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Kai-Uwe Kühn now Permanent DICE Visiting Professor

DICE is proud to announce that on 1 October Kai-Uwe Kühn has been appointed Permanent Visiting Professor at DICE. Until 1 September 2013, Professor Kühn was Chief Economist at the European Commission's DG Competition. He is also an Associate Professor of Economics at the University of Michigan.

A native of Bremen, Kai-Uwe Kühn studied Economics in Bonn, London, and Oxford. He holds a PhD in Economics from the University of Oxford and has taught at numerous Universities, including Princeton, Barcelona, and Madrid. In his research, Kühn theoretically and empirically investigates cartels. Furthermore, he explores firms' incentives for market foreclosure and the role of credit rationing on market behavior.

Click [here](#) for Professor Kühn's personal website at DICE.

Keynote Lectures by Mark Armstrong, Joe Harrington, Michael Katz, Patrick Rey and Michael Whinston available online

The German Economic Association held its annual meeting, which was this year hosted by DICE from 4 to 7 September. The main theme was Competition Policy and Regulation in a Global Economic Order.

The following keynote lectures can be viewed online or downloaded:

- Mark Armstrong: [Interactions between Naive and Sophisticated Consumers](#)
- Joseph Harrington: [Collusion and Cartels](#)
- Michael Katz: [Competition Policy in Network Industries](#)
- Patrick Rey: [Buying Patterns and Cross-Subsidization](#)
- Michael Whinston: [Horizontal Merger Policy: New Approaches and Open Issues](#)

Click [here](#) for a list of all videos of the keynotes.

Click [here](#) for all presentation slides

First DICE Policy Brief published

DICE has launched its new German newsletter: the DICE Policy Brief, which will be published three times a year. Its purpose is to reach both interested practitioners and academics alike. All articles are strictly non-technical with a strong focus on policy-related topics and aim at contributing to current policy debates.

The first issue (September 2013) includes reports on the following topics: Experimental research on cartels, a DICE study on the economic benefits of an integrated European energy market, conducted for the European Parliament, inter-format competition in German grocery retailing, and mergers in mobile telecommunications.

The second issue will be published in January 2014. Topics covered will include experimental research on leniency policies for cartel ringleaders, the effectiveness of EU merger control since the 2004 reform, and the impact of competition on firms' incentives for illegal conduct. You will also find a conference report on the annual meeting of the German Economic Association which took place in Düsseldorf in September 2013.

Should you be interested in receiving a paper copy by post, please send an email to policy.brief@dice.hhu.de. The DICE Policy Brief will also be available for download [here](#).

Justus Haucap appointed German Representative of EEA's standing committee on research

Justus Haucap, director of DICE, has been appointed the German representative in the European Economic Association's standing committee on research, replacing Wolfgang Leininger whose second term has come to an end.

The EEA Standing Committee on Research's (EEA SRC) mission is to help to fulfill the first aim of the European Economic Association: to contribute to the development and application of economics as a science in Europe (EEA Statutes, Art. 3). In particular, it will focus on the organization of economic research in Europe (funding, organizational forms, careers, diffusion, research and economic education, etc.), helping to provide information and a forum of debate on the strengths and weaknesses of economic research in Europe. (Text from the EEA's website)

Click [here](#) for the website of the European Economics Association.

Christian Wey gives talk on "Economic analysis of two-sided markets" for Federal Cartel office

Christian Wey, Professor of Competition and Regulatory Economics at DICE, has given a talk on "Economic analysis of two-sided markets with vertical restrictions: the case of most-favored nation clauses" for the Federal Cartel Office.

In his talk on 10 October, Professor Wey stressed the positive competitive effects of most-favored national clauses in the case of two-sided markets. Furthermore, he pointed out that the definition of the relevant market has to take into account the search behavior of consumers as well as Google's dominant position in the search market.

Click [here](#) to download the slides of Professor Wey's presentation (in German).

