

# CURRICULUM VITAE

7 June 2018

## Prof. Dr. Silke Übelmesser

Chair of Economics / Public Finance

Friedrich-Schiller-University Jena

Carl-Zeiss-Str. 3

07743 Jena

Phone: +49 (0) 3641 943230

Fax: +49 (0) 3641 943232

Email: [silke.uebelmesser@uni-jena.de](mailto:silke.uebelmesser@uni-jena.de)

Web: <http://www.fwi.uni-jena.de>

### Current Position

- 10/2017-* Dean, Faculty of Economics and Business Administration,  
Friedrich-Schiller-University Jena
- 04/2012-* Professor of Economics, in particular Public Finance  
Friedrich-Schiller-University Jena
- 09/2012-* Research Professor  
Ifo Institute for Economic Research, Munich

### Memberships

- Verein für Socialpolitik (German Economic Association)  
In particular:
- Committee for Population Economics
  - Committee for Public Finance
- CESifo Research Network  
International Institute of Public Finance (IIPF)  
Fellow Centro Studi Luca d'Agliano (LdA)

- At the Friedrich-Schiller University* Schumpeter Center for Research on Socio-Economic Change (JSEC)  
Doctoral Program "The Economics of Innovative Change" (DFG-RTG 1411)  
Aging Research Center Jena (ZAJ)

### Past Academic Positions

- 10/2014-09/2017* Vice-Dean, Faculty of Economics and Business Administration,  
Friedrich-Schiller-University Jena
- 10/2009-10/2010* Professor of Economics, in particular Public Finance,  
Ludwig-Maximilians-University, Munich  
(substituting Prof. Dr. Bernd Huber – "Lehrstuhlvertretung")

*09/2003-03/2012* Postdoctoral Research Fellow (“Wissenschaftliche Assistentin”),  
Center for Economic Studies, Ludwig-Maximilians-University, Munich

*10/1999-09/2003* Teaching Assistant (Ph.D. Candidate) (“Wissenschaftliche Mitarbeiterin”),  
Center for Economic Studies, Ludwig Maximilians-University, Munich

#### **Past Positions of Research Management**

*10/2004-03/2012* Programme Director, CESifo GmbH (Munich Society for the Promotion of  
Economic Research of the economics department of the Ludwig-Maximilians-  
University, Munich, and the Ifo Institute)

*09/2003-09/2004* Academic coordinator of the international visitors’ program, Center for  
Economic Studies, Ludwig-Maximilians-University, Munich

*08/2000-08/2003* Deputy Director, CESifo GmbH

#### **Education**

*2010* Habilitation, Economics Department, Ludwig-Maximilians-University, Munich

*2003* Dissertation, Economics Department, Ludwig-Maximilians-University, Munich  
(Dr. oec. publ., summa cum laude)

*04/1994-07/1999* Studies of Economics at the Universities of Munich and Louvain-la-Neuve,  
Belgium (Dipl. Volkswirtin)

#### **Research Stays**

*06-07/2016* Center for Economic Studies, Ludwig-Maximilians-University, Munich

*04/2016* Università Bocconi, Milan, Italy

*09-10/2007* European University Institute, Florence, Italy

*09/2003, 09/2004,*  
*11/2006* University of Bocconi, Milan, Italy

*09/2002-02/2003* University of Bocconi, Milan, Italy

*07-09/1999* OECD, Paris, France

## Publications

### Monographs

*Unfunded Pension Systems: Ageing and Migration*, Contributions to Economic Analysis 264, North-Holland: Amsterdam, 2004 (Dissertation).

*Migration and Education: Fiscal and Non-Fiscal Implications*, 2010 (Habilitation).

### Articles in Refereed Journals

"No Place like Home? Graduate Migration in Germany" (with Tina Haussen), *Growth and Change: A Journal of Urban and Regional Policy*, forthcoming.

"Job Changes and Interregional Migration of Graduates" (with Tina Haussen), *Regional Studies*, forthcoming.

"The German Language Worldwide: A New Dataset on Language Learning" (with Matthias Huber and Severin Weingarten), *CESifo Economic Studies* 64(1), 2018. 103-121.

"A Critical Comparison of Migration Policies: Entry Fee versus Quota", *Regional Science and Urban Economics* 66, 2017, 91-107 (with Oded Stark, Lukasz Byra, Alessandra Casarico).

"Student and Graduate Migration and its Effect on the Financing of Higher Education", *Education Economics* 24 (6), 2016, 573-591 (with Tina Haussen).

