

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

Ph.D.(Economics) Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 2006-2011
Thesis: "Optimal Policy and the Coexistence of Markets and Governments"
Committee: Prof. Daron Acemoglu, Prof. James Poterba, Prof. Ivan Werning
M.Sc. (Economics and Management Sciences) Humboldt University Berlin, 2003-2006
Supervisor: Prof. Harald Uhlig
(best of class 2006)
Visiting Student (Economics) Jönköping International Business School, 2004
Vordiplom (Economics) Humboldt University Berlin, 2001-2003
(ranked top 10%)

Current and Past Affiliations

Economic Advisor, German Federal Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs, 2017 - present
Assistant Professor, Stockholm Institute of Transition Economics, 2012-2017
CESifo Research Network Affiliate, Public Sector Economics, 2013-present
Max-Weber-Fellow, European University Institute, 2011-2012
Teaching Assistant at MIT: Introduction to Statistical Methods (undergraduate), 2008, 2010
Intermediate Macroeconomics (undergraduate), 2011
Research Assistant for Prof. Harald Uhlig, Humboldt University Berlin, 2005-2006

Publications

"Centralized Fiscal Spending by Supranational Unions" (joint with J.Valasek), *Economica*, Vol.84, Issue 333, pp. 78-103
"The Political Economy of Multilateral Aid Funds" (joint with Justin Valasek), CESifo Paper No. 5857
"Financial Markets as a Commitment Device for the Government," CESifo Paper No. 4902
"Optimal Debt Bias in Corporate Income Taxation," CESifo Paper No. 5561
"Adapting to Capitalism: Private Health Insurance Uptake Among Former East Germans," mimeo

“Strategic Aid Financing,” FREE Policy Brief, March 2016

“More Commitment if Needed to Improve Efficiency in EU Fiscal Spending,” FREE Policy Brief, May 2014

“The Role of Imperfect Financial Markets for Social Redistribution,” CESifo DICE Report 4/2013

“Adapting to Capitalism,” FREE Policy Brief, January 2013

Grants, Fellowships, Awards

Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, Research Grant (260.400 SEK), 2014

Klaus Liebscher Award, Austrian National Bank, 2013

CESifo Distinguished Affiliate Award in Public Sector Economics, April 2013

Peters-Beer-Stiftung, Fellowship for doctoral studies, 2006-2011

MIT World Economy Laboratory, Fellowship, 2006-2008

DAAD, Doctoral Fellowship, 2007-2008

Award for best Master’s Degree in Economics and Management Sciences, 2006

Seminar and Conference Presentations

2018: CESifo Public Sector Conference

2015: FREE Network Conference (Vilnius), SITE Academic Conference (Stockholm)

2014: Cambridge University, Toulouse School of Economics, CESifo Public Sector Conference

2013: Max-Planck-Institute for Tax Law and Public Finance München, CESifo Public Sector Conference, European Economic Association Conference (Göteborg), Uppsala University, University Oslo, University Brescia, Austrian National Bank Annual Congress, Max-Weber-Conference EUI, Cologne University,

2012: American Economic Association Conference (Chicago), Nashville Taxation Theory Conference, Max-Weber-Conference European University Institute, Society of Economic Dynamics Annual Meeting (Zypern)

2011: HEC Lausanne, Universität Bern, Sciences Po Paris, Ecole Polytechnique Paris, Imdea, IHS Vienna, Universidad Carlos III, Ludwig-Maximilian Universität München, Universität Mannheim, Aarhus University, SITE, Max Planck Institute for Collective Goods Bonn, Uppsala University, Society of Economic Dynamics Annual Meeting (Ghent), European Economics Association Conference (Oslo), EUI, IIES (Stockholm)

2010: MIT, Universität St.Gallen, Universität Bonn, TU Dortmund, Universität Münster

Conference and Seminar Organization

2015: SITE Seminar Series

2014: SITE Conference “Economics of Inequality,” September 1-2, 2014
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2013: SITE Conference “Institutional Challenges in Emerging Economies,” September 2-3, 2013
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