

Personal Details

Date of Birth 06/24/1979 in Frankfurt/Main, Germany

Marital Status single Nationality Austrian

Education

Since 04/2006 University of Essen-Duisburg, Campus Essen, Germany

Chair of Management Science and Energy Economics

Prof. Dr. Christoph Weber

PhD-studies in Energy Economics

Fields of scientific interest:

Regulation, Energy Economics, Network Economics, Competition Policy, Microeconomics, Production Economics, Game Theory

04/2005 – 04/2006 University of Hamburg, Germany

Chair of Economic Policy and Industrial Economics,

Prof. Dr. Wilhelm Pfähler

PhD-studies in Industrial Economics

10/2001 – 10/2004 University of Würzburg, Würzburg, Germany

Graduate studies in Economics ("Volkswirtschaftslehre")

Dipl.-Volkswirt (grade: 1.4, Best of class, 1/80)

04/2004 – 10/2004 **Diploma thesis:**

"Efficiency analysis of the regulation of the "last mile" in the

telecommunication sector" (grade: 1.0, excellent)

Graduate subjects:

Industrial Organization, Econometrics; supplementary major:

Financial Economics

09/2000 – 06/2001 University of Caen, Basse Normandie, France

University exchange year (ERASMUS program)

Focus on

Econometrics, History of Economics

10/1997 – 09/2000 University of Würzburg, Würzburg, Germany

Undergraduate studies in Economics ("Volkswirtschaftslehre")

Vordiplom (1999)

1997 Johann-Wilhelm-Häßler-Gymnasium, Erfurt, Germany

General Higher Education Entrance Qualification: "Abitur",

Majoring in: Mathematics and English

Other Work Experience

Since 04/2006 Chair of Management Science and Energy Economics,

University of Duisburg-Essen, Campus Essen, Germany

Academic assistant and assistant lecturer,

Focus: Lectures and tutorials, seminars, projects for industry and

administration, academic mentoring, project proposals

11/2005 – 11/2008 RWE Energy AG, Dortmund, Germany

Department of Economics and Management of Regulation Consultant: Assistance in strategic planning of political activities

07/2005 – 09/2005 Deutsche Auslandshandelskammer, Casablanca, Morocco

Internship in the Department for the Promotion of Economic

Relations (German Chamber of Commerce)

Sector analysis health sector

05/2005 – 03/2006 Chair of Economic Policy and Industrial Organisation,

University of Hamburg, Germany

Focus: Lectures and tutorials, seminars, academic mentoring

10/2002 – 10/2003 Chairs of Industrial Organization and Econometrics,

University of Würzburg, Germany

Student tutor for Statistics and Microeconomics

Student assistant

01/2001 – 06/2001 Conseil Général du Calvados, Caen, France

Assistant teacher for German at a french middleschool

(Dives/mer, Calvados, France)

Scientific Work

Peer Reviewed Publications

Weber, C., Schober, D., Schaeffler, S. (2010) Optimal Replacement Strategies in Network Infrastructures under quality penalties. *Zeitschrift für Betriebswirtschaft (Journal of Business Economics)* (VOL. 80(6)); S.639-665.

Schober, D., Weber, C. (2009) Regulatory Reform in South America – A Dynamic Panel Data Approach. Double blind, double peer reviewed at the IEEE Conference on European Energy Markets 2009, KU Leuven, Belgium.

Weber, C., Schober, D. (2007) Ist ein nachhaltiger Netzbetrieb bei Benchmarking mit heterogenen Kapitalstrukturen möglich? *Zeitschrift für Energiewirtschaft* (VOL. 2007(31)), S.3-14.

Other Publications

- Schober, D., Schaeffler, S., Weber, C. (2010) Implicit Discrimination in Regulation: The Role of Firm-Specific Network Risk due to Size and Age Distribution of Electricity Networks. *Conference Proceedings Eastern Conference of the Journal of Regulatory Economics*, 19th-21st May 2010. Skytop PA, USA.
- Schober, D., Ziegler, D., Weber, C. (2008) Zusammensetzung der Strompreise in Europa. ew (VOL. 12/2008), S.42-46.
- Schober, D., Kutschke, G. (2008) Vergleichbarkeitsrechnung mithilfe eines technischwirtschaftlichen Anlagenregisters. *Energiewirtschaftliche Tagesfragen* (VOL. 11/08), S.20-28.
- Schober, D., Weber, C. (2007) Regulatory Reform in Electricity in South America A Panel Data Analysis. *Conference Proceedings 15th International Conference on Panel Data*. University of Bonn, Germany.
- Schober, D., Weißenfels, R. (2006) Sachgerechte Verzinsung von Erlösabweichungen im Regulierungskonto. *Energiewirtschaftliche Tagesfragen* (VOL. 11/06), S.63-68.
- Weber, C., Schober, D. (2006) Auswirkungen der Anreizregulierung auf Betrieb, Investitionen und Rentabilität von Strom- und Gasnetzen. *Energiewirtschaftliche Tagesfragen* (VOL.11/06), S.8-12.
- Weber, C., Schober, D. (2006) Will Grid Investment under Regulatory Benchmarking be Sustainable? *WIP-Conference Proceedings*, 6th -7th October 2006, Berlin.

