# Luca Righetti

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#### EDUCATION

## University of Cambridge

Cambridge, UK

Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Economics: 'Double' First-Class

Oct. 2017 - Jul. 2020

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o Dissertation: "Self-reinforcing Corruption: Evidence from the MPs' Expenses Scandal"

#### King Edward's School Bath

Bath, UK

A-Levels: Further Maths (A\*), Maths (A\*), German (A\*), History (A\*), Politics (A)

Sep. 2014 - Jul. 2017

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

#### Effective Altruism Oxford

Remote

In-Depth Fellow

Aug. 2020 - Sep. 2020

 Seven-week deep dive into specific topics relevant to Effective Altruism, discussing seminal articles in the literature alongside analytical exercises in forecasting models, Bayesian updating, and rationality

SoGive Remote

Analyst

Jun. 2020 - Aug. 2020

- Reviewed the academic literature on the "worm wars" (Miguel & Kremer, 2004) and how GiveWell uses this in their cost-effective analysis, finding limited external validity of causal mechanisms and gendered heterogeneity
- Helped compile a database of UK charities and quantified their cost-effectiveness, making 14 impact assessments and reporting recommendations directly to the CEO

# Berkman Klein Centre (Harvard University)

Remote

Summer Institute

Jul. 2020

- Four-week educational program that focused on "AI Policy and Inclusion, Media and Content Moderation, and Information for Decision Makers", being one of 23 students selected for the inaugural cohort
- Personal project examined news coverage of facial recognition surveillance, identifying trends using web-scraping and text analytics, then summarising these through data visualisations

#### Cambridge Development Initiative

Cambridge, UK

Research Director

Sep. 2018 - Sep. 2019

- Coordinated all research efforts of a registered non-profit operating in Tanzania, leading a team of 9 volunteers; copy-edited and established an external peer review panel to ensure high standard of published work
- Increased output of reports from 4 to 8 via improving internal recruitment and fostering partnerships with the [Tanzanian] College of Business Education, Polygeia, and The Wilberforce Society

## Cambridge Development Initiative

Dar-Es-Salaam, Tanzania

Monitoring & Evaluation Officer

Jun. 2018 - Aug. 2018

- Created an impact assessment framework for a pilot project and wrote a 50-page report, making use of both quantitative and qualitative methods during my fieldwork (including surveys, web analytics, and interviews)
- Oversaw the successful handover of a 4-year initiative to a major NGO, liaising directly with the Country Director, and was selected by the Executive Committee to be the interim Project Director for the Entrepreneurship Track

#### United Nations Development Programme

Geneva, Switzerland

Research Assistant

Feb. 2016 - Apr. 2016

• Conducted secondary research on the impact of refugees have on host countries in the context of the Syrian crisis, outlining gaps in the academic literature and writing an internal memo that highlighted policy implications

## Honours & Awards

University of Cambridge: Nominated for the Gladstone Memorial Prize (best dissertation)	2020
Christ's College: Elected Scholar and awarded the Exhibition Prize	2018
Bank of England: Runner-up in Bank of England's Target 2.0 Area Final	2017
Royal Economics Society: Shortlisted for the "Young Economist of the Year"	2016
Brilliant.org: Top Problem Contributor, receiving personal thanks from the Content Team Lead	2015

## Hear This Idea (Podcast/Blog)

Co-Host/Founder Oct. 2019 - Present

• Run a podcast and blog that "showcases new thinking in the social-sciences and philosophy", having published 20+ hours of in-depth interviews audio and 100,000+ in blog posts

• Built an audience of 2,000+ people, with episodes regularly featured on the Effective Altruism Forum front-page as well as in academic newsletters; guests have included Diane Coyle and upcoming Peter Singer

## Cambridge Society for Economic Pluralism

Cambridge, UK

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President

Mar. 2018 - Mar. 2019

- Led the largest Cambridge social-science student society with 1,000+ members; managed a committee of 12, oversaw 25 events, and introduced a 50-50 gender quota for external speakers to promote female academics
- Scaled membership by 30% via new outreach initiatives, such as essay competitions, video promotions, as well as successful collaborations with The Economist and Rethinking Economics

#### Professional Experience

#### Deutsche Bahn AG

Berlin, Germany

Intern (Procurement Strategy and Projects)

Aug. 2020 - Present

• Part of a new crisis response team tasked with saving 20m€ in procurement by the end of the financial year; helping to identify potential contract savings by analysing SAP data and designing visualisations for senior management

## Oliver Wyman

London, UK

Consulting Intern

Jun. 2019 - Aug. 2019

• Staffed on projects including advising an International Financial Institution on how to develop local currency debt markets and defining a new 5-year growth strategy for a leading insurance firm

## McKinsey & Company

London, UK

Discover Programme

Apr. 2019

• Three-day event to develop problem-solving and interpersonal skills via a combination of workshops and case studies; gained an insight into management consulting and the firm's creative thinking frameworks

## 180 Degrees Consulting

Cambridge, UK

Student Consultant

Jan. 2018 - Mar. 2018

• Refined the business model of a Croatian food-laboratory, being personally responsible for identifying customer segments and successfully persuading the client to change their primary location to Zagreb

## Nestlé Wagner GmbH

Nonnweiler, Germany

Work Experience (Export)

Jul. 2016

• One-week placement where I calculated customer profitability and evaluated promotions for the BeNeLux market, discovering and correcting a math error in the sales forecasting model; received an offer for a placement year

## VOLUNTEERING

## Coronavirus Tutoring Initiative

Remote

Maths Tutor

Apr. 2020 - Jun. 2020

# Cambridge Students Union

Cambridge, UK
Oct. 2017 - Jul. 2020

Access Volunteer

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## May Week Alternative

Cambridge, UK

College Ambassador

Jan. 2020 - May 2020

# Green Vision / BANES Youth Climate Movement

Bath, UK

Head Facilitator

Jan. 2013 - Sep. 2016

## SKILLS

Languages: English (Native); German (Native); Italian (Basic)

Software/Coding: STATA; R; Visual Basic; Tableau; Microsoft Office; LATEX; Adobe CS; HTML