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News and announcements



Anne Floor Sørensen honoured as lecturer of the year by the Oecon/Soc students

Oeconrådet has announced that this year's winner of "The Golden Pointer" ("Den Gyldne Pegepind") is PhD student <u>Anne Floor Sørensen</u>. Anne is acknowledged for her entertaining lecturers and her great knowledge about the subject, and the students describe her as a highly skilled and committed lecturer. With the honour comes a sum of DKK 7,500

sponsored by Nordea. Congratulations! Read the press release from Oeconrådet (in Danish).



Torben M. Andersen appointed chairman of new poverty line expert committee

<u>Torben M. Andersen</u> has been appointed chairman of a new expert committee on poverty line set up by Minister of Social Affairs and Integration Karen Hækkerup. The members of the committee are to investigate from which criteria it is relevant to assess poverty in Denmark, and they must focus on poverty traps and which factors that bring people into

poverty. The Committee is expected to finish its work by spring 2013. Read the press release (in Danish).





Mehr Award to Peter Løchte Jørgensen and Anders Grosen

Peter Løchte Jørgensen and Anders Grosen have been selected as this year's
recipients of the Mehr Award from the American Risk and Insurance
Association for their 2002 article in the Journal of Risk and Insurance
entitled, "Life Insurance Liabilities at Market Value: An Analysis of
Insolvency Risk, Bonus Policy, and Regulatory Intervention Rules in a Barrier
Option Framework." The purpose of the Mehr Award is to recognize the

article published in the JRI 10 years ago that has best stood the test of time. Congratulations!



Distinguished Speaker Seminar: William Greene

On 30 May, <u>CREATES</u> hosts a Distinguished Speaker Seminar with <u>Professor William Greene</u> from New York University. The title of the seminar will be: "Spatial Discrete Choice Models". The seminar will be held at Bartholins Allé in Auditorium 011 of building 1324 at 2:15pm. Everyone is welcome to participate in the Distinguished Speaker Seminar Series, and after the lecture there will be a reception in Riddersalen, building 1323, 3rd floor. <u>See poster</u>.

More information.

Workshop on "Children's Human Capital Development" – Call for papers

On 15 – 17 August the Department hosts a workshop with the title: "Children's Human Capital Development". The workshop is organized by <u>Marianne Simonsen</u>, and keynote speakers are: <u>Flavio Cunha</u>, University of Pennsylvania; <u>Joseph Doyle</u>, MIT; <u>Kevin Milligan</u>, University of British Columbia; <u>Mark Stabile</u>, University of Toronto. <u>Call for papers</u>. Sign up for the Workshop via <u>Webshop</u> before 18 June. <u>More information</u>.

Workshop: "How to write successful grants"

The workshop "How to write successful grants" organised by the Research Support Unit at AU will take place on 12, 13 and 14 June and 19 and 20 September and 27 and 29 November. The workshop is aimed at scientists with no or little experience within grant writing. On 14 June and 29 November, the workshop will be in English, and non-Danish speaking scientists will have first priority. For registration and more information, please see: http://www.au.dk/forskningsstoetteenheden/arrangementer/workshop/ (in Danish).



Reminder: Seminar on writing excellent applications for Post Doc funds

This is to remind you of the seminar on how to write excellent applications for Post Doc funds to the <u>Danish Council for Independent Research</u> (DFF) – FSE, announced in ECON News 14. The seminar is organized by Coordinator for External Funding at the

Department <u>Helena Skyt Nielsen</u>. At the seminar, <u>Anne Marie Zwergius</u> will talk about what kind of support can be provided by the <u>Research Support Unit</u> at AU, and <u>Nabanita Datte Gupta</u>, who is member of the FSE council, will talk about the assessment by FSE: What do the FSE committee value? and how do we meet these requirements? Finally <u>Niels Skipper</u> and <u>Anders Kock</u> will share their experience with the process of writing successful FSE Post Doc applications. The seminar will be held on 15 June. See the seminar programme <u>here</u>.



