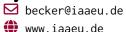
# Björn Becker, Ph.D. Student



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## **Academic Background**

Current **Japan-Scholarship, German Institute for Japanese Studies**, Labor Economics Japan. Focus: *Japanese Labor Market, Life Satisfaction, Educational Differences*.

2021 – Present Ph.D., University of Trier, Labor Economics.

Interests: Gender, Social Norms, Japanese Labor Market, Life Satisfaction.

2016 – 2020 M.Sc., University of Cologne, Economics.

Thesis Title: Female Labor Supply and the Gender Wage Gap in the Japanese Labor Market.

2013 – 2016 **B.Sc., University of Cologne**, Economics. Thesis Title: *Taxation and Non-rational Agents: A Case Study of the Tobacco Tax*.

# **International Experience**

2018 – 2019 M.Sc., Sophia University Tokyo, Academic Year Abroad.

Focus: Development Economics and Japanese Language.

B.Sc., Hitotsubashi University Tokyo, Economics
Focus: International Economics, International Management, Japanese Language.

## **Work Experience**

2021 - Present Institute for Labour Law and Industrial Relations in the European Union

Research Assistant & Head of IT at the Institute.

2017 – 2018 Deloitte Tohmatsu

Working Student, Credit & Securitization Advisory.

2015 – 2017 Finanzen100

Working Student in Customer Support.

#### Research

### **Current Papers and Master's Thesis**

- B. Becker, "Life Satisfaction and Hypogamy in Japan", 2023.
- B. Becker, L. Goerke, and Y. Huang, "Trade Unions and Life Satisfaction in Germany", 2021.
- B. Becker, "Female Labor Supply and the Gender Wage Gap in Japan", 2020.

## **Conferences**

- 2024 **3rd Gender & Economics Workshop**Luxembourg City.
  - RCEA International Conference in Economics, Econometrics, & Finance London, UK.
- AASLE 2023: Asian & Australasian Society of Labour Economics Taipei, Taiwan.
  - BeWell Meeting 2023: Berlin Network for Research on Well-being 4th Annual Meeting Berlin, Germany.
  - AEA Annual Meeting: Allied Social Science Associations New Orleans, USA.
- SOEP 2022: 14th International German Socio-Economic Panel User Conference Berlin, Germany.
  - XXIV Applied Economics Meeting, Asociación Libre de Economia (ALdE) Palma, Spain.

### **Skills**

Languages | German, Native.

English, Fluent (*Toefl iBT 116/120*).

Japanese, Conversational (JLPT N2).

Computer Skills STATA, LATEX, MS-Office.

Miscellaneous Research, Teaching.

## **Awards & Scholarships**

PROMOS Scholarship, DAAD
Scholarship awarded for the study abroad program at Sophia University in Tokyo.

Joint talent promotion by the Federal Government and private sponsors. 

Germany Scholarship, BMBF & NRW-Bank

Joint talent promotion by the Federal Government and private sponsors.

ISAP Scholarship, DAAD
Scholarship awarded for the study abroad program at Hitotsubashi University in Tokyo.

Dean's Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement, University of Cologne Ranked in the top 10% of the Bachelor's program in Economics.

### Miscellaneous

### Social Engagement

2015–2018 University of Cologne Buddy Program, Assisting exchange students in Cologne.

FIB-Student Forum for Integration and Education e.V., Volunteering as a tutor for children learning the German language.

### Other Training

2018 COTO Language School Tokyo. Language course - Japanese.

2016 LSI Language Academy Toronto. Language course - English.