

# Kieran Byrne

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## EDUCATION

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### Queen Mary University of London (QMUL)

PhD Economics

*Sep 2028 (expected)*

### London School of Economics & Political Science (LSE)

MSc Economics; *with Distinction*

*Jul 2018*

### University College Dublin (UCD)

BSc Economics & Finance; *First Class Honours*

*Jun 2016*

## EXPERIENCE

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Impact Evaluation Analyst

*Jul 2021 - Sep 2022*

Short Term Consultant

*Oct 2020 - Jun 2021*

### Overseas Development Institute (ODI) Global Fellowship Scheme

Tax Policy Economist, Rwanda Revenue Authority

*Oct 2018 - Oct 2020*

### European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

Research Assistant

*Jun 2018 - Sep 2018*

## GRANTS & AWARDS

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UNU-WIDER & Uganda Revenue Authority (URA) Research Grant

*2025*

IGC Full Research Grant (with F. Kondylis, P. Bachas, L. Zavala)

*2024*

ESRC Doctoral Training Program Studentship (1+3 years)

*2023*

QMUL MRes/PhD Scholarship (2+3 years)

*2022*

World Bank Global Tax Program (with F. Kondylis, C. Dijofack)

*2021*

World Bank Knowledge for Change (with F. Kondylis, J. Loeser)

*2021*

World Bank Research Support Budget (with F. Kondylis, J. Loeser)

*2021*

UCD Quinn School Student of the Year

*2017*

UCD BSc Economics & Finance Stage 2 Scholarship

*2015*

UCD Entrance Scholar

*2013*

## PUBLICATIONS

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K. Byrne, D. Mukama, F. Kondylis and J. Loeser, **A Few Good Masks: Evidence from Mask Manufacturing in Rwanda during the COVID-19 Pandemic**, *Accepted*, Journal of Development Economics 2026

K. Byrne and A. Plekhanov, **Education Reform and Adult Skills: Evidence from Estonia**, Economics of Education Review, vol 82, 2021

## WORKING PAPERS

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K. Byrne, J. Loeser, S. Karpe, F. Kondylis and M. Lang, **Sectoral Heterogeneity in the COVID-19 recovery: Evidence from Rwanda**, CEPR's Shaping Africa's Post-Covid Recovery, 2021

## WORK IN PROGRESS

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K. Byrne, P. Bachas, F. Kondylis, L. Zavala and J. Karangwa, **Technology, Tax, and Domestic Trade: Evidence from Rwanda's Electronic Invoicing Expansion**, 2025

K. Byrne and P. Lakuma, **Fuel Costs and Domestic Trade in Uganda**

K. Byrne, N. Moreau-Kastler, P. Bachas, I. Gidron and M. Parenti, **The Corporate Taxation of Green and Brown Firms**

## PRESENTATIONS

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**2026** UNU-WIDER Uganda (Online)

**2025** University of Copenhagen, UNU-WIDER South Africa, QMUL Applied Micro, QMUL Development Tea

**2024** QMUL Development Tea

**2023** World Bank DIME, IIPF 79th Annual Conference

**2022** Royal Economic Society Symposium of Junior Researchers, 4th Annual International Growth Center (IGC) Research Day Rwanda

## LANGUAGES

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English (Native), German (Fluent), French (Proficient, DELF Level B2)