Call for papers

Special Issue on

Corruption at the Grassroots-level – Between Temptation, Norms, and Culture of the Journal of Economics and Statistics (Jahrbücher für Nationalökonomie und Statistik)

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Topic

The macroeconomic correlates of corruption are well understood and well researched. Empirical evidence on the micro level however is still far from being exhaustive. In particular, it is not clear to what extent empirical results of interesting case studies — both experimental and microeconometric — are specific to the cultural or normative context in which they have been derived. In how far are social norms in conflict with corrupt temptations and how does this context-specific conflict guide human behavior? This special issue is devoted to furthering our understanding of the extent of context-specificity of empirical results on corruption. This can be achieved for instance by addressing the cultural dimension explicitly in the experimental design or by conducting corruption experiments in different cultural or social contexts. Experiments may be either in the laboratory or in the field. Alternatively, our understanding is enhanced if we can add interesting microeconometric case studies that potentially allow comparing results to similar case studies in other contexts.

In particular we seek contributions on the following aspects:

- Corruption experiments addressing cultural or social determinants of corruptibility or corruption aversion
- Corruption experiments conducted in different cultural settings
- Microeconometric evidence at the subnational level
- Microeconometric evidence at the individual or the firm level

Other contributions fitting the scope of the special issue are also welcome. If you are in doubt whether your paper might fit into the special issue, please contact one of the guest editors.

Please submit your paper in English language to both guest editors by e-mail as a pdf-file before the deadline December 1st, 2012.

Dates

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