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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Reader in Economics, Birkbeck College, University of London, October 2019 – Present.
Senior Lecturer, Birkbeck College, University of London, October 2011 – September 2019.
Lecturer, Birkbeck College, University of London, September 2003 – August 2011.
Guest Lecturer, London Business School, Autumn 2010 – 2014.
Visiting Professor, Università delgi Studi Roma Tre, April 2012, May 2013
Visiting Professor, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, September – December 2009.
Marie Curie Post-Doctoral Fellowship of the European Commission, University College London, 2002-2003.
Assistant Professor in Economics, University of Florida, August 2000 – May 2003.

POLICY POSITIONS

Academic Panel, Competition and Markets Authority, August 2016 – Present.
Academic Visitor, Bank of England, August 2016 – Present.
Academic Advisor to the OECD Competition Division, March 2015 – October 2017.
Academic Panel, Centre for Economic and Business Research, Copenhagen Business School, September 2014 – January 2015.
Academic Advisor of Ofcom, June 2013 – June 2015.
Academic Advisor of the Hong Kong Consumer Council, February 2012 – June 2013.
Nuffield Trust Steering Group, Competition in Health Care Markets, September 2011 – May 2015.
Academic Council of the UK Competition Commission, Member, September 2007 – April 2014.
Economics Reference Group, Co-operation and Competition Directorate, Monitor, NHS, April 2013 – Present.
Economics Reference Group, Co-operation and Competition Panel, NHS, October 2009 – March 2013.
Oxera Economics Council, Member, December 2007 – Present.
Research Associate, Institute for Fiscal Studies, London, September 2003 - Present.
Economic Adviser, U.K. Competition Commission, September 2002 – August 2007.
Research Associate, Public Policy Research Center, University of Florida, October 2000 – May 2003.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Economics, University of California, Berkeley, May 2000.
Dissertation: Stochastic Demand Analysis.
Advisors: Daniel L. McFadden, Paul A. Ruud, Chris M. Shannon, David R. Brillinger.

M.Sc. in Economics, University of California, Berkeley, January 1996.

Diplom in Volkswirtschaftslehre, Universität Bonn, Bonn, Germany, 1994.

RESEARCH GRANTS

July 2019 - 2021: Erasmus+ Staff Mobility grant (joint with Thomas Gehrig, University of Vienna)
September 2016 – August 2017: Wellcome Trust Institutional Strategic Support Fund: ca. £10,000
October 2015 – September 2017: ESRC grant: ca. £300,000
Joint with Howard Smith, Oxford University
October 2009: Fell Research grant, Oxford University, approx. £ 6.5k, joint with Howard Smith and John Thanassoulis
August 2009: The Yonsei-SERI EU Centre Key Research Projects Scholarship”, approx. £3000, joint with Jihong Lee, Yonsei University
August 2006 – June 2007: ESRC grant, approx. £ 45,000
May 2002 - August 2003: Marie Curie Postdoctoral Fellowship

PUBLICATIONS

Beckert, W., Smith, H. and Y. Takahashi (2021): “Individualized pricing can abate market power and mitigate merger effects”, *VoxEU*,
<https://voxeu.org/article/individualised-pricing-can-abate-market-power-and-mitigate-merger-effects>

Beckert, W. and E. Kelly (2019): “Divided by Choice? For-Profit Providers, Patient Choice and Mechanisms of Hospital Sorting in the English National Health Service”, *Health Economics*, **30(4)**, 820-839.

Watt, T.L.S., Cornelsen, L., Beckert W. and R.D. Smith (2019): “Reducing consumption of unhealthy foods and beverages through banning price promotions: what is the evidence and would it work?”, forthcoming in *Public Health Nutrition*

Beckert, W. (2020): “A Note on Specification Testing in Some Structural Regression Models”, Centre for Microdata Methods and Practice (cemmap) working paper CWP 22/19, *The Oxford Bulletin in Economics and Statistics*, **82(3)**, 686 - 695
Recommended econometrics reading (Nov 2018) by <https://davegiles.blogspot.com/>

Beckert, W. (2018): “Choice in the Presence of Experts: The Role of General Practitioners in Patients’ Hospital Choice”, *The Journal of Health Economics*, **60**, 98 - 117.

Beckert, W. (2018): “Empirical Analysis of Countervailing Power in Business-to-Business Bargaining”, *The Review of Industrial Organisation*, **52(3)**, 369 – 403.
11 Dec 2017 published online <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11151-017-9607-7>

Beckert, W., Christensen, M. and K. Collyer (2012): “Choice and Competition in NHS-Funded Acute Services in England”, *The Economic Journal*, **Vol.122, Issue 560**, 400-417.
The paper was discussed in the *Financial Times* on 03 May 2011, in *The Telegraph* on 14 May 2012.

Beckert, W. (2010): “A Micro-econometric Approach to geographic Market Definition in Local retail Markets: Demand Side Considerations”, *Economics*, **Vol.3, 2010-29**, available at:
<http://www.economics-ejournal.org/economics/journalarticles/2010-29>
on SSRN's Top Ten download list for ERN: Semiparametric & Nonparametric Methods (Topic), Jan 2011

Beckert, W. and N. Mazzarotto (2010): “Price-Concentration Analysis in Merger Cases with Differentiated Products”, *Economics*, **Vol.3, 2010-16**, available at:
<http://www.economics-ejournal.org/economics/journalarticles/2010-16> .

Beckert, W., and Daniel L. McFadden (2008): "Maximum Uniform Convergence Rates in Parametric Estimation Problems", *Econometric Theory*, **26(2)**, 469-500.

