

# Oliver Picek

## *Curriculum Vitae*

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### Education

- 2016 **PhD Economics**, *New School for Social Research*, New York, NY, USA
- Dissertation Title: *Essays on Macroeconomic Policy in the Euro Area*
  - Thesis Committee: Mark Setterfield, Paulo Dos Santos, Gennaro Zezza, Federico Finchelstein (Dean's representative)
  - Comprehensive examinations in Macroeconomics and Econometrics
- 2011 **Mag.<sup>rer.soc.oec</sup> (MA Economics)**, *University of Vienna*, Vienna, Austria
- Diploma Thesis Title: *The Underlying Driver of the Euro Zone Crisis: Current Account Imbalances – Empirical Developments, Reform Proposals and Stock Flow Consistent Models*
- 2008–2009 Erasmus Exchange program, *Université Paris 1 – Panthéon-Sorbonne*, Paris, France

### Teaching and Research Fields

- Primary **International macroeconomics, European economics**
- Secondary **Limits of national economic policy, Employment policy**

### Awards, Scholarships, Prizes

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| 2014–2016 | David Gordon Endowed Fellow                       | <i>New School for Social Research</i>                  |
| 2013–2014 | University Fellowship                             | <i>New School for Social Research</i>                  |
| 2011–2015 | Fulbright Grant                                   | <i>Austrian-American Fulbright Commission</i>          |
| 2011      | Franz Weninger Stipend (Prize for Diploma Thesis) | <i>Austrian National Bank</i>                          |
| 2010      | Junior Fellowship                                 | <i>Austrian Institute for Economic Research (WIFO)</i> |
| 2010      | Diploma Thesis Grant                              | <i>Austrian Chamber of Labour</i>                      |
| 2005      | Merit Award                                       | <i>University of Vienna</i>                            |

### Publications

#### Peer-reviewed Journals

Picek, Oliver and Enno Schröder (2018), "Spillover Effects of Germany's Final Demand on Southern Europe." *World Economy*, 41(8), 2216–2242.

Picek, Oliver (2018), "Gesamtwirtschaftliche Beschränkungen der Beschäftigungspolitik in Österreich (Macroeconomic constraints of employment policy in Austria)." *Wirtschaft und Gesellschaft*, 44(3).

Picek, Oliver (2018), "Kann nationale Konjunkturpolitik noch Beschäftigung schaffen? (Can expansionary fiscal policy still create jobs in Austria?)." *Materialien zu Wirtschaft und Gesellschaft*, 180.

#### Working Papers

Picek, Oliver and Enno Schröder (2017), "Euro Area Imbalances: How Much Could an Expansion in the North Help the South?" *IMK Working Paper 180*.

Picek, Oliver (2017), "The Magic Square of Economic Policy Measured by a Macroeconomic Performance Index." *New School Economics Department Working Paper Series. 2/2017*, February.

Picek, Oliver (2015), "A National Public Bank to Finance a Euro Zone Government: Getting the Funds for Investment and Recovery Packages." *New School Economics Department Working Paper Series. 12/2015*, June.

Picek, Oliver (2018), "Eine Jobgarantie für Österreichs Langzeitarbeitslose."

#### Work in Progress

Picek, Oliver and Bozena Bobkova (2017), "The Unit Labor Cost Argument in the Eurozone Competitiveness Debate: Not so Wrong for Exports After All."

#### Policy Papers and Reports

Buczko, Christina, Stefan Giljum, Michaela Hickersberger, Friedrich Hinterberger, Oliver Picek, Elke Pirgmaier, Klemens Riegler, Margit Schratzenstaller, Andrea Stocker, and Josef Thoman (2010), "Ökosoziale Marktwirtschaft für eine zukunftsfähige Gesellschaftsordnung – Wissenschaftliches Hintergrundpapier (The Ecosocial Market Economy – Scientific Background Paper)."

Picek, Oliver and Margit Schratzenstaller (2008), "Ziele und Optionen der Steuerreform: Vermögensbezogene Steuern (Goals and Options of the Current Fiscal Reforms: Property Taxes and Wealth-based Taxation)." *Austrian Institute for Economic Research (WIFO)*.

Schulmeister, Stephan, Margit Schratzenstaller, and Oliver Picek (2008), "A General Financial Transaction Tax – Feasibility and Effects." *Austrian Institute for Economic Research (WIFO)*.

