


Workshop on Natural Disasters and Labor Market Resilience

23./24. April 2026

– Final Program –

 **Venue:** Dekanatssaal, Building Recht und Wirtschaft (ReWi) I, Jakob-Welder-Weg 9, 55128 Mainz

Thursday, 23 April 2026

10:00	10:45	Registration & Morning Coffee
10:45	11:00	Welcome Words Klaus Wälde (University of Mainz)

Keynote 1

11:00	12:00	Who Is Affected? Measuring the Individual Impacts of Natural Disasters Tatyana Deryugina (University of Illinois)
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12:00	12:45	Lunch Break
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Session 1

12:45	13:30	Should I Stay or Should I Go? The Effects of Floods on Firms' Location Choices Rebecca Mari (Bank of England)
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13:30	14:15	The Impact of Floods on European Manufacturing Firms Karol Kempa (Frankfurt School of Finance & Management)
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14:15	14:45	Coffee Break
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Session 2

14:45	15:30	From Heat to Strain: The Impact of Heatwaves on Well-being across Settlement Types Katharina Kolb (University of Halle)
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15:30 16:15 **The Immediate and Lasting Effects of Heat Waves on Workers**
Hannah Klauber (Potsdam Climate Institute)

16:15 16:45 **Coffee Break**

Session 3

16:45 17:30 **The Effects of Floods on Employment and Population: The Case of the 2021 Ahrtal Flash Flooding in Germany**
Alexander Moog (University of Mainz)

17:30 18:15 **Climate Change and the Labor Market: The Contribution of Agent-Based Modeling**
Massimo Rusconi (University of Insubria)

19:00 **Workshop Dinner**
Location: WILLICHS, Gartenfeldstraße 9, 55118 Mainz
<https://willichs-mainz.de/>

Friday, 24 April 2026

Keynote 2

09:00 10:00 **Flooding Away the Economic Gains from Transport Infrastructure: Evidence from Colonial Jamaica**
Eric Strobl (University of Bern)

10:00 10:15 **Coffee Break**

Session 4

10:15 11:00 **Unfinished Business: How Temporary Cash Flow Shocks Can Leave Permanent Scars**
Luigi Dante Gaviano (University of Cambridge)

11:00 11:45 **A Creative Destruction Fallacy? Socio-economic Impacts
of Disasters and the Mediating Role of Local Institutions**
Stefano Cló (University of Florence)

11:45 12:30 **Lunch Break**

Session 5

12:30 13:15 **Stormy Futures? The Impact of Climatic Shocks on
Retirement Savings**
Merve Kucuk (Euro-Mediterranean Center on Climate Change)

13:15 14:00 **Natural Disasters, Reshoring Dynamics and Automation**
Filippo Boeri (University of London)

14:00 14:15 **Farewell & End of Workshop**

Attendance Confirmation:

For planning purposes, we kindly ask listeners to send a brief confirmation to
sekretariat.schank@uni-mainz.de

Directions to the University of Mainz

On the following website you find a campus map and directions dependent on your mode of transportation: <https://www.uni-mainz.de/en/campus-map/>

The workshop venue is located in the building marked with the letter “G”. In the building, please follow the signs directing you to the workshop venue. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

Workshop Dinner

The workshop dinner takes place at the restaurant Willichs in the Mainzer Südstadt. Willichs is known for high-quality regional plant-based food. We are pleased to invite all workshop presenters to the three-course conference dinner. Other workshop participants are very welcome to join on a self-pay basis. As space is limited, please contact sekretariat.schank@uni-mainz.de in advance to check availability.

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