

# NINA KUPZIG

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Climate Change, Development Economics, Economic Growth, Firm Productivity, Infrastructure

## EDUCATION

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Ph.D. Candidate in Economics, Ruhr-University Bochum Supervisor: Prof. Matthias Busse	<i>2020-Present</i>
M.Sc. in Economics, Ruhr-University Bochum, <i>Distinction</i>	<i>2017-2020</i>
M.Sc. in Mathematics, Ruhr-University Bochum, <i>Distinction</i>	<i>2017-2019</i>
B.Sc. in Mathematics, Ruhr-University Bochum, <i>Distinction</i>	<i>2013-2017</i>
2 Semesters Abroad, Stellenbosch University	<i>2016</i>

## RESEARCH VISITS

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Institute of Statistical, Social and Economic Research (ISSER), Ghana, Accra Host: Charles Ackah	<i>Jan-Mar 2022</i>
RWI - Leibniz Institute for Economic Research, Germany, Essen KB Climate Change and Development Preparation of field work in Kigali, Rwanda (Mar-Apr 2022)	<i>Mar-Oct 2022</i>

## WORKING PAPERS

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*The augmented EKC and a new Measure of Water Pollution – An Investigation of Pollution in Africa*  
- with Jenny Kupzig & Johanna Meier, [Working Paper \(2021\)](#)

*Black Economic Empowerment and Firm Performance in South Africa* - with Prof. Matthias Busse & Tim Vogel, [Working Paper \(2022\)](#)

## PUBLICATIONS

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*Power Outages, Firm Productivity, and Generator Ownership in East Africa*, Journal of African Business (forthcoming). [\[link to publication\]](#)

## CONFERENCES

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*2021:* 14th RGS Doctoral Conference in Economics ◊ European Trade Study Group (ETSG)  
◊ Doctoral Workshop 2021 of the Research Group on Development Economics of the  
German Economic Association

## JOURNAL REFEREE

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International Economics and Economic Policy, International Journal of Finance & Economics

## SPONSORSHIPS & AWARDS

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PR.INT - Project International by RUB Research School Funding for the Research Stay at ISSER	<i>2022</i>
Price for Students by the Ruhr-University Bochum Price for the best Master thesis of the faculty of Management and Economics	<i>2020</i>
Germany Scholarship National, full scholarship that targets to support young top professionals of tomorrow	<i>2017-2019</i>
Full year scholarship for academic students by DAAD Full scholarship for studying abroad from the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)	<i>2016</i>

## TEACHING

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Introductory Macroeconomics (Bachelor), Tutorial	<i>2019-2020</i>
African Economic Development (Master), Tutorial	<i>2020-2021</i>
16 Bachelor Theses & 2 Master Theses, Co-Supervisor	<i>2020-2022</i>

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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Research Assistant at the Chair of International Economics, Ruhr-University Bochum	<i>2020-Present</i>
Student Assistant at the Chair of International Economics, Ruhr-University Bochum	<i>2019-2020</i>
Working Student at the Health Economics Department, RWI Essen	<i>2018-2019</i>
Student Assistant at the Chair of Stochastics & Didactics, Ruhr-University Bochum	<i>2017-2018</i>
Working Student at Mercer Deutschland GmbH, Düsseldorf	<i>2016-2017</i>
Intern at StartUp 90, Cape Town	<i>2014</i>
Volunteer (Teacher Assistant) at Oasis Special School, Cape Town	<i>2012/13</i>

## COMPUTER SKILLS

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STATA, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, R, Microsoft Excel, HTML, QGIS

## LANGUAGES

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German (native), English (fluent), Afrikaans (intermediate), French (intermediate)

## REFERENCES

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