Schratzenstaller, Margit, Oliver Picek, Helfried Bauer, Siegfried Ott, Claus Staringer, Sabine Heidenbauer, and Michael Höllbacher (2008), "Reform der Grundsteuer nach dem "Grazer Modell" (A Reform of the Land Tax: The Graz Model)." *Report for the Association of Austrian Cities (Städtebund)*.

Berghuber, Bernd, Oliver Picek, and Margit Schratzenstaller (2007), "Perspektiven der Erbschafts- und Schenkungssteuer in Österreich (Perspectives for the Inheritance and Gift Tax in Austria)." *Austrian Institute for Economic Research (WIFO)*.

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## Research and Work Experience

- since October 2018 **Researcher**, *European Trade Union Institute*, Brussels, Belgium
- October 2017-March 2019 **External Lecturer**, *Vienna University of Economics and Business*, Vienna, Austria
- February-October 2017 **Assistant of the Executive Director**, *Austrian Public Employment Agency for Lower Austria (AMS NÖ)*, Vienna, Austria
- July-December 2017 **Advisor to the Minister**, *Federal Ministry of Labor, Social Policy and Consumer Protection*, Vienna, Austria
- January-June 2017 **Post-Doc**, *Institute for International Economics and Development*, Vienna University of Economics and Business, Vienna, Austria

### Advisory and Supervisory positions

- since November 2018 **Expert**, *European Economic and Social Committee*, Economy and Cohesion section, Brussels, Belgium
- August 2017-January 2018 **Member of Steering Council**, *Public Employment Agency for Austria (AMS)*, Vienna, Austria

### Research Assistant positions and Internships

- Spring 2016 **Blue Book Trainee**, *DG ECFIN*, European Commission, Brussels, Belgium
- 2013–2015 **Research Assistant**, to *Professor Mark Setterfield*, *New School for Social Research (NSSR)*, New York City, NY, USA
- 2007–2010 **Research Assistant**, to *Dr. Margit Schratzenstaller*, *Fiscal Policy Department*, *Austrian Institute for Economic Research (WIFO)*, Vienna, Austria
- Summer 2007 **Research Assistant**, to *Dr. Eckhard Hein*, *Macroeconomic Policy Institute (IMK)* at the *Hans-Böckler Foundation*, Düsseldorf, Germany
- Summer 2006 **Intern**, *BAWAG P.S.K. (Austrian bank)*, *Department of Economics & Research*, Vienna, Austria

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## Teaching Experience

### Graduate

- Spring 2012, 2013, 2014 **Teaching Assistant (LAB instructor)**, *Advanced Macroeconomics 2 (PhD)*, NSSR
- Fall 2015 **Teaching Assistant (LAB instructor)**, *Graduate Macroeconomics (MA)*, NSSR  
*Undergraduate*
- Spring 2016 – **Lecturer**, *International Macroeconomics*, Vienna University of Business and Economics, Vienna
- Fall 2012 – **Teaching Assistant (LAB instructor) for two courses per semester**,  
Spring 2015 *Introduction to Political Economy, Introduction to Macroeconomics, Introduction to Microeconomics*, Eugene Lang College of The New School, New York City

## Conferences and Workshops

### *Conference presentations*

- 2019 **2nd Vienna Conference on Economic Pluralism**, April 15-16, Berlin, Germany  
**1st International European Modern Monetary Theory Conference**, February 1-2, Berlin, Germany
- 2018 **11th FIW-Research Conference International Economics**, November 29-30, Vienna, Austria
- 2018 **22nd Research Network Macroeconomics and Macroeconomic Policies (FMM) conference**, October 25-27, Berlin, Germany
- 2018 **2nd International Modern Monetary Theory Conference**, September 28-30, New York City, United States
- 2017 **10th conference of the International Input-Output Association**, June 19-23, Atlantic City, United States
- 2016 **Joint Annual Meeting of the Slovak Economic Association and the Austrian Economic Association (NOeG-SEA)**, May 27-28, Bratislava, Slovakia  
**Momentum Kongress**, October 13-16, Hallstatt, Austria  
**20th Research Network Macroeconomics and Macroeconomic Policies (FMM) conference**, October 20-22, Berlin, Germany
- 2015 **19th FMM conference**, October 22-24, Berlin, Germany
- 2014 **18th FMM conference**, Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, Berlin, Germany  
**12th International Post-Keynesian conference**, September 25-28, Kansas City, Missouri, USA  
**INET conference, Invited Young Scholar**, April 10-12, Toronto, Canada
- 2010 **Momentum Kongress**, October 21-24, Hallstatt, Austria

