



AREA CONFERENCE ON THE ECONOMICS OF EDUCATION

CESifo Conference Centre, Munich
6–7 September 2013

PROGRAMME

Friday, 6 September 2013

08:45 - 09:00 **Welcome & Introduction**
Eric A. Hanushek (Stanford University)

Session 1 – Plenary Session LUDWIG ERHARD ROOM

CESifo Young Affiliate Award Candidates I **Chair: Eric A. Hanushek**

09:00 - 09:45 **School Accountability, Postsecondary Attainment and Earnings**
David DEMING (Harvard University), Sarah Cohodes

09:45 - 10:30 **The Importance of Ordinal Rank Position**
Richard MURPHY (University College London & London School of Economics),
Felix Weinhardt

10:30 - 11:00 **Coffee Break**

Parallel Session 2 A LUDWIG ERHARD ROOM

Gender in School **Chair: Stephen Machin**

11:00 - 11:45 **Sugar and Spice? The Effect of Teacher Bias on Student Outcomes**
Sandra E. BLACK (University of Texas at Austin), Magnus Johannesson, Bjorn Tyrefors
Hinnerich, Jonas Vlachos
Discussant: Torberg Falch

11:45 - 12:30 **Coming of Age: Timing of Adolescence and Gender Identity Formation**
Prashant Bharadwaj, Julianne B. CULLEN (University of California, San Diego)
Discussant: Kjell Salvanes

Parallel Session 2 B
RICHARD MUSGRAVE ROOM

Peer Effects in Higher Education

Chair: Susan Dynarski

11:00 - 11:45 **Ability Peer Effects in University: Evidence from a Randomized Experiment**
Adam S. Booij, Edwin LEUVEN (University of Oslo), Hessel Oosterbeek
Discussant: Dennis Epple

11:45 - 12:30 **Remote but Influential: Peer Effects in Online Higher Education Classrooms**
Eric Bettinger, Susanna LOEB (Stanford University), Eric Taylor
Discussant: Hessel Oosterbeek

12:30 - 13:30 **Lunch**

Parallel Session 3 A
LUDWIG ERHARD ROOM

Health Interventions

Chair: Lance Lochner

13:30 - 14:15 **The Effects of Early Intervention for Autism**
Janet Currie, David FIGLIO (Northwestern University), Joshua Goodman, Claudia Persico,
Jeffrey Roth
Discussant: Christina Felfe

14:15 - 15:00 **How Does Access to Health Care Affect Health and Education? Evidence from School-Based Health Center Openings**
Michael F. LOVENHEIM (Cornell University), Randall Reback, Leigh Wedenoja
Discussant: Edwin Leuven

Parallel Session 3 B
RICHARD MUSGRAVE ROOM

Education and the Labor Market

Chair: A. Abigail Payne

13:30 - 14:15 **Labour Market Polarization, Urbanization and Skill-Biased Consumption**
Joanne Lindley, Stephen MACHIN (University College London)
Discussant: Jeffrey Smith

14:15 - 15:00 **The Effect of Labor Market Regulations on Training Behavior and Quality: German Labor Market Reform as a Natural Experiment**
Anika Jansen, Mirjam Strupler Leiser, Felix Wenzelmann, Stefan C. WOLTER (University of Bern)
Discussant: Maria Fitzpatrick

15:00 - 15:30 **Coffee Break**

Parallel Session 4 A
LUDWIG ERHARD ROOM

Grade Retention
Chair: Steven Rivkin

- 15:30 - 16:15 **On Track Mobility, Grade Retention, and Secondary School Completion**
Stijn Baert, Bart COCKX (Ghent University), Matteo Picchio
Discussant: Regina Riphahn
- 16:15 - 17:00 **Grade Retention and Unobserved Heterogeneity**
Robert J. GARY-BOBO (CREST, ENSAE), Marion Goussé, Jean-Marc Robin
Discussant: Scott Imberman

Parallel Session 4 B
RICHARD MUSGRAVE ROOM

Miscellanea
Chair: Sandra Black

- 15:30 - 16:15 **The Production of Child Human Capital: Endowments, Investments, and Fertility**
Anna Aizer, Flávio CUNHA (University of Pennsylvania)
Discussant: A. Abigail Payne
- 16:15 - 17:00 **Education Promoted Secularization**
Sascha O. Becker, Markus Nagler, Ludger WOESSMANN (Ifo Institute, University of Munich)
Discussant: David Figlio
- 17:00 - 17:15 **Coffee Break**

Session 5 – Plenary Session
LUDWIG ERHARD ROOM

CESifo Young Affiliate Award Candidates II
Chair: Eric A. Hanushek

- 17:15 - 18:00 **Parent-Child Information Frictions and Human Capital Investment: Evidence from a Field Experiment**
Peter BERGMAN (Teachers College, Columbia University)
- 19:00 **Conference Dinner (*Pavillon Room at the Hilton Hotel*)**

