

# Organisational Capital: How long does it live?

– Analysing Micro Level Data for Germany

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## Why service life matters

- The **E**uropean **S**ystem of **A**ccounts (ESA) suggests the **P**erpetual **I**nventory **M**ethodology (PIM) to estimate **C**onsumption on **F**ixed **C**apital (CFC) and capital stocks
- Applying this methodology the chosen **S**ervice **L**ife (SL) has a severe impact on level and development of
  - Capital stock and
  - CFC
- Impact on public sector
  - Value added for non market producers is defined as the sum of costs, one of which is depreciation (ESA 2010)
  - Prospective changes in the National Accounts (SPINTAN, WP?)
    - Additional capital compensation for return on public capital affects value added



## Asset's service life is an economic notion

- Neither ESA nor the OECD handbooks on measuring capital give direct hints, how to assess the SL for **Organisational Capital (OC)**
- Principally, economists share the view that
  - For national accounts purposes, service lives are economic service lives which may be different from physical service lives. (OECD, 2009)



## The role of depreciation

- Depreciation on a fixed asset is measured by the decline in its value over time (OECD, 2001)
  - Loss of value = Consumption of Fixed Capital (ESA)
- Mainstream economic theory:
  - The loss of the assets' ability to generate profit
- A common & pragmatic procedure to consider depreciation in an accounting framework is to assume a - mostly - constant depreciation rate (CHS, EU KLEMS, INNODRIVE, ....)
- The **depreciation rate** is defined as the relation between depreciation and net capital stock



## What exactly is organisational capital?

- Frequent question, no simple answers
- Diverging definitions and measurement methods exist
- Most researchers agree on the
  - tacit,
  - team related, and
  - firmspecific

nature of organisational capital



# Understanding OC

- CHS (2009): Firm specific resources
- SPINTAN (2015): Organisational capital of public sector is  
Knowledge capital and  
part of the societal competences
- Chen (2012): ...this firm-embodied concept of organizational capital enjoys  
popular support among scholars
- O'Mahony (2015): Production in the knowledge economy is often team based. Tacit  
knowledge resides in people.
- Statistics Netherland (2008): The profitability of companies may rise as a  
consequence of their well managed organizational structure
- Wikipedia: Organizational capital is the value to an enterprise which is  
derived from organization philosophy and systems which leverage  
the organization's capability in delivering good or services.



## Focus of this study: The team (value)

- We assume no abstract firm specific team value without the people
- Team value is determined by the knowledge on the behaviour of the other members of the team (societal knowledge)
- The interaction of the team members creates a capital value  
“..the match between employees working in teams” (Prescott and Visscher, 1980)
- The team value is more than the sum of capital values of the individuals
- Organisational capital resides in the people who constitute the team that is governing the unit in question





## Who wins the UEFA cup 2015?

- The team with highest transfer sum for all players?

Forbes Rank	Team	Transfer value (\$mil)
1	Real Madrid	3 440
2	Barcelona	3 200
3	Manchester United	2 810
4	Bayern Munich	1 850
5	Arsenal	1 331
6	Chelsea	868
7	Manchester City	863
8	AC Milan	856
9	Juventus	850
10	Liverpool	691

- The team with best interaction among the players?



## The quit rate in the Squicciarini/Le Mouel (2012) approach

- If people quit the team, organisational structures change
- The value of the team will be reduced twofold:
  - The societal knowledge
    - on the behaviour of the quitting team member gets lost
    - of the other members of the team becomes partly obsolete
  - Result: Depreciation of the team value
- The **quit rate**, the relation of quits to the total staff can be seen as a proxy for the depreciation rate
- Some of the challenges
  - Are all team member to be valued equal?
  - Which personnel constitutes the team?



## The Eukleed Data Base to assess quit rates

- EUKLEED database
  - developed for INNODRIVE market sector approach
  - firm level LEED data for 5 years: 1999 - 2003
- Compiled from
  - German Social Insurance System (SIS)
    - Administrative data at establishment level (local KAUs in ESA)
    - roughly 1.8 mill. establishments
      - 300 Thousand units in SPINTAN relevant industries



## Characteristics of Eukleed

- Employment and income data for
  - individual employees, and
  - establishments
- Exact entry and exit dates for employees
- High coverage (40% to 80% of total employment in Nace 1 SPINTAN related industries)
- Relevant shortcomings
  - Certain types of civil servants are not included
  - No distinction between market and non market producer
  - Nace 1 classification



