



Announcement

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Rainer Winkelmann appointed new Chairman of the Department

Zurich, February 2, 2015 – The University of Zurich has appointed Prof. Rainer Winkelmann as new Chairman of the Department of Economics as of February 2015. With his valuable input and support, the department can maintain its international excellence as well as sustain its reputation as a leading European research center.

Since the merger of several departments of the University of Zurich in 2011, the Department of Economics at the University of Zurich has attained international excellence in several research areas and established itself as one of the leading economic research centers in Europe. Many members of the department have received international prizes and honorary doctorates in recognition of their scholarship and academic leadership. Faculty members serve on editorial boards of prestigious international journals, and have been elected officers of international economic associations (including the European Economic Association and the Economic Science Association).

Prof. Winkelmann has been Professor of Statistics and Empirical Economic Research at the University of Zurich since 2001. He brings broad international experience, having taught at Dartmouth College, USA, and the University of Canterbury, New Zealand, and having been Visiting Professor of Economics at the University of California, Los Angeles and Harvard University. As former Deputy Dean of the Faculty of Business, Economics, and Informatics he not only is well equipped for the chairmanship, but also recognizes the hard work and dedication behind such a responsible position.

Professor Ernst Fehr has accepted the position as Vice Chairman of the Department of Economics and will continue to support the department. After these exciting, challenging and very eventful years, we want to wholeheartedly thank Prof. Fehr for his know-how, commitment, and leadership which he has provided during the last 16 years. His dedication and effort has led the department to become a world-class institution for interdisciplinary research in economics and related disciplines.

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