NEW AT DICE DATABASE

Recent entries to the DICE Database

In the last quarter of 2013, the DICE Database received a number of new entries, consisting partly of updates and partly of new topics. Some topics are mentioned below.

- · Credit Market Regulations
- Freedom to Trade Internationally
- · Global Gender Gap Index
- · Taxation
- · Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights
- · Regulatory Trade Barriers
- Status of Basel II / 2.5 / III Adoption
- Expenditure on Health
- Judicial Independence
- · Minimum Wage

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

FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES

State Export Credit Guarantees in a Globalized World 14–15 February 2014, Munich

The Ifo Institute and the German Federal Ministry of Economics and Technology will hold a joint conference in Munich on the topic of State Export Credit Guarantees in a Globalized World. This conference will offer academic researchers and policymakers a platform to share their expertise in this area.

Scientific organiser:

Erdal Yalcin

CESifo Area Conference on Macro, Money and International Finance 2014

21-22 February 2014, Munich

The purpose of this event is to bring together CESifo network members who are working in the areas of macroeconomics and money to present and discuss their ongoing research, and to stimulate interaction and co-operation between them. All CESifo research network members are invited to submit their papers, which may deal with any topic in Macro, Money, and International Finance.

Scientific organiser:

Paul De Grauwe

CESifo Area Conference on Applied Microeconomics 2014

28 February – 1 March 2014, Munich

The Applied Microeconomics Area of the CESifo network will hold a conference in Munich for all members of the CESifo Research Network with an interest in the area of Applied Microeconomics. The purpose of the conference is to bring together CESifo members to present and discuss their ongoing research, and to stimulate interaction and co-operation between them. All CESifo research network members are invited to submit their papers, which may deal with any topic within the broad domain of Applied Microeconomics (industrial organisation, experimental and behavioural economics, market regulation, banking and finance, auctions).

Scientific organiser:

Christian Gollier

CESifo Conference on Social Economics 2014

21-22 March 2014, Munich

The purpose of the conference is to bring together international scholars working in this field and to stimulate research on this theme. The conference welcomes contributions to new developments in social economics, a growing area of study that breaches economics with social science. Specifically, the key questions that we will touch upon include the role culture, identity, altruism, altruism esteem and status as competing with traditional tangible and monetary motivation for behaviour.

Scientific organiser:

Joan Costa-i-Font and Mario Macis

New Book on Institutions

Fragile by Design: The Political Origins of Banking Crises and Scarce Credit

Charles W. Calomiris and Stephen H. Haber Princeton University Press February 2014

Unsettled Account: The Evolution of Banking in the Industrialized World since 1800

Richard S. Grossman Princeton University Press 2013

Comparative Institutional Analysis

Theory, Corporations and East Asia Masahiko Aoki Edward Elgar Publishing