

Call for Papers

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(Arbeitskreis Politische Ökonomie)
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(Institut für die Gesamtanalyse der Wirtschaft)



The Political Economy of Offshore Jurisdictions (Die Politische Ökonomie von Steuer- und Regulierungsstaaten)

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Understanding actual capitalism needs an understanding of the domain of offshore economy, esp. of tax havens and regulation-free zones for financial flows and assets. They are based at offshore jurisdictions which provide the mandatory secrecy. An extensive part of the global economy is kept in dark.

The conference should light aspects of the function of offshore jurisdictions and their impact on global economy, e.g.:

- Business models and instruments of offshore activities
- The significance of the offshore economy for actual crises
- The role of economic theories and economists in justifying offshore economy
- The role and structure of user groups and intermediaries and their strategies and tactics
- The history of offshore states
- Political systems of offshore states
- Actual regulation discourses with respect to the offshore economy
- Consequences of offshore economy for non-financial companies and different citizen of offshore jurisdictions

The aim of this conference is to bring together researchers from different fields (such as economists, sociologists, historians and political scientists) to explore neglected aspects of global offshore economy.

The conference will be held in German and English.

Submission

Please submit an abstract of at least one page in German or English language as soon as possible, until **September 1, 2012** at the latest, to walter.oetsch@jku.at or/and groezing@uni-flensburg.de.

Any submissions will be actively considered by the organising committee which comprises:

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