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Current Positions

Since Jan 2016	Senior Lecturer at Royal Holloway, University of London.
Since Jan 2009	Research Associate at the Institute for Fiscal Studies (IFS), London.
Since July 2008	MEA Fellow at the Mannheim Research Institute for the Economics of Aging, Mannheim University.

Education

PhD in Economics, summa cum laude. Universität Mannheim. 2006
Thesis: Essays on the Impact of Demographic Change on Capital, Goods, and Labor Markets
<http://madoc.bib.uni-mannheim.de/madoc/volltexte/2006/1271/pdf/DissML.pdf>

Diploma in Economics, Universität Mannheim. 2000.

Affiliate student, Economics PhD program, University of California, Berkeley. 1998 – 1999

Publications

<i>Journal articles</i>	Griffith, R.; R. Lluberás; M. Lührmann (2016). Gluttony and Sloth? calories, labour market activity and the rise of obesity. <i>Journal of the European Economic Association</i> , forthcoming.
	Browning, M.; T.F. Crossley; M. Lührmann (2016). Durables Purchases over the Later Life Cycle. <i>Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics</i> 78(2), 145-169.
	Lührmann, M.; M. Serra-Garcia; J. Winter (2015). Teaching teenagers in finance: does it work? <i>Journal of Banking and Finance</i> 54 (May), 160-174.
	Chirakija, J.; T.F. Crossley; M. Lührmann; C. O’Dea (2010). The Stimulus Effect of the 2008 UK Temporary Vat Cut, <i>Proceedings of the 102nd Annual Conference on Taxation, National Tax Association</i> .
	Lührmann, M.; De Santis, R. (2009). On the Determinants of Net International Portfolio Flows – A Global Perspective, <i>Journal of International Money and Finance</i> 28(5), September: 880-901.
	Lührmann, M. (2009). Consumer Expenditures and Home Production at Retirement - New Evidence from Germany, <i>German Economic Review</i> 11(2), May: 225-245.
	Lührmann, M.; Weiss, M. (2009). Market Work, Home Production, Consumer Demand and Unemployment among the Unskilled, <i>Economic Modelling</i> 27(1), February: 67-82.

Working Papers Griffith, R.; R. Lluberá; M. Lührmann (2016). Gluttony and Sloth? calories, labour market activity and the rise of obesity. [CEPR Working Paper 11086](#)

Lührmann, M.; Serra-Garcia, M.; Winter, J. (2014). The Impact of Financial Education on Adolescents' Intertemporal Choices, [CESifo Working Paper Series 4925](#), CESifo Group Munich.

Chevalier, A.; Dolton, P.; Lührmann, M. (2014). Making It Count": Evidence from a Field Study on Assessment Rules, Study Incentives and Student Performance. [IZA Discussion Papers 8582](#), Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA).

Lührmann, M. (2005): Population Aging and the Demand for Goods and Services, MEA Discussion Paper 95-05.

Lührmann, M. (2003): Demographic Change, Foresight and International Capital Flows, MEA Discussion Paper 38-03.

Books & Contributions to books Börsch-Supan, A.; Lührmann, M. (2000). Prinzipien der Renten- und Pensionsbesteuerung, Kleine Handbibliothek, Vol. 30, Frankfurter Institut, pp. 53.

Börsch-Supan, A.; Lührmann, M. (2003). Retirement Benefit and Pension Taxation Principles, In: Onorato Castellino and Elsa Fornero (eds.), Pension Policy in an Integrating Europe, Edward Elgar Publishing, Cheltenham/UK, 152-174.

Lührmann, M. (1998). Mit Vollgas in den Freizeitpark: Konsum in Deutschland; Wie sich eine Tabaksteuerreform in Rauch auflöst; Frische Luft für Los Angeles: die Einführung von Umweltzertifikaten; Die EWS-Krise 1992/93: die Bundesbank im Zielkonflikt, all four in: Börsch-Supan, A. and Schnabel, R. (eds.), Volkswirtschaft in fünfzehn Fällen, Gabler Verlag, Wiesbaden.

Grants

Joint PI "Understanding Success: Expectations, Heterogeneity, and Inputs in Higher Education", Nuffield Foundation, joint with D. Anderberg, A. Chevalier, R. Pavan .

Joint PI, Faculty Initiative Fund "Understanding Success: Expectations, Heterogeneity, and Inputs in Higher Education", Apr 2015 – Sept 2017.

PI, Faculty Initiative Fund "Innovations in feedback and assessment methods and their impact on student performance", Dec 2010 – May 2011.

PI, ESRC Research Grant "The Demand for Durables in the Second Half of Life", Jan 2008-Dec 2008.

Joint PI, Research Grant "Economic Implications of Demographic Change" by the Volkswagen Foundation (joint with A. Börsch-Supan, A. Ludwig, B. Berkel). Mar 2001– Mar 2003.