# Nace 2 conversion for SPINTAN related industries

based on 5-digit classification in Nace 1

Activities	EU KLEMS	AO	I	K	L	M	N	O	All industri es (EU KLEMS)
	Nace 2								
"All other activities"	<b>(AO)</b>	100.0	99.6	89.2	1.6	-	0.5	85.7	76.6
Scientific research and development	<b>MB</b>	-	-	4.8	-	-	-	-	0.5
Public administration, defence; compulsory social security	<b>O</b>	-	-	-	96.4	-	-	-	6.3
Education	<b>P</b>	-	0.4	6.0	-	100.0	-	0.8	4.5
Human health activities	<b>QA</b>	-	-	-	-	-	58.8	-	6.7
Residential care, social work activities	<b>QB</b>	-	-	-	0.1	-	40.7	-	4.6
Creative, arts, entertainment activities; libraries, archives	<b>R (1)</b>	-	-	-	1.9	-	-	6.0	0.4
museums, other cultural									
Gambling, betting activities; sports, amusement, recreation	<b>R (2)</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.5	0.3
All industries (Nace 2)		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0



## Defining the team

- Standard methodology (CHS, Innodrive,..)
  - Employees in certain occupations and with an attributed education are defined as **management staff** (see table)
  - The classification as developed in INNODRIVE serves as an initial definition for the members of the team (Basic staff)
    - Alternative team compositions are calculated
    - INNODRIVE has been directed to the market economy. Non market management will have to be added in some cases



## Definition of management staff

BKdl88 <sup>1</sup>	description <sup>2</sup>	Educational level
31-32	Agricultural engineers and administrators, a.s.	All
601-612	Engineers, physicists, mathematicians, a.s.	High
681	Wholesale, retail trade agents, purchasing agents, a.s.	High
682-688	Sales assistants, a.s.	High
691-692	Banker, a.s.	High
703	Advertising specialists, a.s.	High
751-763	Chief executives, consultants, tax adviser, a.s.	All
771-773	Financial officers, chief accountants, a.s.	High
781-782	Office executives, a.s.	High
784-794	Office clerks, a.s.	High
862-863	Chief executives, consultants of social institutions, a.s.	High
911	Directors of hotels, restaurants, a.s.	High
921	Home economy administrators, a.s.	High

<sup>1</sup>German classification of occupations (IAB 2008; chapter 5). - <sup>2</sup>Translated from German. - All: All employees. - High: Employees with higher education (code numbers 4 to 6 in IAB 2008). - Low: Employees without higher education (all other code numbers)

Sources: IAB 2008, INNODRIVE 2010



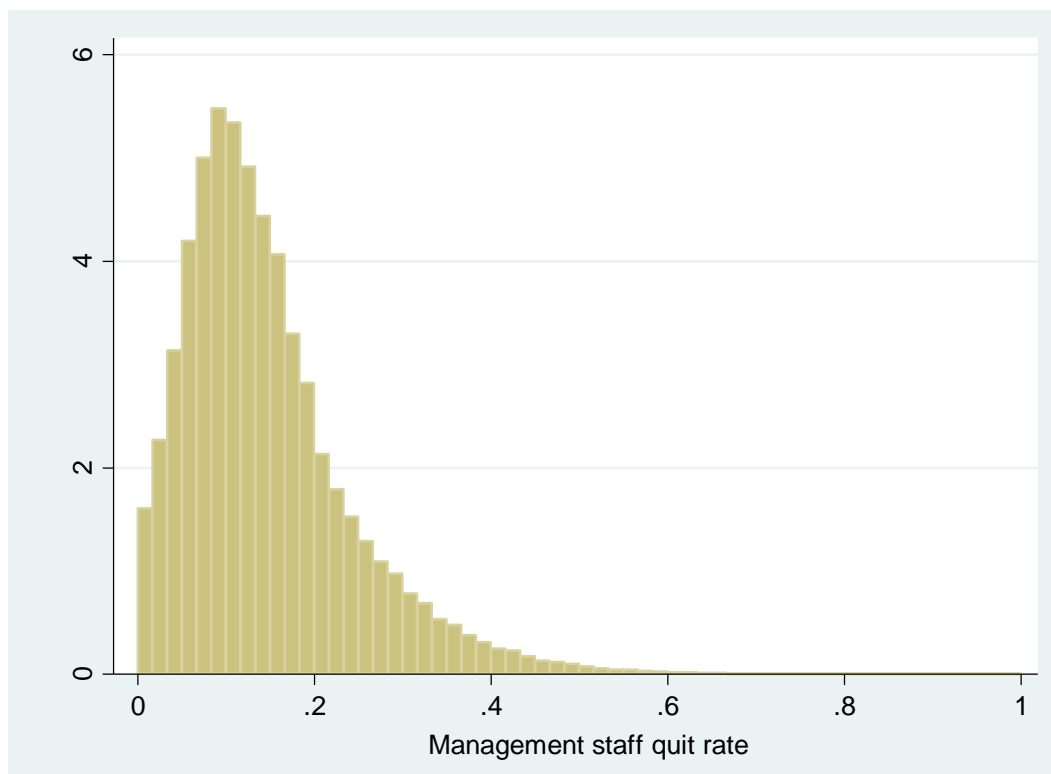
## Management staff characteristics for SPINTAN related industries