EliteForsk calls

The Danish Council for Independent Research has published its calls for proposals for the EliteForsk Award and for applications for the EliteForsk Travel Scholarships. Deadline for both calls is 2 September 2012. The EliteForsk Award is given to five

talented young researchers (< 45), and each award is worth DKK 1.2 million. The EliteForsk Travel Scholarships are given to 20 talented PhD students enrolled at Danish institutions. Each scholarship is worth DKK 300,000 and must be spent in connection with a research stay abroad in one of the best international research environments.

See the <u>call for proposals for the EliteForsk Award here</u> (in Danish)
See the call for applications for the EliteForsk Travel Scholarships here (in Danish.



Workshop: "How to coordinate and administer EU Framework projects"

The course is designed to develop skills of the participants so that they can coordinate or administer projects funded by the <u>European Framework Programme for Research and Innovation</u>. It is for newcomers and participants with basic knowledge about the Framework programme (current or future project coordinators). The workshop will be held on 13 June

in Bonn, or you may book a private webinar. See the invitation.

Workshop "Funding models for research organisations"

The workshop "Funding models for research organisations: How to finance a research institute with alternative revenue streams?" will be held on 25 May 2012 (or 18 July 2012) in Bonn. Organisations involved in research and innovation are dependent on public funding organisations. However, there are alternative funding models and strategies, which can help organisations to diversify their funding sources and generate own financial sources. The course is designed to introduce alternative funding models and develop skills of the participants so that they can introduce these models in their own organisation. See the invitation.

Have you received a new grant?

If you have received a new grant, then that is definitely something that your colleagues would like to read about in ECON News. So please write an e-mail to <u>Birgitte Højklint Nielsen</u> if you are the happy receiver of a new grant, then it will be announced in the next issue of ECON News.

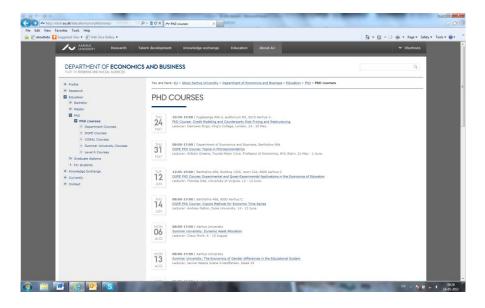
The PhD corner

PhD course: "Estimating Causal Effects of Public Programs with Applications in Healthcare and Child Welfare"

Marianne Simonsen has organized this course, which will be held on 13 – 15 August at the Department with Joseph Doyle, MIT, as lecturer. The course will cover frontier research on the evaluation of public programs with a particular focus on issues related to healthcare design and child welfare. Methodological topics will include differences-in-differences, regression discontinuity designs, social experiments, and instrumental variables. Knowledge at the level of Wooldridge (2002) is required. The course is directed at all Danish and international PhD students, as well as postdocs and other researchers. If you wish to participate please sign up via the AU Webshop no later than June 18. More information.

PhD courses at the Department of Economics and Business:

The PhD courses at the Department have got their own website now. It is divided into categories showing courses arranged by CORAL, DGPE etc., and one site provides a full list of all future PhD courses at the Department. Check it out here.



Would you like to announce a PhD related event in ECON News or on the website - please let me know: bhoejklint@econ.au.dk.

Events



See the list of all coming events at the Department: seminars, workshops, PhD defences, PhD courses etc. <u>here</u>.

Do you know of an event that is not mentioned on the list, please let me know:

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Seminars



Get an overview of forthcoming seminars at the Department here.

We have the following seminar series:

Brownbag Lunch Workshop

CORAL Seminars

CREATES lunch seminars

CREATES weekly seminars

Distinguished Speaker Seminar Series

Economics Seminar Series

Finance Seminar Series

Management Seminar Series

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Publications

New publications?

Have you published something within the past couple of weeks, and would you like to share it with the rest of us? Send me the title of your publication and where and when it was published, and, if possible, a link – then I will announce it in the next issue of ECON News: bhoejklint@econ.au.dk.

All publications

All ECON publications and working papers may be seen <u>here</u>. Please note that some publications may be missing – this will be corrected as soon as possible.

Colophon

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Deadline for input: Thursday 31 May at 12. E-mail: bhoejklint@econ.au.dk

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