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Education

Ph.D. Candidate, University of Freiburg, since 2018

M.Phil. Economics and Finance, Bocconi University, 2017

M.Sc. Economics, University of Freiburg, 2016

B.Sc. Economics, University of Freiburg, 2012

Current Position

Research and Teaching Assistant, Wilfried Guth Chair of Constitutional Political Economy and Competition Policy, Institute of Economics, University of Freiburg, September 2018–present

Previous Positions

Teaching Assistant, University of Freiburg, Inst. of Economics, Chair of Statistics and Econometrics, April 2018–September 2018

Trainee Research Assistant, European Central Bank, Directorate General Research/Financial Research Division. November 2015–August 2016

Student Research Assistant, University of Freiburg, Inst. of Economics, Chair of Applied Econometrics. November 2011–September 2015

Teaching Assistant, University of Freiburg, Inst. of Economics, Chair of Economic Theory, April 2011–March 2014

Research

Publications

“Mental health concerns during the COVID-19 pandemic as revealed by helpline calls”, with Marius Brühlhart, Rafael Lalive, and Stephanie Reich. *Nature* 600, 7887: 121–126 (2021), <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41586-021-04099-6>

“Class warfare: Political exclusion of the poor and the roots of social-revolutionary terrorism, 1860-1950”, with Tim Krieger and Daniel Meierrieks. *Defence and Peace Economics* 32, 6: 681–697 (2021), <https://doi.org/10.1080/10242694.2021.1940456>

“Lost in lockdown? COVID-19, social distancing, and mental health in Germany”, with Stephanie Armbruster. *Covid Economics, Vetted and Real-Time Papers* 22, May 2020.

Work in Progress

“Young people’s mental and social distress in times of international crises: Evidence from help-line calls, 2019-2022”, with Marius Brühlhart and Rafael Lalive

“The youth mental health crisis during the COVID-19 pandemic: The role of school closures”, with Christina Felfe, Judith Saurer, Patrick Schneider, Judith Vornberger, Michael Erhart, Anne Kaman and Ulrike Ravens-Sieberer.

Teaching

University of Freiburg

Philosophy of Economics (Seminar, Master, in English), Summer 2022

Economics of the COVID-19 pandemic (Seminar, Master, in English), Summer 2021

Economics of Artificial Intelligence (Seminar, Master, in English), Summer 2020

Microeconomics (Tutorial, Bachelor, in German), Winter 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022

Global Economic Governance (Tutorial, Master, in English), Summer 2019

Law and Economics (Tutorial, Bachelor, in German), Summer 2019, 2021, 2022

Economics of Conflict (Seminar and Stata software tutorial, Master, in English), Winter 2018

Advanced Microeconomics/Game Theory (Tutorial, Master, in English), Summer 2018

Intermediate Econometrics (Tutorial, Master, in English), Summer 2014

Macroeconomics (Tutorial, Bachelor, in German), Summer 2011–Winter 2013

Grants & Awards

2020-2021: Swiss National Science Foundation (NCCR LIVES – ‘Overcoming Vulnerability: Life Course Perspectives’), with Marius Brühlhart, Rafael Lalive, and Stephanie Reich.

2016–2017: Bocconi University Scholarship

2017: Friedrich-August-von-Hayek-Preis

Conference & Seminar Presentations

2022: 38th Columbia University COVID-19 Virtual Symposium

2021: Economics Brown Bag Seminar at the University of Würzburg, Germany

2019: 19th Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference at the Institute of Social Studies in The Hague, Netherlands; 4th Workshop on Insights into Political Economy at the University of Bayreuth, Germany

2018: 3rd Workshop on Insights into Political Economy at the Indiana University Europe Gateway in Berlin, Germany; 11th Beyond Basic Questions Workshop in Gengenbach, Germany

2017: European Public Choice Society Annual Meeting at the Central European University in Budapest, Hungary