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German Nationality

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Currently

Junior Professor for Macroeconomics at Hamburg University since 09/2015 Positive Midterm Evaluation ('Zwischenevaluation') in 08/2018

**EDUCATION** 

Johann-Wolfgang-Goethe Universität Frankfurt, 2008 - 2014

Ph.D. in Economics (Summa Cum Laude)

Structured Ph.D. Program with Fields: Macroeconomics, Econometrics Ph.D. Thesis: Econometric Advances in the Analysis of Income Inequality Within

and Between Countries

**ESCP-EAP European School of Management**, London-Madrid-Paris, 2005-08

Master of Science in Management (Distinction) and Diplôme de Grande Ecole (Félicitations du Jury) : Multinational program - 3 countries, 3 languages Master's thesis: How Higher Moments Affect Portfolio Choice under Prospect Theory

Rheinische-Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn, 2003-2005

Vordiplom (Undergraduate Studies) in Economics with mark 1,4 ('excellent')

Städtisches Gymnasium Rheinbach, 1994-2003

Abitur (equivalent to A-Level) with mark 1,0 ('excellent')

Professional Experience Johann-Wolfgang-Goethe-Universität Frankfurt, Aug. 2009- July 2015 Research Assistant at the Chair of International Macroeconomics & Macroeconometrics (Prof. Michael Binder, Ph.D.)

ESCP-EAP European School of Management, Paris, May - July 2008 Student Assistant at the Finance Chair (Prof. Dr. Emmanuel Jurczenko)

Commerzbank España, Madrid, April - July 2007

Intern in Risk Management

JPMorgan, London, May - August 2006 Intern in Equity Derivatives

Rheinische-Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn, Oct 2004 - March 2005 Student Assistant at the Business Economics Chair (Prof. Dr. Klaus Sandmann)

#### RESEARCH

## RESEARCH FIELDS

Empirical Macroeconomics and Applied Econometrics:

- Long-run economic growth and economic development
- Income inequality
- Regional economics
- Urban economics

# RESEARCH GRANTS

• German Research Foundation (DFG) Grant for Shining (New) Light on Regional Inequality, Convergence and Development.

Principal investigator, jointly with Richard Bluhm and Christian Lessmann.

Total project funding for 3 years (2017-2020): 569,000 Euro (individual share: 185,200 Euro)

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Convergence vs. The Middle Income Trap: The Case of Global Soccer (with Stefan Szymanski), *Applied Economics* 51(27), 2019, pp.2980-2999
- The Millennium Peak in Club Convergence A New Look at Distributional Changes in the Wealth of Nations,

  Journal of Applied Econometrics 32(3), 2017, pp.621-642
- Parametric Lorenz Curves and the Modality of the Income Density Function, Review of Income and Wealth 60(4), 2014, pp.905-929

# Working Papers

- Top Lights Bright Cities and Their Contribution to Economic Development (with Richard Bluhm), CESifo Working Paper 7411.
- Population, Light, and the Size Distribution of Cities (with Christian Düben), ECINEQ Working Paper 2019-488.
- Rising Mean Incomes for Whom? (with Liang Frank Shao), *LIS Working Paper* 753.

# WORK IN PROGRESS

- Regional Convergence at the County Level: The Role of Commuters (with Sebastian Kripfganz)
- Geography, Institutions and Cities Insights from Chinese Dynasties (with Christian Düben)
- Density, City Structure, and Pollution: A Global View (with David Castells-Quintana and Elisa Dienesch)
- Climate Change and the Spatial Distribution of Population and Economic Activity (with David Castells-Quintana and Tom McDermott)
- Growth and Spatial Inequality (with Richard Bluhm and Christian Lessmann)
- When is Inequality Detrimental to Growth? Perspectives from a Novel Cross-Country Approach (with Michael Binder)

# SMALLER NOTES

• Corrigendum to "Elliptical Lorenz Curves" [J. Econom. 40 (1989) 327 - 338], Journal of Econometrics 174, 2013, p.44

# Conference Organization

Workshop on Geo Data in Economics, Hamburg, Germany, 05/2019 Local organizer of the two-day conference with keynote speakers David Weil (Brown University) and Maxim Pinkovskiy (Federal Reserve Bank New York) Conference Presentations 1st FDZ Ruhr Regional Disparity Workshop, Essen, Germany 09/2019
59th European Regional Science Congress, Lyon, France, 08/2019
Urban Economics Conference, Amsterdam, Netherlands, 06/2019
12th CESifo Workshop on Political Economy, Dresden, Germany, 11/2018
Jahrestagung des Vereins für Socialpolitik, Freiburg, Germany, 09/2018
58th European Regional Science Congress, Cork, Ireland, 08/2018
Workshop on GeoData and Economics, Braunschweig, Germany, 05/2018
Urban Economics Conference, Düsseldorf, Germany, 05/2018
Royal Economic Society Conference, University of Sussex, Brighton, UK, 03/2018

