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Born: July 28, 1983—Goch, Germany

Nationality: German

Marital Status: Married, three children (born 2013, 2015 and 2018)

## Current position

- 2019–present *Team Leader*, Institute of Labor Economics (IZA)
- 2016–present *Senior Research Associate*, Institute of Labor Economics (IZA)
- 2013–present *Deputy Program Coordinator*, IZA Program Area *Environment, Health, and Labor Markets*

## Appointments held

- 2015–2016 *Visiting Professor (Lehrstuhlvertretung)*, University of Cologne
- 2013–2015 *Research Associate*, Institute of Labor Economics (IZA)
- 2009–2012 *Resident Research Affiliate*, Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA)

## Affiliations

- 2014–present *Research Associate*, Centre for European Economic Research (ZEW)

## Research Visits

- Summer 2019 ifo Institute, Munich
- Fall 2016 University of California, Santa Barbara
- Spring 2012 Catholic University of Leuven

## Education

- 2009–2013 PhD in Economics (Dr. rer. pol.), University of Cologne
- 2004–2009 DIPLOM-VOLKSWIRT (equiv. MSc in Economics), University of Cologne

## Research and Publications

### WORKING PAPERS

- R&R Minority Salience and Political Extremism (with T. Colussi and I. Isphording)
- Submitted Indoor Air Quality and Cognitive Performance (with S. Künn and J. Palacios)
- Low Emission Zones for Better Health: Evidence from German Hospitals (with F. Wozny)
- Poor Voters, Taxation and the Size of the Welfare State (with A. Chevalier, B. Elsner and A. Lichter)
- Searching on Campus? The Marriage Market Effects of Changing Student Sex Ratios

### JOURNAL ARTICLES

- 202x Labour Supply after Inheritances and the Role of Expectations, forthcoming in: *Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics*, DOI: 10.1111/obes.12353 (with K. Doorley)
- 2017 Productivity Effects of Air Pollution: Evidence from Professional Soccer, *Labour Economics* 48, 54–66 (with A. Lichter and E. Sommer)
- Marital Sorting, Inequality and the Role of Female Labour Supply: Evidence from East and West Germany, *Economica* 84(333), 104–127
- Shifting Taxes from Labor to Consumption: More Employment and more Inequality?, *Review of Income and Wealth* 63(3), 542–563 (with E. Sommer)
- 2016 Short- and Long-term Participation Tax Rates and Their Impact on Labor Supply, *International Tax and Public Finance* 23(6), 1126–1159 (with C. Bartels)
- 2015 Tax Policy and Income Inequality in the U.S., 1979–2007, *Economic Inquiry* 53(2), 1061–1085 (with O. Bargain, M. Dolls, H. Immervoll, D. Neumann, A. Peichl and S. Siegloch)
- 2014 Labor Demand Effects of Rising Electricity Prices: Evidence for Germany, *Energy Policy* 75, 266–277 (with M. Cox, A. Peichl and S. Siegloch)
- 2013 The Politicians' Wage Gap: Insights from German Members of Parliament, *Public Choice* 156(3–4), 653–676 (with A. Peichl and S. Siegloch)
- Fiscal union in Europe? Redistributive and stabilizing effects of a European tax-benefit system and fiscal equalization mechanism, *Economic Policy* 28(75), 375–422 (with O. Bargain, M. Dolls, C. Fuest, D. Neumann, A. Peichl and S. Siegloch)
- Multidimensional Affluence: Theory and Applications to Germany and the US, *Applied Economics* 45(32), 4591–4601 (with A. Peichl)

Multidimensional Well-Being at the Top: Evidence for Germany, *Fiscal Studies* 34(3), 355–371 (with A. Peichl)

2012 Does Size Matter? The Impact of Changes in Household Structure on Income Distribution in Germany, *Review of Income and Wealth* 58(1), 118–141 (with A. Peichl and H. Schneider)

