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DEPARTMENT CHRISTMAS PARTY - DEADLINE EXTENDED



Don't forget to sign up for this year's Christmas Party at the Department, which will be held on Friday 11 December at 4 pm.

There will be a quiz with numbers, great music, and as usual we will play the traditional Danish "Pakkeleg", so please bring a small gift (approx. DKK 20).

The party will take place in our lunch room (2632(L)-141).

The menu will be traditional Danish Christmas style, and there will be wine, beer and snaps.

- The price is DKK 150 per person.
- Please sign up via this link: <https://auws.au.dk/ChristmasParty2015>
- Deadline for registration has been extended till 1 December at 12 noon.

NEW WASTE BINS FOR PAPER



In the beginning of December, the waste bin in your office will be replaced by an A4 paper tray which must be used for waste paper. The paper tray can be placed in your bookcase and can be used with or without its top section – there will be instructions on it.

If you want to dispose of the waste paper yourself in the nearest copy room, you should attach the sticker, which will be handed out, to your tray. If you do not want to handle the waste paper yourself, you do not have to do anything – the cleaning staff will continue to handle your waste paper as usual.

The procedure for handling residual waste has not changed; that is, you should still put residual waste in the small white plastic bags and place them in the kitchen bins.

Along with your new paper tray, you will receive instructions explaining, among other things, what waste paper is (clean paper), and what goes under the definition of residual waste (candy wrappers, napkins, used paper plates, food etc.).

This new procedure is part of a pilot project at Campus Fuglesangs Allé with the aim of making it easier for you to sort your waste and to make the work easier for the cleaning assistants. The project will be evaluated in the spring of 2016 to see if the procedure should continue and be implemented at other parts of Aarhus BSS.

[Read more about cleaning standards at Aarhus BSS](#) (in Danish).

If you have any questions or comments regarding this new waste paper system, you should contact Jeannette Madsen from Aarhus BSS Estates Facilities: jepe@au.dk.

ANNETTE MORTENSEN IS LEAVING THE DEPARTMENT



[Annette Mortensen](#) has been on leave from her position as study and research supporter at the Department since September and has now decided not to return.

Annette Mortensen has been at the Department for many years, and she will be missed by many of her colleagues here.

We wish Annette the best of luck with her new life as an active full-time hausfrau.

COURSES AND EDUCATION PROGRAMMES AS INCOME-GENERATING ACTIVITIES AT AU



The following events will be held at AU in order to inspire to development of income-generating activities at AU:

- A theme meeting about courses and education programmes as income-generating activities at AU will be held on 12 January 2016 from 12 to 3:30 pm for all employees who are interested in the topic. [Read more](#) (in Danish).
- A meeting for administrative specialists about courses and education programmes as income-generating activities at AU will be held on 7 January from 10 am to 12 noon. [Read more](#) (in Danish).

Read more about courses and education programmes as income-generating activities at AU: [Background material](#) (in Danish).

ALL ABOUT FUNDING

NEWSLETTER ON RESEARCH TRENDS FROM THE CENTRAL DENMARK EU OFFICE



The Central Denmark EU Office sends out a monthly newsletter on research trends in the EU. The newsletter covers research, innovation, funding opportunities and policy priorities at EU-level and gives the reader an overview of what is on top of the agenda of the European Union with special attention to research and innovation.

The newsletter is in English.

[Read the newsletter from October here](#)

Send an e-mail to re@centraldenmark.eu if you would like to receive the newsletter once a month.

APPLY FOR FUNDING FOR COMPETENCE DEVELOPMENT



All employees at Aarhus University can apply for funding for specific competence development activities.

The fund is intended to encourage employees and managers to prioritise competence development in order to meet AU's needs as well as promoting employees' individual and professional development.

The next application deadline is 15 December 2015.

[Read more](#)

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/.

EVENTS

UPCOMING CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS



- **[CAFE Workshop](#)**
Dates: 16-18 December 2015
Deadline: 2 October 2015
Venue: Comwell Kellers Park, Børkop
- **[Symposium in Applied Statistics](#)**
Dates: 25-27 January 2016
Deadline: 30 October 2015 (title and abstract)
Venue: Copenhagen Business School
- **Danish Public Choice Workshop** (link TBA)
Date: 29 January 2016
Deadline: 30 November 2015
Venue: CEPOS, Copenhagen
- **[2016 Winter Global Business Conference](#)**
Dates: 1-5 February 2016
Submission deadline: 26 Oct. 2015
Venue: Tignes, France

- [**4th Business Systems Laboratory International Symposium: "Governing Business Systems: Theories and Challenges for Systems Thinking in Practice"**](#)

Dates: 24-26 August 2016

Deadline: 15 March 2016

Venue: Vilnius, Lithuania

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:bhoejklint@econ.au.dk) bhoejklint@econ.au.dk

THE PHD CORNER

PHD DEFENCE: ORIMAR SAURI



[Orimar Sauri](#) will defend his PhD thesis entitled "Lévy Semistationary Models with Applications in Energy Markets" on Thursday 10 December at 10:15 am in auditorium 2624(E)-1.

