

Curriculum Vitae

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Current Affiliation

University of Bern, World Trade Institute, 3012 Bern, Switzerland

Research Interests

Welfare economics, public economics, education economics, political economy.
Political and social institutions' impact on policy outcomes such as well-being, public education, social capital, government spending, crime, and economic growth.

Previous Positions

- 08/11– COFIT Fellow at the World Trade Institute, University of Bern, Switzerland
- 02/11–07/11 *Assistant Professor* at the University of Mannheim, Germany
- 11/10–12/10 Senior Researcher at DIW Berlin, Department 'International Economics'
- 03/10–10/10 *Visiting Assistant Professor (TOM Marie Curie fellowship)*,
University of Rome 'Tor Vergata', Rome, Italy
- 10/09–02/10 *Visiting full professor* of Public Finance at the *University of Hamburg*
(W3-Lehrstuhlvertretung Public Finance).
- 03/09–09/09 Visiting Post-Doc Researcher at the *University of Hohenheim*, financed by *OECD*
- 09/08–02/09 Project-Work (Employment and Consultancy) for the OECD, Paris. Section: ELS/SPD
Project: Subjective Well-Being in OECD countries (Manager: Mark Pearson, M.Sc.)
- 3/08–8/08 Visiting Post-Doc Researcher at the TWI, *University of Konstanz*
(host: Prof. Urs Fischbacher)
- 4/07–3/08 *ENABLE Marie Curie experienced researcher*, Stockholm School of Economics
(Mentor: Prof. M. Johannesson; leading house: Prof. F. van Winden, UvA)
- 2006–3/07 Research fellow, Hoover Institution, *University of Stanford* (host: Prof. B. Weingast)
- 2006 Research fellow, STICERD, London School of Economics (host: Prof. T. Besley)
- 2005-2007 Research Associate at the FAA-HSG, *University of St. Gallen*.
- 2002-2005 Research Associate & doctoral student at the *University of St. Gallen*, SIAW-HSG,
chair of Prof. Gebhard Kirchgässner.
Swiss National Science Foundation Project "Political Economy of Direct Legislation".
- 2000-2002 Research Associate at the *European University Institute*, Florence
- 2000 Research assistant at the *University of Mannheim*, chair of Prof. Roland Vaubel.

Teaching Experience

- 10/2011 'World Economy', *University of Oradea*
- University of Mannheim*
- 4/2011 Health Economics (Bachelor)
Macroeconomic Policy (Seminar)
- 10/2009-03/2010 *University of Hamburg*
Health Economics (Bachelor 3rd year, lecture and exercise class)
Behavioral Economics (Bachelor 3rd year, lecture and exercise class)
Quantitative Political Economy (Master, Seminar)
Co-Advisor to various Master theses.
- University of Padova*
- 11/2009 Lecture in Macroeconomics ('From GDP to Subjective Well-Being'), (Bachelor),
Department of Economics, University of Padova
- Stockholm School of Economics*
- 2007 Happiness Research (PhD seminar), Department of Economics
- University of St. Gallen*
- 2003- 2005 Introductory Macroeconomics and Microeconomics (Bachelor 1st year, exercise class)
Supervision of first-year-students in writing a first research paper,
(4 students each year 2003-2005)
- University of Mannheim*
- 04/2000-08/2000 Tutorial in 'Advanced Microeconomic Theory' (graduate/Master level),
- ### Third-Party Projects and Financing
- 2011 COFIT Marie Curie FP7-Project on globalization (co-financed by private sector)
- 2010 EUSECON Project (DIW Berlin)
- 2010 Marie Curie Research Grant (Transnationality of Migrants), 8 months
- 2008 Application (jointly with RWI) for project to the German Ministry of Finance
- 2007-08 Marie Curie Research Grant (ENABLE), 12 months
- 2006-07 SNSF Research grant
- 2005 SNSF Project work (leader: A. Sousa-Poza)
- 2002-04 SNSF Project on Direct Democracy (leader: G. Kirchgässner)
- 2000 DAAD Postgraduate fellowship
- 1996/97 University of Heidelberg-student exchange programme

Academic Degrees and Education

- 2005 *Ph.D.* (German: *Dr. oec.*) at the University of St. Gallen, Switzerland.
Thesis: “The Impact of Direct Democracy on Society” as part of the SNSF-project “Political Economy of Direct Legislation”.
Supervisors: Prof. Gebhard Kirchgässner (Economics; Economic Policy), Prof. Simon Hug (Political Science).
- 2002-2005 PhD courses within the Gerzensee program
- 2002 *M.A. in Economics*, European University Institute (EUI), Florence, Italy.
- 1999 *Diploma in Economics* at the University of Heidelberg, Germany.
Thesis: „Johann Heinrich von Thunen’s Theory of Economics in his work ‘The Isolated State’” (partly published). Supervisor: Prof. Malte Faber
- 1996-1997 *Exchange Year* at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC), U.S.A.
(GPA (undergraduate courses): 4.0/4.0)
- 1995 *A.B. (Economics)*, University of Heidelberg
- 1994 *Supplementary Certificate in "South-Asian Studies"*, University of Heidelberg
- 1992 Study of Law at the University of Regensburg
- 1991 *A-levels („Abitur“)* majoring in History, Latin, Mathematics and Fine Arts at Bismarckgymnasium (‘Humanistisches Gymnasium’), Karlsruhe. (grade: 1,1)
Latinum, Graecum.

Continuing Education

- 2010 Mini-Course in Advanced Microeconometrics (J. Angrist) at Tor Vergata University
- 2008 Mini-Course in z-Tree programming (Urs Fischbacher) at the University of Konstanz.
- 2007 Mini-Course on Growth Policy (Philippe Aghion) at the SSE.
MERSS Mannheim Empirical Research Summer School 2007.
- 2003-2005 Supplementary PhD Courses at Study Center Gerzensee.
Copyright and Patent Law (Prof. Menell), Cooperative Game Theory (Prof. Maskin), Econometric Policy Evaluation (Prof. Heckman), Contract and Tort Law (Prof. Cooter), Politics and Economics of Fiscal Policies (Prof. Alesina)

Languages

Latin, Ancient Greek, English (fluent), Italian, French, Spanish