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Research Interests

Development Economics, Political Economy, Economic History, Machine Learning, Satellite Imagery

Current Position

Ph.D. Candidate in Economics

Chair of International and Development Politics, Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Axel Dreher Heidelberg University, Germany

September 2021 - present

Education

University of Cologne, Cologne, Germany Master of Science in Economic Research

2019 - 2021

University of Cologne, Cologne, Germany Bachelor of Science in Economics, Top 5%

2016 - 2019

• Semester Abroad: ESAN University Lima, Peru

Working Papers

Where is Poverty Concentrated? New Evidence based on Internationally Consistent Urban and Poverty Measurements from 17 Sub-Saharan African Countries, with Shohei Nakamura, Pierre-Philippe Combes, Charlotte Robert, Mark Roberts, Benjamin Stewart, and Slava Yakubenko

Work in Progress

Fostering Climate Resilience: Socio-Economic Effects of Improved Urban Drainage in Bangladesh, with Angelika Budjan, Cristina Cibin, Khalid Imran, and Jingke Pan

Terrorism in the Media, with Axel Dreher, Krisztina Kis-Katos, and Christoph Weisser

Denazification in Germany, with Annika Kaiser, Tobias Korn, and Bente Jessen-Thiesen

Professional Experience

The World Bank

Short term consultant for the Nigeria country team

 $Supervisor:\ Arthur\ Alik-Lagrange,\ Ph.D.$

- Spatial data analysis in R
- Working with Nigerian survey data

The World Bank 2021 - 2023

Short term consultant for the Poverty and Equity Global Practice Supervisor: Shohei Nakamura, Ph.D.

- Cleaning spatial data using QGIS
- Cleaning and analysing household budgetary survey (HBS) data using Stata

University of Cologne

2020 - 2021

Research assistant at the chair of Economic History

Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Erik Hornung

- Georeferencing historical maps using QGIS
- Generating historical data

Teaching

• Teaching Assistant at Heidelberg University

Macroeconomics I

Winter 2021 - present

• Co-Supervision at Heidelberg University

Winter 2021 - present

Development Economics Research Seminar (Bachelor and Master), Bachelor Thesis

• Teaching Assistant at Heidelberg University

Microeconomics I

Summer 2022

Skills

- Programming & Softwares: R, Stata, Python, Matlab, QGIS, LaTeX, Git, MS Office
- Languages: German (Native), English (fluent), Spanish (intermediate), French (elementary), Latin (Latin Proficiency Certificate)

Field work experience

• Barishal, Bangladesh: Household-level data collection

2023

Project: Fostering Climate Resilience: Socio-Economic Effects of Improved Urban Drainage in Bangladesh

Scholarships and Funding

• HeiDocs, Heidelberg Graduate Academy, 700 Euro

Travel grand to visit the Twenty-third summer school in international and development economics in Gargonza, Italy
(Lecturers: Claudio Ferraz & Sandra Sequeira)

• HeiDocs, Heidelberg Graduate Academy, 3000 Euro

2023

Funding for the acquisition of datasets

Project: Denazification in Germany

• HeiDocs, Heidelberg Graduate Academy, 3000 Euro

2023

Travel grant to conduct our Baseline study in Bangladesh

Project: Fostering Climate Resilience: Socio-Economic Effects of Improved Urban Drainage in Bangladesh

• PROMOS (travel grant)

2018

Other Academic Activities

• Refereeing

2023: European Association of Young Economists (EAYE) Annual Meeting

• Workshop and Seminar Organization

2023: Beyond Basic Questions Seminar (online)

2022: FHM+ Workshop (Heidelberg), Beyond Basic Questions Seminar (online), Development Economics Research Seminar (Heidelberg)

• Summer School

2024: Twenty-third summer school in international and development economics in Gargonza, Italy (Lecturers: Claudio Ferraz & Sandra Sequeira)

Conferences

2024: Beyond Basic Questions Workshop (Groningen), European Public Choice Society Annual Meeting (Vienna), FHM+ Workshop (Mannheim), German Development Economics Conference (Hannover)

2023: Beyond Basic Questions Workshop (Stuttgart), FHM+ Workshop (Frankfurt)

2022: Beyond Basic Questions Workshop (Bern), European Public Choice Society Annual Meeting (Braga), FHM+ Workshop (Heidelberg)

References

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