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RELOCATION STATUS



The relocation process that has been going on at the Department during the past couple of months is progressing as planned.

- In March NCRR moved to 2641(R), and the student organisations moved to 2640(R).
- In April the econometrics and finance people in 2628(M) 3rd floor moved to 2631(K).
- In May there were some internal relocation among the offices in 2622(C) ground floor.

During the next few months relocations will be as follows:

1-2 June:

- The reception (and [Ingrid Laurrup](#) and [Charlotte Sparrevohn](#)) will be moving to 2620(A) ground floor, and a new staff lounge and mail room are to be established in connection with the new reception area.
- TrygFonden's Centre for Child Research in 2630(K) will be moving to 2622(C) ground floor.

7-11 July:

- The programme administrators in 2632(L) will be moving to 2620(A) 1st floor.
- The logistics people in 2628(M) and logistics PhD students in 2628(M) 3rd floor and 2622(C) 1st floor will be moving to 2621(B) 1st floor.
- The finance people in 2622(C) 1st floor will be moving to 2630(K).
- The PhD students in 2622(C) 2nd and 1st floor will be moving to 2631(K) and 2632(L).

MGMT started moving in primo May and will continue until August 2017.

Before each relocation period, the specific relocation date for each member of staff will be communicated, and boxes, labels etc. will be distributed. Also, on each floor there will be several blue waste containers, so you have the opportunity to get rid of things that you don't need.

If you have any questions regarding the relocation process, please contact [Christel B. Mortensen](#): chbm@econ.au.dk / 87 16 53 95.

THE BSS FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT - WALL STREET FIGHTERS MADE IT ALL THE WAY TO THE SEMI-FINAL



On Thursday 18 May the Department's football team "Wall Street Fighters" played at the BSS indoor Football Tournament at Fodboldfabrikken.

They made it all the way to the semi-final, restoring the honor of the team since the last tournament.

"The goals were bigger this time – that made all the difference" says captain of the team, Thomas Kokholm.

They played six games in the preliminary round – three were won and three were lost. In the semi-final the Wall Street Fighters lost against the IFSK Killers from Political Science - the team that ended up winning the tournament.

The Wall Street Fighters consists of the following players: [Marcel Turkensteen](#), [Stig Vinther Møller](#), [Joshua Brain](#), [Sigurd Anders Muss Steffensen](#) and [Thomas Kokholm](#).

Congratulations, guys! Well done!

[Read more about the tournament](#)

BREAKFAST ROLLS ON WEDNESDAY INSTEAD OF FRIDAY THIS WEEK!



Due to the Ascension Day on Thursday, many of you will probably take the day off on Friday, so the breakfast rolls will be served on Wednesday instead of Friday this week.

So rolls on Wednesday morning (24 May) in the staff lunch room – see you then.

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS - EURIAS FELLOWSHIPS



The European Institutes for Advanced Study (EURIAS) Fellowship Programme calls for applications for 54 fellowships at 19 European institutes.

The programme is a researcher mobility programme offering 10-month residencies in one of the 19 participating Institutes in: Aarhus, Amsterdam, Berlin, Bologna, Budapest, Cambridge, Delmenhorst, Edinburgh, Freiburg, Helsinki, Jerusalem, Lyon, Madrid, Marseille, Paris, Uppsala, Vienna, Warsaw and Zürich.

Applicants may apply for fellowships in countries other than their country of nationality or residence. Young scholars as well as leading senior researchers may apply.

The application deadline is 7 June at 4 pm.

[Read more](#)

COURSES ON SUPERVISION AND BLENDED LEARNING - DEADLINE 31 MAY



Deadline for registration for Aarhus BSS' courses on supervision of Master/PhD students and collegial supervision and blended learning is getting closer, so here is a reminder that you should sign up before 31 May if you would like to attend one of the courses.

Both courses are offered in Danish in the autumn of 2017, the course on blended learning is offered in English in the spring of 2018, and the course on supervision is offered in English in the autumn of 2019.

