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Born 1977 in Schwerin, Germany One daughter born 2015 (on leave June-September 2015)

CURRENT POSITIONS

Since 09/2013	Full Professor of Labour Economics, University of Basel
Since 12/2013	Guest Professor of Economics, University of St. Gallen
PREVIOUS POSITION	15
06/2011 – 08/2013	Associate Professor (with tenure), VU University Amsterdam (part-time until 08/2012)
02/2009 - 06/2012	Assistant Professor of Economics, University of St. Gallen
05/2008 — 06/2012	Postdoctoral Fellow, Swiss Institute for Empirical Economic Research, University of St. Gallen
EDUCATION	
01/2003 - 02/2008	Ph.D. in Economics and Finance, University of St. Gallen (summa cum laude)
01/2003 - 02/2004	Swiss Program for Beginning Doctoral Students in Economics, Study Center Gerzensee
09/2001 - 12/2001	Australian Graduate School of Management, Sydney, Australia
10/1999 - 03/2002	M.A. in Economics (Lic. oec. HSG), University of St. Gallen
10/1996 - 09/1999	B.A. in Business Administration (Diplom-Betriebswirtin BA), University of Cooperative Education (Berufsakademie) Mannheim
OTHER WORK EXPE	RIENCE

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04/2000 - 04/2008	Swiss Institute for International Economics and Applied Economic Research, University of St. Gallen, Research assistant to Prof. Dr. Michael Lechner
10/1996 - 03/2002	Commerzbank AG, Mannheim and Frankfurt/Main
	10/1996 - 09/1999 Bank Trainee 01/2000 - 03/2002 Member and stipendiary of the Studienkreis 02/2000 - 03/2000 Credit Risk Analysis (Intern) 07/2001 - 08/2001 Economic Research (Intern)

INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- Since 2018 Head of the Graduate School of Business and Economics of the University of Basel
- 2014 2018 Head of the program committee of the PhD Program in Applied Economics of the University of Basel
- 2009 2012 Member of the program committee of the PhD Program in Economics and Finance of the University of St. Gallen
- 2002 2003 Administrator of the Master's program in Quantitative Economics and Finance of the University of St. Gallen

EDITORSHIPS

Since 2016	Labour	Economics,	Co-Editor

- Since 2014 Empirical Economics, Associate Editor
- 2014-2018 IZA World of Labor, Associate Editor

AFFILIATIONS

- Since 2013 CESifo Research Network Fellow
- Since 2010 IZA Research Fellow
- 2012-2013 Tinbergen Institute Research Fellow
- 2009-2012 CESifo Research Network Affiliate

MEMBERSHIPS AND COMMISSIONS OF TRUST

- Since 2015 Scientific Advisory Board, RWI Leibniz-Institute for Economic Research Advisory Board, Journal of Economics and Statistics
- Since 2010 Population Economics Committee, German Economic Association
- Since 2009 Education Economics Committee, German Economic Association

PROGRAM COMMITTEES

Annual Meeting of the International Association for Applied Econometrics (2017)

Annual Meeting of the European Economic Association (2016)

Annual Meeting of the Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics (2011-2012, 2015)

Annual Meeting of the German Economic Association (2015)

Annual Meeting of the European Association of Labor Economists (2012-2014)

SUPERVISION OF PHD STUDENTS AND POST-DOCS

PhD supervisor of Lukas Eckert (2013-2018), Laura Hahn, Manuel Buchmann (both since 2015), Elisa Gerten, Ulrike Unterhofer, Vera Zabrodina (all since 2017); PhD co-supervisor of: Ensar Can, Renate Strobl (2013-2016), Istvan Hegedüs (since 2013), Beaumont Schoeman, Dragan Filimonovic, Anja Roth (all since 2016), Nikola Jovanoski (since 2018); Post-docs: Annabelle Dörr (since 2015), Renate Strobl (since 2017), Helge Liebert (2018-2019)

AWARDS

SNIS International Geneva Award for the paper "Evaluating Nationwide Health Interventions: Malawi's Insecticide Treated Net Distribution Programme", Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series A, 177(2), 523-552; joint with Eva Deuchert.
Latsis Prize of the University of St. Gallen 2011
Reinhard Selten Prize 2008: Young author best paper award for the single-authored paper "Optimal Use of Labor Market Policies" at the annual meeting of the German Economic Association in Graz
SSES Young Economist Award 2008: Young author best paper award for the single-authored paper "Optimal Use of Labor Market Policies" at the annual meeting of the Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics (SSES) in Lausanne