	Averages 1999-2003	SPINTAN related industries	All other industries
Establishments	million	0.301	1.473
Employees	million	5.641	18.492
Management staff	million	0.462	2.259
Annual quits of management staff	million	0.059	0.295
Establishment size	employees	19	13
Management share in employment	per cent	8	12
Quit rate of management staff	per cent	13	13





# Density distribution of quit rates in SPINTAN related industries – 1999 - 2003





## Micro data evidence

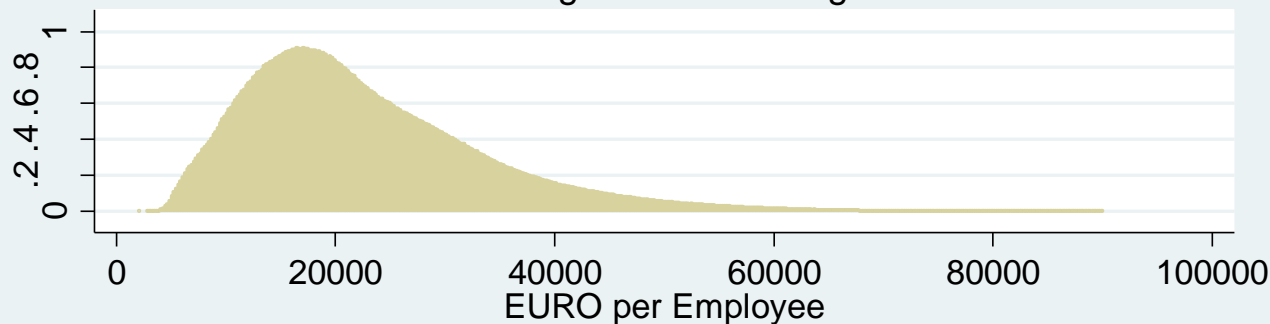
- In the average, management wages are 20 % higher than those of non-management employees
- However: Many employees of the management staff have an income below that of non-management employees
- More than 5% of the management staff consists of people that stay only less than a year in the same unit
- Many small units do not
  - have any management employees
  - exist over the total observation period



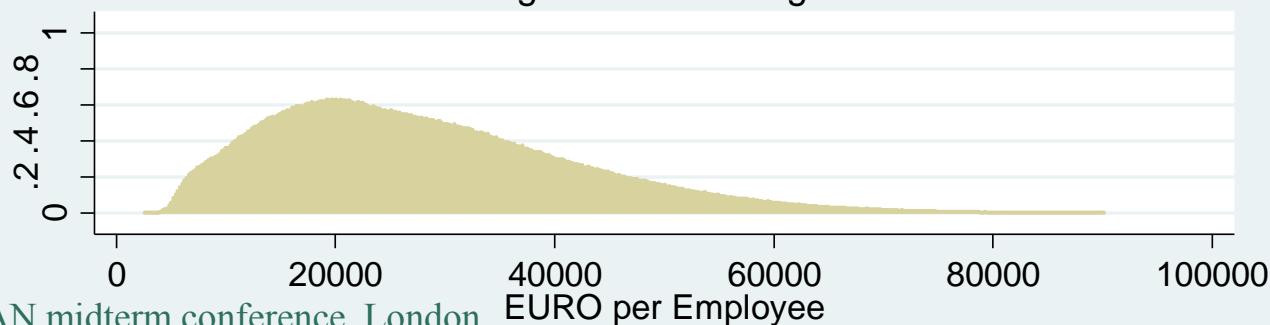
# Density distribution of annual wage rates – 1999 - 2003

