Erratum to: Determinants of self-employment survival in Europe

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Results and descriptive statistics concerning the countries Greece and Germany have been mistakenly interchanged. This applies to results in Table 1 (subsection 5.1), descriptive statistics in Table 4 (Appendix), and the last paragraphs on subsections 5.1 and 5.2, where the references to *Greece* correspond to *Germany*.

In addition, the definitions of the dependent variables concerning single and competing risk models in the Appendix have also been mistakenly interchanged.

The authors sincerely apologize to all readers for any inconveniences caused by these mistakes.

5 Results

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5.1 The effect of individual characteristics: single risk model

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Thus, using Spain as the reference country, higher exit rates can be observed across the United Kingdom followed by **Germany**.

5.2 The effect of individual characteristics: competing risks model

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Finally, regarding exits to inactivity, the United Kingdom and **Germany** seem to be the riskier places.

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Table 1 Departure from self-employment—Single risk models: Special focus on individual characteristics

	Prob [$T^{SE} = j \mid T^{SE} > j - 1$]					
Number of observations	26,873					
Number of spells	9,753					
Number of censored spells	8,086					
Number of completed spells	1,667					
Specification	(I)		(II)		(III)	
Predicted probability (y)	0.0348		0.0401		0.0379	
Variables	dy/dx	t-stat.	dy/dx	t-stat.	dy/dx	t-stat.
<i>Demographic characteristics</i>						
Male	−0.023	−6.96***	−0.0199	−6.15***	−0.0158	−5.13***
Age	−0.0069	−7.19***	−0.007	−7.04***	−0.0066	−6.88***
Age (squared)	8.34E-05	6.99***	8.65E-05	6.96***	8.13E-05	6.76***
Cohabiting	0.0045	1.71*	0.0042	1.49	0.0045	1.69*
Number of children under 14	5.65E-05	0.04	0.0003	0.23	0.0003	0.25
Relative(s) working as self-employed	−0.0079	−3.51***	−0.0077	−3.19***	−0.0074	−3.16***
<i>Education</i>						
Secondary education ⁽¹⁾	−0.0062	−2.52**	−0.0056	−2.11**	−0.0053	−2.09**
University studies ⁽¹⁾	−0.0135	−5.28***	−0.0122	−4.32***	−0.0124	−4.6***
<i>Employment characteristics</i>						
Industrial sector ⁽²⁾	0.0076	1.66*	0.0073	1.56	0.0086	1.84*
Financial services ⁽²⁾	−0.0005	−0.13	0.0004	0.09	0.0007	0.15
Wholesale, hotels, restaurants & transport ⁽²⁾	0.0024	0.72	0.0016	0.45	0.005	1.42
Other services ⁽²⁾	0.0018	0.4	0.001	0.21	−0.0007	−0.16
Hours of work					−0.0028	−6.07***
Hours of work (squared)					2.01E-05	5.06***
<i>Previous experience</i>						
Previous experience as self-employed	−0.0158	−7.1***	−0.0156	−6.17***	−0.0146	−5.99***
Previous experience as paid-employed	−0.0055	−2.34**	−0.006	−2.42**	−0.006	−2.49**
Previous experience as inactive	−0.0017	−0.52	−0.0021	−0.64	−0.0033	−1.04
<i>Previous labour market situation</i>						
Entering self-employment from unemployment	0.0184	6.07***	0.0169	5.58***	0.0156	5.34***
<i>Incomes</i>						
Dwelling owner			−0.0115	−4.02***	−0.0112	−4.05***
Receiving capital and property incomes (1 lag)			−0.0051	−2.1**	−0.0049	−2.1**
Self-employment incomes (1 lag) ('000)			−0.0008	−6.63***	−0.0007	−6.03***
<i>Duration dependence</i>						
Ln (Duration as self-employed)	−0.0195	−12.64***	−0.0194	−12.02***	−0.0182	−11.53***
<i>Country dummies</i>						
Austria ⁽³⁾	−0.0164	−3.37***	−0.0193	−3.78***	−0.018	−3.62***
Belgium ⁽³⁾	−0.0134	−2.95***	−0.0167	−3.58***	−0.0149	−3.21***
Denmark ⁽³⁾	−0.0047	−0.68	−0.0048	−0.64	−0.005	−0.69
Finland ⁽³⁾	0.0019	0.32	−0.0008	−0.13	−0.0017	−0.31
France ⁽³⁾	−0.0176	−4.28***	−0.0177	−3.63***	−0.0162	−3.38***
Germany ⁽³⁾	0.0126	2.1**	0.0167	2.51**	0.0195	2.84***

Table 1 continued

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Predicted probability (y)	0.0348		0.0401		0.0379	
Variables	dy/dx	t-stat.	dy/dx	t-stat.	dy/dx	t-stat.
Greece ⁽³⁾	−0.002	−0.53	−0.0048	−1.28	−0.0051	−1.42
Ireland ⁽³⁾	−0.0106	−2.54**	−0.0089	−1.84*	−0.009	−1.97**
Italy ⁽³⁾	−0.0128	−4.31***	−0.015	−4.78***	−0.0157	−5.28***
Netherlands ⁽³⁾	−0.0108	−1.94*	−0.0118	−1.94*	−0.0121	−2.14**
Portugal ⁽³⁾	−0.0074	−2.08**	−0.0119	−3.4***	−0.0118	−3.51***
United Kingdom ⁽³⁾	0.0243	3.55***	0.028	3.96***	0.0258	3.78***
<i>Reference categories: (1) No education or primary education, (2) Construction sector, (3) Spain</i>						
Log likelihood	−5,791.4		−5,764.8		−5,731.1	

Notes: *** Denotes significance at the 1% level; ** denotes significance at the 5% level; * denotes significance at the 10% level

Appendix

Variable definitions are reported below.