The assessment committee consists of the following members:

- Professor Fred Espen Benth, University of Oslo
- Professor Friedrich Hubalek, TU Wien
- Associate Professor [Elisa Nicolato](#), Aarhus University (chair)

The defence will be followed by a reception in room M303, building 2628.

[Read more](#)

PHD DEFENCE: KRISTINE VASILJEVA



[Kristine Vasiljeva](#) will defend her PhD thesis entitled "Essays on Immigration in a Generous Welfare State" on Tuesday 15 December 2015 at 11:15 am in auditorium 2624(E)-1.

The assessment committee consists of the following members:

- Associate Professor Tommaso Frattini, University of Milan
- Senior Researcher Beatrice Schindler Rangvid, The Danish National Centre for Social Research (SFI)
- Professor [Nabanita Datta Gupta](#), Aarhus University (chair)

The defence will be followed by a reception in room L162 (Tuborg Atrium), building 2632.

[Read more](#)

PHD DEFENCE: JONAS NYGAARD ERIKSEN



[Jonas Nygaard Eriksen](#) will defend his PhD thesis entitled "Business Cycles and Expected Returns" on Friday 18 December at 1:15 pm in auditorium 2624(E)-1.

The assessment committee consists of the following members:

- Professor Jesper Rangvid, Copenhagen Business School
- Economist Andreas Schrimpf, Bank for International Settlements
- Associate Professor [Thomas Quistgaard Pedersen](#), Aarhus University (chair)

The defence will be followed by a reception in 2628(M)-303.

[Read more](#)

PHD DEFENCE: SIMON JUUL HVIID



[Simon Juul Hviid](#) will defend his PhD thesis entitled "Dynamic Models of the Housing Market" on Friday 8 January 2016 at 1:15 pm in auditorium 2624(E)-1.

The assessment committee consists of the following members:

- Associate Professor Mette Gørtz, University of Copenhagen
- Lecturer Esteban Aucejo, London School of Economics
- Associate Professor [Stig Vinther Møller](#), Aarhus University (chair)

The defence will be followed by a reception in 2628(M)-303.

[Read more](#)

PRESENT CONTRIBUTION



If you would like to contribute to a present in connection with a PhD defence, please contact [Susanne Christensen](#) (2632(L)-126). A direct mail is sent to all PhD students before the defence.

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](#).

SEMINARS

UPCOMING SEMINARS



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

We have the following seminar series:

[Accounting Research Lunch Seminars](#)

[CIRRAU Lunch Seminar Series](#)

[CORAL Seminars](#)

[CREATES lunch seminars](#)

[CREATES weekly seminars](#)

[Distinguished Speaker Seminar Series](#)

[Economics Seminar Series](#)

[Finance Seminar Series](#)

[Labour and Public Policy Seminars](#)

[MOB Seminar Series](#)

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

[Tuborg Research Centre Seminars](#)

PUBLICATIONS

NEW PUBLICATIONS - SEND ME YOUR FRONT PAGE

I have received front pages and abstracts of 5 new working papers. 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: [Birgitte Højklint Nielsen](mailto:bhojklint@econ.au.dk), bhojklint@econ.au.dk.

Working Papers:

- Harri Pönkä: [The Role of Credit in Predicting US Recessions](#), CREATES Research Paper 2015-48.
- [Palle Sørensen](#): [Credit policies before and during the financial crisis](#), CREATES Research Paper 2015-49.
- [Shin Kanaya](#): [Uniform Convergence Rates of Kernel-Based Nonparametric Estimators for Continuous Time Diffusion Processes: A Damping Function Approach](#), CREATES Research Paper 2015-50.
- [Erik Strøjer Madsen](#) and Simon Hartington: [Disruptive technologies and networking in telecom industries](#), Economics Working Papers 2015-21.
- [Tommaso Proietti](#): [Exponential Smoothing, Long Memory and Volatility Prediction](#), CREATES Research Paper 2015-51.

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

ECON News is issued every two weeks.

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Deadline for input: Thursday 3 December at 12 noon

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