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EMPLOYMENT

Goethe University Frankfurt Nov. 2022 – Present
Research Assistant - Chair of International Trade, Development, and Growth

EDUCATION

GSEFM Frankfurt Expected spring 2026
Ph.D. Program in Economics - Advisors: Prof. [Georg Duernecker](#) and Prof. [Leo Kaas](#)

Ca' Foscari University of Venice Nov. 2018
Master's Degree in Quantitative Economics (cum laude)

Bocconi University Nov. 2016
Bachelor's Degree in Economics and Social Sciences

WORKING PAPERS

Primary fields: Macroeconomics, Development
Secondary fields: Inequality, Demography

Intermediates-Specific Technical Change, Structural Transformation, and Growth 2025
Job Market Paper [\[Paper\]](#) [\[Slides\]](#)

Demographic Trends and Engel's Law Across the Development Spectrum 2024
Awarded STEG Ph.D. Research Grant [\[Paper\]](#) [\[Slides\]](#)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Goethe University Frankfurt
Teaching Assistant / Course Designer and Instructor

- **Master's Pre-course in Mathematics** – Course Designer & Instructor, Sept. 2025
- **Macroeconomics with Micro Data** (M.Sc. & Ph.D. level) – Teaching Assistant, 2023–2025
- **Ph.D. Pre-course in Real Analysis** – Course Designer & Instructor, 2021
- **Macroeconomics I** (B.Sc.) – Teaching Assistant, 2020–2021

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Deutschlandstipendium (2019) € 3,600

STEG Ph.D. Research Grant (2021) £ 12,000
Demographic Trends and Engel's Law Across the Development Spectrum

CONFERENCES

- 2025: EYEA Annual Meeting, RGS 18th Doctoral Conference, FQMG Brown Bag
- 2024: FQMG Brown Bag, Frankfurt–Mannheim Macro Workshop, BN–FFM–MA Ph.D. Conference
- 2023: FQMG Brown Bag, STEG Ph.D. Workshop
- 2022: STEG Ph.D. Workshop, Frankfurt–Mannheim Ph.D. Workshop

REFERENCES

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