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CURRENT POSITION

Aug 2018 – **Lecturer (Assistant Professor):** University of Technology Sydney, UTS Business School, Economics Discipline Group
Nov 2014 – **IZA Research Affiliate:** Institute for Labor Economics, Bonn

PAST ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Aug 2014 – July 2018 **Postdoctoral Research Fellow:** University of Lausanne, NCCR Lives & Department of Economics
Feb – July 2017, Feb – July 2018 **Part-time lecturer:** University of Lausanne, Department of Economics

EDUCATION

2010 - 2015 **Ph.D. in Economics:** European University Institute, Florence (Italy)
Thesis title: “Essays on Migration, Education and Work Opportunities”
Thesis committee: Jérôme Adda (advisor), Árpád Ábrahám (2nd advisor), Jeremy Lise, Ahu Gemici
Date of defense: January 16, 2015
Sep – Oct 2012 **Visiting Assistant in Research:** Yale University, New Haven CT (USA)
Invited by Costas Meghir
2009 – 2010 **M.Res. in Economics:** European University Institute, Florence (Italy)
2006 – 2008 **M.Sc. in Economics:** University of Lausanne, Lausanne (Switzerland)
2003 – 2006 **B.Sc. in Economics:** University of Lausanne, Lausanne (Switzerland)
2005 – 2006 **Erasmus exchange student:** University of Carlos III, Madrid (Spain)

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Development Economics, Labour Economics, Public Economics, Structural & Applied Econometrics

WORKING PAPERS

The Puzzle of Educated Unemployment in West Africa (with Romuald Meango)
Job Market Paper

Migration, Education and Work Opportunities

IZA Discussion Paper No. 11028

Winner of the Young Economist Award of the SSES 2015

(Reject & Resubmit)

Wage and employment dynamics: The role of occupational skills (with Miriam Rinawi and Matthias Krapf)

IZA Discussion Paper No. 11586

(under review)

WORK IN PROGRESS

How does Maternity Leave affect Women's Careers and their Families? (with Lena Hassani, Kalaivani Karunanethy and Rafael Lalive)

Parental leave policies and family outcomes (with Ylenia Brillì and Hugo Reis)

Who gets hired and why? (with Rafael Lalive and Fabienne Liechti)

Regional migration and inequality in the West African Economic and Monetary Union (with Romuald Meango and Hillel Rappoport)

PUBLICATIONS (peer-reviewed)

On the economic impact of international sport events: microevidence from survey data at the EURO 2008, with Michael J. Lamla and Martin Straub, *Applied Economics*, 2014.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS (not peer-reviewed, in German)

Läuft die US-Konjunktur der Wirtschaftsentwicklung in Europa voraus?, *KOF Analysen*, December 2008.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE & SKILLS

Feb – Aug 2018	Political and Institutional Economics, University of Lausanne, Master 1 st year. (Co-teaching with Alessandro Saia)
Feb – Aug 2017	Political and Institutional Economics, University of Lausanne, Master 1 st year. (Co-teaching with Alessandro Saia)
June 2013	Teaching Skills Week, European University Institute, Teacher Training for Higher Education
Nov – Dec 2010	Macroeconomics 1, European University Institute, PhD. 1 st year, Teaching Assistant for Prof. Russell Cooper
Sep 2007 – Feb 2008	Decision Analysis, University of Lausanne, Bachelor 2 nd year, Teaching Assistant for Prof. Natalia Karelaia

PAST PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Jan – Feb 2009 **ANTBA** (local NGO for literacy promotion), Ougadougou, Burkina Faso, Volunteer
- Feb – Dec 2008 **Konjunkturforschungsstelle der ETH Zürich (KOF)**, Research Internship
Research on International Business Cycles, Economic Impact of International Sport Events
- Sep 2006 – Aug 2007 **Swiss Federal Statistical Office (BFS)**, Research Internship
Feasibility study on Implementing Globalisation Indicators in Switzerland

PRESENTATIONS AT SEMINARS & CONFERENCES

- 2018 Conferences: Search & matching Conference, Cambridge; Annual Congress of the SSES, St. Gallen; Asian and Australasian Society of Labour Economics (AASLE) Conference, Seoul (scheduled).
Seminars/workshops: University of Technology Sydney; IZA Junior/Senior Symposium, Bonn.
- 2017 Conferences: CSAE Conference, Oxford; Annual Congress of the SSES, Lausanne; EALE, St. Gallen; Spanish Economic Association, Barcelona.
Seminars/workshops: University of St. Gallen; European University Institute, Florence; IZA Workshop Labor & Development, Bonn; University of Geneva; University of Bristol.
- 2016 Conferences: European Winter Meeting Econometric Society, Edinburgh.
Seminars/workshops: Ski & Labor Economics Seminar, St. Anton; Macro Workshop, Lausanne.
- 2015 Conferences: CSAE Conference, Oxford; Annual Congress of the SSES, Basel; IZA/World Bank Conference on Employment and Development, Bonn; SOLE/EALE World Meeting, Montreal; European Winter Meeting Econometric Society, Milan.
Seminars: University of Zurich; BEER Lab Meeting & Micro Workshop, Lausanne; CREST, Malakoff (Paris); Tilburg University; University of Geneva; Toulouse School of Economics; Bocconi University.
- 2014 Conferences/Summer schools: IZA European Summer School in Labor Economics, Buch am Ammersee; Annual Congress of the European Economic Association, Toulouse; EUI Alumni Conference in Economics, Florence; Conference of Swiss Economists Abroad, Zurich.
Seminars: Micro Workshop, Lausanne.
- 2013 Seminars: Microeconomics Working Group, EUI, Florence; IEMS Seminars in Health and Labor Economics, Lausanne.
- 2012 Conferences: Augustin Cournot Doctoral Days, Université de Strasbourg.
Seminars: 3rd year Researcher Forum, EUI, Florence; Development Lunch Seminar, Yale University.

GRANTS & AWARDS

Aug 2017 – July 2018	Swiss National Science Foundation, 120% support grant (13,854 CHF, approximately 13,854 USD)
Aug 2016 – July 2017	Swiss National Science Foundation, 120% support grant (19,820 CHF, approximately 19,565 USD)
Jan 2015 – July 2016	Swiss National Science Foundation, 120% support grant (15,967 CHF, approximately 16,128 USD)
2015	Young Economist Award of the Swiss Society of Economics & Statistics (SSES)
2009 – 2014	PhD Scholarship, State Secretariat for Education, Research and Innovation, Switzerland (SERI)
2004 - 2014	Fellowship, Swiss Study Foundation
Sep – Oct 2012	Financial Support by the EUI for Visiting Assistant in Research at Yale University
May 2012	3rd Best Paper Award, Augustin Cournot Doctoral Days, Strasbourg
2005 – 2006	Erasmus Student Exchange Grant

REFEREEING

Applied Economics, Applied Economics Letters, Journal of Population Economics, Labour Economics, Review of Economic Design, Review of Economic Studies, Swiss Journal of Economics and Statistics.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

2015 – 2018	Member of the FREE-Board of NCCR Lives
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COMPUTER SKILLS

MATLAB, STATA, JMulti (basic), EViews (basic)
Office, LATEX

LANGUAGE SKILLS

German (native), English (fluent), French (fluent), Italian (fluent), Spanish (advanced)

MEDIA

“Migration, Education and Work Opportunities” mentioned in *Junge Welt* on February 10, 2015 (<https://www.jungewelt.de/2015/02-10/036.php>)

REFERENCES

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