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Academic Employment

- 2016- Associate Professor (with tenure) in the Department of Economics at The Graduate Institute, Geneva
- 2011-2016 Assistant Professor in the Department of Economics at The Graduate Institute, Geneva
- 2011- Faculty Associate, Harvard University, Center for International Development
- 2009-2011 Full-time Economist at the Centre for Economic Performance of the London School of Economics and Political Science (promoted in June 2009)
- 2008-2011 Postdoctoral Fellow at the Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government and Fellow at the Women and Public Policy Program, Harvard Kennedy School
- 2007- 2009 Full-time Research Economist at the Centre for Economic Performance of the London School of Economics and Political Science

Education

2007 Ph.D., London School of Economics and Political Science

2003 M.A., Northwestern University

2002 B.A. *summa cum laude*, Department of Economics, University of Turin

Selected Affiliations

Swiss National Center of Competence in Research (NCCR); European Development Network (EUDN); Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA); Center for Economic Studies (CESifo); Centre for Research and Analysis of Migration (CREAM); Woodrow Wilson Center

Selected Advisory Roles

Member of the Evaluation Committee of the Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO) Economic Cooperation and Development (2020-);

Member of the Board of the Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics (2020-);

Member of the Advisory Board of the Swiss Leading House on the Economics of Education, Firm Behavior and Training Policies, coordinated and sponsored by the Swiss State Secretariat for Education, Research and Innovation (2017-);

Senior Expert of the European Expert Network on Economics of Education (EENEE) coordinated and sponsored by the European Commission, Directorate General Education and Culture (2012-)

Publications

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Selected Publications in Peer Reviewed Journals

Ganguli I., R. Hausmann and M. Viarengo (2020) “Gender Differences in Professional Career Dynamics: New Evidence from a Global Law Firm,” forthcoming in *Economica*

Bandiera O., M. Mohnen, I. Rasul and M. Viarengo (2019) “Nation-Building through Compulsory Schooling during the Age of Mass Migration,” *Economic Journal*, Vol. 129, No. 617(1), pp. 62–10

Machin S., S. McNally and M. Viarengo (2018), “Changing How Literacy is Taught: Evidence on Synthetic Phonics,” *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, Vol. 10, No. 2, pp. 217-241

Gibbons S., S. McNally and M. Viarengo (2017), “Does Additional Spending Help Urban Schools? An Evaluation Using Boundary Discontinuities,” *Journal of the European Economic Association*, November, Vol. 16, No. 5(1), pp. 1618–1668

Cyron L., G. Schwerdt and M. Viarengo (2016) “The Effect of Opposite Sex Siblings on Cognitive and Non-Cognitive Skills in Early Childhood,” *Applied Economics Letters*, Vol. 24, No. 19, pp. 1369-1373; [Asian Development Bank Institute Working Paper No. 2016-627]

Pritchett L. and M. Viarengo (2015), “Does Public Sector Control Reduce Variance in School Quality?” *Education Economics*, Vol. 23, No. 5, October, pp. 557-576

Pritchett L. and M. Viarengo (2015), “The State, Socialization and Private Schooling: When Will Governments Support Alternative Producers?” *Journal of Development Studies*, (lead article), Vol. 51, No. 7, July, pp. 784-807

Martinez-Fritscher A., A. Musacchio and M. Viarengo (2014), “Colonial Institutions, Trade Shocks, and the Diffusion of Elementary Education in Brazil, 1889-1930,” *Journal of Economic History*, Vol. 74, No. 3, pp. 730-766

Freeman R.B. and M. Viarengo (2014), “School and Family Effects on Educational Outcomes across Countries,” *Economic Policy*, (lead article), Vol. 79, No. 29, July, pp. 395-446

Ganguli I., R. Hausmann and M. Viarengo (2014), “Closing the Gender Gap in Education: What is the State of Gaps in Labor Force Participation for Women, Wives and Mothers?” *International Labour Review*, (lead article), Vol. 153, No. 2, pp. 173-208

Ganguli I., R. Hausmann and M. Viarengo (2014), “Marriage, Education and Assortative Mating in Latin America,” *Applied Economics Letters*, Vol. 21, No. 12, pp. 806-811

Bandiera O., I. Rasul and M. Viarengo (2013), “The Making of Modern America: Migratory Flows in the Age of Mass Migration,” *Journal of Development Economics*, Vol. 102, May, pp. 23-47

Pritchett L. and M. Viarengo (2012), “Why Demographic Suicide? The Puzzles of European Fertility,” *Population and Development Review*, No. 38, pp. 55-71

Freeman R.B., S. Machin and M. Viarengo (2011), “Inequality of Educational Outcomes: International Evidence from PISA,” *Regional and Sectoral Economic Studies*, (lead article), Vol.11, No. 3, pp. 5-2; [NBER Working Paper No. 16293; LSE - CEE Discussion Paper No. 0117]

Murtin F. and M. Viarengo (2011), “The Expansion and Convergence of Compulsory Schooling in Western Europe: 1950-2000,” *Economica*, Vol. 78, No. 311, pp. 501-522

Holmlund H., S. McNally and M. Viarengo (2010), “Does Money Matter for Schools?” *Economics of Education Review*, Vol. 29, pp. 1154-1164; [IZA Discussion Paper No. 3769; LSE - CEE Discussion Paper No. 105]

Murtin F. and M. Viarengo (2010), “American Education in the Age of Mass Migrations, 1870-1930,” *Cliometrica*, (lead article), Vol. 4, No. 2, June 2010, pp. 113-139; [IZA Discussion Paper No. 3964]

Selected Books, Reports and Policy Publications

Kramarz F. and M. Viarengo (2015), “Ni en Emploi Ni en Formation - Des Jeunes Laissés pour Compte,” Paris: Sciences-Po Press [title of the book in English: “Neither in Employment nor in Education – Youth Left Behind”]

Ganguli I., R. Hausmann and M. Viarengo (2018), “Career Dynamics and Gender Gaps among Employees in the Microfinance Sector,” UNU-WIDER Working Paper No. 2017/117, chapter published in Anderson S., L. Beaman and J.P. Platteau (eds.), “Towards Gender Equity in Development” published by Oxford University Press

Kramarz F. and M. Viarengo (2015), “Using Education, Training and Skills to Prevent and Combat Youth Unemployment and Increase Employment,” EENEE Analytical Report commissioned by the European Commission

Pritchett L. and M. Viarengo (2010), “Explaining the Cross-National Time-Series Variation in Life Expectancy: Income, Women’s Education, Shifts and What Else?” Background Paper Human Development Report 2010 Twentieth Anniversary of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP); UN Human Development Research Paper No. 2010/31

Hausmann R., I. Ganguli and M. Viarengo (2009), “The Dynamics of the Gender Gap: how do Countries rank in terms of making Marriage and Motherhood compatible with Work?” in the Global Gender Gap Report 2009, Geneva: World Economic Forum Publication

Selected Research Grants, Fellowships and Awards

Eisenhower Fellowship, Royal Economic Society, European Union, Swiss National Science Foundation, Russell Sage Foundation, Einaudi Foundation, Rotary Foundation, Newton International Fellowship awarded by the British Academy and the Royal Society, elected Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts, selected as a *Young Global Leader* by the World Economic Forum.