Seminar on Public Economics: 
Tax Evasion

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Timeline

- **First meeting (29th October, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., NB 107):** I will give you all necessary information on the schedule of the seminar and a brief overview of the topics of the term papers (please send me an email with two topics you prefer till 29th October, 6 p.m.).

- **Second meeting (5th November, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., NB 107):** We will discuss what is expected in the term paper and allocate the topics among the students.

- **Academic Writing - Citations (12th November, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., NB 107):** I will provide you with information on how you have to document all the sources that you use in your term paper.

- **Individual meetings (18-22nd November):** As soon as you have an overview over the topic, you should arrange, via e-mail, a meeting with me. At this meeting, we will discuss the content of your paper. Therefore, you should bring a preliminary outline with you.

- **Short presentations – ungraded (26th November, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., NB 107):** For the short presentations the seminar participants will be divided into small study groups. You have to present the "central theme" of your paper using your paper’s outline (with 2-3 additional key points for each section) and discuss it with your fellow students and the lecturers.

- **Your term paper is due on 17th December.** You have to submit your paper via email (as a pdf and a Word- or tex-document to me). and as a hardcopy at the Chair (hole-punched and stapled) before 12:00 noon. If you hand in late, you will receive a grade of 5.0 for the term paper.

- **Third meeting (17th December, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., NB 107):** We will discuss the course of the blocked seminar and I give you information about how to present your term paper. If you want, I will also give you individually feedback on your term paper (by appointment; in the second week of the new year).

- Before the seminar you should read all term papers. For this purpose, the papers will be uploaded on ILLIAS (password protected). Further, you have to submit your presentation slides as a pdf document on 6 p.m. at the evening before the seminar, i.e. the 16th January. If you hand in late, you will receive a grade of 5.0 for the presentation.
- **Seminar (17th January, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., HB 108):** During the seminar, all participants present their term papers.
  - The presentation time should not exceed 30 minutes so that sufficient time remains for questions and discussion (about 10 minutes).
  - Calculate at least two minutes per slide, i.e. your presentation should consist of about 15 slides.
  - Please print out your slides in reduced form (4 slides per page) for each participant.

- **Individual feedback on your presentation:** On request, either directly after the seminar, or arranged via email.

**Introductory literature:**

It is strongly recommended to read the following articles before you start writing your term paper:


If you have technical questions regarding econometric approaches in empirical papers you can consult the following book.


**Grading:** The grade will be made up of the term paper (50%), and an oral grade (50%).

**Exam registration:** In the registration phase for innovative examinations, 4th November to 25th November.