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CONTACT INFORMATION

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

PRIMARY International Trade
SECONDARY Industrial Organization, Development, Labor

GRADUATE STUDIES

Université Libre de Bruxelles European Center for Advanced Research in Economics and Statistics (ECARES) PhD Student in Economics	2019 - Ongoing
London School of Economics Center for Economic Performance and Management Department Visiting PhD Student in Economics	2022 - Ongoing

References

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PREVIOUS EDUCATION

Tilburg Universiteit Research Master in Economics, with distinction	2017 - 2019
Universidad Carlos III de Madrid Master in Economic Analysis	2015 - 2017
Università degli Studi di Roma Tor Vergata Bachelor Economics, with distinction	2012 - 2015

JOB MARKET PAPER

[Global Robots](#) (*Best paper prize at ETSG 2023, EGI 2023, Bologna PhD Workshop 2023*)

Abstract: Robots generate concerns about the future of work, leading to calls for regulating their use. The on-going debate centers on the effects of regulation on the production and employment decisions of robot-adopting firms. This paper focuses on supply-side reactions, in an industry where a few multinational enterprises (MNEs) dominate sales and have market power. I provide three contributions. First, I construct a new dataset on the global presence of the major multinational robot sellers, which I use to document novel facts about the robot industry. Second, I develop and estimate a multi-country general equilibrium model featuring oligopolistic competition among these MNEs. Third, I show that MNEs' market entry and pricing reactions amplify by about 40% the aggregate and distributional effects of policies constraining robot adoption, highlighting the importance of considering supply-side adjustments when evaluating the impact of such policies.

WORKING PAPERS

[The Falling Price of Cement in Africa](#) (*Revise and Resubmit at AEJ: Applied Economics*)
with R. Macchiavello and T. Reed

[Multinationals, Robots, and the Labor Share](#) (*Best paper prize at JEI 2021, RIEF 2021, and SIEPI 2022*)

[Multinational Ownership and Trade Participation](#)
with P. Conconi, G. Magerman and C. Thomas

WORK IN PROGRESS

Market Structure, Vertical Integration and Farmers' Welfare in the Costa Rica Coffee Industry
with R. Macchiavello, J.M. Florensa and N. Pavanini

Trade Agreements and the Relationship between Global and Domestic Supply Chains
with P. Conconi, E. Dhyne, G. Magerman, and C. Thomas.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Firms and Markets, The London School of Economics - Master in Economics and Management Spring 2022
TA for Prof. Rocco Macchiavello

Political Economy, Université Libre de Bruxelles - Advanced Master in Political Economy Fall 2021
TA for Prof. Micael Castanheira

International Trade, Université Libre de Bruxelles - Bachelor in Economics Spring 2021
TA for Prof. Mathieu Parenti

Advanced International Trade, Université Libre de Bruxelles - Master in Economics Spring 2021
TA for Prof. Mathieu Parenti

Advanced International Trade, Université Libre de Bruxelles - Master in Economics Spring 2020
TA for Prof. Mathieu Parenti

Dynamic Macroeconomics, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid - Bachelor in Economics Spring 2017
TA for Prof. Luisa Fuster

International Political Economy, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid - Bachelor in Political Science Fall 2016
TA for Prof. Ricardo Mora

RESEARCH GRANTS

F.R.S. - F.N.R.S. ASP Research Fellowship	2022 - 2024
Doctoral Scholarship, ECARES (Université Libre de Bruxelles)	2019 - 2022
Koopmans Scholarship for MRes Students, Tilburg Universiteit	2017 - 2019
Scholarship for Master Students, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid	2015 - 2017
Scholarship for Academic Excellence, Italian Ministry of Economics and Finance	2014 - 2015

RESEARCH AWARDS

Young Economist Best Presentation Award, Bologna PhD Workshop	2023
Best paper prize (Review of World Economics), European Trade Study Group (ETSG)	2023
Best paper prize (Wim Meeusen prize), Economics of Global Interactions Workshop (EGI)	2023
Best paper prize (Fabio Gobbo prize), Società Italiana di Economia e Politica Industriale (SIEPI)	2022
Best paper prize, Research in International Economics and Finance Doctoral Meeting (RIEF)	2021
Best paper prize, Jornadas de Economía Industrial (JEI)	2021
T.E.C.O. Certificate for Outstanding Italian Students, Italian Ministry of Education	2015