Discussion Papers

- Schober, D., Schaeffler, S., Weber, C. (2011) Implicit Discrimination in Regulation:
 - The Role of Idiosyncratic Risk due to Size and Age Distribution of Electricity Networks. Extension of the 2010 version.
- Schober, D., Woll, O. (2011) The Dynamic Use of Variance Screens for the Detection of Abusive Market Power. *EWL discussion paper*.
- Schober, D., Schaeffler, S., Weber, C. (2009) A General Analytical Approach to Optimal Component Replacement. *EWL discussion paper*.
- Schaeffler, S., Schober, D., Weber, C. (2010) Technical Uncertainty and Value of Information in Optimal Network Component Replacement. *EWL discussion paper*.
- Schober, D., Weber, C., (2011) Will Grid Investment under Regulatory Benchmarking be Sustainable? *EWL discussion paper*., 2nd version of above *ZfE*-publication with empirical data for UK

Work in Progress

Schober, D.: Determination of Capital Structure under Endogenous Firm Value and Bankruptcy Cost with Flexible Financing Instruments.

- Schober, D.: Garanteeing Sustainable Reinvestment under Yardstick Competition with Quality Prices by Varying Period Length Patience and Efficiency in a Reinvestment Duopoly.
- Schober, D., Woll, O.: Discrimination in Quality Regulation by Customer-Based and VoLL-Based Penalization.
- Schober, D.: Hybrid Regulation caught between two Stools: Simultaneous Overinvestment and Non-Refinancing in Yardstick Competition. (fragments presented at WIP conference 2008)

Conferences and Workshops

Comerences and workshops	
06/2011	ECONENFORCE - Economic Methods in Competition Law Enforcement ZEW, Mannheim, Germany Speaker
01/2011	Workshop "Aktuelle Fragen zur Regulierung von Energie- und Telekommunikationsmärkten" WU Vienna, Austria
05/2010	Eastern Conference of the Journal of Regulatory Economics Skytop, PA, USA Speaker
11/2009	CRNI conference on network economics Brussels, Belgium Speaker
10/2009	8 th Conference of the Workgroup for Infrastructure Policy TU Berlin, Germany Speaker
07/2009	15 th International Conference on Panel Data University of Bonn, Germany Speaker
05/2009	Conference on European Energy Markets, KU Leuven, Belgium IEEE-Conference Poster Presentation
10/2008	7 th Conference of the Workgroup for Infrastructure Policy TU Berlin, Germany
09/2008	2 nd Workshop on Econometrics of Electricity Economics, ETH Zürich, Switzerland Discussant
04/2008	Conference on "Regulation and Competition: Who Should Benefit from Competition Policy?"

IW Halle, Germany

10/2007 6th Conference of the Workgroup for Infrastructure Policy

TU Berlin, Germany

Speaker

10/2006 5th Conference of the Workgroup for Infrastructure Policy

TU Berlin, Germany

Speaker

(1-week-workshop on efficiency analysis: "Marie Curie"-program

and scholarship of the EU)

Teaching

Lecture

"Energy and Environmental Economics" (Summer 09, Essen)

Tutorials

"Energy and Environmental Economics" (Summer 06 – 11, Essen)

"Energy and Real Estate Management" (Summer 06 – 11, Essen)

"Economic Policy" (Summer 05, Hamburg)

Seminars

"Industrial Economics" (Summer 05, Hamburg)

"Optimal Power Plant Investment for the Hamburg Moorburg Plant Replacement

- in association with Vattenfall AG" (Fall 09, Essen)

Supervision of ~15 diploma thesis

Projects & Consulting	
03/2010 – 02/2011	Effects of Quality Regulation on German Electricity Network Operators, RWE AG; extension in 08/2010 Effects of different quality regulation schemes/Drawbacks of explorative data analysis
09/2009 – 12/2010	Competition in Germany in Gas and Electricity Retailing, major German energy suppliers' association International and sectoral comparison of competitive intensity
09/2008 – 06/2009	Comparison of Gas Prices in Europe, major German energy suppliers' association In-depth analysis of decomposed price components
04/2008 - 09/2008	Effects of Regulatory Reforms in EU-15, Regional Ministry for Economy Panel data analysis
09/2007 - 06/2008	Comparison of Electricity Prices in Europe, BDEW In-depth analysis of decomposed price components

[&]quot;Uncertainty, Technology and Environmental Economics" (Fall 09, Essen)

Miscellaneous

Refereeing

Resource and Energy Economics, Competition and Regulation in Network Industries (formerly Journal of Network Industries)

Scientific Advisory

Member of the scientific advisory board for the project "Wirkung und Potenzial der Netzpreisregulierung für die Förderung der Stromeffizienz – Eine Modellbetrachtung" for the Swiss Ministry of Energy ("Bundesamt für Energie"), conducted by INFRAS and Polynomics AG

Other Education

Enrolled in Mathematics (B.Sc.), Open University course at the Fernuniversität Hagen (completed Ana I+II, Algebra I, MatLab course (avg. 2.7); Intr. Stochastics, Diff. Equ.s)

Associated with Ruhr Graduate School in Economics, Essen (07-08, participation in Microeconomics and Game Theory; best in class Microeconomics (1.0))

Software Skills

EViews, MatLab, LaTex, MS Office

Languages

German Native English Fluent

SEFIC-Certificate (Business-English)

Vancouver, BC, Canada (06-09/1997): Combined internship

(community centre) and language course

French Fluent

DALF, Gallicum (36h/week), Business French

Italian Fair

Further Activities

06/2001 – 10/2004 "Arbeitskreis Internationales", Universität Würzburg,

Germany President

Essen, 31-VIII-2011