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ECONOMIST · POLITICAL ECONOMY · ECONOMIC HISTORY · LAW & ECONOMICS

FIELDS OF RESEARCH

Political economy, economic history, law and economics, development economics, NLP & text-as-data methods

EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor of Economics, Central European University, Vienna 2017 –

EDUCATION

PhD in Economics, Stockholm School of Economics 2011 – 2017
Visiting PhD Student, CEMFI, Spain 2012 – 2014
M.Phil in Economics, Tor Vergata, Italy 2010 – 2011
M.Sc. European Economy and Business Law, Tor Vergata, Italy 2008 – 2010
B.A. in Economics and Business, Tor Vergata, Italy 2003 – 2007

PUBLICATIONS & WORKING PAPERS

Measuring Corruption from Text Data 2025
Working paper, 2025

The Politician, the Party, and the President: How Do Political Scandals Propagate Across the Party Network? 2025
Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization, 2025

Indirect Savings from Public Procurement Centralization 2024
American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, 2024
with Clarissa Lotti, Giancarlo Spagnolo, Tommaso Valletti

WORK IN PROGRESS

Corruption, Intimidation and Whistleblowing: Empirical Approach
with Sylvain Chassang (Princeton University)

The Xerox Effect: Communication Technologies and Political Actions in Autocracy
with Marton Fleck (RBB Economics)

Barriers at the Door: Access to Legal Advice in Employment Disputes

Unintended Consequences of Legislation
with Oliver Kiss (CEU)

Legal Threats and Online Dissent: Evidence from Social Media Regulation in Turkey
with Arvind Magesan (University of Calgary) and Juan S. Morales (Wilfrid Laurier University)

Migration Waves and Political Tides: European Guest-Worker Routes and Electoral Outcomes
with Philipp Hilmbauer-Hofmarcher (CEU) and Ricardo Pique (Texas A & M)

TEACHING

Machine Learning for Natural Language Processing (PhD, MA)	CEU, 2021–2024
Machine Learning for NLP: Deep Learning (PhD, MA)	CEU, 2022
Empirical Political Economy (PhD, MA)	CEU, 2018–2023
Empirical Research (PhD)	CEU, 2019, 2023
Text Analysis with Python (PhD, MA)	CEU, 2019
Coding with Python: Programming, Visualization & Text Analysis (MSc)	CEU, 2019–2024
Introduction to Python (MSc)	CEU, 2021–2024
Econometrics 2, Causal Inference, (MA)	CEU, 2018–2024
Time Series Econometrics (MA)	Stockholm School of Economics, 2012, 2014
Introduction to Microeconomics (BA)	Stockholm School of Economics, 2012

SEMINARS & CONFERENCES

Seminars: Newcastle (2026); Bilkent (2025); CERGE-EI Prague, Aix-Marseille, Linnaeus (2024); WU Vienna, CERS Budapest, Linz (2023); Bocconi, Collegio Carlo Alberto (2020); MTA-KTI Budapest, JRC Ispra (2019); LMU Munich, IMT Lucca, SSE Riga (2018); Vienna, UAB, UB, Alicante, CEU, HEC-Montréal (2017); UCL, SSE, IFN, Gothenburg, IIES, MPI Munich (2016); SSE, CEMFI (2014–2015)

Conferences: EEA Rotterdam (2024), Baltic Economic Conference (2024), Women in Political Economy Warwick–St Andrews (2024), Workshop Economic History Uppsala (2024), Economics of Media Bias Cologne (2024), Historical Mechanisms Vienna (2024); Econometric Society Winter (2024, cancelled–visa), CESifo Big Data Stockholm (2023), EEA Barcelona (2023), Baltic Conference (2023), CenEA (2023); Evidence Based Policy IHS Vienna (2022); Political Economy of Finance Chicago Booth, EBRD Kiev (2019); SIOE Columbia, Enter Jamboree UCL (2017); IPWSD Columbia, Enter Jamboree Carlos III, ASWEDE Gothenburg, Winter Meetings Edinburgh, Simposio AEE Bilbao (2016); SITE Fighting Corruption Stockholm (2015)

WORKSHOPS & SCHOOLS TAUGHT

From Messy Documents to Structured Data: Text Processing & Analysis with Python	Workshops for Ukraine, 2026
Data Sources and Methods for Research and Policy Analysis	FROGEE training workshop, 2023
Stata and Git workshop for Economists, 2020	EEA Workshop, 2020
Text Analysis with Python for Research Professionals	Chicago Booth, 2020
Big Data — Graduate Summer Course	UAB Barcelona, 2017

SELECTED WRITING & SOFTWARE

Overleaf + Git Integration: A Practical Guide, *CodeX*, 2024
Event Study Designs: A Beginner's Guide, *Towards Data Science*, 2024
The Case Against Stata for Data Analysis; Tips to Improve Your Stata Code, *Train Your Coauthor*, 2024
What Goes Wrong Before Text Analysis Starts, *CEU Threads*, 2024
`stata-rmaccents` — Stata package for removing accents from strings

GRANTS & AWARDS

Horizon 2020: New Approaches for Combatting Corruption	1.5M EUR, 2024
Research Grant: Corruption, Intimidation and Whistleblowing, CEU	5k EUR, 2023

Teaching and Development Grant, CEU	2K EUR, 2023
Research Grant: Unintended Effects of Legislation, CEU	5k EUR, 2021
Research Grant: New Tools to Fight Corruption, Wallander & Hedelius Foundation	1.5M SEK, 2016–2019
Jan Wallanders och Tom Hedelius Grant	2014–2016
PhD Scholarship, Stockholm School of Economics	2011–2013

SERVICE

Referee: JEEA, JPE Micro, Journal of Public Economics, JEBO, European Journal of Political Economy, Plos One, Economics of Transition

PhD advising: Philipp Hilmbauer-Hofmarcher, Oliver Kiss (co-advisor), Marton Fleck (co-advisor), Boldizsar Juhasz

Co-organizer: Women in Political Economy Workshop (2026), Data Editors in Vienna Workshop (2024); Populism Series at CEU (2023)

LANGUAGES

Albanian (native) · English (fluent) · Italian (fluent) · Spanish (fluent) · German (basic) · Portuguese (reading)