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EDUCATION

Paris Dauphine University

Oct. 2024 – present

PhD in Quantitative Economics - Macroeconomics/Finance

Paris, France

- Topic: AI and Data assets in the Digital Economy A Macroeconomic Perspective
- Supervision: Prof. Lise Patureau

Paris Dauphine University

Aug. 2022 - Jun. 2024

M.Sc. Quantitative Economic Analysis - Research Track Macro/Finance

Paris, France

- Focus: Machine Learning, Macroeconometrics, Advanced Macroeconomics, DSGE/HANK Models
- Thesis: Data assets, business cycles and the skill premium: effects on wage inequality; Prof. Fabien Tripier (18/20)

Institut d'Études Politiques (Sciences Po)

Aug. 2015 – May 2018

M.Sc. International Economic Policy

Paris, France

- Focus: Development Economics, Macroeconomics, International Trade, Political Economy
- Thesis: The rural-urban divide in India's electorate Exploring the case of Gujarat; Prof. Jaffrelot (18/20)

Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich

Oct. 2011 - Jul. 2015

B.A. Communication Sciences and Economics

Munich, Germany

• Focus: Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Statistics, Information Theory, Journalism

Chulalongkorn University

Aug. 2013 – Feb. 2014

Exchange Semester

Bangkok, Thailand

Experience

Data Scientist/Economist

Mar. 2024 - Sept. 2024

Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)

Paris, France

- Design a database on measuring artificial intelligence adoption and governance
- Conduct research on aspects of the digital economy using novel data sources (e.g. Google Trends, Lightcast)
- Manage a team of consultants on data cleaning, structuring and analysis tasks
- Co-lead the OECD R/Python/Git Community of Practice

Researcher/Data Analyst

Oct. 2021 - Feb. 2024

Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)

Paris, France

- Led a research project on identifying data/AI-related jobs using natural language processing
- Designed machine learning methodology to nowcast trade/productivity statistics
- Drafted methodological notes, working papers and statistical handbook chapters
- Presented research and data work at international conferences

Junior Analyst

May 2019 – Sep. 2021

Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)

Paris. France

- Developed a dataset on statistical capacity jointly with the World Bank, UNSD, FAO, UNESCAP
- Conducted data analysis and drafted country reviews/working papers/policy briefs

Teaching Assistant

Oct. 2020 – Aug. 2021

Chair of Development Economics, University of Passau

Passau, Germany

• Prepared reading material, course work, interactive exercises and exams

Project Manager Bertelsmann Foundation

Sep. 2018 – Apr. 2019

• Conducted data analysis on EU innovation policy and governance indicators

Gütersloh/Berlin, Germany

- Wrote working papers/policy briefs and presented results at the EU Commission

Research Assistant

Apr. 2017 – Apr. 2018

Paris, France

French National Centre for Scientific Research (CNRS)

- Collected, cleaned, linked and analysed election and census data using R and QGIS
- Conducted field research in Gujarat, India, and presented results at conferences

Summer Institute in Computational Social Science (SICSS)

Jun. 2025

University College London (UCL)

London, UK

• Training in computational methods for social science, including machine learning, network analysis, NLP

Summer School: Data Economy - Models and Tools

Jul. 2025

Barcelona School of Economics / UPF

Barcelona, Spain

• Training on the economics of data and digital markets, structural modelling and empirical strategies.

Global Management Academy

Jul. 2023

Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)

Paris, France

• Courses on change management, negotiation, relationship building and communication

TECHNICAL AND SOFT SKILLS

Software | Python, R, SQL, STATA, QGIS, eViews, MatLab, Git, Latex

Languages | German (native), English (professional/C2), French (advanced/C1), Spanish (beginner/A2)

Leadership | Nominated by the OECD for the Global Management Academy 2023 for talented future managers

Fellowships and Awards

German National Academic Foundation Government scholarship	Jan. 2016 – Jun. 2018
Carlo Schmid Fellowship Scholarship for internships in international organisations	Oct. $2016 - Apr. 2017$
Max Weber Programme Bavaria Government scholarship	Oct. 2011 – Jul. 2015
Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich Academic Excellence Award	Jul. 2015

Publications and Working Papers

- Schmidt, J., G. Pilgrim and A. Mourougane (2024), Measuring the demand for AI skills in the United Kingdom, OECD Artificial Intelligence Papers, No. 25, OECD Publishing, Paris.
- Schmidt, J., G. Pilgrim and A. Mourougane (2024), Towards a better understanding of data-intensive firms in the United Kingdom, OECD Statistics Working Papers, No. 2024/07, OECD Publishing, Paris.
- Schmidt, J., G. Pilgrim and A. Mourougane (2023), What is the role of data in jobs in the United Kingdom, Canada, and the United States?: A natural language processing approach, OECD Statistics Working Papers, No. 2023/05, OECD Publishing, Paris.
- Dorville, Y. et al. (2025), Towards more timely measures of labour productivity growth, OECD Statistics Working Papers, No. 2025/01, OECD Publishing, Paris.
- Mourougane, A. et al. (2023), Nowcasting trade in value added indicators, OECD Statistics Working Papers, No. 2023/03, OECD Publishing, Paris.

Conference Presentations

- Discussant: Exploring Firm-Level Productivity through Administrative Microdata ESCoE Economic Measurement Webinar Online 30 January 2025. Discussant for presentations by Rosie Oxbury and Liz Gallagher. Link
- Leveraging Natural Language Processing (NLP) to Answer Economic Questions
 Banque de France & OECD Innovation Lab Virtual Conference Online 13 June 2024. Link
- 2nd Workshop on Digital Economics
 University of Cambridge Cambridge, UK November 2023. Agenda
- OECD-KOSTAT Conference on Novel Data for Economic Resilience Seoul, South Korea – September 2023. Agenda
- ESCOE Conference on Economic Measurement London, UK – May 2023. Agenda