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Current employment

Research Fellow, January 2016–Present
Visiting Faculty, 2007–January 2016
ESMT Berlin, Berlin, Germany
Managing Director, E.CA Economics, Berlin, Germany, 2007–Present.

Education

Dr. rer. pol., (Summa cum laude), Humboldt University of Berlin, Berlin, Germany, 2002.
MSc, London School of Economics and Political Science, University of London, London, UK, 1994.
Dipl.-Kfm., (with distinction), Free University, Berlin, Berlin, Germany, 1993.

Past employment

Principal and Vice President, Competition Practice, CRA Internation, Brussels, Belgium, 2002–2007.
Manager, Economic Analysis Group, Arthur Andersen, Brussels, Belgium, 1999–2002.
Research Fellow, WZB (Social Science Research Center Berlin, Berlin, Germany, 1998–2002.
Manager, Economic Analysis Group, Price Waterhouse, Brussels, Belgium, 1994–1999.

Publications

Peer reviewed journal articles

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Book chapters

Friederiszick, H., L. Wiethaus, and R. Nitsche (2015). Germany (country chapter). In *The handbook of competition economics 2016*, ed. C. Campbell, 57–59. Nottinghamshire: Encompass Print Solutions.

Friederiszick, H., D. Beling, and R. Nitsche (2011). Germany (country chapter). In *The handbook of competition economics 2012*, ed. C. Campbell, 43–44. Nottinghamshire: Encompass Print Solutions.

Papandropoulos, P., R. Nitsche, B. van de Walle de Ghelcke, D. Waelbroeck, J. Derenne, L. Louis, M. Merola, P. Colomo, J. De Beys, and J. Bousin (2007). Selectivity, economic advantage, distortion of competition and effect on trade. In *Economic analysis of state aid rules: Contributions and limits*, ed. M. Merola and J. Derenne, 119–155. Berlin: Lexicon.

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Non peer reviewed journal articles

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Nitsche, R., and P. Heidhues (2006). Study on methods to analyse the effects of state aid on competition. *European Economy* 244: 1–190.

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Other publications

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Nitsche, R. (2004). An assessment of the extent of an identified need for simplified, standard financial services products. *Report for the European Commission SANCO/2003/B4/001*.

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Nitsche, R. (1998). Liberalization and privatization of London transport. 83–115.

Nitsche, R. (1996). Wege zur effizienten Organisation des öffentlichen Personennahverkehrs: Optionen für die kommunalen Gebietskörperschaften.

Honors and awards

President's Honor Roll for Teaching Excellence (Received), *Matchmakers in the Digital Economy*, Full-time MBA 2019, MBA Program, ESMT Berlin, Germany, 2019.

Languages

German (native), English (fluent), French (beginner).

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