NEW AT DICE DATABASE

Recent entries to the DICE Database

In the first quarter of 2015, the DICE Database received a number of new entries, consisting partly of updates and partly of new topics. Some topics are mentioned below.

- · Childcare systems and quality management
- Enrolment rates in childcare arrangements, by age group and hours
- · Demand and supply of childcare places
- Employment impact of parenthood: Family employment patterns
- Family-related working time schemes (flexible work legislation)
- Out-of-pocket costs of centre based childcare, as a percentage of family net income
- Public expenditure on early childhood education and care
- Maternity / paternity benefits / leave entitlements
- Taxation and social security contributions from pension benefits
- Mandatory, old-age income security programmes
- Pension rules for the self-employed in the EU
- Regulatory trade barriers
- · Inflation targeting frameworks
- Human development index
- Exchange rate regimes
- · Household saving rate
- Status of Basel II / 2.5 / III Adoption
- Judge selection in highest courts

The interactive graphics application **Visual Storytelling** has been further expanded.

FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES

Ifo Workshop: Public Opinion and the Political Economy of Education

08-09 May 2015, Munich

CESifo Area Conference on Employment and Social Protection

15-16 May 2015, Munich

CESifo-Delphi Conference: Current Account Adjustments

15-16 May 2015, Athens

CESifo Area Conference on Global Economy

22-23 May 2015, Munich

CEMIR Junior Economist Workshop on Migration Research

29-30 May 2015, Munich

Please find details on conferences / call for papers at http://www.cesifo-group.de/ifoHome/events/academic-conferences/forthcoming.html

New Books on Institutions

Divided Sovereignty. International Institutions and the Limits of State Authority

Carmen Pavel

Oxford University Press, 2014

Cutting the Gordian Knot of Economic Reform. When and How International Institutions Help

Leonardo Baccini and Johannes Urpelainen Oxford University Press, 2015