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Seminar
International Economic
Policy Making



1. Current Challenges in
International Economic Policy Making
2. Growth in the Japanese Economy

Part of the module

“International Economic Policy Making”



Seminar: Current Challenges in International Economic Policy Making

Instructor:

Prof. Dr. Gunther Schnabl, Dr. Moritz Pfeifer, Alexander Herborn

Date and place:

The dates of the seminar are on AlmaWeb and will be confirmed on the Seminar Homepage.

Participants are required to hand in a first draft to the supervisor on **May 31, 2024**.

The collected papers are distributed to participants for reading.

We expect you to read and prepare your fellows papers to actively participate in the seminar.

Term paper:

3,200 – 4,000 words (8 - 10 pages)

Final submissions are due **July 1, 23:59** by email to pfeifer@wifa.uni-leipzig.de,
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Current Challenges in International Economic Policy Making

	Topic
1.	Reasons and Therapies for Overheated Labor Markets in Germany
2.	Economic Policy Making in Italy under Georgia Meloni
3.	Fiscal Deficits, Public Debt and Political Polarization in France
4.	The Brexit and Financial Markets in the United Kingdom
5.	Public Debt and the Redistribution of Income in the European Union
6.	Public Spending, Inflation and Macroeconomic Stabilization in Turkey
7.	War Financing and Growth in Russia
8.	Goals and Risks of the US Inflation Reduction Act
9.	The Sustainability of Public Debt in the United States
10.	Monetary Tightening in Japan
11.	The Real Estate Market and Growth in China since 2000
12.	Global Monetary Tightening and the Sustainability of Public Debt in Latin America since the 1970s



Seminar: Growth in the Japanese Economy

Instructor:

Prof. Dr. Ulrich Volz, Taiki Murai

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Growth in the Japanese Economy

	Themen
1.	Macroeconomic Policy and Economic Growth in Japan
2.	Japanification of Germany?
3.	The Japanese Banking Sector in a Low Growth Environment
4.	Rise and Fall of Pax Nipponica
5.	The Quantity Theory of Money in Japan: Income Version vs. Transactions Version
6.	The Low Interest Rate Policy and Productivity Gains in Japan
7.	Determinants of the Japanese Current Account Surpluses
8.	The Bank of Japan and the Stability of the Japanese Yen
9.	The Reasons for the Low Inflation in Japan and Switzerland



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General Recommendations



Best Practices

1. Have a clear **research question** and stick to it
2. Be **consistent**
3. Make appropriate use of **literature**
4. Make appropriate use of **data**
5. Do not use **ChatGPTs** favorite words of nonsensical gibberish, e.g. “intricate”, “nuanced”, “complex”, “balanced” unless they really make sense in your context



Consistency

Good

1. Introduction
2. Section
 - 2.1 Subsection
 - 2.2 Subsection
3. Section
 - 3.1 Subsection
 - 3.2 Subsection
4. Section
 - 4.1 Subsection
 - 4.2 Subsection
5. Conclusion

Bad

1. Introduction
2. Section
 - 2.1 Subsection
 - 2.2 Subsection
3. Section
4. Section
 - 4.1 Subsection
 - 4.2 Subsection
 - 4.2.1 Subsubsection
 - 4.3 Subsection
5. Conclusion



Using Literature

- Use **Google Scholar** from the **University network** (or using a **VPN**)
- Use **high quality literature** (e.g. articles in peer-reviewed journals) to support your argument
- **10 to 20 academic references** are appropriate for a term paper

Using Data



- You are not expected to use econometric models.
- To support your argument, you are expected to produce empirical evidence by visualizing data.
- No copy and paste of data. Researching and visualizing data is your task!
- On our website you can find a collection of good data sources.



Improve your writing

- How?
- Check this out:

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http://www.deirdremccloskey.com/docs/pdf/Article_86.pdf

Formal Requirements



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Any Questions?