"A Political-Economy Perspective on Social Expenditures: In-Kind Transfers versus Monetary Transfers in Corrupt Countries", *Economics of Governance* 17(1), 2016, 71-100 (with Zohal Hessami).

"Quality of Education and the Number of Students - A General-Equilibrium Analysis", *Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics* (JITE) 171(3), 456-477 (with Gabrielle Demange and Robert Fenge).

"Political Economics of Higher Education Finance with Mobile Individuals", *FinanzArchiv / Public Finance Analysis* 71, 2015, 82-105 (with Rainald Borck und Martin Wimbersky).

"Can There Be Too Much Privatization? The Role of Political Incentives", *CESifo Economic Studies* 60, 2014, 722-746 (with Kira Fuchs).

"Financing Higher Education in a Mobile World", *Journal of Public Economic Theory* 16, 2014, 343-371 (with Gabrielle Demange and Robert Fenge).

"How Do Migrants Choose Their Destination Country? An Analysis of Institutional Determinants", *Review of International Economics* 21, 2013, 825-840 (with Wido Geis and Martin Werding).

"Empirical Determinants of In-Kind Redistribution: Partisan Biases and the Role of Inflation", *Economics Letters* 118, 2013, 318-320 (with Zohal Hessami).

"On the Formation of International Migration Policies when no Country Has an Exclusive Policy-Setting Say", *Regional Science and Urban Economics* 42, 2012, 420-429 (with Alessandra Casarico, Carlo Devillanova and Oded Stark).

"Why Go to France or Germany, if You Could as Well Go to the UK or the US? Selective Features of Immigration to Four Major OECD Countries", *Journal of Common Market Studies* 49, 2011, 767-796 (with Wido Geis, Martin Werding).

"Health Insurance Competition in Germany – the Role of Advertising", *Schmollers Jahrbuch* 130, 2010, 169-194 (with Bettina Becker).

"Voting on Labour-Market Integration and Education Policy when Citizens Differ in Mobility and Ability", *Public Finance and Management* 9 (Spezialband: Heterogeneity, Spatial Voting and Public Policy), 2009, 360-392 (with Alexander Haupt).

"The Provision of Higher Education in a Global World - Analysis and Policy Implications", *CESifo Economic Studies* 54, 2008, 248-276 (with Gabrielle Demange and Robert Fenge).

"Migration and the Welfare State: The Economic Power of the Non-Voter?", *International Tax and Public Finance* 14, 2007, 93-111 (with Kira Boerner).

"Staatsverschuldungsunterschiede im internationalen Vergleich und Schlussfolgerungen für Deutschland", *Perspektiven der Wirtschaftspolitik* 4, 2007, 309-334 (with Heiner Mikosch).

"On the Optimal Timing of Implicit Social Security Taxes over the Life Cycle", *FinanzArchiv* 62, 2006, 68-107 (with Robert Fenge and Martin Werding).

"To Go or Not to Go: Emigration from Germany", *German Economic Review* 7, 2006, 211-231.

"Harmonisation of Old-Age Security within the European Union", *CESifo Economic Studies* 50, 2004, 717-743.

"Political Feasibility of Pension Reforms", *Topics in Economic Analysis & Policy* 4, 2004, Article 20.

"Mobility and the Role of Education as a Commitment Device", *International Tax and Public Finance* 10, 2003, 549-564 (with Claudio Thum).

"Pensions and the Path to Gerontocracy in Germany", *European Journal of Political Economy* 19, 2002, 153-158 (with Hans-Werner Sinn).

#### Chapters in Books

"The Economics of Free Movement and Market Integration", in: M. Ruffert (ed.): *European Economy and People's Mobility, Studien zum europäischen und deutschen Öffentlichen Recht (EuDÖR)*, Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2016, 71-81.

"Die Richtigen?! ", in: G. Felbermayr, M. Knoche and L. Wößmann (eds.): *Hans-Werner Sinn und 25 Jahre Wirtschaftspolitik*, Hanser, Munich, 2016, 232-233.

"Financing Higher Education when Students and Graduates are Internationally Mobile", in: M. Gérard and S. Uebelmesser (eds.): *From Mobility of Students to Mobility of the Highly Skilled: Implications for Fiscal and Economic Policy*, CESifo Seminar Series, MIT Press, Cambr., MA, 2014, 145-188 (with Marcel Gérard).

"Introduction", in: M. Gérard and S. Uebelmesser (eds.): *From Mobility of Students to Mobility of the Highly Skilled: Implications for Fiscal and Economic Policy*, CESifo Seminar Series, MIT Press, Cambr., MA, 2014, 1-12 (with Marcel Gérard).

