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EDUCATION

PhD in Economics 2017 - early 2024

Essays on the Economics of Inclusion: Immigrants, Gender and Forgotten Places

Supervisor: Prof. José Tavares

Nova School of Business and Economics

Visiting PhD student at Sciences Po 02/2022 - 04/2022

Master in Economics 2014 - 2016

Major in Public Policy

Nova School of Business and Economics

Undergraduate degree in Economics 2011 - 2014

Nova School of Business and Economics

Exchange Program at Aarhus School of Business and Social Sciences Fall 2013

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Primary fields: Political Economy, Economics of Minorities, Public Policy

AFFILIATIONS

Economics for Policy Knowledge Center (Nova SBE)

2022 - Present

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant 2022-Present

Supervisor: Prof. Francesco Franco

Evaluation of public policies in an intergenerational perspective

Invited Teaching Assistant - Grader

2018-2020, Spring 2023-Present

Nova School of Business and Economics

Economics of Poverty, Public Finance, Seminar on Current Economic and Financial Issues, Politics for Policy (MSc), Empirical Methods for Finance (MSc); Macroeconomics, Global Business Environment (BSc)

Research Assistant 2016-2017

Supervisor: Prof. Teresa Bago d'Uva (Erasmus University Rotterdam)

Project "Social Mobility in Portugal".

Economic analyst for Portugal Economy Probe

2015

Summer intern

POLICY RESEARCH

Fernandes, M.; Francisco, M.; Franco, F. 2023. Non-adjustment of the pensions according to law 53-B/2006 Nova SBE Economics for Policy Knowledge Center

Fernandes, M.; Francisco, M.; Franco, F. 2023. Sustainable employment commitment *Nova SBE Economics for Policy Knowledge Center*

Bago d'Uva, T. and Fernandes, M. 2017. Mobilidade social em Portugal Fundação Francisco Manuel dos Santos

Fernandes, M; Santos, S. and Gouveia, A. 2016. The empirics of agglomeration economies: the link with productivity. *GEE Papers n. 67*

COMPLEMENTARY EDUCATION

1st Machine Learning Porto Summer School

2021

Católica Porto Business School

Big Data (with R)

2019

Instituto de Ciências Sociais, Universidade de Lisboa

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Fundação para a Ciência e Tecnologia (FCT) Graduate Scholarship Socrates/Erasmus scholarship (EU)

2017-2022

2013

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

2023 22nd Journées Louis-André Gérard-Varet, 16th Annual Meeting of the Portuguese Economic Journal, European Public Choice Society, Lisbon Micro Group (x2), Nova SBE Applied Micro Lunch 2022 Nova SBE PhD Research Meeting

2021 36th Annual Conference of the Italian Association of Labour Economists, 14th Annual Meeting of the Portuguese Economic Journal, 14th Spanish Labour Economics Meeting, SOEP Brown Bag Seminar

2020 Nova SBE PhD Research Meeting (x2)

REFEREE SERVICE

Economic Modelling

OTHER INFORMATION

Software Stata, Python, R, Latex, MS Office

Language Portuguese (native), English (fluent), French (intermediate)

Nationality Portuguese

RESEARCH - WORKING PAPERS

When Women Run Against Men: Evidence from Political Platforms

Do female and male candidates differ in their political platforms? Do they adjust their content to their opponents gender? Using individual political platforms from legislative elections in France, I combine computational text analysis with a regression discontinuity design setup in the two-round French legislative elections to understand political platform content differences between women and men. I find that women present themselves closer to the party line and give more salience to topics such as security and foreign policy. This is a strategic response, as I causally determine that when women run against a man, as opposed to a woman, they give more prevalence to male-stereotypical topics. However, once elected, women address issues like health and education when compared to male colleagues. In contrast, when male politicians run against women, they adapt their platforms more marginally.

Ne me quitte pas! School closures and the rise of far-right in France with José Tavares School closures and consolidation is a policy advocated in several OECD countries. This paper studies the impact of school closures on far-right votes in France between 1995 and 2022. Using a matched difference-in-differences design, we causally show that votes on the Rassemblement National increased

by 0.713 percentage points in the first election in municipalities where the only school closed. This effect grows in the next three elections and reaches 1.818 percentage points. We show that voters leaving the municipality cannot explain this effect. However, we provide suggestive evidence that the increase was higher in places that initially voted more for the far-right. In municipalities with more than one school, an effect does not seem to exist, showing that citizens are concerned with the accessibility of public service.

The effects of non-cognitive skills on the native-migrant labour market gap

Are there differences in non-cognitive skills between natives and immigrants that explain part of the native-immigrant wage gap? Using the German Socio-Economic Panel survey, I start by finding that natives and first-generation immigrants significantly differ on non-cognitive skills (Big Five Factor, locus of control, reciprocity and life goals). Immigrants outperform natives in terms of life goals, including importance of success, but under-perform in terms of external locus of control and emotional stability. Immigrants' skills seem to be stable during their stay in the country. I conclude that differences in the Big Five Factor and locus of control explain 19 and 13 percent of the wage gap, while life goals tend to decrease it by 10 and 6 percent, respectively, for males and females. For comparison, human capital variables explain 39 and 13 percent of the wage gap, for men and women.

REFERENCES

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