#### JOURNAL ARTICLES (IN GERMAN)

202X The German Statutory Minimum Wage and Its Effects on Regional Employment and Unemployment, forthcoming in: *Journal of Economics and Statistics*, DOI: 10.1515/jbnst-2018-0067 (with H. Bonin, I. Ispording, A. Krause-Pilatus, A. Lichter and U. Rinne)

2016 Ist eine Glättung des Mittelstandsbauchs finanzierbar? Eine Mikrosimulationsstudie, *Perspektiven der Wirtschaftspolitik* 17(3), 264–275 (with R. Schnabel, S. Siegloch, E. Sommer and A. Spermann)

2014 Der gesetzliche Mindestlohn in Deutschland: Einsichten und Handlungsempfehlungen aus der Evaluationsforschung, *Schmollers Jahrbuch–Journal of Applied Social Science Studies* 134(29), 149–182 (with P. Arni, W. Eichhorst, A. Spermann and K.F. Zimmermann)

Bundestagswahlkampf 2013: Klientelpolitik durch Steuerreform?, *Perspektiven der Wirtschaftspolitik* 15(2), 182–194 (with A. Peichl, S. Siegloch and E. Sommer)

2013 Ist Deutschland wirklich so progressiv? Einkommensumverteilung im europäischen Vergleich, *DIW Vierteljahrshefte zur Wirtschaftsforschung* 82(1), 111–127 (with A. Peichl and S. Siegloch)

2012 Effizient, einfach und gerecht: Ein integriertes System zur Reform von Einkommensteuer und Sozialabgaben, *Perspektiven der Wirtschaftspolitik* 13(3), 196–213 (with M. Löffler, A. Peichl, H. Schneider and S. Siegloch)

2011 Einfach ist nicht immer gerecht: Eine Mikrosimulationsstudie der Kirchhof-Reform für die Einkommensteuer, *DIW Vierteljahrshefte zur Wirtschaftsforschung* 80(4), 147–160 (with M. Löffler, A. Peichl, H. Schneider and S. Siegloch)

Mehr Ungleichheit durch kleinere Haushalte? Der Zusammenhang zwischen Veränderungen der Haushaltsstruktur und der Einkommensverteilung in Deutschland, *Journal for Labour Market Research* 43(4), 327–338 (with A. Peichl and H. Schneider)

Reform der Hartz IV-Hinzuverdienstregelungen: Ein verfehelter Ansatz, *Perspektiven der Wirtschaftspolitik* 12(1), 12–26 (with A. Peichl, H. Schneider and S. Siegloch)

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- 2019 Employment Effects of Green Energy Policies, *IZA World of Labor*, DOI: 10.15185/izawol.76.v2
- 2015 Earnings Inequality, *International Encyclopedia of the Social & Behavioral Sciences*, 2nd edition, Vol. 6, 765–772 (with A. Peichl)
- Documentation IZAΨMOD v3.0: The IZA Policy Simulation Model, *IZA Discussion Paper No. 8553* (with M. Löffler, A. Peichl, S. Siegloch and E. Sommer)
- 2013 Inequality in Germany: The Role of Household Context and the Concept of Economic Resources, Dissertation, University of Cologne

## SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

- 2020 *National University of Singapore*
- 2010–2019 Maastricht University, ifo Institute Munich, University of Mannheim, CPB Netherlands Bureau for Economic Policy Analysis, University of Cologne, University of Siegen, University of Trier, University of Konstanz, ZEW Mannheim, University of Cologne, LISER, University of Antwerp, University of Kiel, Catholic University of Leuven, Leuphana University of Lüneburg, University of Hohenheim