INDIVIDUAL GRANTS

- 2012 2013 VENI grant of the Dutch National Science Foundation (250'000 EUR)
- 2003 2005 Graduate Programme of the Institute for Employment Research (IAB), Nuremberg, Germany (GradAB)
- 2000 2002 Commerzbank AG, Mannheim; Studienkreis

EXTERNALLY FUNDED PROJECTS AS PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR

- "Competition by foreign workers in the Swiss Labour Market", funded by the Support Association of the Faculty of Business and Economics of the University of Basel (WWZ Förderverein); Budget: 38'064 CHF
- 2018 2019 "Use and effectiveness of subsidized interim jobs in Switzerland" funded by the Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO); Budget: 86'496 CHF
- "The role of psychological factors, expectations and networks for the labour market success of university graduates" funded by the Support Association of the Faculty of Business and Economics of the University of Basel (WWZ Förderverein); Budget: 38'064 CHF
- 2017-2020 "Consequences of the demographic change for the Swiss labour market" funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation; Budget: 237'529 CHF
- 2015-2016 "Business cycle dependence of the effects of minimum wages", funded by the Support Association of the Faculty of Business and Economics of the University of Basel (WWZ Förderverein); Budget: 38'064 CHF
- 2014 "Labour and skill demand in Switzerland until 2060", funded by Economiesuisse; Budget: 55'000 CHF
- 2011 2013 "The Role of Expectations in Job Search and Unemployment Insurance Counselling" funded by the Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO); Budget: 157'500 CHF; joint with Patrick Arni (IZA)

Publications in international refereed journals:

- (1) Huber, M., M. Lechner and C. Wunsch (2016): "The Effect of Firms' Phased Retirement Policies on the Labour Market Outcomes of Their Employees", *Industrial and Labor Relations (ILR) Review*, 69(5), 1216-1248.
- (2) Huber, M., M. Lechner and C. Wunsch (2015): "Workplace Health Promotion and Labour Market Performance of Employees", *Journal of Health Economics*, 43, 170-189.
- (3) Schünemann, B., M. Lechner and C. Wunsch (2013): "Do Long-term Unemployed Workers Benefit from Targeted Wage Subsidies?", *German Economic Review*, 16(1), 43-64.
- (4) Wunsch, C. (2013): "Optimal Use of Labor Market Policies: The Role of Job Search Assistance", Review of Economics and Statistics, 95(3), 1030-1045.
- (5) Deuchert, E. and C. Wunsch (2013): "Evaluating Nationwide Health Interventions: Malawi's Insecticide Treated Net Distribution Programme", *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series A*, 177(2), 523-552.
- (6) Huber, M., M. Lechner and C. Wunsch (2013): "The Performance of Estimators Based on the Propensity Score", *Journal of Econometrics*, 175(1), 1-21.
- (7) Lechner, M. and C. Wunsch (2013): "Sensitivity of Matching-Based Program Evaluations to the Availability of Control Variables", *Labour Economics*, 21, 111-121.
- (8) Lechner, M., R. Miquel and C. Wunsch (2011): "Long-Run Effects of Public Sector Sponsored Training in West Germany", *Journal of the European Economic Association*, 9(4), 742-784.
- (9) Huber, M., M. Lechner and C. Wunsch (2011): "Does Leaving Welfare Improve Health? Evidence for Germany", *Health Economics*, 20(4), 484-504.
- (10) Huber, M., M. Lechner, C. Wunsch and T. Walter (2011): "Do German Welfare-to-Work Programmes Reduce Welfare Dependency and Increase Employment?", *German Economic Review*, 12(2), 182-204.
- (11) Lechner, M. and C. Wunsch (2009): "Are Training Programs More Effective When Unemployment is High?", *Journal of Labor Economics*, 27(4), 653-692.
- (12) Lechner, M. and C. Wunsch (2009): "Active Labour Market Policy in East Germany: Waiting for the Economy to Take off", *Economics of Transition*, 17(4), 661-702.
- (13) Wunsch, C. and M. Lechner (2008): "What Did All the Money Do? On the General Ineffectiveness of Recent West German Labour Market Programmes", *Kyklos*, 61(1), 134-174.
- (14) Lechner, M., R. Miquel and C. Wunsch (2007): "The Curse and Blessing of Training the Unemployed in a Changing Economy: The Case of East Germany after Unification", *German Economic Review*, 8(4), 468-507.
- (15) Lechner, M. and C. Wunsch (2006): "Are the Effects of Training Programmes in Germany Sensitive to the Choice and Measurement of Labour Market Outcomes?", *Journal for Labour Market Research*, 39(3), 347-382.