### *Workshop presentations*

- 2018 **2nd Rosa Luxemburg Vienna Conference**, *VHS Hietzing*, March 1-2, Vienna, Austria  
**Austrian Economic Association Winter Workshop**, *Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU Wien)*, December 18-20, Vienna, Austria

- 10 years after the financial crisis**, *University of Hamburg*, November 16-18, Hamburg, Germany
- 2017 **Payerbach Economic Research Weekend**, *Vienna Univ. of Business and Econ.*, May 11-13, Payerbach, Austria
- Trento Festival of Economics**, *INET-YSI Workshop*, June 1-4, Trento, Italy
- Keynes Society**, *Yearly workshop*, February 20-21, Vienna, Austria
- 2015 **Eurozone and the Americas: Debt and Democracy**, *Conference Workshop by the Young Scholars Initiative (YSI) of the Institute for New Economic Thinking (INET)*, November 1-4, Austin, TX, USA
- New School-UMass Graduate Student Workshop**, *NSSR*, November 25-28, New York, NY, USA
- 2014 **New School-UMass Graduate Student Workshop**, *UMass-Amherst*, November, Amherst, MA, USA
- Invited talks*
- 2019 **Radio Student**, *Radio Debate: Job Guarantee vs. UBI vs. Universal Basic Services*, Ljubljana, Slovenia
- 2018 **MA 23 Talk - City of Vienna Economics and Statistics Division**, *Fiscal policy spillovers in the Euro Area*, Vienna, Austria
- 2017 **Vienna Institute for Int. Econ. Studies (WIIW)**, *Talk on the German current account surplus*, Vienna, Austria
- Austrian Chamber of Labour**, *Presentation on counter-cyclical fiscal policy for Austria*, Vienna, Austria
- 2010 **European Greens in the European Parliament**, *Presentation of the Financial Transaction Tax (FTT) paper*, Brussels, Belgium
- European Trade Union Association Internal and External Workshop**, *Presentation of FTT paper*, Brussels, Belgium

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## Additional Training

- 2015 **YSI Workshop NYC**, *The Monetary Circuit, the Solvency Rule, and the Modern Financialization Era*, February 24-26, New York City, NY, USA
- 2014 **The Hyman P. Minsky Summer Seminar**, June 13-21, Levy Institute at Bard College, Blithewood, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY, USA
- Winter School**, *Stock flow consistent and Agent-based models*, Jan 30 - Feb 11, University of Limerick, Ireland
- 2008 **1st FMM Summer School**, *Keynesian Macroeconomics and European Economic Policies*, Jul 27-Aug 3, Berlin, Germany
- 2007 **Summer School**, *Applied Time Series and Cointegration*, July, IMK, Düsseldorf, Germany

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## External Funding

2017 Commissioned Study  
2016 Commissioned Study  
2015 Research Grant

*Austrian Chamber of Labour*  
*Vienna Institute for Int. Economic Studies (WIIW)*  
*IMK, Hans Böckler Foundation*

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## Software

*Mathematics:* MATLAB, Mathematica  
*Typesetting:* L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Word

*Statistics:* R, Excel, E-Views  
*Presentation:* L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, PowerPoint

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## Languages

*German:* Native  
*English:* Fluent (Level C2)  
*French:* Intermediate (Level B2)

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## Professional Service

Referee for: European Journal of Economics and Economic Policies, Transfer, New School Economic Review, ETUI Policy Briefs

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## References

**Mark Setterfield**, *Professor of Economics*, The New School for Social Research, 6 East 16th Street, NY 10003, USA, Economics Department, 11th floor  
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**Paulo Dos Santos**, *Assistant Professor of Economics*, The New School for Social Research, 6 East 16th Street, NY 10003, USA, Economics Department, 11th floor  
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**Gennaro Zezza**, *Professor of Economics*, University of Cassino, Viale dell'Università, 03043 Cassino, Province of Frosinone, Italy  
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