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- General American Economic Association (2020), Royal Economic Society (2016), German Economic Association (2010, 2011, 2016, 2019)
- Labor Society of Labor Economists (2011, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2018), European Society for Population Economics (2010, 2016, 2019), IZA World Labor Conference (2018)
- Public National Tax Association (2019), International Institute of Public Finance (2011, 2013, 2017), Public Choice Society (2017), International Association for Research in Income and Wealth (2010, 2012, 2014), Society for the Study of Economic Inequality (2011, 2013), Society for Social Choice and Welfare (2010), Journées LAGV (2013)
- Other LMU Munich Workshop on Beliefs About Society and Politics (2019), Annual MaTax Conference (2018), CESifo Venice Summer Institute (2018), IZA Workshop on Environment and Labor Markets (2013, 2014, 2019), IZA Workshop on Gender and Family Economics (2018), IZA/SOLE Transatlantic Meeting of Labor Economists (2015), IZA Workshop on Entrepreneurship Research (2014), IZA European Summer School in Labor Economics (2012), International Microsimulation Association (2011, 2012, 2014), German Statistical Society (2010)

## Teaching

- Bachelor    Lecture *Public Economics*, University of Cologne (Winter 2015/16, Summer 2016)
- Guest Lecture *Understanding Society*, Maastricht University (2018, 2019, 2020)
- Master     Lecture *Tax Policy*, University of Cologne (Winter 2015/16, Winter 2017/18)
- Supervision of Diploma & Master theses, Universities of Cologne and Bonn (since 2010)
- PhD        External Thesis Examiner, Royal Holloway University of London (2016)

## Service to the profession

- Refereeing    *B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy, Demography, Economic Journal, European Journal of Political Economy, German Research Foundation (DFG), IZA Journal of Labor Policy, IZA World of Labor, Journal of Economics, Journal of Environmental Economics and Management, Journal of Economic Inequality, Journal of Income Distribution, Journal of the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Labour Economics, National Tax Journal, Regional Studies, Research in Labor Economics, Research on Economic Inequality, Review of Income and Wealth, Social Indicators Research*
- Workshops    Annual IZA Workshop on Environment, Health, and Labor Markets (since 2013)
- Joint Workshop: CMR of University of Cologne and IZA Bonn (2016, 2017)

## Media Appearances

- Print/Online    *Daily Mail, Spiegel, Deutsche Welle, Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung, Handelsblatt, The Guardian, The Sun, The Times, Welt am Sonntag, Wirtschaftswoche*
- TV/Radio     *3sat (nano), Bayerischer Rundfunk, HR1, HR3, MDR Info, Campus radio Cologne*

## Policy Consultancy Projects

- 2020–2022    *Soziale Aspekte der Umweltpolitik: Teilvorhaben 2: Gewinnung von Daten* (on behalf of the Federal Environment Agency)
- 2019–2020    Project Leader: *Evaluation of the German Minimum Wage: Effects on Employment and Unemployment* (on behalf of the German Minimum Wage Commission)

- 2017–2018 *Evaluation of the German Minimum Wage: Effects on Employment, Working Hours and Unemployment* (on behalf of the German Minimum Wage Commission)
- 2017 *Ökonomische Bewertung verschiedener Reformoptionen im deutschen Steuer- und Transfersystem* (on behalf of the Federal Ministry of Economics and Energy)
- 2014–2015 *Analyse der Verteilung von Einkommen und Vermögen in Deutschland, Beitrag zum 5. Armuts- und Reichtumsbericht der Bundesregierung* (on behalf of the Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs)
- 2013–2015 *Verteilungswirkungen umweltpolitischer Maßnahmen und Instrumente* (on behalf of the Federal Environment Agency)
- 2011 *Finanzielle und Beschäftigungswirkungen unterschiedlicher Tarifverläufe alternativer Hinzuverdienstregelungen gegenüber dem Status Quo* (on behalf of the German Federal Ministry of Economics and Technology)
- Minijobs: Situation und Gestaltungsoptionen* (on behalf of Bertelsmann Stiftung)
- Aktivierung von Fachkräftepotenzialen: Frauen und Mütter* (on behalf of the Federal Ministry for Labour and Social Affairs)
- 2010 *Gutachten zur Berechnung von Vorschlägen zur Neuregelung der Erwerbstätigenfreibeträge* (on behalf of the Federal Ministry for Labour and Social Affairs)