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Academic positions

7/2024-now Professor (full-time), University of Warwick, UK
7/2024-now Professor of Economics (part-time), Monash University, Melbourne/Australia
8/2019-now Xiaokai Yang Chair of Business and Economics, Monash University, Melbourne/Australia

Fellowships

2024-now Fellow of the Econometric Society
2024-now Fellow of the Academy of Social Sciences (FAcSS)
2023-now Fellow of the International Economic Association
2022-now Fellow of the Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia (FASSA)

Past appointments

8/2019-6/2024 Professor of Economics (full-time), Monash University, Melbourne/Australia
8/2019-6/2024 Professor of Economics (part-time), University of Warwick, UK
10/2011-7/2019 Professor of Economics (full-time), University of Warwick, UK
07/2011-7/2019 Deputy Director, Centre for Competitive Advantage in the Global Economy (CAGE), University of Warwick
08/2010-09/2011 Associate Professor (with tenure), University of Warwick, UK
12/2008-07/2010 SIRE Chair (Full Professor with tenure), University of Stirling, UK
05/2008-11/2008 SIRE Reader (Associate Professor with tenure), University of Stirling, UK
01/2002-04/2008 Assistant Professor (Wissenschaftlicher Assistent), Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität (LMU) Munich, Germany

Roles on Editorial Boards

2023-now Editor, *Economic Journal* (EJ)
2022-now Board of Editors, *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics* (AEJ:Applied)
2021-now Associate Editor, *Quarterly Journal of Economics* (QJE)
2021-now Editorial Board member, Asia-Pacific Economic History Review (AEHR)
2019-now Associate Editor, *Journal of Economic Growth* (JOG)
2017-now Editorial Board member, *Italian Economic Journal* (IEJ)
2022-2025 Editorial Board member, *Journal of Economic History* (JEH)
2021-2024 Associate Editor, *Journal of the European Economic Association* (JEEA)
2022 Guest Editor (joint with Jessica Pan) for the 2021 AASLE conference issue in *Labour Economics*
<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/labour-economics/special-issue/103LMPLVJDV>
2020-2023 Editorial Board member, *Journal of Economics, Management and Religion* (JEMAR)
2019-2023 Associate Editor, *Journal of Comparative Economics* (JCE)
2015-2021 Associate Editor, *Economic Journal* (EJ)
2009-2019 Editorial Board member, *European Journal of Political Economy* (EJPE)
2016-2019 Editorial Board member, *Explorations in Economic History* (ExEH)
2014-2016 Editorial Panel of *Economic Policy* (EP)

Research visits

06/2026-07/2026 Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance (EIEF), Rome, Italy: Visiting Scholar
07/2018 Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance (EIEF), Rome, Italy: Visiting Scholar
04/2018-05/2018 UC Los Angeles, Anderson School of Management: Visiting Professor
08/2014-spring 15 UC Los Angeles, Anderson School of Management: Visiting Professor
07/2013 Institute for Advanced Studies (IMI), Lucca, Italy: Visiting Professor
07/2012 Institute for Advanced Studies (IMI), Lucca, Italy: Visiting Professor
07/2011 Institute for Advanced Studies (IMI), Lucca, Italy: Visiting Professor
07/2010 Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance (EIEF), Rome, Italy: Visiting Scholar
07/2009 Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance (EIEF), Rome, Italy: Visiting Scholar
01/2006-07/2006 UC San Diego, Department of Economics, Visiting Scholar
01/2000-05/2000 UC Berkeley, Center for Labor Economics: Visiting PhD student

Education

- 01/2008 Habilitation and venia legendi in Economics, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität (LMU) Munich, Germany
Reporters: Monika Schnitzer (LMU) and Hans-Werner Sinn (LMU)
Awarded the “Habitationspreis der Gesellschaft der Freunde und Förderer der LMU” in 2009
- 11/2001 Ph.D. in Economics, European University Institute, Florence, Italy; Thesis Committee: Michael J. Artis,
David Card (Committee Chair), Andrea Ichino (supervisor), Jörn-Steffen Pischke
- 1997–2001 Doctoral Programme in Economics at the European University Institute, Florence, Italy
- 2000 UC Berkeley, Center for Labor Economics, USA: Visiting Student, Advisor: David Card
- 1992-1997 Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität, Bonn, Germany: Diplom (Masters) in Economics
- 1996-1997 École Nationale de la Statistique et de l'Administration Économique (ENSAE), Paris, France : 12-month exchange
- 1995 Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität, Bonn, Germany: Vordiplom (Undergraduate diploma) in Economics
- 1994 Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität, Bonn, Germany: Vordiplom (Undergraduate diploma) in Mathematics
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Published Articles in Refereed Journals (with ABDC list classification for papers published since 2018)

- 58) “Reproducibility and Robustness of Economics and Political Science Research” (with Abel Brodeur and 344 other co-authors) See <https://econpapers.repec.org/paper/zbwi4rdps/107.htm> for the full list of 345 co-authors, conditionally accepted at *Nature*. (ABDC list A*, Group 1+)
- 57) “Testing and Correcting for Spatial Unit Roots in Regression Analysis” (with P. David Boll and Joachim Voth), *The Stata Journal*, forthcoming in second issue of 2026.
- 56) “Gender and Religion: A Survey” (with Jeanet Sinding Bentzen and Chun Chee Kok), forthcoming at the *Journal of Demographic Economics* (ABDC list B). <https://doi.org/10.1017/dem.2025.10014>
- 55) “Competing Social Influence in Contested Diffusion: Contention and the Spread of the Early Reformation” (with Yuan Hsiao, Steven Pfaff and Jared Rubin), 2026, *Social Forces* 104(3): 1096–1116. <https://doi.org/10.1093/sf/soaf079>
- 54) “Wars, Taxation and Representation: Evidence from Five Centuries of German History” (with Andreas Ferrara, Eric Melander and Luigi Pascali), 2025, *Journal of European Economic Association* 23(6): 2241–2288. <https://doi.org/10.1093/jeea/jvaf019> (ABDC list A*)
- 53) “Conquering Korea for Jesus: Protestant Missionaries, Local Churches, and Literacy in Colonial Korea” (with with Cheongyeon Won), 2024, *Labour Economics* 91, article 102618 <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.labeco.2024.102618> (ABDC list A)
- 52) “Religion and Growth” (with Jared Rubin and Ludger Woessmann), 2024, *Journal of Economic Literature* 62(3): 1094–1142. <https://doi.org/10.1257/jel.20231666> (ABDC list A*)
- 51) “Persecution and Escape: Professional Networks and High-Skilled Emigration from Nazi Germany” (with Volker Lindenthal, Sharun Mukand and Fabian Waldinger), 2024, *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics* 16(3): 1-43. **Lead article** <https://www.aeaweb.org/articles?id=10.1257/app.20220278> (ABDC list A*)
- 50) “Persecution, Pogroms and Genocide: A Conceptual Framework and New Evidence” (with Sharun Mukand and Ivan Yotzov), 2022, *Explorations in Economic History* 86, article 101471. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.eeh.2022.101471> (ABDC list A) **Lead article.**
- 49) “Entrepreneur Death and Startup Performance” (with Hans K. Hvide), 2022, *Review of Finance* 26(1): 163-185. <https://doi.org/10.1093/rof/rfab015> (ABDC list A*, Group 1+)
Altmetric scores: <https://www.altmetric.com/details/106803505>
- 48) “Forced Displacement in History: Some Recent Research” (Write-Up of 2021 “Butlin Lecture”), 2022, *Australian Economic History Review* 62(2): 2-25. <https://doi.org/10.1111/aeht.12237> (ABDC list B) **Lead article.**
Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/123835626>
- 47) “More Choice for Men? Marriage Patterns after World War II in Italy” (with Erich Battistin and Luca Nunziata), 2022, *Journal of Demographic Economics* 88(3): 447-472. <https://doi.org/10.1017/dem.2021.14> (ABDC list B)
Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/108663355>
- 46) “The Impact of Public Employment: Evidence from Bonn” (with Stephan Heblich and Daniel Sturm), 2021, *Journal of Urban Economics* 121: Article 103291. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jue.2020.103291> (ABDC list A*)
Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/93639516>
- 45) “Jesus speaks Korean: Christianity and Literacy in Colonial Korea” (with Cheongyeon Won), 2021, *Italian Review of Economic History* 37(1): 7-32. [Special issue in memory of Carlo Cipolla’s (1969) “Literacy and Development?”] <https://www.rivisteweb.it/doi/10.1410/99826> (<https://doi.org/10.1410/99826>)
- 44) “The Political Economy of the Prussian Three-class Franchise” (with Erik Hornung), 2020, *Journal of Economic History*, 80(4): 1143-1188. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0022050720000443> (ABDC list A*)
Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/91369103>

