

## CNET NEWSLETTER | November 2023

### PUBLICATIONS

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#### **Spatial wage inequality in North America and Western Europe: changes between and within local labour markets 1975-2019**

**Pawel Bukowski** and co-authors published a *World Inequality Lab Working Paper*

This paper presents the first systematic attempt to create internationally comparable evidence showing how different countries perform in terms of geographic wage inequalities.

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#### **Euro Crises, the Productivity Slowdown and the EMU**

**Nauro Campos** published a book chapter in *The Cambridge Handbook on European Monetary, Economic and Financial Market Integration*

The objective of this chapter is to discuss the productivity implications of the financial and economic crises experienced by euro area economies since 2007.

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#### **Fighting Inflation More Effectively without Transferring Central Banks' Profits to Banks**

**Yuemei Ji** and Paul De Grauwe published a *CESifo Working Paper*

This paper proposes a two-tier system of reserve requirements that would only remunerate the reserves in excess of the minimum required. This would drastically reduce the giveaways to banks, allow the central banks to maintain their current operating procedures and make monetary policies more effective in fighting inflation.

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#### **Finance and local economic growth: New evidence from China**

**Yuemei Ji** and Jingzhu Chen published a paper in the *International Journal of Finance & Economics*

This paper studies the relationship between finance and growth using a sample of 275 Chinese cities from 2009 to 2018. It finds that financial development in the form of a higher loan-to-GDP ratio leads to lower economic growth.

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### **The impact of FDI and financial depth on EU regional growth: income and spatial heterogeneity**

**Randolph Luca Bruno** and co-authors published a paper in the *Economic and business review*

This paper explores the impact of foreign direct investment and financial development on regional growth at the EU regional level for 2005–2017. The empirical findings indicate that, in less wealthy (and more peripheral) regions compared to wealthy regions, FDI productivity spillovers are more significant.

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### **Bargaining the Euro: Making an EU Fiscal Union Politically Acceptable**

**Filipa Figueira** and Raphael Espinoza published a paper in the *European Review*

This article develops a bargaining model that sheds light on how fiscal pooling could become politically acceptable. It finds that fiscal pooling should be done via a combination of the fiscal instruments with the highest fiscal multipliers.

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### **The Ripple Effect of sanctions: exploring the impact on global value chains using a gravity model**

**Randolph Luca Bruno** and co-authors published a paper in the *Italian Economic Journal*

This article explores and quantifies the intertwined relationship between trade sanctions, Global Value Chains (GVC) participation and revealed comparative advantage (RCA). It presents an original theoretical framework exploring the interaction between sanctions, RCA, and GVC.

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### **Technological profiles, upgrading and the dynamics of growth: Country-level patterns and trajectories across distinct stages of development**

**Slavo Radosevic** and co-authors published a paper in *Research Policy*

We investigate the dynamic and qualitative nature of technological change in 96 countries between 1980 and 2021 from a structuralist technology upgrading perspective. We find a significant association between growth dynamics and country-level specific technology clusters that is driven by the ongoing ICT-based technological revolution and enabling nanotechnology, biotechnology and automation tools.

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## **OUTREACH**

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### **New evidence on spatial wage inequality across North America and Western Europe**

**Pawel Bukowski** published a *Vox EU column*

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### **Unremunerated reserve requirements make the fight against inflation fairer and more effective**

**Yuemei Ji** published a *Vox EU column*

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**How will Poland pay for election campaign promises?**

**Pawel Bukowski** comment in *Deutsche Welle*

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**Central banks can fight inflation without massive handouts to banks**

**Yuemei Ji** published a *OMFIF* column

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## SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

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On 18<sup>th</sup> October, **Yuemei Ji** gave a keynote on "**To Tame Inflation Without Subsidizing Banks**" at the Liquidity Workshop of the Central Bank of Austria and the Financial Market Authority. She also participated in a panel discussion on "Monetary Policy, Market Environment and Liquidity Risk".

On 18<sup>th</sup> September, **Yuemei Ji** joined a [roundtable](#) organized by [OMFIF](#). She shared her view on the political economy implications of profits and losses for the major central banks in the Eurosystem. In September, **Yuemei Ji** visited the **Bundesbank** and took part in a [panel discussion](#). The focus of the discussion was how a central bank should address the impact of remunerating central bank reserves on the profits of both commercial banks and central banks.

**Alberto Prati** presented some of his published and ongoing studies at the "**Memory and Subjective Well-being**" **Webinar** for the International Society for Quality-of-Life Studies. He showed how memory dynamics can help improve the collection, interpretation and analysis of satisfaction data."

[Watch It](#)

**Pawel Bukowski** gave a presentation at the at **European Association of Labour Economists (EALE)** Annual Conference, in Prague. He also gave a presentation at the **European Commission in Brussels, DG Urban and Regional Policies**

On 28<sup>th</sup> September, **Julia Korosteleva** took part in the **UK FCDO roundtable** discussion on the impact of the UK sanctions on Belarusian economy. **Julia Korosteleva**, on 15<sup>th</sup> October, gave an expert evaluation of the state of the Belarusian economy for the construction of the index of Belarus resilience for **Belarus Centre of New Ideas**.

## NEWS

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Congratulations to **Slavo Radosevic**, who has been appointed the **Member of the International Advisory Council of the Institute of Economic Sciences Belgrade**.

Congratulations to **Alberto Prati**, who received a **€4,000 grant** from [CEPREMAP](#) to fund the research project "**Happiness over time**".

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