



Halle Institute for Economic Research
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IWH Senior Workshop on Future Labour Markets (FLAME)

June 13-14, 2025 in Halle (Saale)

Friday, June 13, 2025

09:00–09:10 am

Welcome

09:10–10:10 am

Private Health Insurance under Universal Coverage: Balancing Efficiency and Equity

Jens Wikström, Gothenburg University

Discussant: Nathan Lazarus, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

10:10–11:10 am

Minimum Wages, Productivity, and Reallocation

Steffen Müller, IWH and Otto von Guericke University Magdeburg

Discussant: Thomas Lemieux, Vancouver School of Economics at the University of British Columbia

11:10–11:30 am

Coffee break

11:30–12:30 pm

Outside Job Opportunities and the Gender Gap in Pay

Lena Hensvik, Uppsala University

Discussant: Simon Wiederhold, IWH and Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg

12:30–01:30 pm

Lunch break

01:30–02:30 pm

Beyond Training: Informal Learning, Worker Agency, and Market Structure

Alexander L.P. Willen, Norwegian School of Economics, Bergen

Discussant: Adam Gill, Uppsala University

02:30–04:00 pm

Poster Session* with Coffee

04:00–05:00 pm

What Does Consulting Do?

Simon Jäger, Princeton University

Discussant: Alexander L.P. Willen, Norwegian School of Economics, Bergen

05:00–06:00 pm

The Great North American Union Divergence: New Evidence from Survey Data

Suresh Naidu, Columbia University

Discussant: Chantal Pezold, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

07:00 pm

Conference Dinner

(upon invitation, only)

* For more details, see page 3.



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Firms' Wage Setting Practices in the Cross Section: Evidence from Germany

Benjamin Schoefer, University of California, Berkeley
Discussant: David Seim, Stockholm University

10:00–11:00 am

Measuring Gender Attitudes

Heather Sarsons, Vancouver School of Economics at the University of British Columbia
Discussant: Lena Hensvik, Uppsala University

11:00–11:20 am

Coffee break

11:20–12:20 pm

Keynote Lecture

Unions and the Earnings Distribution: Evidence from Matched Employer-Employee Data

Thomas Lemieux, Vancouver School of Economics at the University of British Columbia

12:20–12:30 pm

Farewell

12:30–01:15 pm

Light lunch at IWH

01:15–02:00 pm

Transfer to Leipzig

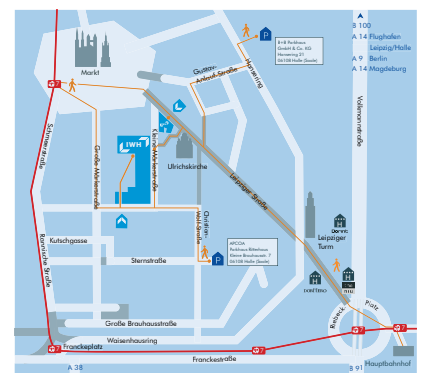
02:00–04:00 pm

Guided Tour in Leipzig

Conference venue:

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Conference room: Ground floor





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Work-from-Home Offering and Firms' Labour Market Access

Adam Gill (Uppsala University)

Management Opposition, Strikes and Union Threat

Patrick Nuess (IWH)

Irregular Schedules and their Determinants

Nathan Lazarus (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)

Labour Market Tightness and Union Activity

Chantal Pezold (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)

Minimum Wage, Workforce Composition and Robot Adoption

Verena Plümpe (IWH)

Do Politicians Affect Firm Outcomes? Evidence from Connections to the German Federal Parliament

André Diegmann (IWH)

Should Elder Care be Subsidised? Theory and Evidence from Sweden

Jens Wikström (Gothenburg University)

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