- 43) “Multiplex Network Ties and the Spatial Diffusion of Radical Innovations: Martin Luther's Leadership in the Early Reformation” (with Yuan Hsiao, Steven Pfaff and Jared Rubin), 2020, *American Sociological Review* 85(5): 857-894. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0003122420948059> (ABDC list A*, “Group 1+”) Altmetric scores: <https://sage.altmetric.com/details/89339139>
- 42) “Prussia Disaggregated: The Demography of its Universe of Localities in 1871” (with Francesco Cinnirella), *Journal of Demographic Economics*, 86(3): 259–290. <https://doi.org/10.1017/dem.2020.12> (ABDC list B) Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/90928101>
- 41) “Forced Migration and Human Capital: Evidence from Post-WWII Population Transfers” (with Irena Grosfeld, Pauline A. Grosjean, Nico Voigtländer and Ekaterina Zhuravskaya), 2020, *American Economic Review*, 110 (5): 1430–1463. <https://doi.org/10.1257/aer.20181518> (ABDC list A*, Group 1+) Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/74605997>
- 40) “The Separation and Reunification of Germany : Rethinking a Natural Experiment Interpretation of the Enduring Effects of Communism” (with Lukas Mergele and Ludger Woessmann), 2020, *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 34(2): 143-171. <https://doi.org/10.1257/jep.34.2.143> (ABDC list A*) Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/81578355>
- 39) “Consequences of Forced Migration: Recent Findings (Adam Smith Lecture EALE 2018)” (with Andreas Ferrara), 2019, *Labour Economics*, 59: 1–16. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.labeco.2019.04.009> (ABDC list A) Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/55895189>
- 38) “Discrimination in Hiring Based on Potential and Realized Fertility: Evidence from a Large-Scale Field Experiment” (with Ana Fernandes and Doris Weichselbaumer), 2019, *Labour Economics*, 59: 139–152. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.labeco.2019.04.009> (ABDC list A) Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/59127564>
- 37) “Religion, Division of Labor and Conflict: Anti-Semitism in Germany over 600 Years” (with Luigi Pascali), 2019, *American Economic Review*, 109 (5): 1764–1804. <https://doi.org/10.1257/aer.20170279> (ABDC list A*, Group 1+) Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/54494303>
- 36) “Who Voted for Brexit? Individual and Regional Data Combined” (with Eleonora Alabrese, Thiemo Fetzer and Dennis Novy), 2019, *European Journal of Political Economy*, 56: 132–150. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ejpoleco.2018.08.002> (ABDC list A) Altmetric scores: <https://www.altmetric.com/details/52608437>
- 35) “Social Cohesion, Religious Beliefs, and the Effect of Protestantism on Suicide” (with Ludger Woessmann), 2018, *Review of Economics and Statistics*, 100(3): 377-391, https://doi.org/10.1162/REST_a_00708 **Lead article** (ABDC list A*, Group 1+) Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/27965285>
- 34) “Effects of EU Regional Policy: 1989-2013” (with Peter H. Egger and Maximilian von Ehrlich), 2018, *Regional Science and Urban Economics*, 69: 143-152, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.regsciurbeco.2017.12.001> (ABDC list A) Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/30215261>
- 33) “Who Voted for Brexit? A Comprehensive District-Level Analysis” (with Thiemo Fetzer and Dennis Novy), 2017, *Economic Policy*, 32(92): 601-650, <https://doi.org/10.1093/epolic/eix012> **Editor's choice**. Altmetric scores: <https://oxfordjournals.altmetric.com/details/27479538>
- 32) “Education and Religious Participation: City-Level Evidence from Germany's Secularization Period 1890-1930” (with Markus Nagler and Ludger Woessmann), 2017, *Journal of Economic Growth*, 22(3): 273–311. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10887-017-9142-2> Altmetric scores: <https://springeropen.altmetric.com/details/17025581>
- 31) “Causes and Consequences of the Protestant Reformation” (with Steven Pfaff and Jared Rubin), 2016, *Explorations in Economic History*, 62: 1–25. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.eeh.2016.07.007> Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/10304205>
- 30) “The Empire Is Dead, Long Live the Empire! Long-Run Persistence of Trust and Corruption in the Bureaucracy” (with Katrin Boeckh, Christa Hainz and Ludger Woessmann), 2016, *Economic Journal*, 126(590): 40–74. <https://doi.org/10.1111/ecej.12220> Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/2868274>
- 29) “Trade and Tasks: An Exploration over Three Decades in Germany” (with Marc-Andreas Muendler), 2015, *Economic Policy*, 30(84): 589–641. <https://doi.org/10.1093/epolic/eiv014> Altmetric scores: <https://oxfordjournals.altmetric.com/details/4575292>
- 28) “Not the Opium of the People – Income and Secularization in a Panel of Prussian Counties” (with Ludger Woessmann), 2013, *American Economic Review: Papers & Proceedings*, 103(3): 539–544. <https://doi.org/10.1257/aer.103.3.539> Altmetric scores: N/A

- 27) “Absorptive Capacity and the Growth Effects of Regional Transfers: A Regression Discontinuity Design with Heterogeneous Treatment Effects” (with Peter H. Egger and Maximilian von Ehrlich), 2013, *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, 5(4): 29–77. <https://doi.org/10.1257/po1.5.4.29>
Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/1876335>
- 26) “Offshoring and the Onshore Composition of Tasks and Skills” (with Karolina Ekholm and Marc-Andreas Muendler), 2013, *Journal of International Economics* 90(1): 91–106. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jinteco.2012.10.005>
Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/1403643>
Elsevier 2017 Recognition: one of the five most cited papers in the Journal of International Economics 2014–16.
- 25) “A Gift is not Always a Gift: Gift Exchange in a Voucher Experiment” (with Dolores Messer and Stefan C. Wolter), 2013, *Economica* 80(318): 345–371. <https://doi.org/10.1111/ecca.12004>
Altmetric scores: N/A
- 24) “Does Women’s Education Affect Fertility? Evidence from Pre-Demographic Transition Prussia” (with Francesco Cinnirella and Ludger Woessmann), 2013, *European Review of Economic History* 17(1): 24–44. <https://doi.org/10.1093/ereh/hes017>
Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/1188818>
- 23) “Endogenous Product versus Process Innovation and a Firm’s Propensity to Export” (with Peter H. Egger), 2013, *Empirical Economics* 44(1): 329–354. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00181-009-0322-6>
Altmetric scores: <https://link.altmetric.com/details/55360427>
- 22) “How low business tax rates attract MNE activity: Municipality-level evidence from Germany” (with Peter H. Egger and Valeria Merlo), 2012, *Journal of Public Economics* 96(9–10), 698–711. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jpubeco.2012.05.006>
Altmetric scores: N/A
- 21) “Too much of a good thing? On the growth effects of the EU's regional policy” (with Peter H. Egger and Maximilian von Ehrlich), 2012, *European Economic Review* 56(4): 648–668. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.eurocorev.2012.03.001>
Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/741228>
- 20) “The Effect of Investment in Children’s Education on Fertility in 1816 Prussia”, (with Francesco Cinnirella, Ludger Woessmann), 2012, *Cliometrica* 6(1): 29–44. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11698-011-0061-8>
Altmetric scores: <https://springeropen.altmetric.com/details/16180023>
- 19) “Education and Catch-up in the Industrial Revolution” (with Erik Hornung, Ludger Woessmann), 2011, *American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics* 3(3): 92–126. <https://doi.org/10.1257/mac.3.3.92>
Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/14953303>
- 18) “Margins of Multinational Labor Substitution” (with Marc-Andreas Muendler), 2010, *American Economic Review* 100(5), 1999–2030. <https://doi.org/10.1257/aer.100.5.1999>
Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/10026428>
- 17) “Going NUTS: The Effect of EU Structural Funds on Regional Performance” (with Peter H. Egger, Maximilian von Ehrlich), 2010, *Journal of Public Economics* 94(9–10), 578–590. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jpubeco.2010.06.006>
Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/6421231>
- 16) “The trade-off between fertility and education: Evidence from before the Demographic Transition” (with Francesco Cinnirella, Ludger Woessmann), 2010, *Journal of Economic Growth* 15(3), 177–204. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10887-010-9054-x>
Lead article. Altmetric scores: <https://link.altmetric.com/details/65986412>
- 15) “Equity Fund Ownership and the Cross-Regional Diversification of Household Risk” (with Mathias Hoffmann), 2010, *Journal of Banking and Finance* 34(1), 90–102. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jbankfin.2009.07.005>
Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/9892561>
- 14) “The Effect of Protestantism on Education before the Industrialization: Evidence from 1816 Prussia” (with Ludger Woessmann), 2010, *Economics Letters* 107(2), 224–228. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.econlet.2010.01.031>
Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/6821699>
- 13) “Youth Emancipation and Perceived Job Insecurity of Parents and Children” (with Samuel Bentolila, Ana Fernandes, Andrea Ichino), 2010, *Journal of Population Economics* 23(3), 1047–1071. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s00148-008-0224-5>
Altmetric scores: N/A
- 12) “Was Weber Wrong? A Human Capital Theory of Protestant Economic History” (with Ludger Woessmann), 2009, *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 124(2), 531–596. <https://doi.org/10.1162/qjec.2009.124.2.531>
Altmetric scores: <https://oxfordjournals.altmetric.com/details/29333224>
Awarded the year 2010 “Prize for Academic Research” by the Friends of the Ifo Institute
Reprinted in: Enrico Spolaore (ed.): *Culture and Economic Growth*, Volume I, Chapter 4, The International Library of Critical Writings in Economics series, Edward Elgar Publishers, 2014.

- 11) “Common political culture: Evidence on regional corruption contagion” (with Peter H. Egger, Tobias Seidel), 2009, *European Journal of Political Economy* 25(3), 300–310. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ejpoleco.2008.12.002>
Altmetric scores: <https://monash.altmetric.com/details/22247325>
Reprinted in: Jayasri Dutta and Toke S. Aidt (eds.): *Corruption and Economic Development*, Chapter 20, The International Library of Critical Writings in Economics series, Edward Elgar Publishers, 2016.
- 10) “Beschäftigungseffekte von Produkt- und Prozessinnovationen bei Exporteuren und Nicht-Exporteuren” (with Peter H. Egger), 2009, *ASStA: Wirtschafts- und Sozialstatistisches Archiv* 3(2), 123-136, <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11943-009-0064-0>
- 9) “Luther and the Girls: Religious Denomination and the Female Education Gap in 19th Century Prussia” (with Ludger Woessmann), 2008, *Scandinavian Journal of Economics* 110(4), 777–805. <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1467-9442.2008.00561.x>
- 8) “The Effect of FDI on Job Security” (with Marc-Andreas Muendler), 2008, *B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis & Policy* 8(1) (*Advances*), Article 8. <https://doi.org/10.2202/1935-1682.1770>
- 7) “Income Insecurity and Youth Emancipation: A Theoretical Approach” (with Samuel Bentolila, Ana Fernandes, Andrea Ichino), 2008, *B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis & Policy* 8(1) (*Contributions*), Article 19. <https://doi.org/10.2202/1935-1682.1783>
- 6) “Sensitivity Analysis for Average Treatment Effects” (with Marco Caliendo), 2007, *Stata Journal* 7(1), 71-83. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1536867X0700700104> (> 900 citations on Google Scholar)
- 5) “Intra-and International Risk-Sharing in the Short Run and the Long Run“ (with Mathias Hoffmann), 2006, *European Economic Review* 50(3), 777–806. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.euroecorev.2004.11.003>
- 4) “Introducing Time-to-Educate in a Job Search Model”, 2006, *Bulletin of Economic Research* 58(1), 61–72. <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.0307-3378.2006.00236.x>
- 3) “Location Choice and Employment Decisions: A Comparison of German and Swedish Multinationals” (with Karolina Ekholm, Robert Jäckle, Marc-Andreas Muendler), 2005, *Review of World Economics (Weltwirtschaftliches Archiv)* 141(4), 693–731. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10290-005-0052-6>
- 2) “How Large is the Brain Drain from Italy?” (with Andrea Ichino, Giovanni Peri), 2004, *Giornale degli Economisti e Annali di Economia* 63(1), 1–32. **Lead article.** <https://www.jstor.org/stable/23248186>
- 1) “Estimation of average treatment effects based on propensity scores” (with Andrea Ichino), 2002, *Stata Journal* 2(4), 358-377. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1536867X0200200403> (>3,900 citations on Google Scholar)

Data and Methodology:

- 5) “Using Instrumental Variables to establish causality”, 2016, *IZA World of Labor* Article 250. <https://doi.org/10.15185/izawol.250>
- 4) “iPEHD – The Ifo Prussian Economic History Database” (with Francesco Cinnirella, Erik Hornung and Ludger Woessmann), 2014, *Historical Methods: A Journal of Quantitative and Interdisciplinary History*, 47(2): 57-66, <https://doi.org/10.1080/01615440.2013.852370>
- 3) “Micro Data at the Ifo Institute for Economic Research – The “Ifo Business Survey”, Usage and Access” (with Klaus Wohlrabe), 2008, *Journal of Applied Social Science Studies (Schmollers Jahrbuch)* 128(2), 307-319. <https://doi.org/10.3790/schm.128.2.307>
- 2) “Mikrodaten im Ifo Institut für Wirtschaftsforschung – Bestand, Verwendung und Zugang”, (with Klaus Abberger, Barbara Hofmann, and Klaus Wohlrabe), 2007, *ASStA: Wirtschafts- und Sozialstatistisches Archiv* 1(1), 27-42. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11943-007-0004-9>
- 1) „80 Jahre Millssche Verhältniszahl“, 2006, *WiSt - Wirtschaftswissenschaftliches Studium* (WIST) 35(1): 43–45. <https://doi.org/10.15358/0340-1650-2006-1-43>

Miscellaneous:

“Clouds at sunset in the Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, California, US”, 2007, *International Journal of Meteorology* 32(320): 200-201. <http://www.ijmet.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/04/320.pdf>

Books

- 1) “Produktionen flyttar utomlands: Om offshoring och arbetsmarknaden” (“Production Moves Abroad – About Offshoring and Labour Markets”) (with Karolina Ekholm and Katariina Nilsson Hakkala), 2011, SNS Förlag, Stockholm, 107 pages.

