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The fee for the summer academy is € 50,-. This includes the accommodation for two nights (single room) and all meals at Tutzing. If you intend to come (leave) the day before (after) the start (end) of the conference, let us know. We will then try to make a reservation at modest additional cost.



Tutzing is located approximately 40 km southwest of Munich on Lake Starnberg.

From the **Central Station** (Hauptbahnhof): Take the urban railway S-6 to Tutzing or the regional train (RB) towards Garmisch-Partenkirchen/Innsbruck/Murnau/Kochel/Seefeld till Tutzing. The train departs from track 27-36 (main level) every half hour.



From the **airport** take the urban railway S-1 or S-8 to Munich Central Station and follow the instructions above.



The Academy is located in about 22 walking minutes from the Tutzing Train Station. You will also find cabs and a Bus directly at the front entrance.



Take freeway A95 towards Garmisch-Partenkirchen, then exit to Starnberg and continue on the federal highway (B2/ direction Weilheim) until you pass the village of Traubing, then take a left. At the end of the road turn right to Tutzing. The Akademie für Politische Bildung is on your left shortly after passing the town sign Tutzing.



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# Firm Behavior in Central and Eastern Europe

Productivity, Innovation and  
 Trade

10th Joint IOS/APB/EACES Summer Academy on Central and Eastern Europe organised by the Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies (IOS) in cooperation with the Akademie für Politische Bildung (APB) and the European Association for Comparative Economic Studies (EACES)

**June 11 to 13, 2018**

## INVITATION

The Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies (IOS) is a regional studies center at the University of Regensburg focusing on emerging east European economies in a global perspective.

Situated south of Munich on Lake Starnberg, the Akademie für Politische Bildung (APB, Academy for Civic Education) has a reputation for organizing conferences and workshops in various fields of the social sciences.

In order to foster the exchange of ideas and networking among scholars, the IOS and the APB launched a series of annual Summer Academies. The IOS/APB/EACES Summer Academies on Central and Eastern Europe aim to bring together researchers in a workshop atmosphere. Each participant presents an ongoing or recently concluded research project and comments on another one, to be followed by a general discussion. In addition, four keynote lectures are presented. This format should be especially interesting for PhD students and postdocs. More senior researchers, however, are also welcome to participate. The workshop language is English. The topic of the 2018 IOS/APB/EACES Summer Academy is

### Firm Behavior in Central and Eastern Europe: Productivity, Innovation and Trade

Keynote lecturers include  
 Prof. Dr. Davide Castellani (University of Reading)  
 Prof. Dr. Ichiro Iwasaki (Hitotsubashi University)  
 Dr. Helena Schweiger  
 (EBRD Office of the Chief Economist)  
 Dr. Martin Srholec (CERGE-EI)

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## MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2018

- 13.30 h [Arrival of participants – Coffee in the reception hall](#)
- 13.55 h **Welcome and introduction**
- 14.00 h Keynote lecture 1  
**Managing in the unknown. How governance characteristics shape firms' internationalisation**  
*Prof. Dr. Davide Castellani* (University of Reading)
- 15.00 h **Presentation of projects by participants**
- How participating in the shadow economy affects the growth of Latvian firms**  
*Nino Kokashvili\** (University of Tartu)  
 Discussant: *Baptiste Souillard*
- Solving commercial disputes: first insights from firm-level data**  
*Miriam Frey* (University of Bayreuth)  
 Discussant: *Irina Levina*
- Does firms' decentralization pay off in weak institutions setup? Decentralization and investment of Russian firms.**  
*Irina Levina* (Higher School of Economics)  
 Discussant: *Miriam Frey*
- 16.30 h [Coffee break](#)
- 17.00 h **Presentation of projects by participants**
- The influence of innovation on productivity: CDM modelling on Russian firm-level data**  
*Andrey Pushkarev\** (Ural Federal University)  
 Discussant: *Stjepan Srhoj*
- The FinTech challenge: digital innovations from post-communist EU member countries**  
*Ádám Kerényi* (Hungarian Academy of Sciences)  
 Discussant: Petr Pleticha
- Entrepreneurship in the information age: an empirical analysis of the European regions**  
*Petr Pleticha* (Charles University)  
 Discussant: *Ádám Kerényi*
- 18.30 h [Dinner](#)

## TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 2018

- 8.15 h [Breakfast](#)
- 9.00 h Keynote Lecture 2  
**Global value chains, capabilities and economic development**  
*Dr. Martin Srholec* (CERGE-EI)
- 10.00 h **Presentation of projects by participants**
- The impact of behavioral and structural remedies on electricity prices: the case of the England and Wales electricity market**  
*Sherzod Tashpulatov\** (Czech Technical University)  
 Discussant: *Nino Kokashvili*
- Do firms, supported by credit guarantee schemes report better financial results?**  
*Ondřej Dvouletý* (University of Economics, Prague)  
 Discussant: *Oleg Sidorkin*
- 11.00 h [Coffee break](#)
- 11.30 h Keynote Lecture 3  
**Firm behavior in transition countries: productivity, innovation and management practices**  
*Dr. Helena Schweiger* (EBRD Office of the Chief Economist)
- 12.30 h [Lunch](#)
- 13.30 h **Presentation of projects by participants**
- R&D subsidies: The evidence from programmes interaction effects**  
*Oleg Sidorkin\** (IOS-Regensburg)  
 Discussant: *Ondřej Dvouletý*
- Bidding against the odds? The impact evaluation of grants for young firms during the recession**  
*Stjepan Srhoj* (University of Dubrovnik)  
 Discussant: *Andrey Pushkarev*
- 14.30 h [Excursion](#)
- 19.00 h [Bavarian dinner](#)  
 Hans Raupach Best Paper Award

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13, 2018

- 8.15 h [Breakfast](#)
- 9.00 h Keynote lecture 4  
**Institutions and Determinants of Firm Survival in European Emerging Markets**  
*Prof. Dr. Ichiro Iwasaki* (Hitotsubashi University)
- 10.00 h **Presentation of projects by participants**
- Integration into EU economy: differences between big-sized and small-/medium-sized enterprises in Ukraine**  
*Iryna Gauger\** (Hamburg School of Business Administration)  
 Discussant: *Martina Harc*
- The role of eco-innovation in transition toward resource-efficient circular economy in Croatia**  
*Martina Harc* (Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts)  
 Discussant: *Sherzod Tashpulatov*
- 11.00 h [Coffee break](#)
- 11.20 h **Presentation of projects by participants**
- Investment climate and performance: Evidence from Indian manufacturing firms**  
*Baptiste Souillard\** (Université Libre de Bruxelles)  
 Discussant: *Minakshree Das*
- Determinants of foreign direct investment inflows: comparison across different country groups**  
*Minakshree Das* (University of Ljubljana)  
 Discussant: *Iryna Gauger*
- 12.20 h **Concluding remarks**
- 12.30 h [Lunch – end of the conference](#)

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