- **Supervision of Master/PhD students and collegial supervision**
The basic idea of this course is that systematic and local exchange of experience between experienced colleagues helps to boost the individual and the supervision practice as a whole.

[Read more - in Danish](#)

[Read more - in English](#)

- **Go Online - blended learning**
The basic idea of this course is that selection and deselection of Educational IT must be made on an informed basis. The participants will gain experience with and insight into how Educational IT may be incorporated into the planning of teaching activities.

[Read more - in Danish](#)

[Read more - in English](#)

DANISH COURSES AT AU



Beginners' Crash Course

The beginners' crash course in Danish is dedicated to the international staff members at AU, as well as their spouses, who would like to have a fast start-up in Danish, gain basic conversational skills and a quick insight into the Danish culture and working vocabulary.

The next beginners' crash course in Danish takes place from 21 August to 1 September 2017 from 8:30 to 11:30 at the International Centre, Høegh-Guldbergs Gade 4, 8000 Aarhus C.

Sign up before 13 August 2017.

[Read more](#)

Full Semester Course

The full semester course in Danish is for international staff members at AU, as well as their spouses, who would like to study Danish more thoroughly.

The next full semester course in Danish will start in September 2017 and takes place twice a week either Mondays & Wednesdays 16:15-17:45 or Tuesdays & Thursdays 18:00-19:30 at Nobelparken.

Sign up before 10 September 2017.

[Read more](#)

EVENTS

DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER SEMINAR TOMORROW



Don't miss the Distinguished Speaker Seminar with Bruce E. Hansen tomorrow Wednesday 24 May 14:30-15:30 in Auditorium 2624(E)-2. The seminar will be followed by a reception.

The seminar is entitled "Model Averaging in Econometrics" and is organised by CREATES.

Bruce E. Hansen is Phipps Distinguished Chair of Economics at University of Wisconsin-Madison, and his main research area is within econometric theory and methods with an emphasis on techniques with practical application for applied economists.

[Read more](#)

UPCOMING CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS ETC.



- **[2017 AU Award Ceremony](#)**
Date: 24 May 2017 11:00-13:30
Venue: AU Main Hall
- **[Distinguished Speaker Seminar: Bruce E. Hansen](#)**
Date: 24 May 2017 14:30-15:30
Venue: Fuglesangs Allé, 2624(E)-2
- **[9th Nordic Econometric Meeting](#)**
Dates: 24-27 May 2017
Venue: Tartu, Estonia
Deadline for paper submission: 15 February.

- **[The 12th Nordic Summer Institute in Labor Economics](#)**
 Dates: 6-7 June 2017
 Venue: Mols

- **[Workshop on Early Life Environment and Human Capital Formation](#)**
 Dates: 12-13 June 2017
 Venue: Helsinki
 Deadline: 1 April 2017

- **[XIIIth Danish International Economics Workshop](#)**
 Host: The Tuborg Research Centre for Globalisation and Firms
 Dates: 15-16 June 2017
 Venue: Scandic Aarhus City Hotel, Aarhus

- **[PeRCent Annual Conference 2017](#)**
 Date: 20 June 2017
 Deadline: 13 June 2017
 Venue: Copenhagen Business School

- **[9th RCEA Money-Macro-Finance workshop: "Monetary and Fiscal Policy in the Next Recession"](#)**
 Dates: 23-24 June 2017
 Venue: Waterloo, Ontario

- **[Child Development: The Roles of the Family and Public Policies](#)**
 Dates: 3-4 August 2017
 Venue: Munkebjerg Hotel, Vejle.

