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Current Positions and Affiliations

Assistant Professor

Department of Economics and Empirical Legal Studies, Faculty of Law Charles University, nam. Curieových 901/7, 116 40 Prague, Czechia; since 03/2020 (with Tenure since 01/2025)

Researcher

Economics Institute of the Czech Academy of Sciences; Institute for Democracy and Economic Analysis (IDEA); since 06/2018

Researcher

Research Institute for Labour and Social Affairs (prev. Occupational Safety Research Institute); since 05/2021

Past Positions and Affiliations

Short-Term Consultant

World Bank, DE JURE program; 09/2021–08/2022

Teaching Fellow

CERGE-EI Foundation; 09/2021–06/2024

Education

Ph.D. in Economics

Center for Economic Research and Graduate Education - Economics Institute (CERGE-EI); 2017–2021

M.A. in Economics

Center for Economic Research and Graduate Education - Economics Institute (CERGE-EI); 2015–2017

Mgr. in Economics

Institute of Economic Studies, Charles University; 2014–2016

Publications in WoS

Pertold, F., Sinani, S., & Šoltés, M. (2025). Gender Gap in Reported Childcare Preferences Among Parents. *Review of Economics of the Household*

Linek, L., Škvřňák, M., Šoltés, M., & Titl, V. (2025). Czech Political Candidate and Donation Datasets *Scientific Data*, 12, 302

Drápal, J., Šoltés, M. (2024). Sentencing Decisions Around Quantity Thresholds: Theory and Experiment. *Journal of Experimental Criminology*, 20, 1323–1367

Grossmann, J., Pertold, F., & Šoltés, M. (2024). Parental Allowance Increase and Labour Supply: Evidence from a Czech Reform. *Labour Economics*, 89

Svitáková, K., Šoltés, M. (2024). Ranking of Candidates on Slates: Evidence from 20,000 Electoral Slates. *Party Politics*, 30(3), 465–478.

Šoltés M. (2023). Consequences of Inconvenient Information: Evidence from Sentencing Disparity. *Economica*, 90, 1307–1334.

Berec L, et al. (2022). Delays, Masks, the Elderly, and Schools: First Covid-19 Wave in the Czech Republic. *Bulletin of Mathematical Biology* 84, 75.

Working Papers and Preprints

De Jaegher, K., Šoltés, M., & Titl, V. Easing Renegotiation Rules in Public Procurement: Evidence from a Policy Reform (*2nd round R&R Journal of Public Economics*)

Chen D., L., Cingl, L., Philippe, A., & Šoltés, M. Exploring Inmates' Perceptions, Attitudes, and Behavior: Implications for Theories of Crime (*under review*)

Šoltés Michal (2017). Does Unemployment Insurance Affect Productivity?

Conferences and Seminars

2025: EMLE Midterm Meeting, Hamburg; Masaryk University, Brno (invited, scheduled); European Research University, Ostrava (invited, scheduled); ESELS 2025, Toulouse (scheduled)

2024: RES, Belfast; EDLE joint seminar 'The Future of Law and Economics', Prague; PEARL, Brno; IIPF, Prague; EALE, Torino; Cooperatio Econ workshop, Prague; CELS, Atlanta Georgia USA

2023: SIDE, Brescia; EALE, Berlin; EEA, Barcelona; CESifo Area Conference on Public Economics, Munich; Masaryk University, Brno (invited); 12th ifo Dresden Workshop on Labor Economics and Social Policy, Dresden; Interdisciplinary Public Procurement Forum, Utrecht; X. Kriminologické dny, Prague

2022: Hertie School, Berlin (PELS); Conference of the Czech Economic Society, Prague; Cooperatio Econ workshop, Prague

2021: EMLE MTM Academic Conference (online); EPCS (online); PhD-Economics Virtual Seminar; SMYE (online); GLEA (online); EALE (online); Utrecht University (Lunch Seminar); Erasmus School of Economics, Rotterdam; University Paris Nanterre (invited; Law, Institutions and Economics Seminar)

2020: World Congress, Econometric Society (online); EEA Virtual (online); ERoS Seminars (online); Workshop on Empirical Public and Political Economics, KU Leuven (online)

Professional Activities

Public Policy: NERV 4.0 (external member of a working group); consulting for ministries (Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Ministry of Industry and Trade, Ministry of Justice); PAQ Research

