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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2013 – Assistant Professor of Economics (“Juniorprofessor”), University of Bonn (on leave)
- 2016 – Visiting Assistant Professor, VSE, University of British Columbia
- 2016 – Research Affiliate, Institute of Labor Economics (IZA), Bonn

PAST POSITIONS

- 2013 – 2016 Visiting Researcher, Swedish House of Finance, Stockholm
- 2013 – 2015 Associate, Centre for Economic Performance (CEP), London School of Economics
- 2009 – 2013 Financial Markets Group, London School of Economics, Research Assistant

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Economics, London School of Economics, 2013
Advisors: Steve Pischke, Yona Rubinstein, Luis Garicano, Alan Manning
Committee: David Dorn, Pedro Carneiro

MRes Economics (with Distinction), London School of Economics, 2009

Diplom in Economics, University of Tübingen, 2007

Visiting Student, McGill University (Montreal), 2004-05

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Labor Economics; Applied Econometrics; Corporate Finance; Personnel Economics; Education Economics; Macroeconomics

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

German Science Foundation “DFG” Research Fellowship (ca 45,000 EUR), 2016

Thorsten Söderberg Foundation Research grant (747,000 SEK, with D. Metzger & P. Strömberg), 2015

Ragnar Söderberg Foundation Research grant (600,000 SEK, with D. Metzger & P. Strömberg), 2012

PAPERS

“Make Yourselves Scarce: The Effect of Demographic Change on the Relative Wages and Employment Rates of Experienced Workers” (with Christian Siegel), 2017, *under review*

“Since you’re so rich, you must be really smart: Talent and the Finance Wage Premium” (with D. Metzger and P. Strömberg), 2017.

“The Price of Polarization: Estimating Task Prices under Routine-Biased Technical Change”, 2017, *under review*

“Earnings Inequality and the Gender Pay Gap: Canada, Sweden and the United Kingdom” (with Nicole Fortin and Brian Bell), *Labour Economics*, August 2017, Vol. 47, p107-123.

“The Allocation of Talent over the Business Cycle and its Long-Term Effect on Sectoral Productivity” (with M. Watzinger), *Economica*, October 2015, Vol. 82(328), p892-911.

WORK IN PROGRESS

“Who Wants to Be a Teacher?” (with Esteban Aucejo and Georg Grätz)

“The Evolution of Task Prices in Germany: 1985–2010” (with Hans-Martin v.Gaudecker and Felix Schran)

“Firms’ Heterogeneity and the Return to Cognitive Skills” (with Giovanni Gallipoli)

NON-REFEERED PUBLICATIONS

“The Allocation of and the Returns to Talent: An Empirical Model”, *The Bonn Journal of Economics*, July 2014, Volume 3(1), Pages 101-111.

“Has Job Polarization Squeezed the Middle Class? Evidence from the Allocation of Talents”, May 2013, LSE Centre for Economic Performance Discussion Paper, 1215.

“Concentration versus Re-Matching? Evidence on the Locational Effects of Commuting Costs”, May 2013, LSE Centre for Economic Performance Discussion Paper, 1207.

REFEREEING

American Economic Review, Journal of the European Economic Association, Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Labor Economics, Labour Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, International Journal of Industrial Organization, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, ILR Review, Scottish Journal of Political Economy, European Sociological Review, Journal for Labour Market Research (ZAFO), Journal of Economic Inequality, Review of World Economics

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

- 2017 Bank of Canada; UBC 2x; Kiel University; York University; U-Texas Austin
- 2016 Mannheim University; DICE Düsseldorf; HU Berlin; U-Victoria; Simon Fraser; UBC 2x; U-Alberta; USC Marshall
- 2015 Utrecht University; Catolica Lisbon; U Exeter; Uppsala University; HU Berlin; U Bonn; IZA
- 2014 U Zürich; Aalto/HECER Helsinki; Centre for Economic Performance (LSE); U Tübingen
- 2013 U Maastricht; RWI Essen; IZA; HU Berlin; Uppsala University; Brown University; U Albany; U Bonn

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2017 Econometric Society North American Winter Meeting; AEA (poster); Canadian Labour Economics Forum (CLEF); Society of Labor Economists (SOLE); ECB/CEPR Labour Market Workshop
- 2016 AEA (organized session "Sorting, Tasks, and Inequality: New Theory and Evidence"); AFA (presented by coauthor); SPP Conference "Occupations, Skills, and the Labor Market" at ZEW Mannheim; Bonn Research Workshop in Financial Economics; IZA Junior/Senior Labor Symposium; European Society for Population Economics (ESPE); ECB/CEPR Labour Market Workshop
- 2015 NBER Summer Institute; EEA Mannheim; German Labor Market in a Globalized World (Nuremberg); IAB User Workshop (Ann Arbor); BIBB User Workshop (Bonn); German Economists Abroad (Munich)
- 2014 EALE conference; SNF/CEPR Conference on Economic Inequality, Labor Markets and International Trade; IAB Tasks III Conference; VfS (organized session "Job Polarization")
- 2013 AEA (San Diego); ESSLE (IZA/CEPR); European Meeting of the Econometric Society; Spring Meeting for Young Economists; SERC Annual Conference (LSE); Warwick PhD Conference; EEA Gothenburg
- Before 2013 Spanish Economic Association Conference; Centre for Economic Performance Annual Conference; EEA Glasgow; London Business School Doctoral Conference

TEACHING EXPERIENCE AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Teaching

Econ 561 Labour Economics (M.Sc. & Ph.D.), Winter 2018, UBC (scheduled)

Econ 562 Research Design and Policy Evaluation (M.Sc.), 1 Guest Lecture, Winter 2017, UBC

Econ 560 Economics of Labor (Ph.D.), 3 Guest Lectures, Fall 2016, UBC

Applied Microeconometrics (B.Sc.), 2014–2016, U Bonn

Topics in Labor Economics (Ph.D.), 2013–2015, U Bonn

Project Module (M.Sc.), 2013–2015, U Bonn

Introduction to economics (B.Sc.), 2009–2011, LSE, TA

Macroeconomics (B.Sc.), 2008, LSE, TA

Finance (B.Sc.), 2006, U Tübingen, TA

Service

Interviewer (for U-Bonn) in Junior Job Market at AEA 2017

Hiring committee for associate and full professor of econometrics, 2014, U Bonn

University-wide survey of Ph.D. students (together with center for graduate studies), 2014–2015, U Bonn

Thesis supervision (PhD 2nd advisor: Felix Schran; 4x M.Sc.; 7x B.Sc.), U Bonn

Program Committee for European Economic Association 2018

IN THE MEDIA

Recruiting talented researchers is easier in recessions and universities benefit from increased productivity (LSE IoSS post, 13 March 2014)

Stable sectors may benefit from recessions by recruiting more talented workers (LSE USAPP post, 10 March 2014)

Universities benefit from recessions by recruiting more talented researchers (Guardian HEN post, 7 March 2014)

Starting out in a recession 'boosts productivity' (Times Higher Education, 15 February 2014)

Job polarisation and the decline of middle-class workers' wages (VoxEU post, 8 February 2014)

Has job polarization squeezed the American middle class? (Centrepiece, Autumn 2013)

Quoted in The strange death of the British middle class (The Spectator, 24 August 2013)

LANGUAGES German, English, French

OTHER

Visit Uppsala Economics (March 2015, March 2016); Winter School on the Analytics and Policy Design of Migration (2014); NBER Summer Institute Economics (2012); NBER Summer Institute and Summer School in Entrepreneurship Economics (2010); Research Visit at University of Munich (2009); NERA Economic Consulting Internship (2008)