Deivy Houeix

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Education

Ph.D. in Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)

M.Sc. in Economics, Ecole Polytechnique and ENSAE ParisTech
Valedictorian
Best Master's Thesis Award: "Youth Employment Program and Behavioral Change: The Power of Peer Influence" Advisor: Prof. Bruno Crépon

B.A. in Economics, Ecole Normale Supérieure (ENS) Paris-Saclay
Valedictorian

2019 - current
2015 - 2017
2015

Research Interests

Development Economics, Public Economics, Labor Economics, Behavioral Economics

Relevant Positions

Research Assistant, MIT Prof. Rema Hanna and Prof. Ben Olken	2020
Research Manager, Stanford University Prof. Pascaline Dupas and Prof. Marcel Fafchamps Frequent and extended fieldwork in Côte d'Ivoire and Ethiopia.	2017 - 2019
Research Assistant, World Bank, Development Research Group Dr. Quy-Toan Do Research project on refugees in Italy and Greece.	2016 - 2017
Economic Analyst, Department of Economics of the French Embassy, Israel	2015

Selected Research in Progress

- 1. Digitalization of Local Tax Collection in Côte d'Ivoire (with Pascaline Dupas)
- 2. Measuring Relative Poverty through Peer Rankings: Evidence from Côte d'Ivoire (with Pascaline Dupas, Marcel Fafchamps)
- 3. Technology Adoption and Rent Sharing
- 4. Transaction Costs, Liquidity Constraints, and Barriers to Electricity Access: Evidence from Prepaid Solar Metering Subsidy in Togo (with Paul Brimble, Axel Eizmendi Larrinaga, and Toni Oki)

Other Publications

"Asylum seekers in the European Union: building evidence to inform policy making" (with Mohamed Abdel Jelil, Paul Andres Corral, Anais Dahmani, Maria Davalos, Giorgia Demarchi, Neslihan Demirel, Quy-Toan Do, Rema Hanna, Sara Lenehan, and Harriet Mugera), World Bank Flagship Report, June 2018.

"Urban Development in Africa: Preliminary Report on the Addis Ababa SEDRI Study" (with Girum Abebe, Daniel Agness, Pascaline Dupas, Marcel Fafchamps, Tigabu Getahun), *Working Paper*, April 2018.

Awards, Honors, and Fellowships

MIT Presidential Graduate Fellowship	2019
Best Master's Thesis Award	2017
Full-Ride Academic Scholarship - Elève Normalien	2014 - 2018
Highest grade in Mathematics at the ENS nationwide competitive exam	2014
Valedictorian - Preparatory Classes, BA, and MSc	2014, 2015, and 2017

Research Grants

PEDL Young Scholars Matchmaking Workshop

2021

"Political Connections and Tax Evasion: Building Evidence from Pakistan" (with Naseem Faraz and Florian Grosset)

Digital Identification and Finance Initiative in Africa (JPAL DigiFI Africa)

2020

The Weiss Fund

2020

"Can Digital Payments Spur Formalization? Evidence from Small Businesses in Côte d'Ivoire"

Private Enterprise Development in Low-Income Countries (PEDL)

2019

"Why Do African Firms Underinvest in Management Training? Experimental Evidence from Middle and Large Ethiopian Firms" (with Girum Abebe, Stefano Caria, Pascaline Dupas, Marcel Fafchamps)

Innovations for Poverty Action (IPA) - Research Methods Initiative

2019

"The Value of Peer Rankings for Poverty Measurement" (with Pascaline Dupas, Marcel Fafchamps)

USAID - Development Innovation Ventures (DIV)

2019

IPAL Governance Initiative

2017

"Digitalization of Local Tax Collection in Côte d'Ivoire" (with Pascaline Dupas)

Skills

Software LATEX, Python, QGIS, R, STATA, Julia, SurveyCTO

Languages French (native), English (fluent)