Chapters in Books/Volumes

- 19) “Religion and the Wealth of Nations after 250 Years”, forthcoming in Trew, Alex (ed.) *Modern Inquiries into the Nature and Causes of the Wealth of Nations*.
- 18) “Religion and Economic Development: Past, Present, and Future” (with Amma Panin, Steven Pfaff, and Jared Rubin), forthcoming in Enke, Benjamin, Paola Giuliano, Nathan Nunn, Leonard Wantchekon (eds.) *Handbook of Culture and Economic Behavior*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/bs.hceb.2026.02.006>
- 17) “Education systems and human capital accumulation“ (with Francesco Cinnirella and Erik Hornung), 2023, In: Ulrich Pfister, Jan-Otmar Hesse, Mark Spoerer und Nikolaus Wolf (eds.): *Germany 1871: Nation building and the way to a modern economy*. Routledge Explorations in Economic History [English version of “Deutschland 1871”, see below].
- 16) “Church and State in Historical Political Economy” (with Steven Pfaff), 2022, in: Jeffery A. Jenkins and Jared Rubin (eds.) *Oxford Handbook of Historical Political Economy*, Chapter 45. <https://academic.oup.com/edited-volume/44005/chapter-abstract/393370448>
- 15) “Religious Persecutions” (with Luigi Pascali), 2022, in: Zimmermann, Klaus F. (ed.) *Handbook of Labor, Human Resources and Population Economics*, Springer Nature. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-57365-6_241-1
- 14) “Religion in Economic History: A Survey” (with Jared Rubin and Ludger Woessmann), 2021, In: Bisin, Alberto and Giovanni Federico (eds.) *Handbook of Historical Economics*, Chapter 20, Elsevier: <https://doi.org/10.1016/B978-0-12-815874-6.00029-0>. Whole handbook: <https://www.elsevier.com/books/the-handbook-of-historical-economics/bisin/978-0-12-815874-6>
- 13) “Bildung, Entwicklung und Nationsbildung im 19. Jahrhundert“ (with Francesco Cinnirella und Erik Hornung), 2021, In: Ulrich Pfister, Jan-Otmar Hesse, Mark Spoerer und Nikolaus Wolf (eds.): *Deutschland 1871: Die Nationalstaatsbildung und der Weg in die moderne Wirtschaft* (=Volume 6 of the series „Die Einheit der Gesellschaftswissenschaften im 21. Jahrhundert“), Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck.
- 12) “Education and Socio-Economic Development during the Industrialization” (with Ludger Woessmann), 2019, In: Diebolt, Claude and Mike Hauptert (eds.) *Handbook of Cliometrics, Second Edition*, Springer, pp. 253-273. https://link.springer.com/referenceworkentry/10.1007/978-3-642-40458-0_75-1
- 11) “How Luther’s Quest for Education Changed German Economic History: 9+5 Theses on the Effects of the Protestant Reformation” (with Ludger Woessmann), 2019, In: Carvalho, Jean-Paul, Iyer, Sriya, Rubin, Jared (eds.) *Advances in the Economics of Religion*, Palgrave, International Economic Association Series, Chapter 13. <https://www.palgrave.com/gp/book/9783319993362>
- 10) “Education and Human Capital”, 2018, In: Matthias Blum and Christopher L. Colvin (eds.) *An Economist’s Guide to Economic History*, MacMillan Publishers, Chapter 15. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-96568-0_15
- 9) “Institutions and convergence in Europe: The case of Structural Funds” (with Peter H. Egger and Maximilian von Ehrlich), 2018, In: Nauro Campos and Jan-Egbert Sturm (eds.) *Bretton Woods, Brussels, and Beyond – Redesigning the Institutions of Europe*, VoxEU eBook, CEPR, Chapter 8. <https://voxeu.org/content/bretton-woods-brussels-and-beyond>
- 8) “EU Regional Policy and the UK” (with Peter H. Egger and Maximilian von Ehrlich), 2017, In: Nauro Campos and Fabrizio Coricelli (eds.) *The Economics of UK-EU Relations – From the Treaty of Rome to the Vote for Brexit*, Springer. <http://www.springer.com/gp/book/9783319554945>
- 7) “Is the Brexit vote disconnected from the European Union?” (with Thiemo Fetzer and Dennis Novy), 2017, In: Thorsten Beck and Geoffrey Underhill (eds.), *Quo Vadis? Identity, policy and the future of the European Union*, VoxEU eBook, CEPR, Chapter 6. <https://voxeu.org/content/quo-vadis-identity-policy-and-future-european-union>
- 6) “The Protestant Reformation’s impact in Europe” (with Jared Rubin), 2017, In: Stelios Michalopoulos and Elias Papaioannou (eds.), *The Long Economic and Political Shadow of History*, CEPR VoxEU eBook, Volume 3, Chapter 8. <https://voxeu.org/content/long-economic-and-political-shadow-history-volume-3>
- 5) “Economics has nothing to do with religion”, 2017, In: Bruno S. Frey und David Iselin (eds.), *Economic Ideas You Should Forget*, Springer, pp. 9-10. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-47458-8_3
- 4) “EU Regional Policy” (with Peter H. Egger and Maximilian von Ehrlich), 2016, in Harald Badinger and Volker Nitsch (eds.). *Handbook of the Economics of European Integration*, Chapter 17, Routledge.
- 3) “Zurück zu den Wurzeln: Deutschland als Weltmarktführer in Sachen Bildung” (with Ludger Woessmann), 2013, in: Kai A. Konrad, Ronnie Schöb, Marcel Thum, Alfons Weichenrieder (eds.). *Die Zukunft der Wohlfahrtsgesellschaft: Festschrift für Hans-Werner Sinn*, Campus Verlag, pp. 143-168.

2) “The Effects of the Protestant Reformation on Human Capital” (with Ludger Woessmann), 2011, in: Rachel McCleary (ed.) *The Oxford Handbook of the Economics of Religion*, Oxford University Press, Chapter 5, pp. 93-110.
<https://doi.org/10.1093/oxfordhb/9780195390049.013.0005>

1) “Job Creation Abroad and Worker Retention at Home” (with Marc-Andreas Muendler) 2008, in: Stefan Bender, Julia Lane, Kathryn Shaw, Fredrik Andersson and Till von Wachter (eds.) *The Analysis of Firms and Employees: Quantitative and Qualitative Approaches*, NBER, University of Chicago Press, Chapter 10, pp. 309-344.

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Journal of Economic Literature, December 2024:

The Divine Economy: How Religions Compete for Wealth, Power, and People. By Paul Seabright. Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2024. Pp. xi, 452. \$35.00, cloth; \$35.00, e- book. ISBN 978-0-691-13300-3, cloth; 978-0-691-25878-2, e- book. (JEL L31, Z12)

Printed Discussions

6) Discussion of Pierre Régibeau and Katharine E. Rockett “Research assessment and recognized excellence: simple bibliometrics for more efficient academic research evaluations”, in: *Economic Policy* 31(88), 2016.

5) Discussion of Adriana Di Liberto, Fabiano Schivardi and Giovanni Sulis “Managerial practices and student performance”, in: *Economic Policy* 30(84), 2015.

4) Discussion of Martin Brown and Helmut Stix “The euroization of bank deposits in Eastern Europe”, in: *Economic Policy* 30(81), 2015.

3) Discussion of Herbert Brücker, Simone Bertoli, Giovanni Facchini, Anna Maria Mayda, and Giovanni Peri “Understanding Highly Skilled Migration in Developed Countries: The Upcoming Battle for Brains”, in Tito Boeri, Herbert Brücker, Frédéric Docquier, and Hillel Rapoport (eds.) *Brain Drain and Brain Gain - The Global Competition to Attract High-Skilled Migrants*, Oxford University Press, 2012.

2) Discussion of Ramón Gómez-Salvador, Julian Messina and Giovanna Vallanti “Gross Job Flows and Institutions in Europe: a Sectoral Approach/Perspective”, in: Julián Messina, Claudio Michelacci, Jarkko Turunen and Gylfi Zoega (eds.) *Labour Market Adjustments in Europe*, London: Edward Elgar, 2006.

1) Comment on Ben J. Hejdra, Christian Keuschnigg, and Wilhelm Kohler, “Eastern Enlargement of the EU: Jobs, Investment and Welfare in Present Member Countries” in Helge Berger and Thomas Moutos (eds.) *Managing EU Enlargement*, Cambridge, MA, MIT Press, 2004.

Policy Papers and/or addressing general audience

In English:

7) “The Global COVID-19 Student Survey: First Wave Results” (with Jaeger, David A., Jaime Arellano-Bover, Krzysztof Karbownik, Marta Martínez-Matute, John Nunley, R. Alan Seals, Miguel Almunia, Mackenzie Alston, Sascha O. Becker, Pilar Beneito, René Böheim, José E. Bosca, Jessica H. Brown, Simon Chang, Deborah Cobb-Clark, Shooshan Danagoulian, Sandra Donnally, Marissa Eckrote-Nordland, Lidia Farré Javier Ferri, Margherita Fort, Jane Cooley Fruewirth, Rebecca Gelding, Allen C. Goodman, Melanie Guldi, Simone Häckl, Janet Hankin, Scott Imberman, Joanna Lahey, Joan Llull, Hani Mansour, Isaac McFarlin, Jaakko Meriläinen, Tove Mortlund, Martin Nybom, Stephen D. OConnell, Rupert Sausgruber, Amy Ellen Schwarz, Jan Stuhler, Petra Thiemann, Roel van Veldhuizen, Marianne Wanamaker, and Maria Zhu), *Covid Economics* 79: 152-217.
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6) “Long-Term Consequences of Forced Displacement: Three Salient Themes”, (inaugural) Quarterly Digest on Forced Displacement. Washington, D.C.: World Bank Group. <https://doi.org/10.47053/jdc.010720/ar.01>

5) “Economics helps explain why suicide is more common among Protestants” (with Ludger Woessmann), *Aeon Digital Magazine*, January 2019. <https://t.co/YEA9A85Ug>

4) “Is the Brexit vote disconnected from the European Union?” (with Thiemo Fetzer and Dennis Novy), ifo DICE Report 4/2017. [Reprint of Thorsten Beck and Geoffrey Underhill (eds.), *Quo Vadis? Identity, policy and the future of the European Union*, VoxEU eBook, CEPR, 2017, Chapter 6.]