Beckert, W. and R. Blundell (2008): "Heterogeneity and the Nonparametric Analysis of Consumer Choice: Conditions for Invertibility", *The Review of Economic Studies*, **75**, 1069-1080.

Beckert, W. (2007): "Specification and Identification of Stochastic Demand Models", *Econometric Reviews*, **26(6)**, 669-683.

Beckert, W. (2004): "Competitive Externalities in Dynamic Monopoly with Stochastic Demand", *The B.E. Journals in Theoretical Economics*, **6(1)**, Article 17.

Beckert, W. (2005): "Estimating Stochastic Preferences: An Empirical Analysis of Demand for Internet Services", *The Review of Economics and Statistics*, **87(3)**, 495-502.

Beckert, W. (1999): "An Econometric Model for Service Choice and Utilization", invited talk, Annual Workshop of the U.C. Berkeley Internet Demand Experiment (INDEX), 1999; in: Internet Service Quality Economics, L. McKnight and J. Wroclawski, eds., Cambridge, MA: MIT Press.

R&Rs and Submissions

Watt, T., Cornelsen, L., Beckert, W. and R. Smith (2021): "The impact of price promotions on sales of unhealthy food and drink products in British retail stores", R&R at *Health Economics*

Beckert, W., Smith, H. and Y. Takahashi (2017): "Competition in a Spatially Differentiated Product Market with Negotiated Prices", [CEPR discussion paper DP 15379](#)

Kelly, E., Beckert, W. and J. Dixon (2019): "Do health care reforms to expand choice increase inequalities in access? The case of elective hip surgery in England's NHS", under review at the *Journal of Health Services Research & Policy*

Beckert, W. and P. Siciliani (2019): "Protecting Vulnerable Consumers in Switching Markets", Institute for Fiscal Studies working paper WP21/10, R&R at *The Review of Industrial Organization*.

WORKING PAPERS

Beckert, W. and P. Siciliani (2017): "Spatial Models of Heterogeneous Switching Costs", Bank of England, Staff Working Paper No. 689

Beckert, W., Smith, H. and Y. Takahashi (2017): "Estimating Models of Differentiated Products with Individualized Prices", *Birkbeck* working paper in Economics and Finance, 1512.

Beckert, W., Dixon, J. and E. Kelly (2017): "Use of the Independent Sector for NHS-Funded Elective Hip Replacement Surgery?" *Health Foundation* working paper.

EDITORIAL BOARDS

Co-editor, *The Manchester School*, March 2018 - Present.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Co-organizer, Erasmus and Birkbeck funded conference on Protecting Vulnerable Consumers, University of Vienna, September 2020

Co-Organizer, ESRC funded conference on Empirical Analysis of Vertical Contracting and Bargaining, Institute for Fiscal Studies, 15 June 2018.

HONOURS

Contributing author to the study "Estimating Food and Drink Elasticities", National Institute of Economic and Social Research, for DEFRA. Available at <https://www.niesr.ac.uk/projects/estimating-food-and-drink-elasticities>

Shortlisted for the Mercer's School Memorial Professorship of Business at Gresham College, 2022.

"One of the world's leading competition economists", *Who is Who Legal: Consulting Experts*, 2016 to present.

Contributing author to the European Commission's 2010 White Paper on "Quantifying Antitrust Damages. Available at http://ec.europa.eu/competition/antitrust/actionsdamages/quantification_study.pdf

High Commendation, Public Engagement Award, Birkbeck, University of London, 2020

Fellow of the Higher Education Academy (recognition reference PR099138)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

At Birkbeck

Senior Lecturer, September 2011 – present, Economics, Mathematics and Statistics, Birkbeck College.

Quantitative Methods in Economics / Econometrics (M.sc. Economics).

Financial Econometrics (M.sc. Finance)

Advanced Econometrics (M.sc. and Ph.D. Economics).

Financial Econometrics (B.sc. Financial Economics).

Mathematics for Economists (M.sc. Economics).

Elsewhere

Visiting Professor, April 2012. , Università delgi Studi Roma Tre.
Time-Series Econometrics.

Guest Lecturer, Autumn 2010 - 2014. London Business School.
PhD Finance, Econometrics.

Visiting Guest Lecturer, May 2011. German Institute for Economic Research (Deutsches Institut für Wirtschaftsforschung, DIW), Berlin.
Short course on time series econometrics.

Visiting Guest Lecturer, April 2011. Graduate School of Economics. Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich.
Short course on dynamic econometric models.

Visiting Professor, Autumn 2010. University College London.
M.sc. Economics, Econometric Theory.

Visiting Professor, Autumn 2009. Hong Kong University of Science and Technology.
M.sc. Economics, Econometrics and Mathematics for Economists.

Assistant Professor, Spring 2001 - Fall 2002. Department of Economics, University of Florida.
Statistical Methods, First-year Ph.D. level course in Statistics and Probability.

Simulation-Assisted Econometric Methods, Advanced Ph.D. level course in Econometrics
Econometric Models and Methods.
First-year Ph.D. level course in Econometrics.
Microeconomic Theory, Advanced Undergraduate level course.

Training Course, April 2006 – 2010. Centre for Mircodata Methods and Practice (cemmap), London. Time series econometrics for micro-econometricians.

Training Course, Spring 2007. For staff economists at the UK Competition Commission.

Training Course, June 2007. For staff economist of RBB Economics, London and Brussels.

Competition Course, November 2013. For staff economists of the Office of Fair Trading and the UK Competition Commission