Germain Gaudin joins DICE as Schumpeter Fellow

Germain Gaudin has joined the DICE as Schumpeter Postdoctoral Fellow. From September 2009 until April 2013, Germain Gaudin was a doctoral student in economics at Telecom ParisTech, where he also received his PhD.

His research interests are industrial organization, competition policy, and regulatory economics, with a focus on electronic markets, and network industries.

Click [here](#) for Germain Gaudin's personal website.

Third cohort of the Düsseldorf Graduate School in Economics (DGSE) arrives

On 1 October, the third cohort of the Düsseldorf Graduate School in Economics (DGSE) joined DICE. Over the course of the next three years, the eight doctoral researchers will be trained in both analytical and quantitative methods to provide them with the necessary tools to become successful researchers.

The members of the third intake are:

- [Christian Fischer](#), who holds a master's degree in economics from the University of Bonn and a bachelor degree in economics from the University of Bayreuth.
- [Maria Friese](#), who holds a master's degree in economics of competition and regulation from Utrecht University and a bachelor's degree in economics from Maastricht University.
- [Lisa Hamelmann](#), who holds a Masters of Laws from Dresden University of Technology and a Bachelor of Law from the University of Applied Sciences Osnabrück.
- [Mirjam Lange](#), who holds a master's degree in economics from the University of Düsseldorf and a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Bonn.
- [Ismael Martínez-Martínez](#), who holds a master's degree in economic analysis from THEMA – Université de Cergy-Pontoise, a master's degree in theoretical physics from LPTM – Université de Cergy-Pontoise and a bachelor in physics from the University of Zaragoza.
- [Shiva Shekhar](#), who holds a master's degree in economics from the Toulouse School of Economics as well as a bachelor's degree in economics with mathematics and statistics from the Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning, India.
- [Miriam Thöne](#), who holds a master's degree in economics from the Barcelona Graduate School of Economics and a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Munich.
- [Valentin Wagner](#), who holds a master's degree in economics from the University of Cologne and a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Bonn.

Click [here](#) for further information on the Düsseldorf Graduate School in Economics (DGSE).

First graduates of Bachelor and Master Programs in Economics

On 22 November, the very first graduates of the newly established bachelor and master programs in economics received their diplomas. In total, 18

students graduated with a bachelor's degree and 4 students with a master's degree in economics.

Two prizes were awarded to outstanding graduates: Mona Groß received the prize for the best bachelor's thesis in economics for her work on "Quality Competition in German Nursing Homes: An Empirical Study." Mirjam Lange was awarded the prize for the best master's thesis for her work entitled "The Impact of Tariff Diversity on Broadband Diffusion – An Empirical Analysis." Following her graduation, Mirjam Lange joined the DICE as a doctoral researcher.

The bachelor program in economics was established in 2010, shortly after the foundation of the DICE. The master program in economics started one year later, in 2011.

Click [here](#) for further information on the Bachelor Program in Economics at DICE.

Click [here](#) for further information on the Master Program in Economics at DICE.

Jürgen Rösch finishes his PhD

Jürgen Rösch, a former doctoral researcher at DICE, defended his PhD on 29 October. In his dissertation, entitled "Six Essays in Industrial Organization," Rösch analyzes media markets, energy markets, and cartels.

Jürgen Rösch has now joined the team of Ralf Dewenter – former Professor of Economics at DICE – as a post-doctoral researcher at the Chair of Industrial Economics at Helmut Schmidt University of Hamburg.

Click [here](#) for Jürgen Rösch's personal website.

Dragan Jovanovic awarded Young Economist Award at Jornadas de Economia Industrial

Dragan Jovanovic, until recently a researcher at DICE and now a post-doctoral researcher at the University of Frankfurt, received the Young Economist Award at the Jornadas de Economia Industrial conference for his paper on "Mergers, Managerial Incentives, and Efficiencies," which is part of his dissertation which he completed at DICE last year.

