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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Date of birth: February 5th, 1981, Citizenship: Austria, Marital status: married

EDUCATION:

Economics: PhD – Candidate at ZEW, Mannheim and the CDSE of Mannheim University **Sept.2009-June 2014 (exp.)**

Economics: Master 2 Recherche: Économie mathématique et économétrie at Toulouse School of Economics **Oct.2006-Sept.2007**

Economics: Magister-degree at University of Vienna **Oct. 2000-June 2005**

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Researcher: at ZEW-Mannheim (Research Group “Information and Communication Technologies”); Field of Investigation: Empirical Analysis of Content Networks and social media. **Sept.2009-**

Researcher: at Johannes Kepler University in Linz, Austria: Field of Investigation: Empirical Analysis of Market structure, Entry and Competitive Behaviour in online markets **Oct. 2007-Aug.2009**

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant for the course “Markets and Strategies”, Master Course taught by Prof. Martin Peitz **Spring 2011- Spring 2013**

Tutorial for a course in applied econometrics at Vienna University. (three hours of teaching per week besides course work; **Oct. 2004-June 2005**

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Web 2.0, Network Effects and knowledge transfer in user generated content.

Industrial Economics: structure of online markets, competitive behaviour of firms and decision maker of consumers online.

PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS

Hackl, Franz, Michael Kummer, Rudolf Winter-Ebmer and Christine Zulehner (forthcoming), Market Structure and Market Performance in E-Commerce, European Economic Review.

Hackl, Franz, Michael Kummer and Rudolf Winter-Ebmer (2014), 99 Cent: Price Points in E-Commerce, Information Economics and Policy 26, 12 - 27.

WORKING PAPERS

"Spillovers in Networks of User Generated Content – Evidence from 23 Natural Experiments on Wikipedia", 2013

"Centrality and Content Creation in Networks - The Case of German Wikipedia" (R&R at IEP), Discussion Paper No. 12-05, jointly with Marianne Saam; Iassen Halatchliyski; George Giorgidze, Iassen Halatchliyski, 2012

REFEREED CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS

Giorgidze, George , Torsten Grust, Iassen Halatchliyski and Michael Kummer (2013),
Analysing the entire Wikipedia history with Database Supported Haskell, in:
Kostis Sagonas, Practical Aspects of Declarative Languages, 15th International
Symposium, PADL 2013, Rome, Italy, January 21-22, 2013, Proceedings Series:
Lecture Notes in Computer Science Bd. Vol. 7752, Rome, Italy

WORK IN PROGRESS

"Customer Reviews as Public Information Good in Online Markets", jointly with
Franz Hackl (U. Linz), 2010
"Market Entry in E-Commerce" NET Institute Working Paper No. 08-23, jointly with
Maximilian Kasy (U. Harvard), 2008

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOP-PRESENTATIONS

2014	7th ICT Conference at ParisTech, Paris 12th Annual International Industrial Organization Conference (IIOC) – Rising Star Sessions, Chicago 5th Annual Conference on Internet Search and Innovation, Searle Center on Law, Regulation, and Economic Growth , Chicago
2013:	11th Workshop on Media Economics, Tel Aviv 3rd Conference on ICT, Munich EARIE, Évora SEEK Workshop on Social Network Formation and Peer Effects (Mannheim), 11th ZEW Conference on the Economics of ICT, Mannheim, Sunbelt, Hamburg 11th Annual International Industrial Organization Conference (IIOC) – Rising Star Sessions, Boston 3rd SEEK – Conference, Mannheim
2012:	EARIE, Rome, Centre for Competition and Regulatory Workshop, Vienna, GOR, Mannheim
2011	Annual Conference: EARIE
2010:	Annual Conferences: EEA, EARIE, German Economic Association
2009:	ICT Workshop at ParisTech, 2009

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

WU Wien, U Kaiserslautern, U Linz, U Mannheim, ZEW Mannheim

RESEARCH GRANTS

SEEK-Project 2010: Firm Behaviour over the Product Life Cycle. Entry, Exit and
Pricing Strategies on Online Price-Comparison Sites
NET Institute grant for a paper on Firm Entry in E-Commerce Industries (July 2008)

GRANTS, PRIZES AND AWARDS

"Best PhD Paper Award" at the IIIrd ICT Conference in Munich - 2nd Prize (2013)
Postgraduate Grant for non-German-speaking countries of the Federal Ministry of
Science and Research. (finance for the Master at TSE; 2006-2007)
Scholarship for excellent course work in Economics ("Leistungsstipendium"), granted
by the Austrian Government. (2003)

LANGUAGES AND SOFTWARE SKILLS:

German (native), English, Spanish, French, STATA, Python, GAUSS, Matlab, E-
Views, LaTeX, Microsoft-Office