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INFO MEETING ON DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH GRANTS



The Research and Support Office, AU, hosts an information meeting about the 2013-call for grants from the Consultative Research Committee for Development Research (FFU). The meeting will take place on 30 October 1 - 3pm at Frederik Nielsensvej 4.

The 2013-themes are:

- Governance in fragile and unstable environments
- Green economy, inclusive growth and employment
- Rights to natural resources

[See the programme and register here.](#)

ARTS COMMITTEE



The department needs an art committee to discuss and suggest where the paintings and pictures from the different previous locations of the department should hang.

If you would like to volunteer for the committee or if you would like to suggest a colleague whom you know is interested in art, please contact [Lene Bavnbek Enevoldsen](mailto:lene@asb.dk) before 29 October: lene@asb.dk.

OFFICE SUPPLIES



Office supplies are available in 2632(L)-252. If you have special requests regarding office supplies, please contact Ingrid (inl@asb.dk), then she will check whether it is possible to fulfil your request

VISITING RESEARCHER: NIELS-HUGO BLUNCH



Niels-Hugo Blunch, Associate Professor, Washington and Lee University, USA is currently visiting the department and will be here for the next 2-1/2 months, financed by the Aarhus University Research Foundation's Guest Researcher Grant.

Niels-Hugo Blunch will be working with [Nabanita Datta Gupta](#) on a project dealing with the determinants of health knowledge in developing countries. He is located in office 2632(L)-127.

CHIEF EXECUTIVES GATHERED AT OECON CONFERENCE



On Saturday 29 September 2012, the Oecon Conference 2012 took place at Aarhus University, where Danish and international chief executives and economists gathered to discuss this year's topic: "Globalization and Growth". [Read more about the conference here.](#)



At the conference, the SEB award was granted to this year's newly graduated MSc in Economics and Management: Kasper Vinther Olesen. [Read more about this year's SEB award here.](#)

GUIDE FOR MAC USERS - MEETING ROOMS IN OUTLOOK



It-support has made a guide for MAC users on how to add and book meeting rooms in the Outlook Calendar. [See it here.](#)

We have the following meeting rooms at the department:

- 2621(B)-04
- 2630(K)-104
- 2632(L)-161
- 2632(L)-163
- 2632(L)-242
- 2632(L)-243
- 2632(L)-261
- 2632(L)-263
- 2628(M)-323

MEETING ABOUT CAUSALITY IN SURVEY RESEARCH

[Danish Society for Survey Research](#) hosts a meeting about causality in survey research on 8 November. The meeting will be held in Copenhagen, but an additional meeting will be arranged in Aalborg in January. See the programme and sign up [here](#).

THE PHD CORNER

PROJECT PRESENTATION - PILAR WASHBURN

PhD student [Pilar Washburn](#) will present a draft of her first article on Tuesday 30 October at 12 - 13pm in meeting room 2632(L)-261.

The paper is entitled: "To what degree are second-tier audit firms specialists and is their audit quality higher in the industries in which they specialize?". Pilar's supervisor is [Frank Thinggaard](#). [See link](#).

PHD COURSES AT THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS

[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 let me know: bhoejklint@econ.au.dk.

STAFF PORTRAITS

STAFF PORTRAIT: ANNETTE MORTENSEN



How long have you been employed at the Department of Economics and Business?

I have been with the Department since January 2004 and for most of that time I have loved working here. Despite certain misgivings about losing the University Park, it turns out that I am also perfectly happy here at Fuglesangs Allé.

What is your background?

I have a Korrespondenteksamen (BA degree) in English and German. In my twenties I spent 3 years in Spain, so I also speak Spanish. Before starting at the Department, I worked in the private sector.

What are your main tasks at the department?

The major part of my working hours is filled with proof-reading and translations, and besides that I try to help my VIPs (faculty) with whatever secretarial and administrative tasks they may have for me.

Which job tasks have occupied you the most the past weeks?

Recently I've been doing some translations for Julia Nafziger from German into Danish. I really

enjoyed that because it's seldom I get to use German here at the Department.

What do you do when you are not at work?

As some of you already know, I only work part time at the Department (20 hours a week) – and there is a good reason for that. In my spare time I play golf, kayak, hike, bike, dance, go to pilates and read as many books as possible. Amazon.com is without doubt my favourite shopping site, and I will buy almost anything on the New York Times fiction best seller list. Besides that I just love to travel.

Last, but certainly not least, I have four boys, and those of you with small children will probably be surprised one day to find out that even grown kids will appreciate your help with myriads of small (and sometimes bigger) things. Luckily they always thank me nicely, so I'm glad to help them.

Who do you think should be the next department staff member to be presented?

Tor Eriksson.

What specific supplementary question would you like him or her to answer?

If you didn't work at the Department of Economics and Business, what would you be doing?

STAFF PORTRAIT: SILVIA MIGALI



How long have you been employed at the Department of Economics and Business?

One month

What is your background?

I studied Economics (Bachelor and Master) at "Universita' degli Studi di Firenze".

What are your main areas of research?

Labour Economics

What do you expect will be the biggest difference between being a PhD student and being a regular student?

The possibility to develop my own ideas and to carry out independent research.

What was your first impression of the department and your new colleagues?

I find the department a stimulating research environment; the colleagues are very committed to help me develop my research skills and potentialities.

What do you do when you are not at work?

I like visiting the centre, the parks and the museums of Aarhus.

PUBLICATIONS

NEW PUBLICATIONS - SEND ME YOUR FRONT PAGE

I have received the front pages of 6 new publications. Thank you for that. 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 of your publication (and, if possible, an abstract) - then I will announce it in the next issue of ECON News: bhoejklint@econ.au.dk.

- Lars Hultkrantz, [Peder J. Pedersen](#) et al.: [Utvärdering av högskoleutbildningarna i nationalekonomi](#), Ekonomisk Debatt No 5 2012, 40.
- [Mark Podolskij](#), Christian Schmidt and Johanna Fasciati Ziegel: [Limit theorems for non-degenerate U-statistics of continuous semimartingales](#), CREATES Research Paper 2012, 40.
- [Eric Hillebrand](#), Tae-Hwy Lee and Marcelo C. Medeiros: [Let's Do It Again: Bagging Equity Premium Predictors](#), CREATES Research Paper 2012, 41.
- Jan De Loecker and [Frederic Warzynski](#): [Markups and Firm-Level Export Status](#), American Economic Review 2012, 102(6): 2437-2471.
- [Martin Møller Andreasen](#): [An Estimated DSGE Model: Explaining Variation in Nominal Term Premia, Real Term Premia, and Inflation Risk Premia](#), Forthcoming in European Economic Review.
- [Martin Møller Andreasen](#): [Non-Linear DSGE Models and the Central Difference Kalman Filter](#), Forthcoming in Journal of Applied Econometrics.

ALL PUBLICATIONS

[All ECON publications and working papers may be seen here](#). Please note that some publications may be missing – this will be corrected as soon as possible.

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 let me know: bhoejklint@econ.au.dk.

SEMINARS



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

We have the following seminar series:

[Accounting Research Lunch Seminars](#)

[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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