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FIELDS

Primary Fields: Behavioral and Experimental Economics

Secondary Field: Applied Microeconomics

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Central European University, Vienna Assistant Professor of Economics (tenure track)	Since 08/2025
Technical University of Munich Research Associate	10/2018 - 07/2025
UniDistance Suisse, Brig Research Associate	09/2022 - 07/2025
EDUCATION	
Technical University of Munich Ph.D. in Economics	05/2019 - 07/2025

University of Michigan

07/2022 - 12/2022

Academic Visit

10/2016 - 07/2018 Ludwig Maximilans University Munich

M.Sc. in Economics

Ludwig Maximilans University Munich 10/2011 - 07/2015

B.Sc. in Economics

PUBLICATIONS

Drobner, C., & Goerg, S. J. (2024). Motivated Belief Updating and Rationalization of Information. Management Science, 70 (7), 4583-4592.

Drobner, C. (2022). Motivated Beliefs and Anticipation of Uncertainty Resolution. American Economic Review: Insights, 4(1), 89-105.

WORKING PAPERS

Islam, M., & Drobner, C. (2024). Motivated Risk Assessments. Revise & Resubmit at the Economic Journal.

Drobner, C., Kopsacheilis, O., & Goerg, S. J. (2024). Real Incentives Really Matter. Revise & Resubmit at Experimental Economics.

Coutts, A., Drobner, C., Koh, B.H. & Woolnough, C. (2025). High stakes, more mistakes? Belief elicitation and incentives.

Drobner, C., & Orhun, A. Y. (2025). Misguided Effort.

Cantner, F., Drobner, C., & Goerg, S. J. (2025). Pretending to Be Green: Experimental Evidence on Individual-Level Greenwashing.

WORK IN PROGRESS

Belief Elicitation under Ambiguity (joint with Alexander Coutts, Boon Han Koh, & Chris Woolnough)

Beliefs about Contracts and Productivity (joint with Yeşim Orhun)

Motivated Price Elasticities (joint with Michael Kurschilgen)

Beliefs about Carbon Emissions (joint with Sebastian J. Goerg & Michael Kurschilgen)

TEACHING

Supervision of Bachelor's Theses, Master's Theses, and Project Studies	Since Summer 2019
Seminar in Behavioral Economics (Undergraduate, Graduate)	Since Summer 2020
Behavioral Public Economics (Graduate)	Fall 2020, 2021
Microeconomics (Undergraduate)	Fall 2019, 2020, 2021
Intermediate Microeconomics (Undergraduate)	Fall 2023
Personnel and Organizational Economics (Graduate)	$Summer\ 2022$

REFEREEING

American Economic Review, American Economic Review: Insights, Experimental Economics, Games and Economic Behavior, International Economic Review, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Economic Theory, Management Science, The Economic Journal

WORKSHOPS AND PRESENTATIONS

2024: EEA-ESEM (Rotterdam), VfS Annual Conference (Berlin), Micro Workshop (LMU Munich), TUMCS Workshop on Behavioral and Experimental Economics (Straubing), Valais Economics Workshop (Brig)

2023: Matterhorn Symposium (Brig), Beliefs, Memory and Narratives Workshop (Munich), ESA World Meeting (Lyon), Co-organizer of Interdisciplinary Workshop on Motivated Beliefs (Burghausen)

2022: ESA North America Meeting (Santa Barbara), Annual Meeting of the Social Science Committee of the VfS (Frankfurt)

2021: Beliefs, Memory and Narratives Workshop (Munich), VfS Annual Conference (Online), GfeW Annual Conference (Magdeburg), Subjective Probability Utility and Decision Making (Online), IAREP-SABE Virtual Conference (Online), BGPE Research Workshop (Online), ESA World Meeting (Online)

2020: ESA World Meeting (Online), Bavarian Micro Day (Online)

2019: TUMCS Workshop on Behavioral and Experimental Economics (Straubing)

AWARDS AND GRANTS

2024: IZA Research Affiliate

2023: Diligentia Grant for Empirical Research (€33,650); Joachim-Herz Fellowship (€12,500)

2022: Reinhard Selten Fellowship (€1,500); Diligentia Prize for Empirical Research (€5,000); Award of the Schmölders Foundation (€3,000); Economics & Policy Excellence in Research Award

2021: ExperimenTUM Grant, Belief Elicitation under Ambiguity (€3,600)

2020: ExperimenTUM Grant, Motivated Belief Updating and Rationalization of Information (€5,880)

2019: ExperimenTUM Grant, Motivated Beliefs and Anticipation of Uncertainty Resolution (€5,120)

SKILLS

Programming

Stata, Otree, Ztree, Qualtrics

Languages

German, English

REFERENCES

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