Other Services: Study committee, Faculty of Law, Charles University (2023–2024); Financial market inflation expectations respondent for the Czech National Bank (since 2016); External author and opponent SCIO s.r.o. (2016–2022); Student representative, CERGE-EI (2016–2017)

MA Theses Supervised:¹ Tomáš Karhánek[♦]; Vít Kubů[♦] (2x); Tadeáš Štěpán[♦]; Tereza Burýšková (Hofrichterová)[♦]; Aneta Vacková[♦]; Miroslav Poláček[♦]; Jan Heřman[♦]; Petr Hrebenář[♦]

Refereeing

Journals: Humanities & Social Sciences Communications; JBNST: Journal of Economics and Statistics; International Review of Law and Economics; FÓRUM sociální politiky

Grant Agencies: Technology Agency of the Czech Republic (Rapporteur); Charles University Grant Agency; IGA, Prague University of Economics and Business

Conferences: SMYE 2022; MYE 2023; EAYEAM 2024; EAYEAM 2025; Argument Mining and Empirical Legal Research Workshop at ICAIL 2025 (Program Committee)

Research Grants and Fellowships

Sentencing Disparities: Causes, Consequences, and Remedies
Standard Grant of the Czech Science Foundation; 2025–2027; (ca. EUR 180k)

¹ ♦ Faculty of Law, Charles University; ♦ Faculty of Social Sciences, Charles University

Center for Inequality and Open Society

Programme Johannes Amos Comenius; 2025–2028; PI is Josef Montag (total budget ca. EUR 6 mil., my WP ca. EUR 1 mil.)

Evolution of Inmates’ Perceptions and Preferences Over Time: Evidence from Czech Prisons

Research Support Budget WORLD BANK; 2021–2022; PI is Daniel L. Chen

Career Integration Fellowships

CERGE Foundation; 2021–2024

The Role of Institutional Factors and Information in Public Procurement Markets

JUNIOR STAR Grant of the Czech Science Foundation; 2021–2025; PI is Vita Titl

Determinants and Effects of the Choice of Parental Leave Length in the Czech Republic

Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs; 2021–2023

Mapping the Effects of the Economic Crisis and Optimizing the Systems of Taxes, Benefits, Executions, and Insolvencies to Mitigate Its Adverse Effects

Technology Agency of the Czech Republic; 2020–2022; PI is Klára Kalíšková

Does Sentencing Disparity Cause Institutional (Dis)Trust? Evidence from a Survey Experiment

Teaching Fellow Research Grant, CERGE Foundation; 2020

Information Acquisition in Economics: An Experiment

Charles University Grant Agency, 2018–2020

Endogenous Growth Model, Distance to Frontier, and Labor Market Institutions

Charles University Grant Agency, 2016–2017

Teaching Fellow

CERGE Foundation; 2018–2021

Awards**Karel Engliš Award (Czech Economic Society)**

best paper on Czech economic policy; 2019

Young Economist Award (Czech Economic Society)

3rd place; under 30 years of age; 2016

New Economic Talent - CERGE-EI

2nd place in worldwide competition for Master students; 2016

Performance Stipend

CERGE-EI; 2017 – 2019

Dean Award

outstanding Bachelor’s thesis; 2014

Teaching**Právo a ekonomie I (Economics 101)**

Faculty of Law, Charles University; 2021–

Právo a ekonomie II (Law & Economics)

Faculty of Law, Charles University; 2022–

Ekonomie veřejného sektoru (Public Economics)

Faculty of Law, Charles University; 2021–2024

Diplomový seminář (Thesis Seminar)

Faculty of Law, Charles University; 2023–

Vědecký seminář z práva, ekonomie a empirie (Research Seminar Series)

Faculty of Law, Charles University; 2021–

Teorie národního hospodářství I (Economics 101)

Faculty of Law, Charles University; 2020

Teorie národního hospodářství II (Economics 101 and Law & Economics)

Faculty of Law, Charles University; 2018–2020

Projects in Applied Economics for High School Students

CERGE-EI; Tutor (2016–2019), Lecturer (2018–2019)

Visiting Stays

Visiting Researcher

Hertie School, Berlin (Germany); 10/2022

Visiting Researcher

Utrecht University, School of Economics (Netherlands); 10/2021

Visiting Student Researcher

UC Berkeley, Department of Economics (California, USA); 02–06/2019

Erasmus+ - Economics

Universidad Autonoma de Madrid (Spain); 01 – 06/2016

Exchange program - Economics

Peking University HSBC Business School (China); 08/2015–01/2016

Erasmus - Economics

Maastricht University, School of Business and Economics (Netherlands); 09/2013–01/2014