Contributions to volumes:

(16) Mc Call, B., J. Smith and C. Wunsch (2016): "Government-Sponsored Vocational Education for Adults", in: Hanushek, E.A., S.J. Machin and L. Woessmann (eds.): Handbook of the Economics of Education, Volume 5, Chapter 9, 479-652, North-Holland.

Invited contributions:

(17) Wunsch, C. (2016): "How to Minimize Lock-in Effects of Programs for Unemployed Workers", IZA World of Labor, 2016: 288.

Working papers:

- (18) Wunsch, C. and R. Strobl (2018): "When randomized treatments cause complex responses", Working Paper, University of Basel (submitted).
- (19) Wunsch, C. and R. Strobl (2018): "Identification of Causal Mechanisms Based on Between-Subject Double Randomization Designs", IZA Discussion Paper No. 11626 (revise and resubmit *Journal of Applied Econometrics*).
- (20) Strobl, R. and C. Wunsch (2018): "Does Voluntary Risk Taking Affect Solidarity? Experimental Evidence From Kenya", Revised version of IZA Discussion Paper No. 10906 (submitted).
- (21) Eckert, L., D. Hyslop, S. Stillman and C. Wunsch (2018): "Minimum Wages and the Business Cycle", Working Paper, University of Basel.
- (22) Arni, P., M. Buchmann and C. Wunsch (2018): "Subjective Expectations, Job Search Behaviour and Search Outcomes of Unemployed Workers", Working Paper, University of Basel.
- (23) Grogger, J. and C. Wunsch (2017): "Does Less Generous Unemployment Insurance Reduce Inflows? Evidence from Germany", Working Paper, University of Basel.
- (24) Lechner, M., C. Wunsch and P. Scioch (2013): "Do Firms Benefit from Active Labour Market Policies?", IZA Discussion Paper No. 7614.

Publications in German:

- (25) Arni, P. and C. Wunsch (2014): "Wie Erwartungshaltungen und Einstellungen den Erfolg der Stellensuche beeinflussen", Die Volkswirtschaft, 87(5), 11-13.
- (26) Eckert, L. and C. Wunsch (2014): "Der Schweizer Arbeitsmarkt hat in der Krise grosse Widerstandskraft gezeigt", Die Volkswirtschaft, 87(4), 4-6.
- (27) Wunsch, C. (2008): "Wirksamkeit der Arbeitsmarktmassnahmen Was wir von Deutschen Studien lernen können", *Panorama*, 3/2008, 27-28.
- (28) Bender, S., M. Lechner, R. Miquel and C. Wunsch (2005): "Erfolgreiche Weiterbildung: Wenn die Sperre nicht mehr wirkt", *IAB Forum*, 2/05, 36-43.
- (29) Bender, S., A. Bergemann, B. Fitzenberger, M. Lechner, R. Miquel, S. Speckesser and C. Wunsch (2005): "Über die Wirksamkeit von FuU-Maßnahmen Ein Evaluationsversuch mit prozessproduzierten Daten aus dem IAB", Beiträge zur Arbeitsmarkt- und Berufsforschung, 289.
- (30) Miquel, R., C. Wunsch and M. Lechner (2002): "Die FuU-Teilnehmer-Datei 1976-1997", Graues Papier, Institut für Arbeitsmarkt- und Berufsforschung.

