, 249-263
- Ökonomische Effekte unterschiedlicher Lastverteilungsregeln: Eine empirische Analyse am Beispiel der Abrechnung von Heizkosten (2008), mit Sebastian Strasshofer, in: J. Nussbaumer, G.J. Pruckner und E. Theurl (Eds.), Streiflichter der Verteilungsgerechtigkeit. Marburg: Metropolis-Verlag 2008, 243-258.

Research grants (PI or Co-PI)

- Australian Research Council (ARC) (with Ralph C. Bayer and Frank Cowell): “Effective and Efficient Corporate Tax Enforcement” (Project ID: DP120101831): 2012-2015
- Austrian Science Fund (FWF) (with Jean-Robert Tyran): "Experimental Investigations of Labor Markets" (Project Number: S10307): 2011-2014 (part of the "The Austrian Center for Labor Economics and the Analysis of the Welfare State", National Research Network S103).
- Austrian Science Fund (FWF) (with Doris Weichselbaumer): "Experimental Investigations of Labor Markets" (Project Number: S10307): 2008-2011 (part of the "The Austrian Center for Labor Economics and the Analysis of the Welfare State", National Research Network S103).
- Austrian National Bank (OeNB Jubilaumsfonds) (with Gerlinde Fellner and Christian Traxler): “Compliance in the Field: A Large-Scale Field Experiment on the Evasion of Broadcasting Fees in Austria”. 2007-2009.
- Austrian Science Fund (FWF) (with Jean-Robert Tyran): "A Behavioral Approach to International Taxation" (Project Number: P17029): 2004-2008
- Austrian National Bank (OeNB Jubilaumsfonds) (with Jean-Robert Tyran): "Perception and Efficiency of Taxation of Market Transactions" 2001-2005.

Refereeing: Journals

American Economic Review (*Excellence in Refereeing Award 2012*), American Journal of Political Science, Business Administration Review, Canadian Journal of Economics, Economic Inquiry, Economic Journal, Economica, Empirica, Empirical Economics, European Economic Review (*Certificate of Outstanding Contribution in Reviewing 2016*), European Journal of Political Economy, Experimental Economics, Games, Games and Economic Behavior, International Tax and Public Finance, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization (*Certificate of Outstanding Contribution in Reviewing 2017*), Journal of Economic Psychology, Journal of Environmental Economics and Management, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics, Journal of Pension Economics and Public Finance, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Public Economic Theory, Judgment and Decision Making, Management Science, Physica A, Political Behavior, Political Research Quarterly, Public Finance Analysis (FinanzArchiv), Public Finance and Management, Rationality and Society, Review of Economic Studies, Review of Law and Economics, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Social Choice and Welfare, Theory and Decision

Refereeing: Scientific boards

Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG, CRC/Transregio, 2017), Danish Council for Independent Research (2015, 2016, 2017), TESS-Time-Sharing Experiments for the Social Sciences (2016), Verein für Socialpolitik (2007, 2011, 2015, 2017), Austrian Economic Association (2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2017, 2018), National Science Foundation (2011), Agence National de la Recherche (ANR, 2012), Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NOW, 2012)

Editorial Positions:

- Associate Editor: Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics (formerly: Journal of Socio-Economics, since 2013)
- Associate Editor at International Tax and Public Finance (since 2016)