"Universités et Hautes Ecoles belges dans le nouveau paysage de l'enseignement

supérieur Européen: performance et défis", in: Ph. Maystadt et al. (eds.): *Le modèle social belge: quel avenir? 20ème Congrès des économistes belges de langue française*, Presses Interuniversitaires de Charleroi, Charleroi, 2013, 889-923 (with Marcel Gérard).

"Wider den Fachkräftemangel: Bildung und Migration", in: K. Konrad u.a. (eds.): *Die Zukunft der Wohlfahrtsgesellschaft*, Campus Verlag, Frankfurt, 2013, 169-92.

"International Migration, Human Capital Formation and the Setting of Migration Control Policies: Mapping the Gains", in: J. Kornai, L. Mátyás and G. Roland (eds.): *Corruption, Development and Institutional Design*, Palgrave Macmillan, Basingstoke, 2009, 169-186 (with Alessandra Casarico, Carlo Devillanova and Oded Stark).

"An Optimal Selective Migration Policy in the Absence of Symmetric Information and in the Presence of Skill Formation Incentives", in: J. Kornai, L. Mátyás and G. Roland (eds.): *Corruption, Development and Institutional Design*, Palgrave Macmillan, Basingstoke, 2009, 152-168 (with Alessandra Casarico and Oded Stark).

"Modernisierung der Sozialsysteme und Europäisierung der Sozialpolitik in Zeiten der Globalisierung", in: Chr. Linzback et al. (eds.): *Globalisierung und Europäisches Sozialmodell*, Nomos, Baden-Baden, 2007, 167-187.

#### Editorship

*From Mobility of Students to Mobility of the Highly Skilled: Implications for Fiscal and Economic Policy*, CESifo Seminar Series, MIT Press, Cambr., MA, 2014 (with Marcel Gérard).

#### Book Reviews

"Book Review: Yoshida, C., and Woodland, D.: The Economics of Illegal Immigration", *Journal of Economics* 89, 2006, 192-195.

#### Working Papers/ Manuscripts

"Presence of language-learning opportunities abroad and migration to Germany" mimeo, University of Jena, 2017, Jena (with Matthias Huber).

"A Macro-level Analysis of Adult-age Language Learning", CESifo Working Paper Series No. 6511, 2017, Munich (with Severin Weingarten).

"Labour Market Integration, Human Capital Formation, and Mobility", Jena Economic Research Papers (JERP) 2014-020, 2014, Jena (with Alexander Haupt).

"Competition in the Quality of Higher Education: The Impact of Student Mobility", mimeo, University of Jena, 2014, Jena (with Gabrielle Demange and Robert Fenge).

"The Impact of Print Media Advertising on Public Health Insurance Switching in Germany", mimeo, University of Munich, 2010, Munich (with Bettina Becker).

"Why and How Using a Tax Barrier to Select Migrants is Affected by Skill Formation Procedures in the Sending Country", mimeo, University of Munich, 2010, Munich (with Alessandra Casarico and Oded Stark).

## Research Reports

"The Role and Impact of Labour Taxation Policies" (coordinators: Alessandra Casarico et al.; own role: expert for Germany and Austria), Report for the European Commission (Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities DG), 2010-11.

"Fiskalische Wirkungen der Auswanderung ausgewählter Berufsgruppen" (with Christian Holzner and Sonja Munz), Report for the Expert Council of German Foundations on Integration and Migration (SVR), 2009.

"Labour Mobility in Europe: Who Migrates Where, and Why?" (with Martin Werding, Kai A. Konrad, Sonja Munz, Herbert Hofmann - in cooperation with Gilles Saint-Paul), Report within the framework of the Leibniz project "How to Construct Europe? Challenges for the European Welfare State", 2007-2008.

"International Economic Research and Policy Advice in Europe: Assessment of Institutional Capacities" (with Siegfried Schönherr, Jutta Albrecht, Heidemarie Sherman), Report for the Federal Ministry of Finance, 2003.

"Old-Age Provision in Ageing Societies: Equity, Efficiency, and Sustainability" (with Robert Fenge and Martin Werding), Report for the Economic and Social Research Institute (ESRI, Japan), 2002.

## Other Publications

"Migration Policies and the Highly Skilled", ifo DICE Report 2018/1, 28-33 (with Alessandra Casarico).

"Learn German - And Then What? ", German Research 3/2017, Magazin of the German Science Foundation (DFG), 8-11 (also published in German as "Erst Deutsch lernen? Und dann? ", forschung 3/2017, 8-11).

"Mobile Studenten", Forschung & Lehre 6/16, 2016, 492-493 (with Tina Haußen).

