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SUMMARY

I am an experienced researcher with over 10 years' background in think tanks, policy development and consultancy. I am currently a **Research Fellow** at LSE's **Spatial Economics Research Centre** and at **LSE Cities**, and have just submitted my **PhD** to the **LSE's Geography Department**. I am an **Associate** at the **Centre for Cities**, which I co-founded, and the think tanks **Demos** and the **Institute for Public Policy Research**.

My **major research interests** are urban economics, innovation systems, the economics of immigration and diversity, and public policy for cities.

ACADEMIC

2007-2011	PhD Economic Geography and Spatial Economics ESRC CASE +3 Award, in partnership with DCLG LSE Research Studentship Award Supervisors: Henry Overman, Ian Gordon	LSE
2009	Visiting Scholar Based in Institute of Urban and Regional Development ESRC Overseas University Visit Award	UC Berkeley
1997-1998	MSc Social Policy and Planning Awarded: Distinction Titmuss Prize for outstanding achievement	LSE
1994-1997	BA (Hons) Politics, Philosophy and Economics Awarded: 2:1. Scholar, Oriel College	Oxford University

EMPLOYMENT

2010 –	Research Fellow, Spatial Economics Research Centre and LSE Cities Academic and public policy work for two of LSE's leading research centres. Research projects on comparative innovation systems, including an ESPON/FP7-funded project on proximities and collaborative knowledge generation, with Riccardo Crescenzi and Andrés Rodríguez-Pose. Also managing SERC's communications and outreach strategy, including policy briefings, social media, forward planning.
2007-2010	Policy Adviser, Department of Communities and Local Government Working for Director of Analysis and Innovation, delivered advice and analysis including on Department strategic reviews of localism, regeneration / economic development, Thames Gateway and immigration policy.
2004-7	Senior Researcher, Centre for Cities The Centre is one of the UK's leading voices on urban policy. Led the research programme, managing several projects. Fundraising and bid-writing, delivering projects for clients including NESTA, British Property Federation, OECD, John Lewis Partnership. Played a key role in launching the Centre, media and stakeholder management, long-term strategy. Line manager to two staff.

- 2004** **Consultant Senior Research Fellow, Institute for Public Policy Research**
Led development of the Centre for Cities. Developed Centre's outline aims and objectives, built relationships with key stakeholders in Government and private sector, managed sponsor relationships, line-managed two researchers.
- 2000-2004** **Senior Researcher / Consultant, Work Foundation**
Researcher in a consultancy environment. Responsibilities included fundraising, bid-writing, research design and delivery. Lead researcher in 3-year iSociety project funded by Microsoft and PwC. Projects on urban policy, workplaces, skills for Manchester City Council, DTI, Marks & Spencer.
- 1998-2000** **Research Assistant, Centre for Local Economic Strategies**
Consultancy and research on economic development and regeneration. Clients include Manchester City Council, Derby City Council, NWDA.
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TEACHING

- 2010-2012** **LSE GY305 Applied Spatial and Location Analysis**
Seminars and classes on globalisation, housing markets, peer/neighbourhood effects, spatial mismatch, crime and cities, economics of immigration
2010/11: average overall student satisfaction score 92.5/100
- 2010-2012** **GY350 Independent Research Project Adviser**
Supervising five undergraduate dissertations per year
2010/11: average grade 62, two distinctions
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JOURNALS / REFEREEING & EDITORIAL

Referee, Journal of Economic Geography, Economic Geography, Environment & Planning C
Editorial Board, International Journal of Knowledge-Based Development

MEDIA / OTHER AFFILIATIONS

Extensive broadcast/print experience including CNN, News 24, Sky News, ITN, BBC Radio 4 and Radio 5 Live, FT, Guardian, Mirror, Telegraph, Prospect, regional/local/specialist outlets

ONS Virtual Microdata Lab and Secure Data Service approved researcher
Research Advisory Board member, Centre for Cities
Associate, Centre for London at Demos
Visiting Fellow, Institute for Public Policy Research

REFEREES

Professor Henry Overman

Director, Spatial Economics Research Centre, London School of Economics
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Sir Derek Morris

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Stephen Aldridge

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ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Journal articles

'After Florida: From Technology, Talent and Tolerance to an economics of diversity', forthcoming in *European Urban and Regional Studies*.

'East London Tech City: Ideas without a Strategy?' (2011) *Local Economy*, 26:3, pp 197-202.

'Cultural diversity and innovation in London: Evidence from firm-level data' (2010) (with N. Lee). *International Journal of Knowledge-Based Development*, 1:1/2, pp 53-78.

'Innovation and the city' (2008) (with G. Athey, S. Mahroum and C. Webber). *Innovation: Management, Policy and Practice* 10, pp 156-169.

'The Wrong Stuff: Creative Class theory in UK cities' (2007) *Canadian Journal of Regional Science*, Autumn, pp 127-148.

'Beyond City Living' (2006) (with R. Unsworth). *Built Environment*, 32:3, pp 235-249.

'Them and Us: Britain and the European City' (2006) (with A. Marshall), *Public Policy Research*, 13:2, pp 109-188.

Chapters in edited books

'Fixing Broken Suburbs' (2009) in P. Hall (ed) *Housing and Growth in Suburbia*, London: Smith Institute/HCA.

'Creative Class Theory and Economic Performance in UK Cities' (2008) in T.Yigitcanlar et al (eds) *Creative Urban Regions*, Hershey: IGI Global.