Teaching

Economics Workshop, BSc, 2010-2014

Topics in Public Economics, BSc, 2009-16

Quantitative Methods in Economics, BSc 2009-15

Evaluation Economics – MSc, 2013 and 2016

Public Economics, MSc, 2015-16

Module on Consumer demand in the course "Applied Economics", Phd, 2012

Research Experience and Previous Employment

Jan 2009 – Dec 2015.	Lecturer at Royal Holloway, University of London.
Jan 2008 – Dec 2008.	Research Economist at the Institute for Fiscal Studies, London.
Jan 2006 – Dec 2007.	Post-Doctoral Fellow in the EU RTN Microdata Methods and Practice. Center for Microdata Methods and Practice (CEMMAP) and Institute for Fiscal Studies (IFS), London.

Awards & Scholarships

Royal Holloway Pay Award for Employability / Careers Programme, Dec 2014.
EU Post-Doctoral Marie Curie Scholarship. Jan 2006 – Dec 2007.
Award for the Best Empirical Diploma Thesis in Economics by BAK Basel Economics, Basel. 2001.
Scholarship, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) and McKinsey. Aug 1998 – Apr 1999.

Service

Joint Programme Chair and Organiser, Royal Holloway 20 th Anniversary Conference, 2016.
Member of the Athena Swan Inequality Committee, 2015-16.
Director of Employability of the Department of Economics, 2013-2016.
Deputy Programme Chair and Local Organiser, Royal Economic Society Annual Conference 2011.
Department Recruiting and Staff Student Liaison Committee, 2009 & 2011.
Organiser of Departmental Seminar, 2009-10
Consultant, Project " Wirtschaftsmotor Alter " conducted for German Federal Ministry for Family Affairs. 2006. (with Ashok Kaul and Roland Berger Strategy Consultants)
Member of the EU RTN Microdata Methods and Practice. 2005 – 2008.

Conferences & Seminar talks (since 2008)

2016	International Institute of Public Finance Annual Conference, Lake Tahoe
2015	SOLE 2015, Montreal; NBER Summer Institute (Health & Aging), Boston; Stirling University; Schumpeter Conference, Wuppertal Business School; 40 Years of Economic Science and Public Policy Conference, Munich
2014	International Conference of Health Economics (ihea), Dublin; Collegio Carlo Alberto (CINTIA Conference), Turin; Verein Fuer Socialpolitik Conference, Duesseldorf; LMU, Munich; ESMT, Berlin; MEA Conference, Munich; RWI Conference on Education, Berlin; WZB Behavioural Economics Conference, Berlin
2013	Global Financial Literacy Summit, Amsterdam; Oxford, Nuffield College; University of Mannheim, LMU Munich; DICE, Dusseldorf; Toulouse Workshop on Food Economics; CES-ifo Conference in Health Economics, Munich; Special Session "The Development of Economic Preferences in Children" at RES 2013; Financial Literacy and Inclusion Summit, Istanbul (panel discussant);

2012	Workshop ANR-ESRC "Econometrics and I.O. of Food and Nutrition", Toulouse University; Special session "Obesity, Nutrition and Physical Activity" at RES 2012 (Organiser & presenter); University of Cologne; MPI Munich; Brunel University; Special session at Conference on Agricultural Economics, Warwick University; Toulouse Workshop ORA-Project on Food Consumption and Nutrition; RAND Institute Applied Seminar; CERP Conference "Financial Literacy", Collegio Carlo Alberto, Turin;
2011	Nuffield College, Oxford
2010	World Congress of the Econometric Society, Shanghai; Institute of Ageing, Oxford
2009	Policy Studies Institute, London; SCI workshop 'Economic Processes in the Formation and Transformation of Habit', Manchester; BHPS Research Conference 2009; University of Marburg; MEA, Mannheim
2000 – 2008	Meetings of the EU Research Training Network Microdata Methods and Practice (Copenhagen, London, Madrid, Paris); Workshops of the EU RTN Economics of Aging (London, Naples, Frankfurt, Deidesheim, Edesheim, Paris, Turin)
2008	Third PhD Presentation Meeting, London; Institute for Advanced Studies, Vienna; Uppsala University, Uppsala; Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona; Central European University, Budapest; European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, London;; University of Aarhus, Aarhus; Royal Economic Society Conference, Warwick; Manchester University, Manchester

Research visits

University of Southern California and RAND, 12-21 August 2016

IZA, 15 - 17 Dec 2014

LMU, Munich, 2013-2016 (several short stays)

RAND, Santa Monica – 1 November – 31 November 2012

LMU, Munich, 2 August – 1 September 2012

NBER Summer Institute, Boston, 16-27 July 2012

RAND, Santa Monica, 9-15 July 2011

Uppsala University. 16 – 21 May 2010.

RAND, Washington. 07 – 13 May 2009.

Vrije Universiteit and Tinbergen Institute, Amsterdam. 20 Apr – 20 May 2007.

MEA, Universität Mannheim. 01 - 09 Jul 2006 & 16 – 19 Oct 2006 & 22 – 30 June 2009.

IEW, Institute for Empirical Research, Universität Zürich. 14 – 22 Mar 2006 & 18 – 22 Apr 2006.

European Central Bank, Frankfurt. Visiting Researcher. Feb 2005 – Apr 2005.

CAM, Center for Applied Microeconomics, Copenhagen. 23 – 29 Feb 2004.

CERA, Center for Economic Research on Ageing and IFS, London. 01 Nov – 20 Dec 2003.
