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## Education

2017 -	PhD in Economics, European University Institute. Expected Graduation: May 2023 Advisors: Sule Alan, Alessandro Tarozzi
2018	MRes in Economics, European University Institute
2014	Msc in Economics, Double Degree Program between EESP-FGV, Brazil, and NovaSBE, Portugal
2012	BA in Economics, NovaSBE

## References

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## Research Fields

Development Economics and Applied Microeconomics

## Research Interests

Child Development, Education, Poverty, Gender, Discrimination

## Job Market Paper

### *The Effect of a Conditional Cash Transfer on Child Marriage: Evidence from Mexico, 2022*

I study the effect of a conditional cash transfer program in Mexico on early marriage. First, I estimate the impact of the program leveraging its staggered implementation. The program provides monetary benefits to households, conditional on children's school attendance. I find that exposure to the conditional cash transfer *increases* girls' probability of getting married. After five years of exposure to the program, beneficiary girls are, on average, almost 7 p.p more likely to be married than the control group. I find no effect for boys. These findings contrast with the previously documented positive effects of the program on education, which is usually associated with decreases in child marriage. I reconcile the simultaneous increase in marriage and education in a conceptual framework wherein agents treat marriage as a normal good. Finally, I test the hypothesis that these results are driven by an income effect. I exploit the variation in household composition and find that non-eligible children in beneficiary households - who were only exposed to the increase in household income - were between 10 and 18p.p more likely to be married than their counterparts in non-treated villages.

## Ongoing Projects

*Experiment on Test Performance and Implications for Fairness - pilot ongoing* (with Lucas Finamor)

*The Effect of Land Rights on Children's Health* (with Alessandro Tarozzi)

## Presentations

2021	19th Nordic Conference Development Economics, Bavarian Young Economists' Meeting
2022	RIDGE May Forum: Inequality and Poverty Workshop, EUI MWP Multidisciplinary Research Workshop: Causality Across the Social Sciences, 35th annual conference of the European Society for Population Economics (ESPE), 15th Annual Meeting of the Portuguese Economic Journal, EEA-ESEM, 3rd Brazilian Meeting on Family and Gender Economics, European Winter Meeting of the Econometric Society
2023	ASSA, Max Planck Institute for Research on Collective Goods, Laboratory for Effective Anti-poverty Policies (LEAP), Navarra Center for International Development (NCID), University of Barcelona, University of Bath

## Refereeing Activity

Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics, Economic Journal, Economic Development and Cultural Change

## Grants

2020-2021	European University Institute PhD Grant
2019	European University Institute: Early Stage Researchers Grant
2017-2020	PhD Grant, Fundação para a Ciência e Tecnologia, Portugal

## Past Employment

2014 - 2017	Researcher and Project Manager, FGV/EESP Clear, Center for Learning in Evaluation and Results for Brazil and Lusophone Africa
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## Personal Information

Nationality: Portuguese

Languages: Portuguese (native), English (proficient), Italian (intermediate)