'Wrong in the Right Way?' (2007) in G Lovink and N Rossiter (eds) *MyCreativity Reader*, Amsterdam: Institute of Network Cultures.

Working papers / pending submission

'A Social Silicon Valley? Comparing innovation and growth trajectories in Greater Munich and the San Francisco Bay Area' (with Philippe Rode and Anne von Streit)

'Do Inventors Talk to Strangers? How spatial, social, institutional and ethnic proximity shapes collaborative knowledge creation' (with Riccardo Crescenzi and Andrés Rodríguez-Pose)

'Ethnic Inventors, Diversity and Innovation: Evidence from patents microdata', (2011), *Spatial Economics Research Centre Discussion Paper SERCDP0093*, London: LSE.

Does Cultural Diversity Help Innovation in Cities? Evidence from London Firms (2011) (with N. Lee), *Spatial Economics Research Centre Discussion Paper SERCDP0069*, London: LSE.

The Economics of Superdiversity: Evidence from British Cities 2001-6 (2011), *Spatial Economics Research Centre Discussion Paper SERCDP0068*, London: LSE.

The Long Term Impacts of Migration: Diversity, wages, employment and prices (2011), *ESRC Spatial Economics Research Centre Discussion Paper SERCDP0067*, London: LSE.

The Long Term Impacts of Migration on UK Cities (2010), *LSE Migration Studies Unit Working Paper 10/09*, London: LSE.

Policy reports and consultancy (selected)

Towards a Green Economy: Cities: Investing in energy and resource efficiency (2011) (With P. Rode, R. Burdett et al). UN Environment Programme, Nairobi: UNEP.

Munich: Staying Ahead on Innovation (2010) (With P. Rode, G. Kippenberg et al). LSE Cities / Brookings Metro Program Next Urban Economy Report, London: LSE.

Your Place or Mine: The local economics of migration (2008). London: ippr.

A Twenty-First Century Peabody Community (with D Ben-Galim and N Newman) (2008). London: ippr (for Peabody Trust)

Innovation and the City (2007) (with G. Athey, C. Glossop et al). London: NESTA.

City People: City Centre Living in the UK (2006) (with C. Urwin). London: Centre for Cities.

Would You Live Here? Making the Growth Areas communities of choice (2006) (with J Bennett, C Murray and C Urwin). London: ippr

Getting By, Not Getting On: Technology in UK workplaces (2003) (with G Carpenter, L Ferguson, H Knox and S Roberts). London: The Work Foundation.

Manchester: Ideopolis? (2002) (with A Westwood). London: The Work Foundation.

Reality IT: Technology in everyday life (2002) (with J Crabtree and R Reeves). London: TWF.

Getting Attached: New routes to full employment (2001). London: Fabian Society

The New Regionalism (2000) (with H Roberts). Manchester: CLES.

Book reviews

'World City, by Doreen Massey' (2008) *Renewal*, 15:4.

'Jigsaw Cities, by Anne Power and John Haughton' (2007) *Journal of Urban Regeneration and Renewal*, 1:2.

CONFERENCES AND SEMINAR PAPERS (selected)

2011 'Migrant inventors, diversity and innovation', invited speaker at COMPAS seminar, *Filling the Gaps on the Impacts of Immigration*, Oxford, 26 May.

2011 'The Long Term Impacts of Migration in UK cities' Regional Studies Association Annual Conference, Newcastle, 17-20 April.

2011 'Beyond Wrong and Right: Reconfiguring Talent, Technology and Tolerance', Association of American Geographers Conference, Seattle, 12-16 April.

- 2011 'The Long Term Impacts of Migration in UK cities' NORFACE/UCL Conference, *Migration: Economic Challenge, Social Change* London, 6-9 April.
- 2010 'Ethnic Inventors, Patents and Cities: evidence from microdata', RSA Conference *Regions in a Shifting Global Landscape*, Manchester, 2 November.
- 2010 'Does Cultural Diversity Help Innovation in Cities?', SERC Annual Conference, London, 6-7 May.
- 2010 'Does Cultural Diversity Help Innovation? Evidence from London Firms', AAG Conference, Washington DC, 14-18 April.
- 2009 'The Long Term Impacts of Migration in UK cities: Diversity, Wages, Employment and Prices' North American Meeting, Regional Science Association International, San Francisco, 19-21 November.
- 2008 'Counting Cranes: Economic Geography and Urban Housing Markets', UCL Urban Lab Workshop on 'The Architecture and Culture of Financial Crisis', London, 24 October.
- 2008 'Open Cities: Exploring ethnic/cultural diversity and economic performance in UK cities', ERSA Conference, Liverpool, 27-31 August.
- 2008 'Does Diversity Make Cities More Prosperous?' Intercultural Cities Conference, Liverpool, 1-3 May.
- 2007 'Who Lives Here? Cities, Housing, Planning', LSE Cities Programme / CABI invited seminar series, 15 February.
- 2003 'Social Exclusion and the Labour Market', Prime Minister's Strategy Unit/Social Exclusion Unit seminar, London, 15 July.
- 2002 'The State of the Office' (2002), RSA / Pfizer Lecture, Reigate, 17 September.
- 2001 'Employment, Place and Identity: A Study of Hypermobile Professionals', Work, Employment and Society conference, Nottingham, 10-12 September.