Average wage rate 1999 - 2003

Non management staff wage rate



Management staff wage rate





## Alternative team constellations

- Only those „Basic“ staff members that earn a higher income per day than the average daily income (High wage staff)
- Only those „Basic“ staff members that work for more than one year in an establishment (High tenure staff)
- Team either defined by employment or by income shares
  - Employees with higher income contribute more to the team value

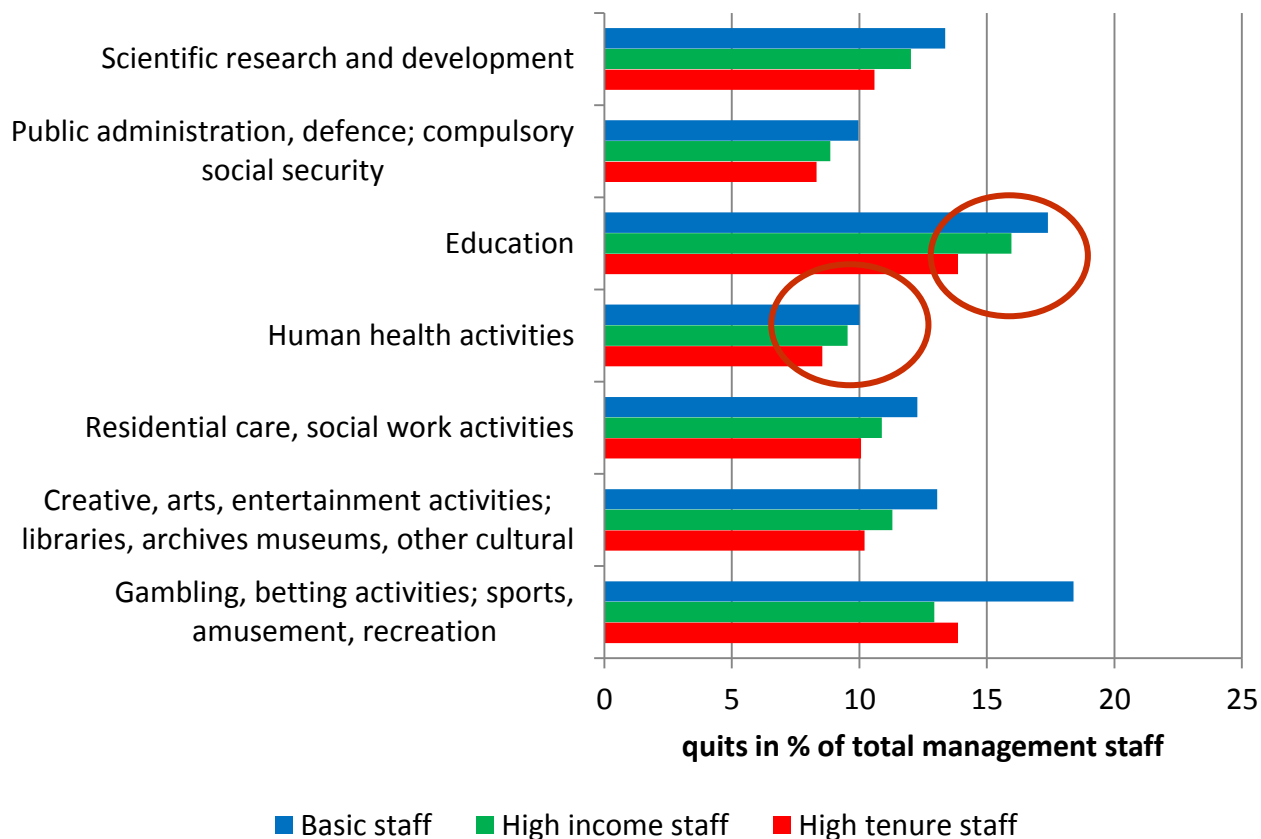


# Average quit rates in SPINTAN related industries for alternative team definitions

	Employees	Wage sum
	million	million €
<i>Management staff</i>		
Basic management staff	0.462	17 020
High wage staff	0.297	12 176
High tenure staff	0.426	15 912
<i>Quits</i>		
Basic management staff	0.059	2 008
High wage staff	0.034	1 367
High tenure staff	0.044	1 566
<i>Quit rates</i>		
Basic management staff	0.13	0.12
High wage staff	0.12	0.11
High tenure staff	0.10	0.10