EXTENDED RESEARCH VISITS

University of Chicago, Harris School of Public Policy (host: Jeff Grogger, 2-4 weeks each 2011, 2012, 2013);

VU University Amsterdam, Department of Economics (host: Bas van der Klaauw, I month each 2010 and 2011)

European University Institute Florence (host: Nicola Pavoni, 2 weeks 2011)

University College London, Department of Economics (host: Richard Blundell, 3 months 2010)

INVITED TALKS

2018: University of Hannover, University of Göttingen, Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg; 2017: Ludwig Maximilian University Munich, University of Zurich; 2016: University of Lucerne, University of Neuchatel, ZEW Mannheim; 2014: ifo Dresden, IHS Vienna, BeNA Berlin, Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg; 2013: University of Regensburg, IFAU Uppsala; 2012: University of Michigan, Bocconi University, Tinbergen Institute Amsterdam, IZA Bonn, DIW Berlin, CAFE Workshop Vejle Denmark; 2011: Tilburg University, VU University Amsterdam; 2010: Tinbergen Institute Amsterdam, University College London, CEMMAP London, London School of Economics, 2nd Meeting of the Danish Microeconometric Network in Skagen, Workshop on Monitoring and Sanctions in Ghent, ZEW Mannheim, RWI Essen; 2009: Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg, RWI Berlin; 2008: Otto-von-Guericke-Universität Magdeburg

PRESENTATIONS AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

2018: Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics, St. Gallen; European Association of Labor Economists, Lyon; 2014: Society of Labor Economists, Washington/DC; German Economic Association, Hamburg; 2013: Labor Markets and Labor Market Policies for Older Workers, IZA Bonn; CESifo Area Conference on Public Sector Economics, CESifo Munich; Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics, Neuchatel; European Economic Association, Gothenburg; German Economic Association, Düsseldorf; 2012: European Association of Labor Economists, Bonn; German Economic Association, Göttingen; 4th Joint IZA/IFAU Conference on Labor Market Policy Evaluation, Bonn; CAFÉ Workshop, Vejle; 2010: Econometric Society World Congress, Shanghai; European Economic Association, Glasgow; European Association of Labor Economists/Society of Labor Economists, London; German Economic Association, Kiel; 2009: Society of Labor Economists, Boston; Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics, Genf; 2008: Society of Labor Economists, New York; Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics, Lausanne; German Economic Association, Graz; 2007: European Association of Labor Economists, Oslo; COST A23 Network, St. Gallen and Den Haag; Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics, St. Gallen; German Association of Political Economy, Nürnberg; 2006: 3rd Conference on Policy Evaluation of the Centre for European Economic Research (ZEW), Mannheim; 2005: Econometric Society World Congress, London; German Economic Association, Bonn; COST A23 network, Paris, Empirical Evaluation of Labour Market Programmes, IAB Nürnberg

REFEREEING

American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, Applied Economics Quarterly, Creative Education, Empirical Economics, International Journal of Workplace Health Management, Journal of Applied Econometrics, Journal of Business and Economic Statistics, Journal of Economic Surveys, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Economic Surveys, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Human Capital, Journal of Human Resources, Journal for Labour Market Research, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Journal of Public Economics, Labour, Labour Economics, Oxford Economic Papers, Public Finance Analysis, Review of Economic Studies, Romanian Journal of Political Science, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Scottish Journal of Political Economy, Social Service Review, Zeitschrift für Soziologie

TEACHING

University of Basel

Since 2018	Empirical Research Methods in Labour Economics, Master's/PhD level
	Advanced Empirical Research Methods, Master's/PhD level
Since 2014	Arbeitsmarktökonomie (in German), Bachelor's level
	Advanced Labour Economics (in English), Master's level
	Bachelorseminar in empirischer Arbeitsmarkt- und Gesundheitsforschung (in German), Bachelor's level
2014 - 2017	Advanced Research Methods (in English), PhD level
	The Economics of Unemployment: Classical and Behavioral Approaches (in English), Master's level
2016	Empirical Evaluation of Economic Models (in English), PhD level
2014	Advanced Microeconomics (in English), Master's level

Tinbergen Institute Amsterdam

2012 Advanced Microeconometrics II (in English), PhD level

VU University Amsterdam

2011 Advanced Methods for Applied Economic Research (in English), Master's level

University of St. Gallen

Since 2012	Empirical Evaluation of Economic Models (in English), PhD level
2009 - 2011	Topics in Empirical Economics (in English), PhD level
2009 - 2012	Empirische Wirtschaftsforschung (in German), Bachelor's level
2009 - 2011	Introduction to Gauss (in English), Master's level
2007 - 2010	Arbeitsökonomik (in German), Bachelor's level
2006	Empirische Wirtschaftsforschung (tutorial; in German), Bachelor's level
2005 - 2007	Collecting, Validating and Preparing Data for Research (in English), Master's level
2003 - 2008	Makroökonomik I/ Mikroökonomik I (tutorial; in German), Assessment level