

Greetings

This year, the annual conference of the European Association of Law & Economics will be held in Hamburg. At the Institute, we look forward to welcoming many of the most important scholars in Law & Economics. The conference will take place between Sept. 22 and Sept. 24 and the Call for Papers is open for just about another week. We would highly appreciate to receive a submission from you.

Ram Singh from the Delhi School of Economics has been visiting ILE for a number of weeks now. He will stay with us until April 21. Ram has taught a course on contracts in the EMLE programme and has also surprised us with a unique Indian cooking experience. Agnes Strauß already joined ILE last December, whereas Laarni Escresa joined us just a couple of days ago. Agnes is involved in the EMLE programme, whereas Laarni is coordinating our graduates in the school on the internationalisation of law.

Cordially yours,

Thomas Eger, Patrick C. Leyens and Stefan Voigt

- [Call for papers](#) for the 28th Annual Conference of the European Association of Law & Economics -

Hamburg Lectures on Law & Economics

- 28 April 2011: Will Collective Action among National Courts Promote Accountability in International Organizations?, Eyal Benvenisti (Tel Aviv University).

- The Summer programme is available [here](#).

Summer School in Law & Economics

- This year's lectures will be given by Joel Trachtman (Tufts), Hannes Rösler (MPI), Tom Ulen (Illinois), Avishalom Tor (Haifa), Dennis Mueller (Vienna) and Jonathan Klick (Pennsylvania).

- The full programme is available [here](#).

Job Opening

- Vacant position of a full professor for microeconomics at the University of Hamburg's economics department. Excellence in Law & Economics would be one desirable quality of the successful candidate [\[more\]](#).

Research

- Blume, Lorenz & Stefan Voigt (2011): Federalism and Decentralization - A Critical Survey of Frequently Used Indicators, forthcoming in: *Constitutional Political Economy* [\[more\]](#).

- Blume, Lorenz & Stefan Voigt (2011): The Economic Effects of Federalism and Decentralization - A Cross-country Assessment, forthcoming in: *Public Choice* [\[more\]](#).

- Eger, Thomas (2011): Solidarität und Wettbewerb in der Europäischen Union in Zeiten der Finanz- und Verschuldungskrise, *Europa-Kolleg Hamburg Discussion Paper* Nr. 1/11 [\[more\]](#).

- Eger, Thomas & Alessio Paccas (2010): The European Master in Law and Economics: A Program with a Focus on the Economics of the Europeanization and Internationalization of the Law, *Revista de Educación y Derecho* 2, pp. 85-106 [\[more\]](#).

- Eger, Thomas & Peter Weise (2010): Some Limits to the Private Enforcement of Antitrust Law: A Grumbler's View on Harm and Damages in Hardcore Price Cartel Cases, *Global Competition Litigation Review* 3(4), pp. 152-60 [\[more\]](#).

- Leyens, Patrick C. (2011): Rezension von Emanuel V. Towfigh & Niels Petersen (2010): *Ökonomische Methoden im Recht: Eine Einführung für Juristen*, Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, in: *Juristische Schulung* (JuS) 2011, S. 17 (Heft 1, JuS Aktuell).

- Leyens, Patrick C. & Hans-Bernd Schäfer (2010): Inhaltskontrolle allgemeiner Geschäftsbedingungen: Rechtsökonomische Überlegungen zu einer einheitlichen Konzeption von BGB und DCFR, *Archiv für die zivilistische Praxis* 210, S. 771-803 [\[more\]](#).

- Sasse, Jan Peter (2011): *An Economic Analysis of Bilateral Investment Treaties*, Wiesbaden: Gabler [\[more\]](#).

Graduate School in Law & Economics

- In April 2011 Bernd Hayo (Marburg) and Eyal Benvenisti (Tel Aviv) will give PhD courses at the Graduate School.

- Doctoral students from the Graduate School have presented papers at the EMLE Midterm Meeting, the ANZSIL-SCIL Symposium and the International Meeting on Experimental & Behavioral Economics.

European Master in Law & Economics (EMLE)

- For the academic year 2011/12 EMLE received 623 applications.

European Doctorate in Law & Economics (EDLE)

- DAAD research grant: The tri-national doctorate programme EDLE receives the DAAD sponsorship for "International Doctoral Studies in Germany" (IPID). EDLE was chosen from more than 80 applications as the only programme offered by a law faculty. The DAAD's sponsorship once more strengthens the University of Hamburg as a centre for international and interdisciplinary doctorate studies. Already in 2010 EDLE was elected as an Erasmus Mundus Excellence Programme by the European Commission.

- 230 Applications received: For the academic year 2011/12 EDLE again received approx. 230 applications for the 15 stipends. The stipends are sponsored by the European Commission under Erasmus Mundus and by the Partner Universities. The selected candidates will receive notice soon.

- Seminar, University of Maastricht, 3-4 March: Second year doctoral students presented their research at a joint seminar of the Universities Maastricht, Paris Ouest Nanterre La Défense, Paris II and Rotterdam.

- European Studies in Law & Economics: The first four volumes have been published in this peer-reviewed book series at Intersentia. The series presents an interdisciplinary perspective on the effects of laws on people's behaviour and on the economic system [\[more\]](#).

Conference on the Economics of EU Law

- Thomas Eger (University of Hamburg) and Hans-Bernd Schäfer (Bucerius Law School, Hamburg) organised an international conference in Hamburg, 14-15 January, to discuss the first drafts of the contributions to the "Research Handbook on the Economics of European Union Law", which will be published this year by Edward Elgar.