Allegra Saggese

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Education

University of California, Santa Cruz, PhD Economics (2024-)

The London School of Economics, MSc Environmental Economics & Climate Change (2018-2019)

Dissertation: The Impact of Wind Development and Deregulation on Midwestern Electricity Firms

Advisor: Professor Eugenie Dugoua

University of California, Berkeley, BS Environmental Economics, BA Rhetoric (2014-2018) *Thesis:* Cost-Benefit Analysis under Climate: Case Study of the Oxford Tract development

Research Experience

- Aug 2022 Part-time Research Assistant Department of Economics, LSE.
- July 2024 O Part-time pre-doctoral research assistant for Professors Robin Burgess and Gharad Bryan in tandem with IGC role. Performed cleaning of secondary data for assessment of innovation subsidy, support on literature review.
- Oct 2019 Occassional Research Officer LSE Middle East Centre.
 - Jan 2020 O Conducting literature review and research into inclusion of emissions projections in GCE model and national wealth accounting framework for Kuwait under Professor Giles Atkinson
- Feb 2017 **UG Research Assistant** Professor Daniel Kammen, Energy and Resource Group, UC Berkeley.
 - Jun 2017 O Scraped and analyzed data in R on energy use and related policies for 60+ countries to create motivation spectrum from financial to intrinsic for COP21 emission standards agreement

Work Experience

- Aug 2022 Policy Economist International Growth Centre, LSE.
 - July 2024 O Literature review, stakeholder engagement for IGC White Paper.
 - Co-develop research strategy on sustainable development, provide review of research designs for funded projects in energy/environment.
- Nov 2021 **Economist** McKinsey & Co. Sustainability
- June 2022 O Tasks: Programming lead on R Shiny visualisation tool and web scraping public data for automatizing data collection for sector-level database on project-level emissions in carbon market. Created supply side and price projections by optimization for global voluntary carbon market through 2050.
 - o Content: Carbon Disclosure Project (CDP) data, HTML webscraping.
- Jan 2020 Analyst McKinsey & Co. Sustainability
- Nov 2021 O Tasks: Data analysis, including sector-level emissions model (Python) for UK bank annual disclosure. Matched production data with balance sheet for asset-level emissions measurements. Other: (a) Creation of index methodology to evaluate 'greenness' of 2020 global stimulus (b) CBA on country-level infrastructure investments of WASH investments under climate risk scenarios.
 - Data: Global, sectoral decarbonisation scenarios (IEA, NGFS, UK-specific). Hansen et. al (2013), FAOSTAT land-use data.
- Jan 2018 Analyst, Part-time Sustainabilist.
- June 2019 Organised third party or client-delivered data in R and Excel to estimate cost savings from process improvement interventions in renewable energy firms, specifically EPCs.
- May 2016 Legislative Intern Office of Assemblymember Richard Bloom (District 50).
- Aug 2016 O Processed constituent requests, press releases, and wrote agricultural tax incentive policy brief.

Contributions

Burgess, R., Caria, S., Dobermann, T., Saggese, A. (2023). Innovation, Growth and the Environment. **International Growth Centre.** White paper. London.

Vivid Economics (2021). Mission-critical: invest in water, sanitation and hygiene for a healthy and green economic recovery. **WaterAid**. Report. London.

Vivid Economics (2021). Greenness of Stimulus Index. Finance for Biodiversity. Report. London.

Professional service

- O Committee Member (2024) Environment Camp conference, LSE
- O IGC Organizer (2022, 2023) Environment Week conference, LSE
- O Editor and Online Contributor (2019) Energy Journal at Energy Society, LSE

Awards

LSE Masters Award, 2018-19 - \$8,000
Haas Scholars Undergraduate Program, 2017-18 - \$3,800
California Alumni Association Scholarship 2016-18
Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program, 2017
Matsui Center, Capital Fellowship, 2016 - \$2,000

New Jersey Community Foundation for Education Scholarship, 2014-16 - \$4,000

Activities and volunteer work

- O Co-President (2017-18) Bay Area Environmentally Aware Consulting Network at UC Berkeley
- O AmeriCorps (2016-17) Jumpstart Teaching Assistant
- O City of Berkeley, Zero Waste Commission (2016-17) Commissioner District 4
- O GRID Alternatives (2016) Spring Break Student Volunteer
- O ASUC Senate (2014-16) Staff and Legislative Director for Student Congress

Additional skills

- Computer: R (ggplot, tidyr, data.tables, Shiny) advanced, Python (data cleaning, manipulation, visualisation) intermediate, ArcGIS/QGIS (spatial econometrics) intermediate, STATA proficient, LaTeX, Microsoft Excel, Powerpoint advanced
- O Other: grant writing, report writing, local radio production, painting, film photography
- O Languages: English native, Italian basic