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Education

Harvard University

PhD 2021–

Economics

Brown University

Pre-Doctoral Fellow 2019–2020

Economics

University of Oxford

Visiting Student 2018–2019

Mathematics, Economic and Social History, and Social Data Science

Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität Munich

B.Sc. in Economics 2015–2018

Working Papers and Work in Progress

The Rise of Fiscal Capacity (with Davide Cantoni and Cathrin Mohr).

[*Revise and Resubmit, Econometrica*]

How Autocracies Form: State Capacity, Absolutism, and the Thirty Years' War (with Luis Bosshart).

Socioeconomic Segregation in German Cities, 1935–1975.

Individualism, Identity, and Institutional Change (with Davide Cantoni and Cathrin Mohr).

Epidemics and Public Health Provision in Early Modern Europe (with Davide Cantoni and Maria Waldinger).

Inequality and Mobility in a Growing Metropolis of the 19th Century (with Mathias Bühler and Davide Cantoni).

Scholarships, Awards, and Affiliations

05/2023–: Graduate Student Affiliate, Institute for Quantitative Social Science

09/2021–09/2023: ERC Program of the German National Academic Foundation

07/2018: Award for best bachelor's degree at Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität

02/2018–03/2020: German National Academic Foundation

10/2016–07/2017: Munich Honors Program in Economics

10/2016–07/2017: ECONnect-Program

10/2015–08/2021: Maximilianeum Foundation

10/2015–03/2020: Max Weber Program

Data

“Princes and Townspeople: A Collection of Historical Statistics on German Territories and Cities.”, Harvard Dataverse:

- “City Locations and Border Maps” (with Edyta P. Bogucka and Davide Cantoni, 2019).
- “Territorial Histories” (with Cathrin Mohr and Davide Cantoni, 2019).
- “Town Charters and First Mentions” (with Cathrin Mohr and Davide Cantoni, 2020).
- “Markets” (with Cathrin Mohr and Davide Cantoni, 2020).
- “Conflict Incidents and Wars” (with Davide Cantoni, 2021).

Research Grants

GSAS Summer Predissertation Fellowship (2023); IQSS Research Grant (2023); Kenneth C. Griffin Economics Research Fund (“Political Economy and Development”) (2023); Chae Family Economics Research Fund (“The Economics of Crises”) (2022)

Presentations

“The Rise of Fiscal Capacity”:

- Economic History Seminar, Northwestern University (2023)
- 26th Annual ISNIE / SIOE Conference, University of Toronto (2022)
- Economic History Workshop, Harvard University (2020)
- Annual Economic and Social History Conference, University of Oxford (2019)

“How Autocracies Form: State Capacity, Absolutism, and the Thirty Years' War”:

- 27th Annual ISNIE / SIOE Conference, Goethe University Frankfurt (2023)
- Alberto Alesina Workshop in Political Economy and Culture, Harvard University (2023)
- Economic History Workshop, Harvard University (2022, 2023)

“Socioeconomic Segregation in German Cities, 1935–1975”:

- Alberto Alesina Workshop in Political Economy and Culture, Harvard University (2023)
- Economic History Workshop, Harvard University (2022)

“Individualism, Identity, and Institutional Change”:

- ASSA 2024 Conference, San Antonio (2024)
- ASREC 2023 Conference, Harvard University (2023)

“Epidemics and Public Health Provision in Early Modern Europe”:

- Economic History Workshop, Harvard University (2021)

Referee Service

B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis & Policy; Journal of Economic History; Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization; Journal of Political Economy; Quarterly Journal of Economics