"Mobilität von Hochschulabsolvent in Deutschland", ifo Dresden berichtet 2/2015, Dresden, 2015, 42-50 (with Tina Haußen).

"Wanderungsverhalten von Hochschulabsolventen", Thüringer Memo, Thüringer Ministerium für Wirtschaft, Arbeit und Technologie, 2014 (with Tina Haußen and Janna Heider).

"Globalization and access to higher education – policy implications" (with Marcel Gérard), *CESifo DICE Report* 2013/2, 2013, 3-10.

Contributions about: Einwanderungspolitik (Punktesystem), Einwanderungspolitik (Quotensystem), (Arbeitnehmer-)Freizügigkeit in der EU, Green Card, Blue Card, Einbürgerungsprinzipien (ius sanguinis; ius soli), MIPEX, Fachkräftemangel (MINT), Wohlfahrtsmagnet ("welfare magnet"), Elemente der Zuwanderungspolitik (Integrationskurs, Vorrangprüfung, Verdienstgrenze), Internet-Lexikon der Volkswirtschaft (ifo Lex), Ifo Institute, Munich (forthcoming).

"Bildung für die Zukunft", Zukunftsreader 2020, Thüringer Ministerium für Wirtschaft, Arbeit und Technologie, 2013, 108-111.

"Zuwanderungspolitik – Wir müssen Deutschland für qualifizierte Arbeitskräfte attraktiv machen", in: Georg Milbradt, Gernot Nerb, Wolfgang Ochel, Hans-Werner Sinn (eds.): *Der ifo Wirtschaftskompass*, Carl Hanser Verlag München, 2011, 94-95.

"Einwanderung – Keine Lösung des Bevölkerungsproblems", in: Georg Milbradt, Gernot Nerb, Wolfgang Ochel, Hans-Werner Sinn (eds.): *Der ifo Wirtschaftskompass*, Carl Hanser Verlag München, 2011, 90-91.

"Fiskalische Wirkungen der Auswanderung ausgewählter Berufsgruppen", *ifo Schnelldienst* 17, 2009, 28-33 (with Christian Holzner and Sonja Munz).

"Rentenreform, strategische Mehrheit und demographische Entwicklung: Wann kippt Deutschland um?", *ifo Schnelldienst* 28-29, 2000, 20-25 (with Hans-Werner Sinn).

### Press Contributions

Articles about DFG-funded project "Language-Skill Investments and Migration Decisions:

- "Büffeln fürs spätere Auswandern?", *Ostthüringer Zeitung*, 3 February 2018.

Statement about "DGB weist auf Schieflage im Rentensystem hin", TV report, MDR Thüringen (Thüringen Journal), 31 May 2017.

Report/interview about ESF project "Erschließung exogener Potenziale zur Verringerung des drohenden Fachkräftemangels in Thüringen: Zur besonderen Rolle internationaler Studierender und hochqualifizierter Arbeitskräfte":

- TV report, MDR Thüringen (Thüringen Journal), 14 November 2016.

- „Verborgener Schatz: Ausländische Studenten sollen häufiger bleiben“  
*Ostthüringer Zeitung*, 15 November 2016.

Interview about " Was könnte Ausländer an Thüringen reizen?", *Ostthüringer Zeitung*, 4 June 2016.

Interview about "Sind ökonomische Vorteile von Migration messbar? ", *Ostthüringer Zeitung*, 7 November 2015.

"Ein- und Auswanderung aus ökonomischer Sicht", Interview MDR Info, 6 November 2015.

Articles about DFG-funded project "Language Learning and Migration":

- "Deutsch lernen auf gepackten Koffern: FSU Jena erforscht Spracherwerb von – Migranten", *Ostthüringer Zeitung* – online version, 14 July 2015.

- "Spracherwerb und Migration", *Thüringer Landeszeitung*, 18 July 2015.

Article/interview about "Millionenschwerer Bildungsexport ohne Ausgleich", *Ostthüringer Zeitung*, 31 December 2014.

"Funding Higher Education in a Mobile World", *University World News*, No. 326, 27 June 2014 (with Marcel Gérard).

"Land kann Berufseinstieg für Akademiker attraktiver machen", *Thüringische Landeszeitung*, 19 July 2013.

(Also published in *Ostthüringer Zeitung* – online version)

Interview about "Studiengebühren", Ostthüringer Zeitung, 18 May 2013.

"Das Ende der Studiengebühren", Süddeutsche Zeitung, 13 May 2013.

