

Workshop

SUBNATIONAL DEMOCRATIC CAPITALISM

12th–13th October 2026

Institute Labor and Economy (iaw)

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Forum am Domshof

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With this workshop, the project team of the DFG-funded research project *The Triangle of German Democratic Capitalism – Growth, Housing and Voting* aims to bring together scholars whose research interests lie at the intersection of democratic and capitalist development, with a dedicated focus on subnational levels of analysis.

Program

Day 1 Monday, 12th October

Regional dynamics & the electorate

12:00 Lunch (Mensa am Domshof)

13:00 Welcome

13:15 Matthias Diermeier, Cologne

When Perception Dominates Reality: Local Public Services and Political Discontent in Germany

14:15 Lukas Haffert, Bremen

Coal Rush. Inequality in the Ruhrgebiet

15:15 Sophia Stutzmann, Paris

Green by Knowledge? How Local Knowledge Economies Shape Green Attitudes and Voting Behavior (remote presentation)

16:15 Coffee Break

16:30 Denis Cohen, Mannheim

Bounded Responsiveness: Housing Markets and the Subnational Diversification of Policy Supply

17:30 Sarah Höne, Berlin

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19:30 Dinner, Restaurant *Tendüre* (Bürgermeister-Smidt-Straße 82)

Tuesday, 13th October 2026

Industrial dynamics & regional development

08:30 Maria Abreu, Cambridge

A capability-approach perspective on regional development

09:30 Sebastian Braun, Kiel

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10:30 Coffee Break

10:45 Susanne Frick, Cardiff

How KfW funding streams are allocated across Germany

11:45 Sinisa Hadziabdic, Cologne

Ukraine's Regional Growth Models: The Economic and Political Roots of Regional Uneven Development

12:45 Lunch (Mensa am Domshof)