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## Current Position

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since 10/2020    Head of Health Care Markets Group  
**ZEW – Leibniz Centre for European Economic Research**

**Research Interest:**    Health Economics, Health Services Research, Quantitative and Behavioral Methods

## Education

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09/2014 - 09/2018    Economics, *PhD*, **University of Erlangen-Nuremberg**  
10/2012 - 08/2014    Economics, *Master of Science (Research Track)*, **University of Munich**  
10/2008 - 08/2012    Sozialökonomik, *Bachelor of Arts*, **University of Erlangen-Nuremberg**  
09/2010 - 07/2011    Economics, *Bachelor of Science*, **University of Hull**

## Research

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### Journal Articles

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- ▶ Reif, S, L. Hafner and M. Seebauer (2020) "**Physician behavior under prospective payment schemes - Evidence from artefactual field and lab experiments**", *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*. Vol. 17, 5540.
- ▶ Marcus, J., S. Reif, A. Wuppermann and A. Rouche (2020) "**Increased instruction time and stress-related health problems among school children**", In *Journal of Health Economics*, Vol. 70, 102256.
- ▶ Reif, S., S. Wichert and A. Wuppermann (2018) "**Is it good to be too light? Birth weight thresholds in hospital reimbursement systems**", In *Journal of Health Economics*, Vol. 59: pp. 1-25.
- ▶ Billner, M., A. Wirthmann, S. Reif and U. Rieger (2016) "**Poly Implant Prothèse and Rofil substandard breast implant explantations from a large German single center from 2011 to 2014 – a comparative study**" In *Aesthetic Plastic Surgery*, Vol. 40: pp. 507-513.

### Working Papers

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- ▶ Bünnings, C., L. Hafner, S. Reif and H. Tauchmann (2019) "**In Sickness and in Health? Health Shocks and Relationship Breakdown: Empirical Evidence from Germany**", *FAU Discussion Papers in Economics No. 03-2019*.
- ▶ Quis, J. S. and S. Reif (2019) "**Does length really matter? New evidence on the link between years of education and health**". Previous version "Health Effects of Instruction Intensity - Evidence from a Natural Experiment in German High-Schools" circulated as *FAU Discussion Papers in Economics No. 12-2017*.

### Work in Progress

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- ▶ "**The life saving effects of Emergency Medical Services**".
- ▶ "**Do We Need Flexible Hospital Reimbursement Schemes? A Laboratory Experiment**", with L. Hafner and M. Seebauer
- ▶ "**Effects of Introducing Prospective Payment on Length of Stay in Psychiatric Care – Evidence from a recent reform in Germany**" with H. Tauchmann and F. Valder.
- ▶ "**Volume-Outcome for Complex Surgeries in German Hospitals**" with S. Decker and A. Mensen.
- ▶ "**Wait, it's cheaper? Rebate contracts and waiting times for drugs**" with H. Tauchmann und F. Zorzi.

## Policy Reports in German

- ▶ Augurzky, B., S. Decker, A. Mense and S. Reif (2020) "**BARMER Krankenhausreport 2020 - Volume Outcome im Krankenhaus**". bifg Schriftreihe zum Gesundheitswesen - Band 25.
- ▶ Augurzky, B., T. Korfhage, S. Reif and D. Reifferscheid (2019) "**Reformvorschläge für die Krankenhausabrechnung und MDK-Abrechnungsprüfung**". Projektbericht im Auftrag des Verband der Ersatzkassen e. V. (vdek).
- ▶ Augurzky, B., Haering, A. and S. Reif (2019) "**Ausbildungspauschalen für die generalistische Pflegeausbildung in NRW - Endbericht**". RWI Projektbericht im Auftrag der Krankenhausgesellschaft Nordrhein-Westfalen.

## Visits & Affiliations

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since 06/2017	Affiliate, <b>Health, Econometrics and Data Group</b> , University of York.
since 08/2015	Visiting Researcher, <b>RWI - Leibniz Institute for Economic Research</b> , Essen.
10/2015 - 11/2018	Affiliate, <b>IDK Evidence Based Economics</b> , Graduate Program of the Universities of Munich, Erlangen-Nuremberg and Regensburg by the Elite Network of Bavaria.
04/2017 - 06/2017	Visiting Researcher, <b>Center for Health Economics</b> , University of York. Hosts: Hugh Gravelle and Giuseppe Moscelli

## Teaching Experience

All courses at University of Erlangen-Nuremberg except \*Lutheran University of Applied Sciences Nuremberg.