- **[Norges Bank Workshop: "Housing and household finance](#)**
 Dates: 28-29 August 2017
 Deadline: 15 May 2017
 Venue: Oslo

- **[Workshop on Time-Varying Uncertainty in Macro](#)**
 Dates: 2-3 September 2017
 Deadline: 9 June 2017
 Venue: University of St Andrews

- **[2nd York Workshop on Labour and Family Economics \(WOLFE\)](#)**
 Dates: 4-5 September 2017
 Venue: York
 Deadline: 15 June 2017

- **[Conference: "Gender Economics of Labor Markets" and Lindahl Lectures](#)**
 Dates: 12-13 September 2017
 Deadline 15 May 2017

Venue: Uppsala

- [Conference: "Big data, machine learning and the macroeconomy"](#)

Dates: 2-3 October 2017

Venue: Norges Bank, Oslo

Deadline: 31 July 2017

- [Conference: Labor Markets and Macroeconomics](#)

Dates: 13-14 October 2017

Deadline: 15 May 2017

Venue: Nürnberg, Germany

ALL EVENTS

[See the list of all coming events at the Department: seminars, workshops, PhD defences, PhD courses etc. here.](#)

Do you know of an event that is not mentioned on the list, please contact [Birgitte Højklint Nielsen](mailto:birgitte.hojkling@econ.au.dk) bhoekling@econ.au.dk

SEMINARS

UPCOMING SEMINARS



[Get an overview of forthcoming seminars at the Department here.](#)

We have the following seminar series:

[Accounting Research Lunch Seminars](#)

[CORAL Seminars](#)

[CREATES lunch seminars](#)

[CREATES weekly seminars](#)

[Distinguished Speaker Seminar Series](#)

[Economics Seminar Series](#)

[Experimental Research in Social Science](#)

[Finance Seminar Series](#)

[Labour and Public Policy Seminars](#)

[MOB Seminar Series](#)

[Trygfonden's Child Research Seminar Series](#)

[Tuborg Research Centre Seminars](#)

CALL - AUFF STARTING GRANTS 2017



The Aarhus University Research Foundation's (AUFF) has announced its call for applications for AUFF Starting Grants 2017.

With AUFF Starting Grants, The Aarhus University Research Foundation wishes to secure outstanding researchers good career opportunities at Aarhus University and, moreover, promote particularly promising internationally renowned research at the four faculties.

The September application round is aimed at growth areas at Aarhus University, and the 2017 call for AUFF Starting Grants is targeted at assistant and associate professors employed by 1 July 2016 or later.

The application deadline is Friday 1 September 2017 at 12:00 noon.

[Read more](#)

WORKSHOP AND APPLICATION SUPPORT FOR ERC STARTING GRANT APPLICANTS



The Research Support Office is hosting a workshop for ERC Starting Grant applicants on 8 June.

The workshop will give you an understanding of the ERC proposal and let you work directly on your proposal elements:

- Develop your idea around ERC concepts
- Discuss your idea with other applicants
- How to choose your panel
- Intro to the budget – what is possible?

In addition, the applicants are offered guidance, feedback and support up to the deadline in mid-October.

[Read more about the ERC Starting Grant workshop and support here](#)

Note also that there will be an information meeting about ERC on 23 May.

[Read more about the information meeting here](#)

Applicants for Consolidator and Advanced Grants are also offered support. Please contact the [Research Support Office](#) if you are planning to apply for those grants. The next deadline for Consolidator grant applications is expected to be in February 2018, and deadline for Advanced is 31 August 2017, and after that September 2018.

PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED CALLS

Previously announced calls etc. regarding funding that are still valid can be found on the staff portal, see: econ.medarbejdere.au.dk/research/external-funding/calls-for-applications/.

For information about where to get assistance etc. when applying for external funding, see: econ.medarbejdere.au.dk/research/external-funding/.

EMPLOYEE NEWS

NEW ADMINISTRATIVE EMPLOYEE



On 1 June Anne Lisberg Johansen will start as an administrative employee at the Department. She will be working with the administrative support of some of our educational programmes, and she will also do proofreading.

Anne will be in office 2632(L)-239 until the beginning of July when she will be moving to 2620(A) 1st floor.

NEW ASSISTANT PROFESSOR



Anil Kumar will be employed as assistant professor at the Department on a 1-year contract from 1 June 2017.