3) “EU Structural Funds: Do They Generate More Growth?” 2012, *The CAGE-Chatham House Series, No. 3*.

2) “Home Labor Market Effects of Outward Foreign Direct Investment”, 2005, *Applied Economics Quarterly* Suppl. 56, 117-121.

1) “Employment Pacts in Italy 1992-2002”, 2004, DICE Report - *Journal for Institutional Comparisons* 2(1), 49-56.

In German:

- 6) “The Division and Reunification of Germany and the “Effects” of Communism” (with Lukas Mergele and Ludger Woessmann), 2020, *ifo Schnelldienst* 5/2020: 48-51.
- 5) „Welche Abstimmungsmuster liegen dem Brexit-Referendum zugrunde?“ (with Thiemo Fetzer and Dennis Novy), 2018, *Wirtschaftsdienst*, 98(1): 41-45. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10273-018-2275-x>
- 4) “Was sind die tiefliegenden Faktoren hinter dem Brexit-Referendum?”, (with Thiemo Fetzer and Dennis Novy), 2017, *ifo Schnelldienst*, 12/2017: 9-12.
- 3) “Wie das längst untergegangene Habsburger Reich noch heute in den osteuropäischen Verwaltungen sichtbar ist”, (with Katrin Boeckh, Christa Hainz and Ludger Woessmann), *ifo Schnelldienst*, 12/2011: 20-23.
- 2) “Gerechtigkeit und Effizienz nachgelagerter Studiengebühren” (with Robert Fenge), *ifo Schnelldienst*, 2/2005: 16-22.
- 1) “Kehren deutsche Firmen ihrer Heimat den Rücken? – Ein Bericht über Ausländische Direktinvestitionen deutscher Unternehmen” (with Robert Jäckle and Marc-Andreas Muendler), *ifo Schnelldienst*, 1/2005:23-33.

In Spanish:

“Fragmentación Internacional de la Producción. Cuáles son sus Efectos en el Mercado Laboral?” (with Karolina Ekholm), 2011, *Integration & Trade* 15(32) January-June 2011.

Working Papers

- 3) “Freedom of the Press? Catholic Censorship during the Counter-Reformation” (with Francisco J. Pino and Jordi Vidal-Robert), CEPR Discussion Paper 16092.
 - 2) “Has Eastern European Migration Impacted UK-born Workers?” (with Thiemo Fetzer), CAGE Working Paper 376/2018.
 - 1) “Why an EU Referendum? Why in 2016?” (with Thiemo Fetzer), CAGE Working Paper 366/2018.
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Teaching

Regular courses

2024-now	<u>University of Warwick, United Kingdom:</u> 2024/25, 2025/26 EC243/EC355: Economic Growth: Causes and Consequences 2024/25, 2025/26 EC9C1: Topics in Economic History (MRes/PhD level)
2019-2023:	<u>Monash University, Australia:</u> 2022- ECC2511/ECC5511 Economic Growth: Causes and Consequences
2018:	<u>UCLA Anderson, USA:</u> Spring 2018 MGTPH201B Theory and Application of Regression Analysis (Ph.D. level)
2011-2018:	<u>University of Warwick, United Kingdom:</u> 2016/17 Warwick Economics Summer School: International Development 2015/16 EC991 Topics in Applied Micro (MSc level) 2014/15 <i>on leave</i> 2011-2013 EC338 Econometrics 2: Microeconometrics 2011 and 2012 EC307 Macroeconomic Policy in the EU
2015:	<u>UCLA Anderson, USA:</u> Winter 2015 204B Theory and Application of Regression Analysis (Ph.D. level)
2010:	<u>Scottish Graduate Programme in Economics, University of Edinburgh, United Kingdom:</u> Spring 2010 Advanced Quantitative Methods (Econometrics)
2008-2010:	<u>University of Stirling, United Kingdom:</u> Spring 2010 ECN48E Dissertations in Economics Spring 2010 BFIP13 Quantitative Methods in Finance Autumn 2009 ECN414 Economic Policy in Britain and Europe Autumn 2009 BFIP13 Quantitative Methods in Finance Spring 2009 ECN48E Dissertations in Economics Spring 2009 ECN48M Dissertations in Money and Banking Autumn 2008 ECN3LB Labour Economics
2001-2008:	<u>Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität (LMU) Munich, Germany:</u> WS 2007/08 Intergenerational Economics (Ph.D. level) SS 2007 Seminar Education Economics WS 2006/07 Labor Economics (Ph.D. level) WS 2006/07 Education Economics WS 2005/06 Intergenerational Economics (Ph.D. level) SS 2005 Labor Economics (Ph.D. level)

WS 2004/05	Education Economics
SS 2004	Graduate Econometrics – Microeconometrics part (Ph.D. level)
SS 2004	Intermediate Macroeconomics (<i>tutorials</i>)
WS 2003/04	Intermediate Macroeconomics (<i>tutorials</i>)
SS 2003	Graduate Econometrics – Microeconometrics part (Ph.D. level)
WS 2002/03	Microeconomics (<i>tutorials</i>)
SS 2002	The Social Welfare State (<i>tutorials</i>)
WS 2001/02	Intermediate Macroeconomics (<i>tutorials</i>)
1995-1996:	<u>Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn, Germany:</u>
SS 1996	Statistics II (<i>tutorials</i>)
WS 1995/96	Statistics II (<i>tutorials</i>)
SS 1995	Statistics I (<i>tutorials</i>)

Invited courses

2025: Rockwool Foundation Berlin & Berlin School of Economics
2023: Université du Luxembourg
2022: Bavarian Graduate Program in Economics (BGPE), Germany
2022: University of Basel, Switzerland
2018: Central-German Doctoral Program Economics (CGDE), Institute for Economic Research (IWH) Halle, Germany
2015: Administrative Data Research Centre for Scotland (ADRC-S), Edinburgh, UK.
2014: Central-German Doctoral Program Economics (CGDE), Institute for Economic Research (IWH) Halle, Germany
2014: Danish National Centre for Social Research (SFI) Copenhagen, Denmark;
2014: Lombardy Advanced School of Economic Research (LASER), Milano, Italy
2013: Danish National Centre for Social Research (SFI), Copenhagen, Denmark
2013: IMT Lucca, Italy
2012: Danish National Centre for Social Research (SFI), Copenhagen, Denmark
2012: IMT Lucca, Italy
2012: U Bergen, Norway
2011: LMU Munich, Germany;
2011: IMT Lucca, Italy;
2011: University of Siegen, Germany
2010: Danish Graduate Program in Economics (DGPE), U Copenhagen, Denmark;
2010: Danish National Centre for Social Research (SFI), Copenhagen, Denmark;
2010: Max Planck Institute of Economics, Jena, Germany
2009: Scottish Social Survey Network, Stirling, UK;
2009: Juan March Institute, Madrid, Spain; LMU Munich, Germany;
2009: Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (UAB), Spain
2008: Johannes-Kepler-Universität (JKU) Linz, Austria
2007: Danish National Centre for Social Research (SFI), Copenhagen, Denmark
2007: University of Florence, Italy
2005: Johannes-Kepler-Universität (JKU) Linz, Austria

Summer schools

2025: ISEG Summer School @ University of Lisbon, Portugal
2019: 7th Summer School for Quantitative History, Yantai, Shandong Province, China
2019: 4th University of Ioannina Summer School, Syros, Greece
2018: 1st Lancaster PhD Summer School on Applied Microeconomics (Political Economy), Lancaster, UK

Guest lectures

2024: Harvard U, “The Political Economy of Religion”, Ec 1450 (course leader: Robert J. Barro)
2023: U Sydney, “Topics in Economic History”, ECON4913/ECON6913, (course leader: Jordi Vidal-Robert)
2020: U Melbourne, “World Economic History”, ECON90056, (course leader: Laura Panza)
2019: Bocconi University, “Economics of Institutions and Culture” (course leader: Mara Squicciarini)
2018: NYU AD, “5000 Years of Notable Lives: Measuring Influence across Cultures” (course leader: Etienne Wasmer)

Department and University Service

2023-2024 Deputy Head of Department, Department of Economics, Monash U
2020-2024 Research Committee, Department of Economics, Monash U
2019-2024 Junior Hiring Committee, Department of Economics, Monash U
2019-2024 Senior Hiring Committee, Department of Economics, Monash U
2022-2023 Geopolitical Security Working Group, Monash U
2021-2023 International Committee, Monash Business School, Monash U
2017-2019 Member, Public Realm and Infrastructure Capital Programme Board, U Warwick
2016-2019 Deputy Head of Department, Department of Economics, U Warwick
2015-2019 Deputy Director, “Bridges” Leverhulme Doctoral Training Centre, U Warwick
2013-2019 Deputy Director (Research), Centre for Competitive Advantage in the Global Economy (CAGE), U Warwick
2015-2016 Director, MRes/PhD Programme in Economics, University of Warwick
2013-2014 Deputy Head of Department (Research), Department of Economics, U Warwick

2012-2013 Director, MRes Programme in Economics, University of Warwick
 2011-2012 Deputy Director (Impact), Centre for Competitive Advantage in the Global Economy (CAGE), U Warwick
 2010-2011 Ph.D. Admissions Tutor, Department of Economics, University of Warwick
 2009-2010 Convenor, Research and Knowledge Exchange Panel, Stirling Management School
 2009-2010 Member, Research and Knowledge Exchange Committee, University of Stirling
 2009-2010 Research Director, Division of Economics, Stirling Management School
 2009-2010 Postgraduate Tutor, Division of Economics, University of Stirling
 2009-2010 Member, Strategy and Resources Panel, Stirling Management School
 2008-2010 Founding Editor, Stirling Economics Discussion Papers, Division of Economics, University of Stirling

Past Research Positions

03/2002-04/2008 Founder and Manager of the *Ifo DataPool*, precursor of the LMU-ifo Economics and Business Data Centre (EBDC)
 1999-2001 European University Institute, Florence, Italy: Research Assistant to Andrea Ichino
 06/1999-10/1999 Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Bonn, Germany: Research Assistant to A. Barrett and K. F. Zimmermann
 1998-1999 European University Institute, Florence, Italy: Member of the Large Data Sets Group
 1995-1996 Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn, Germany: Teaching Assistant in Statistics, 3 semesters

