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July 2008 - July 2009

Sept. 2003 - July 2006

Mbarara, Uganda

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Positions held

University of Cape Town, Development Policy Research Unit Senior Researcher	Cape Town, SA 01 July 2019 - 30 Sept. 2019
• University of Cape Town, AIFMRM Post Doctoral Research Fellow	Cape Town, SA Sep. 2016 – June 2019
	Maastricht, NL Aug. 2014 – July 2016
Maastricht University, School of Business and Economics PhD in Economics - Thesis Title: The evolution of beliefs and strategic behaviour	Maastricht, NL Sept. 2010 – June 2015
• Maastricht University, UNU-MERIT Postgraduate Coursework on Innovation and Technical Change	Maastricht, NL Sept. 2009 – July 2010
• University of Cape Town Hon. & MSc. Astronomy	Cape Town, SA Jan. 2007 – June 2008
University of the Western Cape	Cape Town, SA

FIELDS

Microeconomics - Theory

MSc. Astronomy by dissertation

Game theory and models of social learning

Microeconomics - Empirical

Social network analysis, labour economics, and economics of science

Mbarara University of Science and Technology

BSc. (Mathematics and Physics) with Education

Research

• Conference proceedings

o Discussants. Academy of Management Annual Meeting Proceedings 2019(1):19194 (joint with Co-Pierre Georg and Michael E. Rose) [Empirical paper]

• Papers under Revise and Resubmit

• On the relationship between p-dominance and stochastic stability in networks. International Journal of Game Theory [Theory paper]

• Papers under Review in journals

- o Strategic diffusion in networks through contagion (joint with Théophile T. Azomahoua) [Theory paper]
- How central agents affect group behaviour and the speed of learning [Theory paper]
- Prejudice, group cohesion and the dynamics of disagreement [Theory paper]
- o Discussants (joint with Co-Pierre Georg and Michael E. Rose) [Empirical paper]

• Working Papers

- o Costly word-of-mouth learning in networks (joint with Théophile T. Azomahoua) [Theory paper]
- Informal intellectual collaboration with central colleagues (joint with Co-Pierre Georg and Michael E. Rose) [Empirical paper]

• Work in Progress

- Addressing Africa's Youth Unemployment Through Industries Without Smokestacks (joint with Haroon Bhorat) [Empirical/Theory paper]
- o The Persistence of corruption (joint with Davina Osei) [Empirical/Theory paper]
- The rate of scientific progress and the structure of the scientific communities (joint with Michael E. Rose) [Theory/Empirical paper]
- Local interactions and long-run stability in evolutionary models [Theory paper]
- o Information percolation in exit games [Theory paper]

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Cape Town, AIFMRM

Cape Town, SA

2018

Tutor

Instructor

o Market Risk: Market instruments and measurement of their associated risk (Master course)

Maastricht University, School of Business and Economics

Maastricht, NL

2014 - 2016

- o Globalization debate: How globalization has shaped international trade and economic growth
- Macroeconomics: First year undergraduate course

Maastricht University, School of Business and Economics

Maastricht, NL

2014 - 2016

Teaching Assistant

• *Microeconomics:* First and second year courses

o International Economics & European Markets: Second year course

Eden International School

Mbarara, Uganda

High School Teacher

2006

o Mathematics and Physics: Ordinary and Advanced Levels

Professional Activities

• Conference Presentations

- The Africa Meeting of the Econometric Society: Rabat, Morocco, upcoming, 11-13 July 2019
- o 5th European Meeting on Game Theory (SING15): Turku, Finland, upcoming, 2-4 July 2019
- o Royal Economic Society Conference: University of Warwick, April 2019
- Asian Meeting of the Econometric Society: Sogang University, Seoul, Korea, June. 2018 (Paper accepted but I could not participate in the conference)
- o Royal Economic Society Conference: University of Sussex, U.K., March 2016
- o Royal Economic Society Postgraduate Presentation Meetings and Job Market: Westminster Business School, 2016
- o World Congress of the Econometric Society: Montréal Canada, Aug. 2015
- o UNU-MERIT and MGSoG conference: Maastricht NL, Nov. 2014
- o China Meeting of the Econometric Society: Xiamen, China, June 2014
- o Royal Economic Society Postgraduate Presentation Meetings and Job Market: London U.K., January 2014
- o The 25th International Conference on Game Theory: Stony Brook University, New York, July 2014
- o 10th Workshop on Networks in Economics and Sociology: Utrecht School of Economics, Nov. 2011

• Seminar Presentations

- $\circ~School~of~Economics:~$ University of Cape Town, 05 Nov. 2018
- o Centre for Competition Law and Economics: Stellenbosch University, 25 Oct. 2018
- o AIFMRM Seminars: University of Cape Town, SA, May & Oct. 2018
- The Research Unit in Behavioural Economics and Neuroeconomics: University of Cape Town, July 2017
- o Department of Economics: Stellenbosch University, 07 Aug. 2017
- o School of Economics: University of Cape Town, June 2017
- o Department of Economics Seminars: University of Pretoria, April 2017
- $\circ~$ Aix-Marseille School of Economics GREQAMs: Marseille, Feb. 2016
- Centre d'Economie de La Sorbonne and Paris School of Economics: University of Paris 1, Mar. 2013
- o Université de Cerqu Pontoise THEMA séminaires: Cergy-Pontoise, Feb. 2013

- o Cournot séminaires at Bureau d'Economie Théorique et Appliquée (BETA) Strasbourg: Strasbourg, Jan. 2013
- o Maastricht Lecture Series in Economics: Maastricht, Nov. 2012

• Refeering Activities

o Journal of Economic Behaviour & Organization, International Journal of Game Theory

• Member of:

 Southern African Market Research Association (professional body), Regional Advisory Committee of Social Science One, American Economic Association, Econometric Society, Royal Economic Society

AWARDS

• Funding awards

- o URC Postdoctoral Fellowship: University of Cape Town, Jan. 2017 Dec. 2018
- o Econometric Society World Congress travel grant: Aug. 2015
- o UNU Ph.D fellowship: Maastricht University, Sept. 2009 July 2014
- o The South African Square Kilometre Array (SKA) fellowship: University of Cape Town, Jan. 2008 Aug. 2009
- The National Astrophysics and Space Science Programme (NASSP) fellowship: University of Cape Town, Jan. 2007
 Dec. 2008
- o Government Merit Scholarship: Mabrara University, Aug. 2003 June 2006

Programming Skills

• Languages: Python, Matlab, Mathematica, R

References

• PhD Advisor: Prof. Theophile Azomahou

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