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**Research Interests:** Development Economics, Market Design, Machine Learning

## Education

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Ph.D in Economics, Stanford University	2021 - current
M.Sc in Economics, ENSAE / Ecole Polytechnique	2017 - 2019
International Exchange Student, The Chinese University of Hong Kong	2015 - 2016
B.A. in Economics and Business, Université Catholique de Lille, France	2014 - 2017

## Publications

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- o Panel Data Evidence on the Effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Livelihoods in Urban Cote d'Ivoire with Pascaline Dupas and Marcel Fafchamps  
2023, *PLoS ONE* 18(2): e0277559.

Other Publications.....

- o Report on the AUDRI 2019-2020 Cote d'Ivoire with Pascaline Dupas and Marcel Fafchamps  
Published on AUDRI website
- o Households' attitudes towards school reopening during COVID-19 in Ethiopia with Daniel agness, Pascaline Dupas and Marcel Fafchamps  
Published on IGC website

## Work in Progress

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- o Mix and Match: Consumer Search Costs
- o Selling (Together): Fostering Economies of Scale through Retail Cooperatives with *Luiz Carpizo*
- o Long-term impact of Apprenticeship program in Cote d'Ivoire with *Bruno Crépon & Patrick Premand*
- o Estimating Variances for Panel Data Estimators with *Alexander Almeida, Susan Athey, Guido Imbens & Alexia Olaizola*

## Awards and Honors

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| o Community Impact Award, Stanford Alumni Association      | 2024        |
| o Albion Walter Hewlett Fellowship, Stanford University    | 2021 - 2024 |
| o Best Master's Thesis Award of Master in Economics, ENSAE | 2019        |

## Research Grants

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- o King Center on Global Development, 2025 – \$10,000
- o Researcher Diversification Strategy, IPA West Africa, 2025 \$10,000
- o Structural Transformation and Economic Growth (STEG), 2024 – \$14,000
- o King Center on Global Development, 2023 – \$8,000
- o Weiss Fund, 2023 – \$11,000
- o Weiss Fund for Research in Development Economics, 2020 – \$30,000

## Research Experience

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### Economics Department

**Stanford**

*Research Assistant, supervised by Guido IMBENS*

*Sep 2022– now*

- Developing simulations on R to compare synthetic control methodologies.

### Economics Department

**Stanford**

*Research Assistant, supervised by Melanie MORTEN and Beatriz MAGALONI*

*June 2022–August 2022*

- Piloting activities to prepare the impact evaluation with Mexican migrants applying for H2B visas.

### Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research (SIEPR)

**Stanford**

*Research Manager, supervised by Pascaline DUPAS and Marcel FAFCHAMPS*

*June 2019–June 2021*

- LSMS survey as part of the Stanford African Urbanization panel data collection initiative (SEDRI) in Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire and Addis-Abeba, Ethiopia.

### Centre de Recherche en Economie et STatistique (CREST) / World Bank

**Paris**

*Research Assistant, supervised by Bruno CRÉPON and Patrick PREMAND*

*May 2018–Sep 2018*

- Impact Evaluation of an apprenticeship program in Côte d'Ivoire: study of short-term and long-term economic outcomes.

### Bureau de Coordination de Programmes (BCP)-Emploi / World Bank

**Paris**

*Research Assistant supervised by Alicia MARGUERIE and Patrick PREMAND*

*May 2018–Sep 2018*

- Impact Evaluation of the *PROjet d'Insertion Socio-Economique des populations vulnérables de l'Ouest de la Côte d'Ivoire* (PRISE) using economics of social cohesion outcomes.

## Miscellaneous

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- o **Languages:** FRENCH: Native; ENGLISH: Fluent; SPANISH: Intermediary
- o **Software:** Python, R, Stata, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, QGIS, SurveyCTO
- o **Citizenship:** France

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