Policy Work

Vilím Petr, Prokop D., Šoltés M. (2024). Chytřejší zdanění zaměstnanců [Towards a Smart(er) Labor Income Tax System] *PAQ Studies*

Kalísková Klára, Münich D., Šoltés M. (2023). Pracovně motivační dopady návrhů daňových změn na zaměstnance [Work-Related Motivational Implications of Proposed Tax Changes on Employees] *IDEA Policy brief*

Peňázová Eva, Šoltés M. (2023). Generace X a Y očima dat: Když byli rodiče mladí jako my [Generation X and Y Through the Eyes of Data: When Our Parents Were Young Like Us] *IDEA studie 5/2023*

Prokop Daniel, Kalísková K., Šoltés M., Münich D., Ostrý M. (2023). Jak zachránit státní rozpočet a napravit nedostatky v danění příjmů? [How to Reform Labor Income Tax System.] *Czech Tax Papers (IDEA Think-tank a PAQ Research)*

Grossmann Jakub, Pertold F., Šoltés M., Šarboch M., Zapletalová L. (2022). Vliv zvýšení rodičovského příspěvku na participaci žen na trhu práce [What Effects did the Parental Allowance Increase Have on Women's Participation in the Labor Market] *IDEA studie 14/2022*

Pertold Filip, Šoltés M. (2022). Analýza dopadu rodičovství na danění práce pomocí TAXBEN modelu [Analysis of the Impact of Parenthood on Labor Income Tax Using the TAXBEN Model] *Projekt 22 % K ROVNOSTI Ministerstva práce a sociálních věcí*

Kalísková Klára, Šoltés M. (2022). Spočítali jsem za vás: Dopady zrušení superhrubé mzdy, snížení odvodů na sociální pojištění a zavedení daňových prázdnin [We've Done the Math: Here's What the Abolition of Super-Gross Wages, Reductions in Social Security Contributions and the Introduction of Tax Holidays Will Really Mean] *IDEA studie 4/2022*

Šoltés, Michal (2021). Recenze: Základní příjem ve světě: Argumenty, experimenty, dějiny [Review of the Publication "The Basic Income Worldwide: Arguments, Ex-

periments, History“] *Fórum sociální politiky*, 15(6)

Drápal Jakub, Šoltés M. (2021). Rozdíly v ukládání a navrhování trestů: výsledky dvou experimentů [Sentencing Disparities: Evidence from Two Experiments] In Grivna, Tomáš et al. *Trestní právo s lidskou tváří: V upomínku na Marii Vanduchovou*. Prague: Wolters Kluwer

Kalísková Klára, Münich D., Prokop D., Šoltés M. (2020). Vyhodnocení dopadů návrhů na zrušení superhrubé mzdy [Impact Assessment of Proposals to Abolish the Super-Gross Wage] *IDEA Pracovní list 2/2020*

Kalísková Klára, Münich D., Šoltés M. (2020). Dopady zrušení superhrubé mzdy na daň z příjmu placenou zaměstnanci [Effects of Abolishing Super-Gross Wage on Labor Income Tax Paid by Employees] *IDEA Pracovní list 1/2020*

Korbel Václav, Novák V., Šoltés M., Tóth L. (2020). Jak komunikovat vládní krizová opatření: Často opakovat [How to Communicate Government Crisis Measures? Repeat Them] *IDEA antiCOVID #10*

Korbel Václav, Novák V., Šoltés M., Tóth L. (2020). Přístup domácností k nákaze a vládním opatřením: Aktuálně z terénu [Households' Perception of COVID-19 and Government's Measures: From the Field] *IDEA antiCOVID #7*

Novák Vladimír, Šoltés M. (2019). Dichotomie spotřebních daní: Zdroj veřejných rozpočtů a nástroj snižování újmy (Diskusní studie) [The Excise Tax as a Dichotomy: Source of Public Budgets and Instrument of Harm Reduction (Discussion Study)] *IDEA studie 13/2019*

Kalísková Klára, Šoltés M. (2018). Dopady odkládaného zrušení superhrubé mzdy [The Consequences of the Postponed Abolishment of Super-Gross Wages] *IDEA studie 12/2018*

www.jaktrestame.cz - web application about sentencing in the Czech Republic