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EDUCATION

Barcelona School of Economics, Spain
Master of Science in Economics and Finance

In Progress

London School of Economics and Political Science, UK
Master of Science in Environmental Economics and Climate Change

Sept 2022 - Sept 2023

Thesis: "The Effects of Decentralization on Deforestation in the Democratic Republic of Congo"

Abstract: This analysis employs a difference-in-difference methodology to analyze the impact of re-defining administrative borders on war and deforestation rates.

Supervisor: Ben Filewod, PhD.

University of Mannheim, Germany
Bachelor of Science in Economics

Sept 2018 - Nov 2021

Thesis: "The Effects of Prosecuting Illegal Deforesters in Brazil"

Abstract: Using a regression-discontinuity design, this analysis studies the effects of a large-scale initiative filing civil actions against illegal deforesters on deforestation rates in the Brazilian Amazon.

Advisor: Ulrich Wagner, Prof. and Dimitri Szerman, PhD

WORK EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant for Prof. Mar Reguant
Barcelona School of Economics, Spain

Oct 2023 - Present

Research Assistant for Amen Jalal and Veronica Salazar-Restrepo
STICERD, United Kingdom

May 2023 - May 2025

Internship at the political think-tank FÖS
Forum Ecological-Social Market Economy (FÖS, German), Germany

Jan 2022 - Mar 2022

Internship at the Federal Ministry of the Environment
Department "EU Coordination, European Commissioner", Germany

Nov 2021 - Dec 2021

WORK IN PROGRESS

Smart Rationing: Designing Shortage Mechanisms for Extreme Events

This project explores the distributional and welfare impacts of setting household-level electricity consumption limits to manage electricity shortages.

with Mar Reguant and Dorian Weber

General Equilibrium Effects of a Billion Trees: Evidence from Pakistan

This project evaluates Pakistan's Billion Tree Tsunami Afforestation Program (BTTAP) potential ecological spillovers on neighboring areas and potential displacement of economic activities like agriculture using a general equilibrium model.

with Amen Jalal and Veronica Salazar-Restrepo

SKILLS AND CERTIFICATES

Programming Languages and Software:

Python (proficient), R (proficient), QGIS (proficient), STATA (basic), Julia (basic)

Languages

German (native), English (C1), Spanish (B1)

REFERENCES

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Prof. Ulrich Wagner

Professor at University of Mannheim

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Dr. Veronica Salazar-Restrepo

Post-Doc at University of Geneva

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Relationship: Research Assistant Supervisor