In this paper, Jovanovic analyzes the effects of synergies from horizontal mergers on managerial incentives. He shows that synergies suppress managerial incentives within the non-merging firms, whereas the effect on the merged firm critically depends on the number of agents employed by its principal. As a result, consumer surplus may be monotonically decreasing in the synergy level, which opposes the use of an efficiency defence in merger control.

Click [here](#) to download the paper.

Click [here](#) for Dragan Jovanovic's personal website.

Julia Graf now post-doctoral researcher at University of Bamberg

Since 1 October, Julia Graf, former doctoral researcher at DICE, is working as a post-doctoral researcher at the Chair of Public Finance at the University of Bamberg. She will defend her PhD at DICE on 19 December, 2013.

In Bamberg, Julia will continue her research on health economics.

Click [here](#) for Julia Graf's personal website (in German).

New publications

Published:

- [An Empirical Assessment of the 2004 EU Merger Policy Reform.](#)
Tomaso Duso, Klaus Gugler & Florian Szücs
The Economic Journal, 123 (2013), F596-F619.
- [Entry Deterrence Through Cooperative R&D Over-Investment.](#)
Clémence Christin
Louvain Economic Review, 79/2 (2013), 5-26.
- [Heterogeneous Treatment Effects in Groups.](#)
Gerhard Riener & Simon Wiederhold
Economics Letters, 120 (2013), 408-412.
- [What Drives Investment in Telecommunications Markets? Evidence from OECD Countries.](#)
Ulrich Heimeshoff
Review of Economics (Jahrbuch für Wirtschaftswissenschaften), 64 (2013), 7-28.
- [How to Make Soccer More Attractive? Rewards for a Victory, the Teams' Offensiveness, and the Home Bias.](#)
Ralf Dewenter & Julian E. Namini
Journal of Sports Economics, 14 (2013), 65-86.
- [More Bits - More Bucks? Measuring the Impact of Broadband Internet on Firm Performance.](#)
Irene Bertschek, Daniel Cerquera & Gordon Jochen Klein
Information Economics and Policy, 25 (2013), 190-203.
- [Competition Policy and Productivity Growth: An Empirical Assessment.](#)
Paolo Buccirossi, Lorenzo Ciari, Tomaso Duso, Giancarlo Spagnolo & Christiana Vitale
The Review of Economics and Statistics, 95 (2013), 1324-1336.
- [Zum Verhältnis von Spitzenforschung und Politikberatung. Eine empirische Analyse vor dem Hintergrund des Ökonomenstreits.](#)
Justus Haucap & Michael Mödl
Perspektiven der Wirtschaftspolitik, 14 (2013), 346-378.
- [Braucht Deutschland einen Kapazitätsmarkt für eine sichere Stromversorgung?](#)
Justus Haucap
Zeitschrift für Wirtschaftspolitik, 62 (2013).

- [Vor- und Nachteile alternativer Allokationsmechanismen für das 900- und 1800-MHz- Frequenzspektrum.](#)
Justus Haucap & Ulrich Heimeshoff
List-Forum für Wirtschafts- und Finanzpolitik, 39 (2013), 71-90.

Forthcoming:

- Social Drinking versus Administering Alcohol.
Björn Frank, Justus Haucap & Annika Herr
Forthcoming in: Economic Inquiry.
- [Output Commitment Through Product Bundling: Experimental Evidence.](#)
Jeroen Hinloopen, Wieland Müller & Hans- Theo Normann
Forthcoming in: European Economic Review.
- [The Impact of Upfront Payments on Assortment Decisions in Retailing.](#)
Pio Baake & Vanessa von Schlippenbach
Forthcoming in: Review of Industrial Organization.
- [Open Innovation in a Dynamic Cournot Duopoly.](#)
Irina Hasnas, Luca Lambertini & Arsen Palestini
Forthcoming in: Economic Modelling.
- [Effects of Different Cartel Policies: Evidence from the German Power-Cable Industry.](#)
Hans-Theo Normann & Elaine S.Tan
Forthcoming in: Industrial and Corporate Change.
- [Do Short-Term Laboratory Experiments Provide Valid Descriptions of Long-Term Economic Interactions? A Study of Cournot Markets.](#)
Hans-Theo Normann, Israel Waichman & Till Requate
Forthcoming in: Experimental Economics.
- [Competition in Germany's Minute Reserve Power Market: An Econometric Analysis.](#)
Justus Haucap, Ulrich Heimeshoff & Dragan Jovanovic
Forthcoming in: The Energy Journal.