TEACHING AWARDS

London School of Economics Class Teacher Awards (Highly Commended)	2022
Outstanding Teaching Award, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid	Fall 2016

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

(Unpaid) Consultant for Instituto del Café de Costa Rica (ICAFE)	Spring 2021
Traineeship (Research Program for Young Researchers) at National Bank of Belgium	2020 - 2021
Research Assistant for G. Magerman	Spring 2020
Research Assistant for “Learning from the Curve - Real Time Analysis of the COVID19”	Fall 2020
Research Assistant for R. Macchiavello, J.M. Florensa and N. Pavanini	Spring 2019

OTHER SERVICES

Co-organizer of the PhD breakfast seminar at ECARES	2020 - 2021
Co-organizer of the Python-do-ECARES reading group on reproducible research	Spring 2020

REFEREEING ACTIVITY

Review of World Economics, International Journal of Industrial Organization, Review of International Economics ($\times 2$), Journal of Law, Economics and Organization ($\times 2$), Review of Political Economy

PRESENTATIONS (PAST AND SCHEDULED)

Applied Young Economists Webinar (AYEW), Transatlantic Doctoral Conference (TADC), ECARES Seminar, 5th QMUL Economics and Finance Workshop, Leuven-Louvain Trade Workshop, Royal Economic Society PhD Conference, LSE International Economics Workshop, Oxford Workshop in International Trade, Workshop on Dynamic Macroeconomics, European Association for Research in Industrial Economics (EARIE), European Economic Association (EEA), International Conference on Economics of Global Interactions (EGI), European Trade Study Group (ETSG), Bologna PhD Workshop, LSE Capabilities, Competition and Innovation Seminars, CEP-Warwick Junior Trade Workshop, Firms, Trade and Productivity Workshop, Alicante Eco Junior Workshop, Cambridge Trade Workshop, Bocconi Trade Tea Seminar, Investment and Competitiveness in a Changing World 2023

FIW Research Conference “International Economics”, LSE International Economics Workshop, ECARES Lunch Seminar, Annual GEP/CEPR Postgraduate Conference, European Meeting of the Urban Economics Association, GEP-CEPR Summer International Trade Workshop, SIEPI Workshop, Barcelona Summer Forum - Applied Industrial Organization, European Research Workshop in International Trade (ERWIT), Workshop on International Economic Networks (WIEN), CORA Conference on Automation and Robotization, EIEF-IGIER-UNIBO Workshop on Industrial Organization 2022

ECARES Lunch Seminar, International Industrial Organization Conference (IIOC), Queen Mary University of London Economics and Finance Workshop for PhD & Post-doctoral Students, Conference on International Economics (CIE), European Economic Association (EEA), Jornadas de Economía Industrial, Young Economist Symposium, RIEF Doctoral Meeting, European Trade Study Group (ETSG), ENTER Jamboree, University College of London PhD Students’ Brown Bag seminar, KIIS Workshop (invited speaker) 2021

ECARES PhD Workshop, Joint PhD Winter Seminar UC Namur, UC Louvain and Saint-Louis 2020

OP-ED

Multinational enterprises, technology transfers, and robot adoption - [The FinReg Blog](#) 2021

Per un ruolo politico dell’Antitrust - [Menabò di Etica e Economia](#) 2019

E se la guerra dei dazi si dovesse vincere in Africa? - [Econopoly \(Il Sole 24 Ore\)](#) 2019

Produzione di dati a mezzo di dati - [Menabò di Etica e Economia](#) 2018

Crisi e ripresa della Lettonia, un successo dell’austerità? - [Economia e Politica](#) 2015

OTHER INFORMATION

Languages	Italian (Native), English (Advanced), Spanish (Advanced), French (Basic)
Programming	Python, R, Matlab, Julia, Stata
Text Editing	L ^A T _E X, Markdown, MS Word
Versioning	Git, GitHub