### Lecturer

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<b>Leveling Course Econometrics</b> (Eng), BA	Winter 2016/17 - 2017/18
<b>Health Economics Seminar</b> (Ger), BA	Summer 2015, 2016, 2018, 2019, 2020
<b>Introduction to Health Economics*</b> (Ger), BA	Winter 2017/18, 2019/20
<b>Empirical Economics*</b> (Ger), MA	Winter 2018/19 - 2019/20
<b>Introduction to Economics*</b> (Ger), BA	Winter 2019/20 - 2020/21
<b>Supply of Medical Services</b> (Eng), MSc	Summer 2018

### Teaching Assistant

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<b>Applied Econometrics</b> (Eng), MSc	Winter 2015/16 - 2020/21
<b>Econometrics I</b> (Ger), MSc	Winter 2014/15
<b>Health Economics I</b> (Ger), MSc	Winter 2015/16 - 2019/20
<b>Economics of Health Insurance</b> (Eng), MSc	Summer 2016 - 2019
<b>Health Care Markets</b> (Ger), BA	Summer 2020

### Thesis Advisor

Supervision of several Bachelor and Master theses in the area of health economics and applied econometrics.

## Service to the Profession

### Refereeing

*International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*; *Journal of Health Economics* (2×); *Health Economics* (3×); *PLOS ONE*;

### Workshop Co-Organization

- ▶ 6th dggö Health Econometrics Workshop, 21-22 November 2019 in Nürnberg.
- ▶ 2nd Evidence-Based-Economics Summer Meeting, 28-30 June 2018 in Herrsching (Ammersee).

## Presentations

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### Academic

- 2020: University of Hannover (Hanover, 06/2020);
- 2019: dggö section "Health Econometrics" Workshop (Nürnberg, 11/2019); European Workshop on Econometrics and Health Economics (Leuven, 09/2019); EuHEA PhD Student-Supervisor Conference (Discussant, Porto, 09/2019); Essen Economics of Mental Health Workshop (Essen, 06/2019); TU Munich (Munich, 06/2019); CINCH Academy (Essen, 04/2019);
- 2018: dggö section "Health Econometrics" Workshop (Essen, 11/2018); BGPE Research Workshop (Ingolstadt, 06/2018); TU Berlin (04/2018); RWI - Leibniz Institute for Economic Research (Essen, 04/2018); dggö Conference (Hamburg, 03/2018);
- 2017: CINCH Monday Seminar (Essen, 11/2017); European Workshop on Econometrics and Health Economics (Prague, 09/2017); Jahrestagung Verein für Socialpolitik (Vienna, 09/2017); ESPE Conference (Glasgow, 06/2017); Center for Health Economics (York, 06/2017); dggö Conference (Basel, 03/2017); Auswirkungen der G8-Schulreform (Berlin, 03/2017);
- 2016: 4th Workshop in Behavioral and Experimental Health Economics (Poster, Cologne, 12/2016); dggö section "Health Econometrics" Workshop (Discussant, Munich, 12/2016); EuHEA Conference (Hamburg, 07/2016); dggö Conference (Berlin 03/2016);
- 2015: dggö section "Health Econometrics" Workshop (Essen, 12/2015); Essen Workshop on Experimental Economics (Essen, 10/2015); European Workshop on Econometrics and Health Economics (Discussant, Paris, 09/2015); IIPF Congress (Dublin, 08/2015); BGPE Research Workshop (Passau, 07/2015); ESPE Conference (Izmir, 06/2015); dggö Conference (Bielefeld, 03/2015);

### Non-academic (Science Slam)

Ludwigsburg (10/2018); Karlsruhe (09/2018); Karlsruhe (03/2018); Frankfurt am Main (11/2017); Mannheim (10/2017); Berlin (08/2017); Mainz (02/2017); Frankfurt am Main (01/2017); Hannover (11/2016); Ulm (05/2016); Berlin (03/2016); München (01/2016); Darmstadt, Düsseldorf (11/2015); Tübingen, Würzburg (10/2015); Karlsruhe, München (06/2015); Berlin (03/2015); Hamburg (02/2015); Erlangen, Nürnberg (01/2015); Berlin (12/2014); Künzelsau, Köln (11/2014); Esslingen (10/2014); Erlangen, München (07/2014); Karlsruhe (06/2014); Berlin, Ulm (05/2014); Hamburg (12/2013); Bamberg, Nürnberg (10/2013);