Saturday, 7 September 2013

Parallel Session 6 A

LUDWIG ERHARD ROOM

School District Policies

Chair: Ludger Woessmann

- 09:00 - 09:45 **The Effect of Incentive Award Receipt on Teacher Performance**
Scott A. IMBERMAN (Michigan State University), Michael F. Lovenheim
Discussant: Stephen Machin
- 09:45 - 10:30 **Admitting Students to Selective Education Programs: Merit, Profiling, and Affirmative Action**
Dario Cestau, Dennis EPPLE (Carnegie Mellon University), Holger Sieg
Discussant: Richard Murphy

Parallel Session 6 B

RICHARD MUSGRAVE ROOM

Financing in Higher Education

Chair: Katja Maria Kaufmann

- 09:00 - 09:45 **The Importance of Financial Resources for Student Loan Repayment: Evidence from the Canada Student Loans Program**
Lance LOCHNER (University of Western Ontario), Todd Stinebrickner and Utku Suleymanoglu
Discussant: Robert J. Gary-Bobo
- 09:45 - 10:30 **Tuition Fees as a Commitment Device?**
Nadine Ketel, Jona Linde, Hessel OOSTERBEEK (University of Amsterdam), Bas van der Klaauw
Discussant: Susan Dynarski
- 10:30 - 11:00 **Coffee Break**

Parallel Session 7 A

LUDWIG ERHARD ROOM

School Markets

Chair: Margaret Raymond

- 11:00 - 11:45 **Sweden's School Choice Reform and Equality of Opportunity**
Verena Niepel, Karin EDMARK (Research Institute of Industrial Economics, Stockholm), Markus Frölich
Discussant: David Deming
- 11:45 - 12:30 **Charter School Market Dynamics and School Quality**
Patrick Baude, Marcus Casey, Eric A. Hanushek, Steven RIVKIN (University of Illinois at Chicago)
Discussant: Julianne Cullen

Parallel Session 7 B
RICHARD MUSGRAVE ROOM

Gender Gaps
Chair: Jeffrey Smith

- 11:00 - 11:45 **Understanding the Gender Gap in Post-Secondary Schooling Participation: The Divergence between Girls and Boys Before and During High School**
David Card, A. Abigail PAYNE (McMaster University)
Discussant: Sandra McNally
- 11:45 - 12:30 **What Drives the Reversal of the Gender Education Gap? Evidence from Germany**
Regina T. RIPHAHN (University Erlangen-Nuremberg), Caroline Schwientek
Discussant: Flávio Cunha
- 12:30 - 13:30 **Lunch**

Parallel Session 8 A
LUDWIG ERHARD ROOM

Teaching Practices
Chair: Susanna Loeb

- 13:30 - 14:15 **Homework Assignment and Student Achievement in OECD Countries**
Torberg FALCH (Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim), Marte Rønning
Discussant: Michael F. Lovenheim
- 14:15 - 15:00 **Synthetic Phonics in English Schools: A Magic Bullet?**
Stephen Machin, Sandra MCNALLY (University of Surrey and London School of Economics), Martina Viarengo
Discussant: Sandra Black

Parallel Session 8 B
RICHARD MUSGRAVE ROOM

Effects of Quality of Higher Education Institutions
Chair: Stefan Wolter

- 13:30 - 14:15 **The Effect of Admission to a Higher Ranked University on Child Quality: Evidence from Chile**
Katja Maria KAUFMANN (Bocconi University), Matthias Messner, Alex Solis
Discussant: Lance Lochner
- 14:15 - 15:00 **The Consequences of Mismatch between Students and Colleges**
Eleanor Wiske Dillon, Jeffrey SMITH (University of Michigan)
Discussant: Bart Cockx
- 15:00 - 15:30 **Coffee Break**

Parallel Session 9 A
LUDWIG ERHARD ROOM

Charter Schools
Chair: David Figlio

- 15:30 -16:15 **Stand and Deliver: Effects of Boston's Charter High Schools on College Preparation, Entry, and Choice**
Joshua D. Angrist, Sarah R. Cohodes, Susan M. DYNARSKI (University of Michigan), Parag A. Pathak, Christopher R. Walters
Discussant: Steven Rivkin
- 16:15 - 17:00 **US Charter School Performance**
Margaret E. RAYMOND (Stanford University)
Discussant: Karin Edmark

Parallel Session 9 B
RICHARD MUSGRAVE ROOM

Teachers
Chair: Hessel Oosterbeek

- 15:30 -16:15 **Intergenerational Mobility and the Timing of Parental Income**
Pedro Carneiro, Italo Lopez Garcia, Kjell G. SALVANES (Norwegian School of Economics, Bergen) and Emma Tominey
Discussant: Peter Bergman
- 16:15 - 17:00 **Retiree Health Insurance for Public School Employees: Does it Affect Retirement and Mobility?**
Maria D. FITZPATRICK (Cornell University)
Discussant: Susanna Loeb
- 17:00 - 17:15 **Coffee Break**

Session 10 – Plenary Session
LUDWIG ERHARD ROOM

Keynote Lecture
Chair: Eric A. Hanushek

- 17:15 - 18:15 **How Responsive Is Investment in Schooling to Changes in Redistributive Policies and in Returns?**
Victor LAVY (Hebrew University of Jerusalem and the University of Warwick) and Ran Abramitzky
- 18:15 - 19:00 **Concluding wine reception**