Dependent variables

Single risk models	Dependent variable equals 1 for individuals who are full-time self-employed workers in period t and exit self-employment in period $t + 1$. The variable equals 0 for individuals who are full-time self-employed workers in periods t and $t + 1$, or the information about the labour status in $t + 1$ is censored.
Competing risks models	Dependent variable equals 1 for individuals who are full-time self-employed workers in period t and enter paid-employment in period $t + 1$. The variable equals 2 for individuals who are full-time self-employed workers in period t and enter unemployment in period $t + 1$. The variable equals 3 for individuals who are full-time self-employed workers in period t and enter inactivity in period $t + 1$. Finally, the variable equals 0 for individuals who are full-time self-employed workers in periods t and $t + 1$, or the information about the labour status in t is censored.

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Table 4 Descriptive statistics of the departure from self-employment

Final destination	Censored	Paid employment	Unemployment	Inactive
Number of spells	8,086	799	363	505
Demographic characteristics				
Males	73.78%	77.60%	69.42%	39.01%
Average age	39.3 years	35.5 years	36.9 years	40.7 years
Age 21–30 years	20.37%	33.17%	34.98%	20.39%
Age 31–40 years	36.76%	39.05%	30.58%	31.09%
Age 41–50 years	28.04%	19.52%	21.49%	25.55%
Age 51–59 years	14.83%	8.26%	12.95%	22.97%
No education/Very basic education	38.76%	43.68%	47.38%	45.74%
Primary schooling/Secondary schooling	33.38%	32.04%	34.99%	33.47%
University studies	27.86%	24.28%	17.63%	20.79%
Cohabiting	76.96%	74.09%	66.12%	84.75%
Average number of children under 14	0.68 child.	0.72 child.	0.6 child.	0.62 child.
Relative(s) working as self-employed worker(s)	29.63%	23.89%	29.19%	27.72%
Employment characteristics				
Construction sector	16.05%	19.53%	11.57%	7.72%
Industrial sector	12.65%	15.39%	11.57%	13.27%
Financial services	16.36%	15.15%	9.65%	12.48%
Wholesale, hotels, restaurants & transport	40.75%	36.79%	55.09%	50.09%
Other services	14.19%	13.14%	12.12%	16.44%
Average hours of work per week	51.2 hours	49.7 hours	49.4 hours	48.7 hours
Experience within self-employment				
Average duration as self-employed (in years)	6.3 years	4.3 years	4.4 years	4.7 years
Duration: 1 year	14.44%	17.77%	20.94%	21.78%
Duration: 2 or 3 years	26.29%	37.05%	37.74%	33.67%
Duration: 4–6 years	19.85%	23.03%	19.84%	19.01%
Duration: 7–10 years	17.73%	14.39%	10.19%	11.68%
Duration: more than 10 years	21.69%	7.76%	11.29%	13.86%
Previous experience				
Previous experience as self-employed	20.06%	12.77%	10.19%	16.04%
Previous experience as paid-employed	28.79%	32.17%	19.56%	17.03%
Previous experience as inactive	12.42%	11.26%	12.39%	20.19%
Previous labour market situation				
Entering self-employment from unemployment	23.36%	31.66%	50.14%	25.54%
Incomes				
Dwelling owner	75.29%	65.58%	67.77%	74.46%
Receiving capital and property incomes.	41.02%	34.67%	31.96%	35.84%
Average annual capital and property incomes	€ 822	€ 419	€ 518	€ 564
Average annual capital and property incomes (those who receive)	€ 2,004	€ 1,210	€ 1,620	€ 1,574
Average annual incomes as self-employed	€ 12,835	€ 8,269	€ 5,929	€ 7,706
Country				
Austria	2.39%	1.75%	0.83%	1.58%
Belgium	3.97%	2.49%	3.86%	1.19%
Denmark	1.83%	2.88%	1.65%	0.79%

Table 4 continued

Final destination	Censored	Paid employment	Unemployment	Inactive
Finland	4.63%	4.51%	6.34%	2.97%
France	2.88%	2.75%	1.38%	1.39%
Germany	8.73%	8.64%	7.44%	13.27%
Greece	14.01%	12.02%	21.21%	15.84%
Ireland	5.17%	4.26%	4.13%	4.76%
Italy	16.29%	12.64%	20.38%	14.86%
Netherlands	2.98%	2.75%	1.37%	0.79%
Portugal	9.46%	15.27%	5.51%	7.52%
Spain	14.67%	18.15%	20.39%	15.25%
United Kingdom	12.99%	11.89%	5.51%	19.79%
Labour market institutions				
Start-up incentives as % of GDP	0.0226%	0.0205%	0.0196%	0.0180%
Employment incentives as % of GDP	0.1463%	0.1145%	0.1001%	0.0929%
Unemployment benefits index (0–6)	4.7049	4.7699	4.6753	4.6897
Overall EPL index (0–6)	2.5006	2.6815	2.8690	2.5057
Statutory tax rates on dividend income (%)	35.52%	36.93%	38.06%	37.19%
Business cycle				
National unemployment rate (%)	8.8%	9.9%	11.2%	9.9%
Aggregated environment				
Services sector share (%)	52.3%	50.1%	51.9%	53.4%
Rule of law (0–6)	4.6071	4.6492	4.5337	4.6564