Anil's principal areas of research include corporate finance, real estate, and return comovement. In particular, his research covers investment in real estate assets and the effect of owning real estate assets on various corporate financing decisions.

Anil Kumar will be in office 2631(K)-139.

THE PHD CORNER

PHD DEFENCE: CHRISTIAN ELLERMANN-AARSLEV



[Christian Ellermann-Aarslev](#) will defend his PhD dissertation entitled "History Dependent Uemployment Insurance" on Monday 29 May 13:15-16:00 in auditorium 2624(E)-1.

The assessment committee consists of the following members:

- Professor Ann-Sofie Kolm, Stockholm University
- Associate Professor Birthe Larsen, Copenhagen Business School
- Associate Professor [Rune Majlund Vejlin](#), AU (chair)

Professor [Torben M. Andersen](#) has been Christian's supervisor.

The defence will be followed by a reception in 2632(L)-242/L243 (the lounge).

[Read more](#)

PHD DEFENCE: MARTIN ALFARO



[Martin Alfaro](#) will defend his PhD dissertation entitled "Essays on International Trade and Strategic Behavior" on Tuesday 13 June 13:15-16:00 in 2624(E)-2.

The assessment committee consists of the following members:

- Professor Hylke Vandenbussche, University of Leuven and CEPR
- Professor Flora Bellone, Université Nice Sophia Antipolis, GREDEG and CNRS
- Professor [Tor Erikson](#), Aarhus University (chair)

Professor [Valerie Smeets](#) has been Martin's supervisor.

The defence will be followed by a reception in 2632(L)-162 (the Tuborg Atrium).

[Read more](#)

PHD RELATED EVENTS AT THE DEPARTMENT

[See the list of all PhD courses at the Department.](#)

Would you like to announce a PhD related event in ECON News or on the website - please contact [Birgitte Højklint Nielsen](#).

PUBLICATIONS

NEW PUBLICATIONS - SEND ME YOUR FRONT PAGE

I have received the front pages and abstracts of three new publications and three new working papers. Thank you. See them below. Have you also published something new and would you like to share it with the rest of us? Send me the front page and abstract of your publication - then I will announce it in the next issue of ECON News: [Birgitte Højklint Nielsen](#), bhoeklint@econ.au.dk.

Publications:

- [Frank Thinggaard](#): [The Role and Current Status of IFRS in the Completion of National Accounting Rules – Evidence from Denmark](#), Accounting in Europe, Volume 14, 2017 - Issue 1-2, pp. 67-79.
- Bente Jensen, [Peter Jensen](#) and [Astrid Würtz Rasmussen](#): [Does Professional Development of Preschool Teachers Improve Children's Socio-Emotional Outcomes?](#), Labour Economics 45, pp. 26-39.

- [Peder J. Pedersen](#): Lønudvikling, løndannelse og økonomisk ulighed, Ch. 4 in N. Ploug (ed.): Økonomisk ulighed i Danmark, Jurist- og Økonomiforbundets Forlag.

Working papers:

- [Nabanita Datta Gupta](#), [Anton Nielsson](#) and Abdu Kadir Seid: [Short- and Long-Term Effects of Adolescent Alcohol Access: Evidence from Denmark](#), Economics Working Papers 2017-3.
- [Tommaso Proietti](#) and Alessandro Giovannelli: [A Durbin-Levinson Regularized Estimator of High Dimensional Autocovariance Matrices](#), CREATES Research Paper 2017-20.
- [Daniel Borup](#) and [Martin Thyrgaard](#): [Statistical tests for equal predictive ability across multiple forecasting methods](#), CREATES Research Paper 2017-19.
- Michael Koch and [Marcel Smolka](#): [Foreign Ownership and Skill-biased Technological Change](#), Economics Working Papers 2017-4.

ALL PUBLICATIONS

[All ECON publications and working papers may be seen here.](#)

Please note that some publications may be missing – the list will be updated on a regular basis.

COLOPHON

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