Honors and Awards

2023 Elected Member of the Regional Standing Committee Australasia of the Econometric Society
 2023 Nominee, Monash Graduate Association “Supervisor of the Year” Award
 2021 *Dean’s Award for Research Excellence 2021*, Monash Business School
 2021 (Inaugural) *Departmental Research Excellence Award*, 2021 Department of Economics, Monash Business School
 2021 Nominee, Monash Graduate Association “Supervisor of the Year” Award
 2020 *Excellence in Refereeing Award 2019*, Review of Economic Studies
 2020 *Best Discussant Award* at the 33rd Australian Ph.D. Conference in Business and Economics
 2018 *Excellence in Refereeing Award 2017*, American Economic Review
 2017 Elsevier “Highly Cited Research Award”: Becker/Ekholm/Muendler (2013) one of the five most cited papers in the years 2014-16.
 2017 Center for Advanced Studies, LMU Munich, Germany: Visiting Scholarship
 2016 *Excellence in Refereeing Award*, Journal of the European Economic Association
 2014 Center for Advanced Studies, LMU Munich, Germany: Visiting Scholarship
 2013 University of Warwick Economics: Best Third Year Undergraduate Lecturer Award (2012-2013)
 2013 University of Warwick Economics: Best New Lecturer Award (2012-2013)
 2013 Center for Advanced Studies, LMU Munich, Germany: Visiting Scholarship
 2013 IMT Lucca, Italy: Visiting Professorship
 2012 IMT Lucca, Italy: Visiting Professorship
 2011 IMT Lucca, Italy: Visiting Professorship
 2010 Prize for Academic Research by the Friends of the Ifo Institute for “Was Weber Wrong?” paper
 2010 Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance, Rome, Italy: Visiting Scholarship
 2009 Habilitationpreis der Gesellschaft der Freunde und Förderer der LMU, Munich, Germany
 2009 Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance, Rome, Italy: Visiting Scholarship
 2006 University of California, San Diego (UCSD): Visiting Scholar (7 months)
 2001-2006 Verein für Socialpolitik, Awards for Presentations (i.e. paper acceptance at leading refereed international conferences) at ESEM 2006 Congress, RES 2005 Congress, EEA 2002 Congress and EEA 2001 Congress
 2000 EUI Scholarship for PhD exchange program with UC Berkeley
 1999-2001 European University Institute, Doctoral Fellowship
 1997-1999 DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service), Scholarship for the Ph.D. at EUI
 1996-1997 Sal. Oppenheim jr. & Cie., Frankfurt, Germany, Scholarship for the exchange program at ENSAE, Paris, France

Research Grants

2021-2025 Rockwool Foundation (Co-I), EUR 132,000
 2023 BERG Educational Practice Grant, AUD 2,000
 2023 Australia-Malaysia 2023 Research Collaboration Development Scheme, AUD 10,000
 2021-2022 Australia-Malaysia 2021-2022 Research Collaboration Development Scheme, AUD 23,053
 2018 Centre for Competitive Advantage in the Global Economy (CAGE) (PI), 2.09 mio. GBP over the years 2020-2024
 2017 RCUK Innovation Fellowship (bringing in additional CAGE PostDoc position), 323,464 GBP
 2017 Newton Fellowship (hosting Alessandro Belmonte, IMT Lucca), 98,250 GBP
 2017 ESRC Additional Activity on “UK after Brexit” and “UK post-Brexit Industrial Strategy” (PI), 18,208 GBP
 2016-2019 Fondo Nacional de Desarrollo Científico y Tecnológico (Fondecyt) (Co-I, joint with Francisco J. Pino (PI) and Jordi Vidal-Robert (PI)), 64,741 GBP (63,310,000 CLP)
 2016 University of Warwick Global Research Priorities programme “Behavioural Science”: 1,950 GBP
 2015-2016 ESRC “UK in a Changing Europe” Additional Activity on “The changing nature of EU Regional Policy in the UK” (PI), 97,821 GBP
 2015-2019 Leverhulme Trust Doctoral Training Centre “Bridges: Bringing Together the Social and Mathematical Sciences to Understand Social Information” (Co-I), 1.05 mio. GBP over the years 2015-2019
 2015-2019 ESRC Centre for Competitive Advantage in the Global Economy (CAGE) (Co-I and Deputy Director; with Nick Crafts (PI) and further Co-Is), 4.5 mio. GBP over the years 2015-2019

- 2015 University of Warwick Global Research Priorities programme “Connecting Cultures”: 1,710 GBP
- 2013-2014 Swiss National Science Foundation (SNF) “Fertility Discrimination in the Labour Market” (Co-I, with Ana Fernandes (PI) and Doris Weichselbaumer (co-I)), 222,900 CHF
- 2013-2014 ESRC Centre for Competitive Advantage in the Global Economy (CAGE) (joined as Co-I to replace departing Co-I; with Nick Crafts (PI) and further Co-Is), 4.5 mio. GBP over the years 2010-2014
- 2012-2013 CAGE Research Fund small grant (joint-I with Fabian Waldinger), 10,000 GBP
- 2010-2013 ESRC/Scottish Government Studentship (doctoral studentship), 3 years funding for Marta Odendal (Stirling)
- 2009-2011 University of Padova research grant “The Short-Run and Long-Run Consequences of Imbalanced Sex Ratios” (Co-I; with Erich Battistin and Luca Nunziata), 56,000 EUR
- 2008-2011 FP7 network “European Firms in a Global Economy (EFIGE)”, network member, >3 mio. EUR
- 2007-2010 FP7 network “Science, Innovation, Firms and Markets in a Globalized World”, network member, >2 mio. EUR
- 2007-2008 Hans-Böckler-Stiftung: “Domestic and Foreign Direct Investment” (PI; with Peter H. Egger (Co-I)), 9,950 EUR
- 2006-2008 Swedish Council for Working Life and Social Research: “Labour Market Consequences of the Globalization of Firms” (Co-I; with Karolina Ekholm (PI) and Marc-Andreas Muendler (Co-I)), 3,676 million SEK
- 2006 Fritz-Thyssen-Stiftung: “Multinational Labor Demand”: Visiting Scholar at UC San Diego (PI), 26,555 EUR
- 2003-2007 VolkswagenStiftung: “German outward foreign direct investment and its impact on home labor markets” (PI; Karolina Ekholm & Marc-Andreas Muendler as Co-Is), 126,000 EUR

Travel Grants

- 2007 SOKRATES/ERASMUS Teaching Staff Exchange Grant for Teaching at University of Florence, Italy
- 2002 Royal Economic Society, Travel Grant for Research Visit to the Ente Luigi Einaudi, Rome

Invited Lectures/Panels

- 2026: Keynote Lecture at the Canadian Network for Economic History, Yellowknife/NWT, Canada
- 2026: Keynote Lecture at the 4th Workshop “Diversity and Human Capital”, Exeter, UK
- 2026: Keynote Lecture at the 4th Workshop in Economic History, Uppsala, Sweden
- 2025: Keynote Lecture at the 19th Workshop on Political Economy, ifo Dresden/Germany
- 2025: Public Lecture on “Why Forced Migration is Different”, University of Durham, UK
- 2025: Panel on “The History of Economic History” at the 55th Annual Meeting of The History of Economic Thought Society (THETS)
- 2025: Online Lecture at the “Editors-in-Chief Face-to-Face Conference”, organized by the School of Economics and Management, Beijing Jiaotong University, China
- 2025: Keynote Lecture at the Workshop on “Autocracy and Nation Building”, Bergamo/Italy
- 2025: Keynote Lecture at the 4th Gender and Economics Workshop, Luxembourg
- 2025: Keynote Lecture at the 3rd Bolzano Workshop on Historical Economics, Bolzano/Italy
- 2024: Keynote Lecture at the WEast 2024 Dublin Workshop
- 2024: Keynote Lecture at the 8th Asian Historical Economics Conference 2024 (AHEC 2024), HKU, Hong Kong
- 2024: Keynote Lecture at CEMIR Junior Economist Workshop on Migration Research, Munich/Germany
- 2024: Keynote Lecture at CIVICA Workshop on Historical Persistence Mechanisms, CEU Vienna/Austria
- 2023: Keynote Lecture at the Frontier Research in Economic and Social History (FRESH) Meeting, Cologne/Germany
- 2023: Luxembourg School of Religion & Society
- 2021: Keynote Lecture at the 5th annual conference of the Asian & Australasian Society of Labour Economics (AASLE)
- 2021: Invited Lecture at the 9th Warwick Economics PhD Conference 2021
- 2021: Noel Butlin Lecture, Ec. History Society of Australia and New Zealand 2021 APEBH Conference, Perth, Australia
- 2019: Keynote Lecture at the 7th Summer Symposium in Quantitative History, Yantai, Shandong Province, China
- 2019: Invited Lectures at the 7th Summer School in Quantitative History, Yantai, Shandong Province, China
- 2019: Lectures at the 4th Summer School in Advanced Economics (University of Ioannina)
- 2019: Keynote Lecture at ZEW Public Finance Conference: The Political Economy of European (Dis)Integration
- 2019: Keynote Lecture at Conference on “Forced Displacement, Asylum Seekers and Refugees: Economics Aspects and Policy Issues”, Queen Mary University of London - School of Economics and Finance
- 2018: Max Weber Lecture, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid
- 2018: Lectures at 1st Lancaster PhD Summer School on Applied Microeconomics
- 2018: Adam Smith Lecture, 30th Annual Conference of the European Association of Labour Economists (EALE), Lyon, France
- 2017: Keynote Lecture at 10th Australasian Public Choice Conference, Melbourne
- 2017: EEA Congress Lisbon: special session on “Populism, its causes and consequences”
- 2017: IEA-INET Panel on “State Religion, Religious Freedom, Institutions and Economic Growth: A Global Perspective”, Panelists: Robert Barro (Harvard), Sascha Becker, Tim Besley (LSE), Timur Kuran (Duke)
- 2017: Lecture on “The Economics of Religion” at QUB Belfast, invited by QUB Economics Society
- 2016: Keynote Lecture at 21st Dynamics, Economic Growth and International Trade (DEGIT XXI) conference in Nottingham
- 2016: Keynote Lecture at 8th Joint IOS/APB/EACES Summer Academy on Central and Eastern Europe, Tutzing, Germany
- 2016: Keynote Lecture at European Public Choice Society (EPCS) Congress, Freiburg, Germany
- 2015: Session Keynote at XVII World Economic History Congress (WEHC), Kyoto, Japan
- 2015: Lecture “Publish, not Perish“, UCLA Fielding School of Public Health, inv. by UCLA AcademyHealth Student Chapter
- 2014: Lecture on the “Synthetic Control Method“, ESRC Research Methods Festival, Oxford, UK
- 2014: Invited Lecture at Indian Statistical Institute, Delhi, India
- 2014: Keynote Lecture at Winter School of Research Institute for the Evaluation of Public Policies (IRVAPP), Trento, Italy
- 2013: Keynote Lecture at Zurich Workshop on Economics, Schaffhausen, Switzerland
- 2013: Lectures on Growth as part of the Warwick Summer School in Economic Growth

2013: Lectures on “The Role of Education in Economic History” at 2nd Potsdam PhD Workshop in Empirical Economics
2012: Keynote Lecture on “Do EU Structural Funds Cause Regional Growth?” at Annual Workshop of Danish Graduate Program in Economics (DGPE)
2012: Lecture on “Religion, Gender, Education and Economics”, ESRC Social Sciences Festival, Chaplaincy U Warwick
2012: Invited Lecture “Good Institutions Matter: Long-Run Persistence of Trust and Corruption in the Bureaucracy”, Warwick Economics Summit 2012, UK
2010: Invited Lecture “Sex, Education, Religion and Economic Development in Historical Perspective”, Warwick International Development Summit 2010, UK
2010: Invited Lecture “Sex, Education, Religion and Economics in Historical Perspective”, SGPE Conference, Peebles, UK
2006: Invited Lecture (Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung) to introduce panel discussion “Working at Chinese Wages?” Ilmenau, Germany

