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EDUCATION

• Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)

MicroMasters in Data, Economics, and Development Policy.

Cambridge, MA, U.S. Feb. 2020 - May 2021

- Graduate-level coursework.
- o Letter of Accomplishment by Prof. Esther Duflo.
- Affiliate of the MIT Alumni Association.

• Martin Luther University of Halle-Wittenberg

B.Sc. in Business Economics; Current average grade: 2,0.

Halle (Saale), Germany Oct. 2018 - Present

- o Bachelor's Thesis at the Chair of Econometrics: Title: "Carbon taxes and CO₂ emissions in the transport sector: a case study of Denmark and Norway using the synthetic control method." Supervisor: Christoph Wunder.
- Electives: Economics of Money, Banking, and Financial Markets; International Finance; Innovation Economics; Empirical Economics with R; Data Science I & Data Science II.
- o STIBET Degree Scholarship, managed by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD).

EXPERIENCE

• Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Development in Transition Economies (IAMO)

Research Assistant, The Department of Agricultural Markets.

Halle (Saale), Germany July 2023 - Present

o Analyzes datasets using R and Stata, in addition to literature reviews.

• Martin Luther University of Halle-Wittenberg

Research Assistant, The Department of Macroeconomics.

Halle (Saale), Germany April 2023 - Sep. 2023

• Supports the teaching and instructors at the Department of Macroeconomics.

• Halle Institute for Economic Research (IWH)

Research Assistant, The Department of Macroeconomics.

Halle (Saale), Germany April 2023 - Sep. 2023

- o Supports the research groups: "Macroeconomic Analyses and Forecasts", and "Econometric Tools for Macroeconomic Forecasting and Simulation."
- Analyzes, and contributes to the automation of downloading, the German national data, using R, to provide scientific assistance for the macroeconomic modelling at IWH.

Research Assistant, The Competitiveness Research Network (CompNet).

Sep. 2021 - Mar. 2023

- \circ Works on, and contributes to the 9^{th} vintage of CompNet dataset.
- o Analyzes the CompNet data and cleans and analyzes other datasets (e.g. Eurostat, Orbis, Amadeus, EU KLEMS, OECD) to provide scientific assistance for the network's research.
- o Contributes to CompNet code, in Stata, that is sent to the European Statistical Offices to collect micro-aggregated data at different levels of aggregation from each country's firm-level microdata.
- Works on the Reduced CompNet Dataset: a carefully cleaned dataset that contains few critical variables for the policy-oriented users.

• Martin Luther University of Halle-Wittenberg

Student Assistant, The Evaluation Office.

Halle (Saale), Germany May 2019 - Feb. 2020

- Collects the students' evaluations for the university courses through standardized surveys.
- Creates a summary of the collected data and sends it to the professors of the evaluated courses.

Extracurricular Activities

• Peer Editor, MathStatBites,

Institute for Mathematical & Statistical Innovation, hosted at the University of Chicago.

June 2022 - Present

- MathStatBites is a blog that provides succinct summaries of Mathematics & Statistics research for a broader audience.
- Reviews the articles before publishing, and gives feedbacks about them.

• Participant in "The Econometrics Game", Oeconomica,

Chicago, IL, U.S.

April 2022

The University of Chicago.

- o Fast-paced econometrics competition for undergraduate students.
- o Judges: Stéphane Bonhomme; James J. Heckman; Robert Shimer.

• Associate Member, Global Volunteer,

AIESEC.

Halle (Saale), Germany Mar. 2021 – Jan. 2022

- Intensive support and quick contact for students who want to complete a social project abroad.
- o Assistance in finding social/volunteering projects and compiling all the necessary documents for the stay abroad.

DIGITAL SKILLS

• R & RStudio; Stata; Git; LATEX; Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Outlook).

LANGUAGES

• Arabic (Native); English (C1); German (B1).

References

• Dr. Matthias Mertens.

Head of the IWH-CompNet-Group, Coordinator of the Scientific Team of CompNet, IWH. Head of the Research Group: "Innovation, Productivity, and Economic Dynamics", IWH. *E-mail: matthias.mertens@iwh-halle.de*

• Prof. Dr. Christoph Wunder.

Chairholder of the Chair of Econometrics, Martin Luther University of Halle-Wittenberg. Research Fellow, The Labor and Socio-Economic Research Center (LASER), Nürnberg. *E-mail: christoph.wunder@wiwi.uni-halle.de.*

• Prof. Dr. Wolf-Heimo Grieben.

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• Prof. Dr. Lena Tonzer.

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