## **Presentations**

### *Presentations at Conferences (since 2010)*

- 2018 CESifo Employment and Social Protection Conference, Munich  
International Forum on Migration Statistics, OECD, Paris
- 2017 Dondena Workshop on Public Policy, Bocconi, Milan  
Società Italiana di Economia Pubblica (SIEP), Catania  
CESifo Employment and Social Protection Conference, Munich
- 2016 Società Italiana di Economia Pubblica (SIEP), Lecce  
Verein für Socialpolitik, Augsburg  
CESifo Employment and Social Protection Conference, Munich  
Workshop "Labor Economics and Social Policy", Dresden
- 2015 Session of the Committee on Public Finance, German Economic Association, Zurich  
Jean Monnet Conference "European Economy and People's Mobility", Jena  
Session of the Committee on Population Economics, German Economic Association, Nuremberg
- 2014 International Institute of Public Finance (IIPF), Lugano  
CESifo Public Sector Economics Conference, Munich
- 2013 Verein für Socialpolitik, Düsseldorf  
CESifo Public Sector Economics Conference, Munich
- 2012 Workshop "Political Economy", Dresden  
International Institute of Public Finance (IIPF), Dresden  
CESifo Public Sector Economics Conference, Munich
- 2011 Norwegian-German Seminar on Public Economics, Munich  
Conference "Kapital- und Arbeitsmärkte in alternden Volkswirtschaften", Rostock  
Verein für Socialpolitik, Frankfurt/Main  
CESifo Public Sector Economics Conference, Munich
- 2010 Conference "Globalization, Education and Taxation", Constance  
Session of the Committee on Population Economics, Bamberg

### *Presentations at Seminars (since 2010)*

- 2018 German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), Bonn
- 2017 University of Leipzig
- 2016 Free University of Berlin  
Ifo Institute Munich (CEMIR)
- 2015 University of Salzburg
- 2010 University of Stirling, UK



### Third-Party Funding Projects

2018-2021	DFG (German Science Foundation) Project „Investitionen in Sprachkenntnisse und Migrationsentscheidungen“ (Language-Skill Investments and Migration Decisions) (with P. Poutvaara, Ifo Institute) (24 months)
2016-2019	ESF (European Social Funds) Project "Erschließung exogener Potenziale zur Verringerung des drohenden Fachkräftemangels in Thüringen: Zur besonderen Rolle internationaler Studierender und hochqualifizierter Arbeitskräfte" (with S. Henn and C. Hillinger) (36 months)
2015-2017	DFG (German Science Foundation) Project "Spracherwerb und Migration" (Language Learning and Migration) (24 months)
2014	Report for the Thuringia Ministry for Economics, Labor and Technology about "Wanderungsverhalten von Hochschulabsolventen" (Migration Choice of University Graduates) (with T. Haussen and J. Heider), 2014

### Other Information

<i>Activities as Referee</i>	European Economic Review, Journal of Public Economics, The Economic Journal, International Tax and Public Finance, European Journal of Population Economics, Journal of Public Economic Theory, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, FinanzArchiv, CESifo Economic Studies, European Journal of Political Economy, Economics of Governance, Journal of Common Market Studies, Journal of Pension Economics and Finance, Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics, Population Studies, Journal of Regional Science, Comparative Population Studies, Empirica, Metroeconomica, International Migration, International Economics and Economic Policy, The B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy, Empirical Economics, Journal of Regional Science, Regional Studies  German Research Foundation (DFG), German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), German National Academic Foundation (Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes), Fonds National de la Recherche Luxembourg (FNR)
<i>Member of Scientific Committees</i>	Conference Verein für Socialpolitik, 2017, Vienna Conference International Institute of Public Finance (IIPF), Lake Tahoe, 2016 Conference International Institute of Public Finance (IIPF), Lugano, 2014 Conference International Joseph A. Schumpeter Society (ISS), Jena, 2014 Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes (Max-Weber Programm), 2009 Conference Verein für Socialpolitik, 2007, Munich  Ph.D. commission by Wenche Irén Sterkeby, NHH, Bergen, Norway, 2007
<i>Conference Organization</i>	Organisation of the conference "Migration Barriers", Jena, 6-7 November 2015. Co-Organisation of the conference "Cross Border Mobility of Students and Researchers: Financing and Implication for Economic Efficiency and Growth" (with Marcel Gérard), CESifo Venice Summer Institute, Venice, 16-17 July 2012. Co-Organisation of "Catholic University of Mons & CESifo Conference on

Financing the Mobility of Higher Education Students and Researchers" (with Marcel Gérard), Mons, 9-10 November 2010.

*Language Skills*

German: mother tongue  
English: fluent  
French: good  
Italian: basic