Invited Policy Contributions, Policy Presentations and Policy Events

Institute for Humane Studies, George Mason University (12 Mar 2024)
 World Bank Group Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur (28 Nov 2023)
 IIES/SNS International Policy Forum, Stockholm (15 Feb 2022)
 Conservative Party Conference, Birmingham, “Regional Policy After Brexit?” (2 Oct 2018)
 CAGE-WMG "Post-Brexit Industrial Strategy: fuel for the Midlands Engine?" event Warwick (24 May 2017)
 CAGE-NIESR-"UK-in-a-Changing-Europe" Conference “UK After Brexit” London (9 Mar 2017)
 National Assembly for Wales, Cardiff - External Affairs Committee - inquiry into regional policy (27 Feb 2017)
 CAGE-HM Treasury Research Day: “Regional Policy After Brexit” (8 Dec 2016)
 Bruegel, Brussels/Belgium: “Effects of EU Regional Policy 1989-2013 and A Few Thoughts on Reform Options” (15 Nov 2016)
 Joint Research Centre of the European Commission, Ispra/Italy: “Effects of EU Regional Policy 1989-2013” (27 Sep 2016)
 HM Treasury, London: “Brexit: What Next for UK Regional Policy?” (2 Aug 2016)
 U Warwick office in Brussels: “Brexit? Economic Perspectives on Britain's EU Membership” (2 Mar 2016)
 CAGE-NIESR-"UK-in-a-Changing-Europe" Conference “The Economics of the UK's EU membership” London (23 Feb 2016)
 OECD workshop on “GVCs, jobs and skills”, Paris (14 October 2015)
 Introductory talk to policy session at workshop “Discrimination in the Labor Market”, Bern, Switzerland (28 Aug 2015)
 Department for Business, Innovation & Skills (BIS), London: UK EU Balance of Competence Review (21 Nov 2013)
 HM Treasury, London: “Growth Effects of EU Regional Funds” (18 Nov 2013)
 Social Market Foundation (SMF), London: “Euromillions: how far does money from Brussels boost growth?” (31 Oct 2013)
 British Embassy, Brussels: “Opportunities and challenges in fostering growth in the EU” (23 Apr 2013)
 Chatham House, London: “EU Structural Funds: Do They Lead to More Growth?” (6 Dec 2012)
 UK House of Commons all-party parliamentary group (APPG) for European Reform on “EU Structural Funds” (24 Jan 2012)

Service Learned Societies, Board Memberships, Research Affiliations and Fellowships

2027 President of the Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics (SIOE), elected in 2024
 2026 President-Elect of the Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics (SIOE), elected in 2024
 2025 1st Vice-President of the Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics (SIOE), elected in 2024
 2024 2nd Vice-President of the Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics (SIOE), elected in 2024
 2024-now Elected Member of the Regional Standing Committee Australasia, Econometric Society
 2024-now Monash Warwick Alliance Associate
 2023-2026 Board of Directors, Melbourne School of Theology
 2023-2026 Board of Directors, Eastern College Australia
 2023-2026 EHA Standing Committee on the Journal of Economic History
 2023-2026 Steering Committee Member, Centre for Economics, Policy and History (CEPH)
 2020-2023 Elected Executive Board Member, Asian and Australasian Society of Labour Economics (AASLE)
 2018-2023 RES Publications Committee, *Royal Economic Society*
 2018-2023 Elected Council Member, *Royal Economic Society* <http://www.res.org.uk/view/council.html>
 2014-2019 Board Member, Association for the Study of Religion, Economics and Culture (ASREC)
 2013-2015 Advisory Board, Institute for Economic Research (IWH) Halle, Germany
 2013-2015 Research Advisory Board, Danish National Centre for Social Research (SFI), Copenhagen, Denmark
 2013-2015 Advisory Board, ESRC Spatial Economics Research Centre (SERC) @ LSE, London
 2021-now Research Affiliate, Centre for Economic History (CEH), ANU, Canberra, Australia
 2018-now Research Fellow, Centre for Research & Analysis of Migration (CReAM), UCL, London, UK
 2016-now Research Fellow, Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR), London, UK [Macroeconomics and Growth]
 2014-now Research Fellow, Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR), London, UK [Labour Econ & Econ History]
 2014-now Research Fellow, Research Centre for Education and the Labour Market (ROA), Maastricht University, Netherlands
 2010-2014 Research Affiliate, Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR), London, UK [Labour Econ & Econ History]
 2008-now Research Professor, Ifo Institute for Economic Research (University of Munich)
 2001-now Research Fellow, CESifo, Munich, Germany
 2000-now Research Fellow, Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Bonn, Germany
 2009-2014 Research Committee Economics of Education of the German Economic Association (bildungsök. Ausschuss)

Referee for the following Journals and Publishers:

American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics, *American Economic Review*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Journal of Sociology*, *American Political Science Review*, *American Sociological Review*, Applied Economics Quarterly, Bankhistorisches Archiv, British Journal of Industrial

Relations, British Journal of Political Science, Bulletin of Economic Research, Cambridge University Press, Canadian Journal of Economics, CESifo Economic Studies, Cliometrica, Current Sociology, Econometrica, Economica, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Economic History of Developing Regions, Economic History Review, Economic Inquiry, Economic Journal, Economic Policy, Economic Record, Economics and Business Letters, Economics of Education Review, Educational Researcher, Empirica, Empirical Economics, European Economic Review, European Journal of Political Economy, European Review of Economic History, Explorations in Economic History, FinanzArchiv, German Economic Review, Historical Methods: A Journal of Quantitative and Interdisciplinary History, ifo Studien, International Economic Review, International Journal of Cultural Policy, International Review of Economics and Finance, Investigaciones Económicas, IZA Journal of Labor Policy, Journal of Applied Econometrics, Journal of Banking and Finance, Journal of Comparative Economics, Journal of Demographic Economics, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization, Journal of Economic Geography, Journal of Economic Growth, Journal of Economic History, Journal of Economic Methodology, Journal of Human Capital, Journal of International Economics, Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Population Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of the Royal Statistical Society (Series A), Journal of Urban Economics, Kyklos, LABOUR, Labour Economics, MIT Press, National Bureau of Economic Research, Oxford Economic Papers, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, Oxford University Press Political Science Research and Methods, Public Choice, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Population Studies, Regional Science and Urban Economics, Regional Studies, Research in Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Review of Economic Studies, Review of Income and Wealth, Review of Regional Research, Review of World Economics, Rivista di Politica Economica, SAGE Open, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Schweizerische Zeitschrift für Volkswirtschaft und Statistik, Scottish Journal of Political Economy, Small Business Economics, Social Science History, Social Sciences Quarterly, University of Chicago Press

Referee for the following Institutions:

French Agence Nationale de Recherche (ANR), British Academy, Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG) [incl. review panel for German Excellence Strategy 2018-2025], European Research Council (ERC), Austrian Science Fund (FWF), Israel Science Foundation (ISF), UK Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Leverhulme Trust, AQMeN, United States-Israel Binational Science Foundation (BSF), US National Science Foundation (NSF), Hong Kong Research Grants Council.

Referee/Scientific Program Committee for the following Conferences:

Econometric Society Australasian Meeting (ESAM) 2026
Asian and Australasian Society of Labour Economics (AASLE) 2019, 2021, 2022
Deputy Programme Chair, Royal Economic Society Annual Conference, Belfast, UK (2020)
EALE/SOLE/AASLE World Conference, Berlin, Germany (2020)
European Economic Association Annual Congress (2014, 2015, 2017, 2019)
European Commission JRS Conference "Counterfactual Methods for Policy Impact Evaluation" COMPIE (2014, 2016, 2018)
Verein für Socialpolitik, Annual Conference, Germany (2008, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2016)
EALE/SOLE World Conference, London, UK (2010)

Conference and Workshop Organization

2027: 31st Annual SIOE Conference, University of Warwick
2026: ASREC Europe, Venice/Italy
2026: 11th Monash-Paris-Warwick-Zurich-CEPR "Text as Data" workshop (April)
2025: 9th and 10th Monash-Paris-Warwick-Zurich-CEPR "Text as Data" workshop (April and September)
2024: 8th Monash-Warwick-Zurich-CEPR "Text as Data" workshops (September)
2024: 7th Monash-Warwick-Zurich "Text as Data" workshops (April)
2023: 5th and 6th Monash-Warwick-Zurich "Text as Data" workshops (April and September)
2023: Inaugural ASREC Australasia Conference, 2023
2022: 3rd and 4th Monash-Warwick-Zurich "Text as Data" workshops (February and September)
2021: 1st and 2nd Monash-Warwick-Zurich "Text as Data" workshops (February and August)
2020: #ASREC24h Conference, probably the world's first 24-hour-nonstop conference
2020: AusClio, Monash University, Australia
2020: Deputy Program Chair, Royal Economic Society Annual Conference, Belfast, UK
2019: CAGE/CEPR/Templeton Foundation workshop on "Economics of Religion" in Venice, Italy
2018: CESifo Venice Summer Institute workshop "Globalization and Populism – Past and Present"
2017: 1st Applecross Workshop in Economics, Applecross, UK
2016: CAGE Workshop "Education, Innovation and Growth", Venice, Italy
2015: Workshop "Discrimination in the Labor Market", Bern, Switzerland
2015: Association for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Culture (ASREC): Program Chair for Annual Conference in Boston
2014: CAGE Workshop "Education, Human Capital and Labor Market Outcomes", Venice, Italy
2013: 1st EUI Economics Alumni Conference, Florence, Italy
2013: CAGE Workshop "Human Capital and Productivity", University of Warwick
2013: EEA Congress Gothenburg: Organizer of Invited Session on "Growth in the Long-Run", University of Warwick
2013: CAGE Summer Conference "The Role of Cultural and Political Factors in Institutional Change and Development"
2013: CAGE Trade Research Day, University of Warwick
2013: CAGE/CEPR Conference "Long-Run Growth: Unified Growth Theory and Economic History"

2012: ESRC Social Sciences Festival: “Economics in the Real World” event for 6th form students, University of Warwick
2012: Tri-Continental International Trade Policy 2012 Symposium, UIBE, Beijing, China
2011: Workshop “Globalization and Labour Market Outcomes”, Geneva, CH (funded by ILO, World Bank, CESifo and EFIGE)
2011: CAGE Trade Research Day, University of Warwick
2010: 2nd SIRE Workshop in Economic History, University of Stirling, UK
2009: 1st Christmas Conference, Stirling Management School, University of Stirling, UK
2009: 1st SIRE Workshop in Economic History, University of Stirling, UK
2009: SGPE/SIRE Workshop “Household Economics”, University of Glasgow, UK
2008: SIRE Workshop “Work and Well-Being”, University of Stirling, UK
2007: Workshop “Micro data collection and analysis”, ifo Institute, Munich, Germany
2002-2007: Local organizer: CESifo Area Conference on Employment and Social Protection, Munich, Germany
2002: Local organizer: CESifo Venice Summer Institute

