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Research Interests: Development Economics, Market Design, Machine Learning

Education

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

- 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

- o Selling (Together): Fostering Economies of Scale through Retail Cooperatives
- 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 |
| o Best Research Internship at the Economics Department of Ecole Polytechnique | 2018 |

Research Grants

- 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

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

- o **Languages:** FRENCH: Native; ENGLISH: Fluent; SPANISH: Intermediary
- o **Software:** Python, R, Stata, L^AT_EX, QGIS, SurveyCTO
- o **Citizenship:** France

Last update: December 2024