New Discussion Papers

- DICE Discussion Paper No 125
[Global Sourcing of Complex Production Processes, December 2013.](#)
Christian Schwarz & Jens Suedekum
- DICE Discussion Paper No 124
[Financial Liberalization and the Relationship- Specificity of Exports, December 2013.](#)
Fabrice Defever & Jens Suedekum
- DICE Discussion Paper No 123
[Why Are Educated and Risk-Loving Persons More Mobile Across Regions?, December 2013.](#)
Stefan Bauernschuster, Oliver Falck, Stephan Heblch & Jens Suedekum
- DICE Discussion Paper No 122
[Quantity or Quality? Knowledge Alliances and their Effects on Patenting, December 2013.](#)
Hanna Hottenrott & Cindy Lopes-Bento

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[City Age and City Size, November 2013.](#)
Kristian Giesen & Jens Südekum
- DICE Discussion Paper No 119
[Cultural Diversity and Plant- Level Productivity, November 2013.](#)
Michaela Trax, Stephan Brunow & Jens Südekum
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Florian Baumann, Philipp Denter & Tim Friehe
- DICE Discussion Paper No 114
[Financial Constraints and Moral Hazard: The Case of Franchising, November 2013.](#)
Ying Fan, Kai-Uwe Kühn & Francine Lafontaine
- DICE Discussion Paper No 113
[They Played the Merger Game: A Retrospective Analysis in the UK Videogames Market, October 2013.](#)
Luca Aguzzoni, Elena Argentesi, Paolo Buccirossi, Lorenzo Ciari, Tomaso Duso, Massimo Tognoni & Cristiana Vitale
- DICE Discussion Paper No 111
[Open Innovation in a Dynamic Cournot Duopoly, October 2013.](#)
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[Competitive Pressure and Corporate Crime, September 2013.](#)
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[Effects of Different Cartel Policies: Evidence from the German Power-Cable Industry, September 2013.](#)
Hans-Theo Normann & Elaine S. Tan
Forthcoming in: Industrial and Corporate Change.
- DICE Discussion Paper No 107
[Bargaining Power in Manufacturer-Retailer Relationships, September 2013.](#)
Justus Haucap, Ulrich Heimeshoff, Gordon J. Klein, Dennis Rickert, & Christian Wey.

- DICE Discussion Paper No 106
[Design Standards and Technology Adoption: Welfare Effects of Increasing Environmental Fines when the Number of Firms is Endogenous, September 2013.](#)
Florian Baumann & Tim Friehe
- DICE Discussion Paper No 105
[NYSE Changing Hands: Antitrust and Attempted Acquisitions of an Erstwhile Monopoly, August 2013.](#)
Thomas D. Jeitschko
- DICE Discussion Paper No 104
[The Green Game Changer: An Empirical Assessment of the Effects of Wind and Solar Power on the Merit Order, August 2013.](#)
Veit Böckers, Leonie Giessing & Jürgen Rösch
- DICE Discussion Paper No 103
[What Drives the Relevance and Reputation of Economics Journals? An Update from a Survey among Economists, August 2013.](#)
Justus Haucap & Johannes Muck
- DICE Discussion Paper No 102
[Passive Partial Ownership, Sneaky Takeovers, and Merger Control, August 2013.](#)
Dragan Jovanovic & Christian Wey
- DICE Discussion Paper No 101
[Inter-Format Competition among Retailers – The Role of Private Label Products in Market Delineation, August 2013.](#)
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