## Management quit rates in SPINTAN related industries weighted averages – 1999-2003





# Weighted and not weighted management quit rates





## Conclusions

- Average quit rates for SPINTAN related industries range between 10% to 18% for the Basic management staff
- Alternative assumptions on the composition of the team do marginally influence the general structure of the quit rates
- It seems that differences in quit rates are more determined by the industry than by the the team composition
- Further research is necessary



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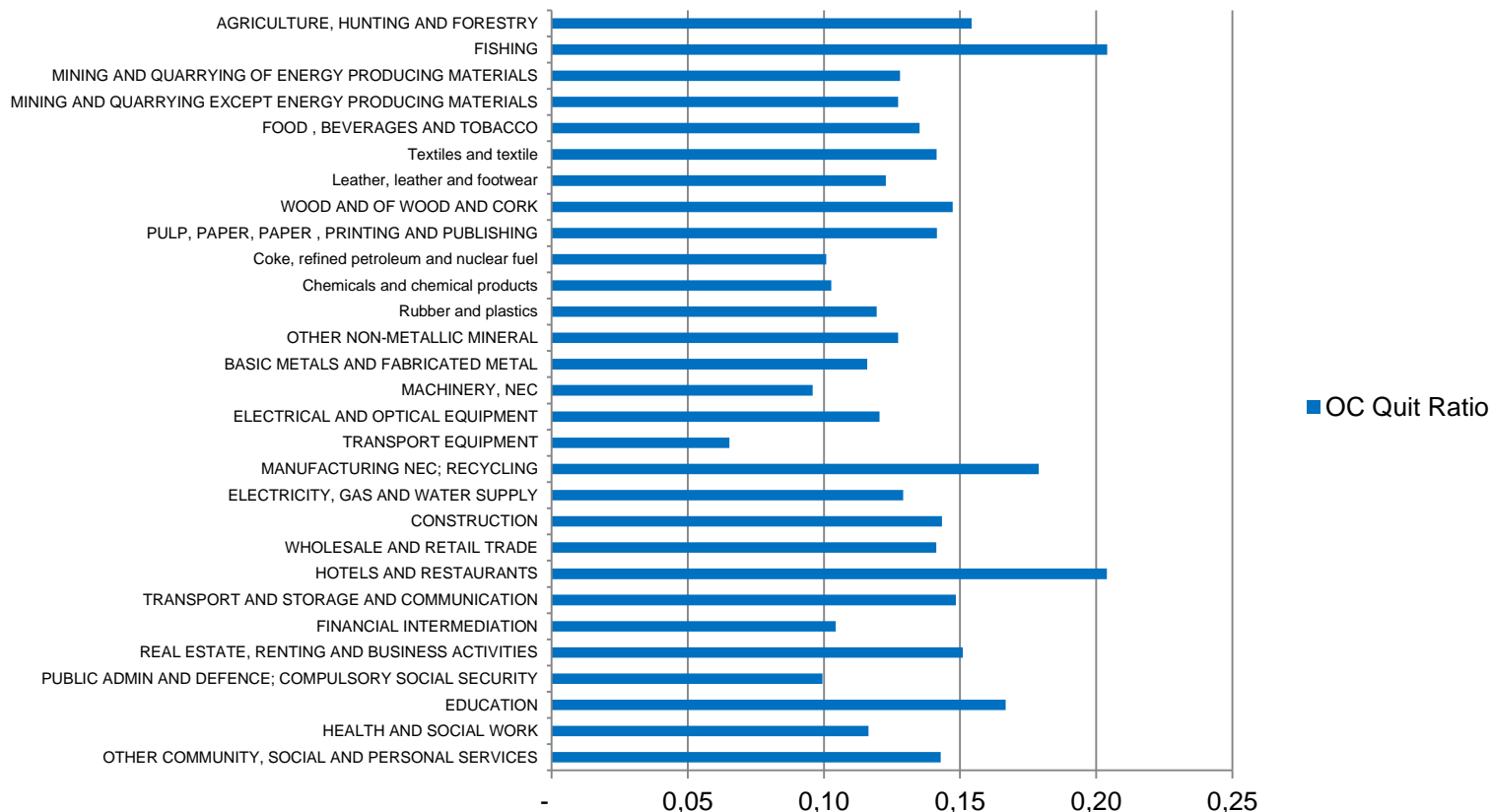


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# Management quit rates by Nace 1 industries





# Quit rates of „Basic“ staff compared with total staff







- Note:
  - This implies no estimate on the level of OC
  - No OC, no depreciation
  - Indicator for a potential depreciation rate