

## Program

### 18<sup>th</sup> CEUS Workshop on European Economics

**Date:** May 16 - 17, 2024

**Location:** WHU – Otto Beisheim School of Management, Campus Vallendar,  
Burgplatz 2, 56179 Vallendar, Germany

#### Thursday, May 16, 2024

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| 11:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. | Registration   |
| 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.  | Lunch  |
| 1:00 p.m. – 1:10 p.m.   | Welcome address by Prof. Dr. Michael Frenkel   |
| 1:10 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.   | <b>SESSION 1</b><br><br><b>Bas van Aarle</b> (LCIS Catholic University Leuven Belgium)<br><i>Securing budgetary sustainability in a fiscal federation: An Application to the case of Belgium</i><br><u>Discussant</u> : Vanessa Kämpf<br><br><b>Vanessa Kämpf</b> (German Central Bank)<br><i>Swiss National Bank: Is the Recent Loss a Threat to Monetary Policy? A Research Note</i><br><u>Discussant</u> : Bas van Aarle  |
| 2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.   | Coffee break   |
| 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.   | <b>The European Parliament in times of geopolitical tensions</b><br><b>Keynote speech by Moritz Körner, MEP</b>  |
| 4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.   | Coffee break   |
| 4:30 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.   | <b>SESSION 2</b><br><br><b>Jana Magin</b> (Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf)<br><i>Cash or Cache? Distributional and Business Cycle Implications of a Central Bank Digital Currency</i><br><u>Discussant</u> : Artan Sulejmani<br><br><b>Alexandra Stevens</b> (Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf)<br><i>Central Bank Digital Currency as a New Means of Payment: An Experimental Approach</i><br><u>Discussant</u> : Mara Pilarski<br><br><b>Maximilian Ambros</b> (WHU – Otto Beisheim School of Management)<br><i>Who Wants the Digital Euro and Why? A Discrete Choice Experiment to Measure Consumer Preferences in Six Euro Area Countries</i><br><u>Discussant</u> : Alexandra Stevens |
| 7:15 p.m.               | Dinner (Restaurant: Rialto, Löhrrstraße 77, 56179 Vallendar)   |

Friday, May 17, 2024

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

**SESSION 3**

**Roswitha King** (Østfold University College)

*Benefits for whom? Expected distributional effects from EU membership and support for joining the EU*

Discussant: Fatjon Kaja

**Fatjon Kaja** (University of Amsterdam)

*The Market Dynamics of Military Conflicts: Financial Returns and Strategic Considerations in the Global Arms Industry*

Discussant: Roswitha King

10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Coffee break

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

**SESSION 4**

**Mara Pilarski** (German Central Bank)

*Passing on Positive Interest Rates*

**Artan Sulejmani** (National Bank of the Republic of North Macedonia)

*Does size matter? Bank size, systemic risk and the “price” of Covid-19*

Discussant: Jana Margin

12:30 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.

Concluding remarks

12:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Lunch

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