## Graduate Courses

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### Economics

Selected Topics in Microeconometrics (C. Cameron); Health Plan Payment in Individual Health Insurance Markets (T. McGuire); Simulation Methods in Microeconometrics (P. Ruud); Machine Learning Methods for Text and Other Count Data (S. Hansen); Specification and estimation of structural models (C. Bellemare); Academic Writing (C. Schnabel); Applied Microeconomics - Topics and Methodological Approaches (I. Rasul and S. Ryan); Incentives and Behavior Change (U. Gneezy); Econometric Methods for Causal Effects and Structural Inference (D. Uysal and J. Winter); Behavioral Theory (A. Roider, F. Englmaier, J. Maier, P. Schwardmann, S. Schudy and T. Murooka); Empirical Evaluation Methods (P. Todd); Advanced Econometrics (A. v. Soest); Effective programming practices for economists (H.-M. v. Gaudecker); Data Visualisation & Health Econometrics (A. M. Jones).

### Teaching Training

**Bavarian Certificate for University Teaching - Advanced Level:** Pedagogics, Presentation & Communication, Examination & Evaluation, Consulting & Advice.

## Third Party Funded Projects

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\*Project Leader

- 10/2019 - 09/2020 **BARMER-Krankenhausreport 2020\***  
(*BARMER Hospital Report 2020*)  
Principal: **Barmer Ersatzkasse**; Contractor: **RWI Essen**;  
Team: B. Augurzky, S. Decker, A. Mense, S. Reif.
- 03/2019 - 09/2019 **Reformvorschläge für die Krankenhaus-Abrechnungsprüfung**  
(*How to reform hospital reimbursement auditions*)  
Principal: **vdek - Verband der Ersatzkassen**;  
Contractor: **hcb Institute for Health Care Business & rwi consult**;  
Team: B. Augurzky, T. Korfagel, S. Reif, A. Reifferscheid.
- 05/2018 - 01/2019 **Ausbildungspauschale in der generalistischen Pflegeausbildung**  
(*Estimating the costs for generalist nurse education*)  
Principal: **Krankenhausgesellschaft NRW**; Contractor: **RWI Essen**;  
Team: B. Augurzky, A. Haering, S. Reif.

## Awards, Grants & Scholarships

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- 01/2020 **FAU Emerging Talents Initiative**, € 14,000  
12/2019 **Hermann-Gutmann-Foundation Publication Award**, € 700  
10/2019 **STAEDTLER Foundation Dissertation Award**, € 3,500  
03/2019 **Research Grant FAU Unibund** (with H. Tauchmann), € 5,300  
03/2019 **dggö Best Paper Award** (with S. Wichert and A. Wuppermann), € 2,500  
03/2017 **Research Grant Hans-Frisch Foundation** (with H. Tauchmann), € 4,700  
10/2015 **Fellow of the Elite Network Bavaria**  
06/2015 **Allgäu-Orient-Rallye**, 4th Place

## Past Professional Experience

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- 03/2020 - 11/2020 Health Economic Consultant, **Digital Health Application Center GmbH**  
10/2018 - 08/2020 Senior Researcher, **RWI - Leibniz Institute for Economic Research**  
09/2014 - 12/2020 Research & Teaching Assistant, **University of Erlangen-Nuremberg**  
10/2017 - 03/2018 M.Sc. Economics Coordinator, **University of Erlangen-Nuremberg**  
10/2015 - 09/2016 M.Sc. Economics Coordinator, **University of Erlangen-Nuremberg**  
10/2012 - 07/2014 Student Assistant, **University of Munich**  
10/2012 - 07/2014 Internship, **GfK SE**  
10/2011 - 09/2012 Student Assistant, **University of Erlangen-Nuremberg**  
07/2011 - 09/2011 Internship, **City Council Nuremberg**  
08/2010 - 09/2010 Internship, **Datev eG**

## Memberships

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- ASHecon**: American Society for Health Economics  
**BEH-net**: Behavioral Experiments in Health Network  
**dggö**: German Health Economics Association  
**VfS**: Association of German Speaking Economists

## Skills

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- Software**: HTML, MaxQDA,  $\LaTeX$ , Python, R, SPSS, Stata, z-Tree.  
**Languages**: German (native), English (fluent), French (intermediate).  
**Music**: Electric bass, guitar, tambourine.