Invited Seminars and Conference Presentations (Past, Upcoming, and Canceled due to COVID-19)

2026: Edinburgh University – Stockholm University – 30th Annual Conference of The Society for Institutional and Organizational Economics (SIOE), INSEAD Fontainebleau – LSE Economic History – PEPES Seminar @ Sciences Po, Paris – Università degli Studi di Milano Statale – Università Bocconi, Milan – King’s College, London – UC Louvain-la-Neuve – University of Torino – EPFL Lausanne – 250th Anniversary of Wealth of Nations Workshop, Cambridge – University of Bristol – Political Economy Seminar, Oxford – ASSA Philadelphia
2025: Linnaeus University Växjö – University of Gothenburg – University of Birmingham – University of Stirling – Durham University – University of Copenhagen – ROCKWOOL Foundation, Copenhagen – 29th Annual Conference of The Society for Institutional and Organizational Economics (SIOE), Sydney – World Congress of the Econometric Society, Seoul – Utrecht University – Tinbergen Institute, Amsterdam – ENS Lyon – Paris School of Economics – Universidad Carlos III de Madrid – Monash University, Melbourne/Australia – Royal Holloway, London
2024: University of Cambridge – Kabiller Conference 2024 “Economics of Culture”, Northwestern University, Evanston/IL, USA – Max Planck Institute for Research on Collective Goods, Bonn – Aarhus University – Workshop in Migration and Family Economics, Paris/France – University of Auckland – UTS Sydney
2023: AASLE Conference Taipei – University of Queensland – Deakin University – POLECONUK Webinar – University of Glasgow – University of Nottingham – Brown University – University of Hohenheim – University of Mannheim – Australasian Public Choice Conference (APCC) Perth – Berlin Applied Micro Seminar (BAMS) – University of Bonn – University of Luxembourg
2022: Centre for Fertility and Public Health, U Oslo – UNSW – Australian National University, Canberra – University of Melbourne – Brown University – Center for Study of Public Choice Seminar Series, George Mason University – Stanford University – European University Institute, Florence – University of Strathclyde, Glasgow – Basel University – ASSA meetings, Boston
2021: Osaka University, Japan – University of British Columbia, Vancouver – IIES Stockholm – ifo Institute Munich – Hebrew University Jerusalem – University of Göttingen – Northwestern University – Queensland University of Technology, Brisbane – Harvard University – Stellenbosch University, South Africa – ETH Zurich – NYU, New York City.
2020: Ridge Virtual Forum Workshop “Towards Sustainable Growth”, Montevideo/Uruguay – University of British Columbia, Vancouver – SoDa Labs Webinar, Melbourne – New Economic School, Moscow – Natural Experiments in History Workshop, Melbourne – Quantitative History Webinar, Hong Kong University – Deakin University, Melbourne – Zoom seminar UWA Perth – Zoom seminar U Javeriana Bogota – APEN Workshop – UCL/Oxford Webinar on Comparative Economics – Webinar Goethe-University Frankfurt – ASREC session @ IEA Conference Bali/Indonesia – Center for the Study of Economy and Society, Cornell University – Leitner Political Economy Seminar, Yale University – Center for Study of Public Choice Seminar Series, George Mason University – Brown University – Oz Virtual Econ Research Seminar (OVERS) – University of Adelaide – Queensland University of Technology, Brisbane – CEPR-NYUAD Economic History Workshop, Abu Dhabi – ASSA meetings, San Diego
2019: DICE @ Heinrich-Heine University Düsseldorf – CAGE 10th Anniversary Conference – 26th International Conference of Europeanists, Madrid – Barcelona GSE Summer Forum “Towards Sustained Economic Growth: Geography, Institutions, and Human Capital” – Banca d’Italia – CAGE/CEPR/Templeton conference on “The Economics of Religion”, Venice – Workshop “The political economy of development”, Zurich – CEPR ESSIM, Taragona – Bocconi University (Development Labor Political Economy seminar) – Trinity College Dublin – U Southampton – Tilburg University – ASREC Boston – UC Louvain
2018: ECARES Brussels – NHH Bergen – NYU Abu Dhabi – IZA Bonn – Tinbergen Institute Rotterdam – Aix-Marseille School of Economics – XVIII WEHC Boston – Paris Empirical Political Economy Seminar – Università Cattolica Milano – U Padova – King’s College London – Habsburg seminar @ University of Cambridge – Brown University – UCLA Economic History Mini Conference – Harvard University – Tinbergen Institute Amsterdam – IPERG-UB Barcelona – UPF Barcelona – University of Frankfurt
2017: KEDGE Business School, Bordeaux – University of Bristol – Monash University – UNSW Sydney – Queen Mary Workshop London “Workshop in Political Economy and Economic Policy” – University of Hamburg – University of Surrey – UCL, London – University of Queensland – ANU Canberra – CIS seminar ETH/University Zurich – University of Bern/CH – IEA-NET roundtable on the Economics of Religion, University of Cambridge – Conference “Long-Run Factors in Comparative Development”, Tel Aviv University – Italian Central Bank – CESifo Venice Summer Institute 2017: Place-Based Policies – Stanford University – 1st Applecross Workshop in Applied Economics – ISER Essex University – Università di Roma “Tor Vergata” – University of Bolzano – University of Linz – University of Ancona – Ifo Institute, Munich – Warwick Humanities Research Centre workshop “Mediterranean Migration in Interdisciplinary Perspective” – Queens University Belfast
2016: EUI, Florence – studio seminar, Warwick Centre for the Study of the Renaissance – Higher School of Economics, Moscow – New Economic School, Moscow – Giornate Orsiniane di Economia Politica “Culture, Institutions and Development”, Galatina/Italy – University of Bonn – Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT) – University of Duisburg-Essen – CREA Workshop on Aging, Culture and Comparative Development, Luxembourg – University of Maastricht – CAGE Workshop “Education, Innovation and Growth”, Venice, Italy – CEU Budapest – Harvard University
2015: University of Copenhagen – University of Southern Denmark, Odense – UPF, Barcelona – Workshop “Institutions, Culture, and Long-Run Development”, LMU Munich – OECD Paris – University of Sussex – Workshop “Discrimination in the Labor Market”, Bern – 30th Congress of the European Economic Association, Mannheim – Santa Clara University (“Chair’s Research Series”) – UCLA Center for Jewish Studies – UC Davis – Conference “Long-Run Factors in Comparative Development” @ Brown University – Washington Area Economic History Seminar (WAEHS) – Stanford University – UC Irvine
2014: University of Notre Dame – UCLA Economic History Mini-Conference – UC Berkeley – 2nd Conference “The Long Shadow of Economic History”, Munich – Warwick Summer Workshop in Economic Growth – LMU Munich – Conference “Institutions, Culture and Long Term Economic Effects”, Warsaw – Barcelona GSE Summer Forum “Towards Sustained Economic Growth: Geography, Demography and Institutions” – Workshop “Natural Experiments and Controlled Field Studies”, Ohlstadt/Germany – Bergen-Stavanger Workshop in Empirical Microeconomics – CEMFI, Madrid – École Polytechnique, Paris – University of St. Andrews – Umeå University – University of Stockholm – Economic History Society Annual Conference, Warwick – UCL, London – Association for the Study of Religion, Economics & Culture

(ASREC), Chapman University, Orange, CA – Oxford University Centre for Business Taxation, University of Oxford – Indian Statistical Institute, Delhi – IZA Bonn – University of Grenoble

2013: University of Stirling – University of Aberdeen – University of Sheffield – Max Planck Institute Bonn – 1st Conference “The Long Shadow of Economic History”, Munich – Workshop “Political Economy, Economic History, and Religion”, Berlin – EEA/ESEM 2013 Göteborg – IMT Lucca – Public Economics UK Conference (PEUK13), Warwick – University of Regensburg – CAGE Research Day, Warwick – CESifo Area Conference on Employment and Social Protection, Munich – IEB @ U Barcelona – CREI-UPF, Barcelona – University of Heidelberg – First CEPR Economic History Symposium, Perugia – Hong Kong University of Science & Technology – University of Modena – Queen Mary, London – University of Göteborg – University of Edinburgh – CAGE/CEPR Conference “Long-Run Growth: Unified Growth Theory and Economic History”, Warwick

2012: LSE, London – University of Cologne – La Sapienza, Roma – University of Padova – University of Bologna – CGBCR Macro Seminar, Manchester University – University of Exeter – Workshop “Federalism and Regional Policy”, Siegen – Econometric Society European Meetings (ESEM), Malaga – University of International Business & Economics, Beijing – UCLA Conference on “How Long is the Shadow of History? The Long-Term Persistence of Economic Outcomes” – UC San Diego – University of Stirling – University of Zurich – University of Gießen – University of Southampton – University of Bergen – University of Trondheim – University of Oxford – University of Lund – ASSA meetings, Chicago

2011: 8th Christmas Conference of German Expatriate Economists, Berlin – University of Tübingen – Royal Holloway, London – Austrian National Bank – EBRD, London – Jahrestagung des Vereins für Socialpolitik (VfS), Frankfurt – EEA/ESEM 2011 Oslo – SIRE Growth Workshop, St. Andrews – DIW Berlin – University of Maastricht – CAGE Research Day, Warwick – University of East Anglia, Norwich – University of Siegen – Copenhagen Business School – University of Wisconsin–Madison – Association for the Study of Religion, Economics & Culture (ASREC), Washington DC – CEPR Conference on “The Role of Experiments for the Advancement of Effective Labor Legislation”, Lucca – University of Stirling – CREST, Paris – Harvard University

2010: 7th Christmas Conference of German Expatriate Economists, Frankfurt – University of Glasgow – ISER, University of Essex – MEHR Seminar, University of Copenhagen – Research Institute for the Evaluation of Public Policies (IRVAPP), Trento – 1st CESifo Area Conference on Economics of Education, Munich – Workshop “Human Capital in Economic History: Measurement, Determinants and Implications”, Tübingen – 25th Congress of the European Economic Association, Glasgow – Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance (EIEF), Rome – Sciences Po/IZA Workshop: Trust, Civic Spirit and Economic Performance, Paris – University of Mainz – CEPR Conference “The Economy of Family Policy”, Bergen – 2nd SIRE Workshop in Economic History, Stirling – Scottish Economic Society (SES) Annual Conference, Perth – University of Aberdeen – IMT Institute for Advanced Studies, Lucca – University of Warwick – Heriot Watt University, Edinburgh – Research Institute of Industrial Economics (IFN), Stockholm – University of Leicester – Max Planck Institute of Economics, Entrepreneurship, Growth and Public Policy, Jena – Economic History Seminar, University of Oxford – The Leverhulme Centre for Research on Globalisation and Economic Policy (GEP), University of Nottingham – University of Mannheim – University of Göttingen

