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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2024 – Assistant Professor in Economics, Department of Economics, **Stockholm University**

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## EDUCATION

2018 – 2024 PhD in Economics, Graduate School of Economics and Social Sciences (GESS), **University of Mannheim**

2023 Visiting PhD Student, **Northwestern University**

2016 – 2018 M.A. in Development Economics, **University of Göttingen**

2017 Visiting Student, **Stellenbosch University**

2011 – 2016 B.A. in International Cultural and Business Studies, **University of Passau**  
B.Sc. in Business Administration and Economics, **University of Passau**

2012 – 2013 Visiting Student, **Laval University**

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## RESEARCH FIELDS

Development Economics, Labor Economics, Public Economics

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## PUBLICATIONS

Tertilt, M., Doepke, M., Hannusch A. and Montenbruck, L. (2022). **The Economics of Women's Rights**, *Journal of European Economic Association*, 20(6), 2271-2316.

Lenz, L., Montenbruck, L., and Sievert, M. (2018). **Accidents Caused by Kerosene Lamps—New Evidence from African Household Data**. *Wiley Interdisciplinary Reviews: Energy and Environment*, 7(4).

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## WORKING PAPERS

**Fiscal Exchange and Tax Compliance: Strengthening the Social Contract Under Low State Capacity** (*Job market paper*)

**Easy, Informative, and Cheap? On the Effectiveness of Interactive Voice Response Calls**, with Alexandra Avdeenko, Jakob Gärtner, Marc Gillaizeau, Ghida Karbala, Giulia Montresor, and Atika Pasha

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## WORK IN PROGRESS

**On the Road to Female Empowerment: Evidence from the Free Public Transport Program in New Delhi**, with Cristina Cibir

**Public Service Provision and Political Participation**

**Gender Matters. Biases in Self-Reported Plot Size Data**

**The Power of Faith: Effects of an Imam-led Information Campaign on Labor Supply and Social Interactions**, with Alexandra Avdeenko, Jakob Gärtner, Marc Gillaizeau, Ghida Karbala, Giulia Montresor, Atika Pasha, and Galina Zudenkova

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## RESEARCH GRANTS

International Growth Centre (IGC) Small Project Funding, project code SLE-21175 (£19,996)

International Growth Centre (IGC) Early Career Grant, project code SLE-22083 (£16,491)

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## CONFERENCES AND INVITED SEMINARS

**2024:** Kiel-CEPR African Economic Development Conference (Berlin, scheduled), German Development Economics Conference (Hannover), CSAE conference (Oxford), CERGE-EI, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, University of Exeter, Stockholm University, Geneva Graduate Institute, University of Glasgow, Vienna University of Economics and Business, University of Vienna

**2023:** University of Mannheim Alumni Conference (Mannheim), CRC Retreat, OXDEV workshop (Oxford), Meeting of Young Economists (Turin), EEA-ESEM Congress (Barcelona), International Conference on Development Economics (ICDE, Paris), Nordic Conference in Development Economics (NCDE, Gothenburg), Northwestern University Development Lunch Seminar, Northwestern University Applied Micro Lunch Seminar

**2022:** Frankfurt-Heidelberg-Mannheim Workshop in Development Economics (Heidelberg), CRC Retreat, Conference on Applied Development Economics (Lahore, online), HeiKaMaxY (Mannheim), IGC/ACES Summer School in Political Economy (London)

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## AFFILIATIONS

Member of the Collaborative Research Center (CRC) Transregio 224

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## SCHOLARSHIPS

2022, 2024	Women go abroad scholarship, University of Mannheim
2019 – 2021	Scholarship for doctoral studies funded by the Freudenberg foundation
2018 – 2019	DFG Scholarship for doctoral studies

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## LANGUAGES

German (Mother tongue), English (Fluent), French (Fluent), Spanish (Advanced), Italian (Intermediate)

## COMPUTER SKILLS

Stata, LaTeX, R, SurveyCTO

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## REFERENCES

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