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Winter Term 2025/26

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MIE/IPE Research Seminar (MA-Eco-M11-F01)

Date: **Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Classroom: C 0.63 (C 1.84 on 17.12.25)

Online: <https://meet.hwr-berlin.de/rooms/hei-rz6-mct/join>

15.10.25: *Jan Priewe (HTW Berlin, IPE)*

Towards a new understanding of development in the face of global warming

29.10.25: *Artur Tarassow (TH Brandenburg)*

Heterogeneous wage share targets and inflation dynamics: evidence from a conflictbased framework

12.11.25: *Ayoze Alfageme (University of Geneva, IPE)*

Towards a growth and distribution model with heterogeneous firms and acquisitions

26.11.25 Master students

Title	1st Supervisor
Decentralized Development: How China's Successful Provinces Redefine State-led Development	<i>Ümit Akcay</i>
Political Economy of Dependent Financialization and Policy Space in Uruguay and Argentina	<i>Ümit Akcay</i>

03.12.25: Master students

Title	1st Supervisor
Sustainability-Oriented Financing Strategies of Development Banks: A Comparative analysis	<i>Hansjörg Herr</i>
Parallel Sovereignties: Legal Exceptionalism in Chinese-Backed Special Economic Zones	<i>Torsten Tristan Straub</i>

10.12.25: Master students

Title	<i>1st Supervisor</i>
Recent Developments in Mexican Energy Policy: The Return of the State After Years of Liberalization and the Challenge of Sustainable Transition in the Oil-and-Gas Industry	<i>Markus Wissen</i>
Climate Risk as Financial Risk: Credit Rating Agencies and the MethodologyReality Gap	<i>Elke Muchlinski</i>
India's Digital Public Infrastructure: Entrepreneurial Opportunities and Challenges in Practice	<i>Hannes Kübel</i>

17.12.25, C 1.84: Master students

Title	<i>1st Supervisor</i>
How Global Buyers Shape Labor Standards: The Role of Lead Firms in Post-Rana Plaza Governance	<i>Christina Teipen</i>
Sustainable Entrepreneurship in Resource-Constrained Economies	<i>Birgit Felden</i>
Contested Central Banks – (Re)distribution Effects of 'Rentierfirst' Interest Rate Policy in Response to the Post-Pandemic Inflation Period	<i>Eckhard Hein</i>

21.01.26: Philip Blees (HWR Berlin, IPE)

A post-Keynesian model for analyzing productivity growth

28.01.26: Leonardo Quero Virla (IPE)

Fiscal policy and the exchange rate in a behavioral open economy model: theory and empirical evidence

Master students are supposed to present the motivation, research question(s), research methods and procedure, and also the **preliminary results** of their Master thesis. For the students we will have 15 minutes for the presentation and 15 minutes for the discussion each.

Students should provide a handout (one page) for the seminar participants, summarising their motivation, research question(s) and main (preliminary) results. The handout has to be uploaded to Moodle before the presentation and to be sent to Prof. Hein.

A student discussant will be the first to comment on the presentation (3 minutes). The discussant should receive the powerpoint presentation at least two days in advance of the presentation (as a pdf). The pdf also has to be sent to Prof. Hein.

Master students are required to attend at least six meetings (including their own presentation). Attendance is in person. Online attendance only after permission by Prof. Hein.

- Deadline for registration of Master thesis: 10 October 2025
- Deadline for submission of the thesis: 23 January 2026