2009: 6th Christmas Conference of German Expatriate Economists, Heidelberg – Schumpeter-Seminar, Humboldt University, Berlin – SIRE Young Researchers Forum, Dundee – 1st NBER Conference on Economics and Religion, Cambridge/USA – 11th INFER Annual Conference, Stirling – European Society for Population Economics (ESPE), Sevilla – University of Swansea – Scottish Economic Society (SES) Annual Conference, Perth – Bildungswirtschaftlicher Ausschuss des Vereins für Socialpolitik (VfS), Landau – University of Liverpool Management School – Lancaster University Management School, Lancaster

2008: 5th Christmas Conference of German Expatriate Economists, Bonn – 1st Cambridge, Oxford Or London (COOL) Macro Meeting, Cambridge – University of Aberdeen – University of Edinburgh – Johannes Kepler Universität (JKU) Linz – Norface-Conference “The Economic Impact of Globalization on Europe”, Munich – 2nd European Network on the Economics of Religion (ENER) Workshop, Edinburgh – University of St. Andrews – Jahrestagung des Vereins für Socialpolitik (VfS), Graz – Econometric Society European Meetings (ESEM), Milan – European Society for Population Economics (ESPE), London – University of Osnabrück – 8th CESifo Area Conference on Employment and Social Protection, Munich – Annual Meeting of the Austrian Economic Association (NOeG), Vienna – Scottish Economic Society (SES) Annual Conference, Perth – Bildungswirtschaftlicher Ausschuss des Vereins für Socialpolitik (VfS), Bern – Tinbergen Institute, Amsterdam – University of Padova – University of Bologna – University of Helsinki

2007: University of Bern – Jahrestagung des Vereins für Socialpolitik (VfS), Munich – 5th FDI Workshop, Deutsche Bundesbank, Frankfurt – European Association of Labor Economists (EALE), Oslo – CESifo Workshop on the Economics of Multinational Firms, Munich – European Association for Research in Industrial Economics (EARIE), Valencia – Econometric Society European Meetings (ESEM), Budapest – Workshop on Regional and Micro-level Effects of Globalization, Tübingen – 7th CESifo Area Conference on Employment and Social Protection, Munich – Society of Labor Economics (SOLE), Chicago – Leopold-Franzens-Universität Innsbruck – Stockholm University – Università di Roma “Tor Vergata” – University of Florence – Pacific Rim Conference, Beijing – Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin (WZB)

2006: 3rd Christmas Conference of German Expatriate Economists, Munich – University of Zurich – Seminar Empirical Economics, Department of Economics, Munich – Network Reformation History, Department of Theology, Munich – Conference on the Analysis of Firms and Employees (CAFE), Nuremberg – Jahrestagung des Vereins für Socialpolitik (VfS), Bayreuth – European Association of Labor Economists (EALE), Prague – 4th FDI Workshop, Deutsche Bundesbank, Frankfurt – ifo-LMU-Tübingen Workshop in International Economics, Munich – Econometric Society European Meetings (ESEM), Vienna – Western Economic Association (WEA), San Diego – 6th CESifo Area Conference on Employment and Social Protection, Munich – Society of Labor Economics (SOLE), Cambridge/USA – University of California San Diego (UCSD)

2005: Seminar “Finanzwiss. Aspekte von Outsourcing und internationale Direktinvestitionen”, Chiemsee – Institut für Angewandte Wirtschaftsforschung (IAW), Tübingen – Jahrestagung des Vereins für Socialpolitik (VfS), Bonn – Econometric Society World Congress (ESWC), London – European Society for Population Economics (ESPE), Paris – European Central Bank (ECB), Frankfurt – EALE/SOLE World Conference, San Francisco – Free University (FU) Berlin – Johannes Kepler Universität (JKU) Linz – ARGE-Konferenz, Berlin – The Royal Economic Society Annual Conference (RES), Nottingham – 1st Italian Congress of Econometrics and Empirical Economics, Venice

2004: SIEPS Conference on Industry Location in Europe, Stockholm – European Central Bank (ECB), Frankfurt – University of Dortmund – Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Bonn – Industrieökonomischer Ausschuss des Vereins für Socialpolitik (VfS), Vallendar

2003: 18th Annual Conference of the Italian Association of Labor Economists (AIEL), Messina – 15th Annual Congress of the European Association of Labor Economists (EALE), Sevilla – 3rd CESifo Area Conference on Employment and Social Protection, Munich – Centre for Economic Performance (CEP), London School of Economics (LSE) – All Souls College, Oxford – University of Mannheim

2002: Centre for Studies in Economics and Finance (CSEF), Salerno – 14th Annual Congress of the European Association of Labor Economists, Paris – 17th Annual Congress of the European Economic Association, Venice – University of Frankfurt

2001: Center for Economic Studies (CES), Munich – 16th Annual Congress of the European Economic Association, Lausanne – CEPR European Summer Symposium in Labour Economics, Buch/Ammersee – ZEW Conference: Unemployment: Causes and Cures, Berlin – Workshop on Intergenerational Mobility at Statistics Canada, Ottawa – Centre for Studies in Economics and Finance (CSEF), Salerno – Center for Economic Studies (CES), Munich

2000: Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Bonn – IRES, Université Catholique de Louvain, Louvain-la-Neuve – 15th Annual Conference of the Italian Association of Labor Economists, Ancona – 4th International Conference of GSOEP Users, Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin – Poster Conference 2000, UC Berkeley

1999: Workshop on Employment Pacts in Europe, IZA, Bonn – 2nd IZA European Summer School on Labour Economics, Buch/Ammersee – 4th Young Economist Meeting, Amsterdam

Research coverage outside academic journals

Video coverage

“Crossing Borders at a Glance: Interview of Prof. Sascha Becker” (20 Dec 2023) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gBRISYEbpjE> (5-minute video)

“A silver lining of forced migration” (1 November 2021) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jyLWPok7PSg> (2-minute video)

“Was Weber Wrong? Explaining the link between Protestantism and Capitalism” (29 Oct 2021), 1 hour interview with Lipton Matthews: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jwCz5Tis-XA>

“Forced Migration and Human Capital: Evidence from Post-WWII Population Transfers” (22 Oct 2021), 11 minute interview: <https://faculti.net/forced-migration-and-human-capital-evidence-from-post-wwii-population-transfers>

Panel “State Religion, Religious Freedom, Institutions and Economic Growth: A Global Perspective” at IEA-INET conference in Cambridge/UK: <https://sms.cam.ac.uk/media/2520484> (10 Jul 2017)

“Globalization and Labour-Market Outcomes”: video covering June 2011 conference I co-organized: www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZmrYQSYJU2E

“Alle Jahre wieder Deutschland”, Interview on the occasion of the Christmas Meeting 2008 of German Economists Abroad, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gdmyRIP6mOI>

Audio coverage

The Innovation and Diffusion Podcast “Religion, Economic Growth, and the Protestant Ethic with Sascha Becker from the University of Warwick” (February 2025): <https://open.spotify.com/episode/6NjF1LugpOm2h8cqiuzabs?si=934ca43d126a4d12>

“Sascha Becker, Economic Historian”, The mixtape with Scott Cunningham (October 2023), <https://open.spotify.com/episode/3yNsvjpybKnMsi36hS8n?si=4314d719c2184b0a>

“On the enduring effects of the communist experience in Germany” A Correction Podcast (14 May 2020) <https://t.co/1EWSdW3emV?amp=1>

Radio live interviews on BBC Radio Foyle and BBC Radio Ulster (2 Nov 2011)

Press coverage

“Ost- und Westdeutsche unterschieden sich schon vor dem Mauerbau”, oiger.de (9 Nov 2025)

“Hyper-Influencer Luther? Wieso die Reformation Erfolg hatte”. MDR Wissen (2 Nov 2025)

“Voormalige DDR is laboratorium van radicaal-rechtse AfD”, NRC (19 Feb 2025)

“The Dark History Behind Public Education”, *The Atlantic* (18 Feb 2025)

“Trump or Harris? An open letter to undecided and to open-minded voters”, *Baptist News Global* (3 Oct 2024)

“Historia ma znaczenie. Jak przeszłość kształtuje współczesne relacje społeczne?” History Matters: How Does the Past Shape Contemporary Social Relations?, *Gazeta Prawna* (26 Sept 2024)

“Unchurched—and Anti-Semitic? The case for “shallow Christianity” as a seedbed for rising hostility to Jews”, *City Journal* (24 April 2024)

“Did ‘shallow Christianity’ help the Nazis rise to power?”, *The Spectator* (21 January 2024)

“Warnings from history for a new era of industrial policy”, *The Economist* (11 January 2023)

“Sie ermöglichten das Wirtschaftswunder“, *Frankfurter Allgemeine Sonntagszeitung* (6 May 2022)

“Can a company survive the sudden death of an entrepreneur?”, *Business News Australia* (6 September 2021)

„Efekt „Kellner“. Co všechno se může stát, když zakladatel firmy náhle zemře“, *Hospodářské noviny* (6 April 2021)

„Cálidos católicos y fríos calvinistas“, *El Razón* (29 May 2020)

“Von den langfristigen Effekten von Herrschaft“, *Der Standard* (26 May 2020)

“Es liegt nicht alles am Sozialismus: Der Graben zwischen Ost und West ist älter als die DDR“ (with L. Mergele and L. Woessmann). *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung*, p. 16 (30 March 2020)

“What else we’re reading”, <https://blogs.wsj.com/economics/2020/01/07/>, WSJ blog (7 January 2020)

“Las motivaciones económicas del antisemitismo”, *diariovasco.com* (3 December 2019)

“Ungeborene Kinder sind Karriere-Killer”, *blick.ch* (20 July 2019)

“Political battle in Romania reflects economic, cultural and historical fractures, but the future looks better than the past”, <http://business-review.eu> (25 May 2019)

“The ‘Rotten Equilibrium’ of Republican Politics”, *New York Times* (30 January 2019)

“Perché il populismo non risparmia neppure la ricca Germania”, *Il Sole 24 Ore* (11 July 2018)

“Being uprooted from one’s homeland leads people to place greater emphasis on human capital”, *livemint.com* (23 June 2018)

“What is the real legacy of the Habsburg Empire in Romania?”, <http://business-review.eu> (8 June 2018)

“Why East Germans invest and vote differently”, *Dallas Morning* (8 June 2018)

“Why East Germans invest and vote differently”, *BNN Bloomberg* (8 June 2018)

“Germany’s Populism Amid Prosperity”, *Project Syndicate* (1 June 2018)

“Max Weber tételei több mint száz éve kikezdhethetlennék tűnnek, de valóban jobban teljesít a protestáns országok gazdasága, mint a katolikusoké?”, *Quibit* (20 Nov 2017)

„Fruits of Reformation” *Jamaica Gleaner* (5 Nov 2017)
 „Antisemitismo e educação feminina são rastros da Reforma Protestante”, *Folha de S. Paulo* (11 Oct 2017)
 „Schreckgespenst”, *Salto.bz* (7 Jun 2017)
 „Londra Vota – Brexit morbida o extrema”, *Corriere della sera* (5 Jun 2017)
 „Immigration continues to be unpopular but cutting it will hurt Britain’s economy”, *The Conversation* (5 Jun 2017)
 „Le «risque d’une abstention élevée””, *Le Monde Economique* (25 Apr 2017)
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