7th ECINEQ Meeting, New York City, US, 07/2017

Jahrestagung des Vereins für Socialpolitik, Augsburg, Germany, 09/2016

IARIW Conference, Dresden, Germany, 08/2016

EEA-ESEM Congress, Geneva, Switzerland, 08/2016

Jahrestagung des Vereins für Socialpolitik, Münster, Germany, 09/2015

Spring Meeting of Young Economists, Ghent, Belgium, 05/2015

1st Conference of the International Association of Applied Econometrics, London, UK, 06/2014

Spring Meeting of Young Economists, Vienna, Austria, 04/2014

24th (EC)<sup>2</sup> Conference - Econometric Analysis of Mixed Frequency Data, Nicosia, Cyprus, 12/2013

Jahrestagung des Vereins für Socialpolitik, Göttingen, Germany, 09/2012 International Atlantic Economic Society Conference, Istanbul, Turkey, 03/2012

RGS Doctoral Conference in Economics, Duisburg, Germany, 02/2012

SEMINAR PRESEN-TATIONS Helmut-Schmidt-University Hamburg, Germany, Empirical Research Seminar, 02/2019

University of Cologne, Germany, Econometrics Seminar, 06/2018 University of Hannover, Germany, Brown Bag Seminar, 11/2017

Monash University Melbourne, Australia, Development Economics Seminar, 08/2017

University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia, Economics Seminar, 08/2017 Griffith University Gold Coast, Australia, Economics Seminar, 08/2017

WU Vienna, Austria, Macroeconomics Seminar, 06/2017

University of Umeå, Sweden, Economics Seminar, 03/2017

University of Kiel, Germany, Econometrics Seminar, 05/2016

University of Hamburg, Germany, Labour Economics Seminar, 10/2015 Goethe University Frankfurt, Germany, Money and Macro Brown Bag Seminar 07/2014, 11/2013, 10/2011

SEMINAR ORGANIZATION

# Hamburg University

- Research Seminar in Quantitative Economics: Co-Organization in the Summer Semester 2019, Winter Semester 2018/19, Summer Semester 2018, Winter Semester 2017/18, Summer Semester 2017, Winter Semester 2016/17, Summer Semester 2016, Winter Semester 2015/16.
- Doctoral Seminar in Economics: Organization in the Summer Semester 2019, Winter Semester 2018/19, Summer Semester 2018, Winter Semester 2017/18, Summer Semester 2017.

Co-Organization in the Winter Semester 2016/17, Summer Semester 2016.

# SUMMER/ WINTER SCHOOLS

- 9th Winter School on Inequality and Social Welfare Theory, Alba di Canazei (Dolomites), organized by University of Verona, Italy, 01/2014
- New Developments in Panel Methods Summer School with lectures by Jeffrey M. Wooldridge, Mainz, Germany, 08/2013
- The Jerusalem Summer School in Economic Growth, Jerusalem, Israel, 06/2011

#### TEACHING

# Courses Taught

### Hamburg University

- Lecturer of Applied Time Series and Panel Data Econometrics (Master's level): Winter Semester 2018/19, 2017/18, 2016/17.
- Lecturer of *Economic Growth and Income Distribution* (Undergraduate level): Summer Semester 2019, Summer Semester 2018, Winter Semester 2016/17, 2015/16.
- Lecturer of the seminar *Long-Run Economic Development* (Undergraduate level): Summer Semester 2016.
- Lecturer of Applied Econometrics II (Undergraduate level): Summer Semester 2016.

## Johann-Wolfgang-Goethe-Universität, Frankfurt am Main

- Discussion session instructor of  $Macroeconomics\ I$  (Undergraduate level): Winter Semester 2014/15, 2013/14, 2012/13, Summer Semester 2012.
- Teaching assistant of tutorial groups in *Macroeconomics I* (Undergraduate level): Winter Semester 2011/12, Summer Semester 2011, 2009.
- Teaching assistant of the macroeconometrics course *International Money and Finance* (Master's level), Winter Semester 2010/11.
- Pre-Semester course instructor of *Real Analysis* (Ph.D. and Research Master level), September 2010.

### Rheinische-Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität, Bonn

• Teaching Assistant of *Production Theory* (Undergraduate level), Winter Semester 2004/05.

# THESIS SUPERVISION

#### Ph.D. Thesis Supervision (Hamburg University)

• Ongoing: Christian Düben

#### Master's Thesis Supervision (Hamburg University)

- 2019: Bora Lee, Mitchel Graves, Zhexin Zhang
- 2018: Eva Cordts, Yagmur Kurtoglu
- 2017: Mengchao Zhang, Adeoye Oyekan, Yan Stegert, Claudia Hernández
- 2016: Logan Carlson

### Bachelor Thesis Supervision (Hamburg University)

- 2019: David Andjelkovic, Lennart Dühren, Phuong Duy Ha, Àlvaro Andrés Grabau
- 2018: Clemens Lehner, Nina Morgenstern, Steven Schlicker, Cheng Huo, Malte Christophersen, Nadine Scherer

- 2017: Steven Ficht, Alexander Weis, Raphael Layer, Nadjim Sarwary, Arber Mehmeti, Christina Preuße, Niklas Pätzold, Frederik Moorkamp
- 2016: Tim Wunderlich, Eugen Bill, Tina-Marie Jung, Moritz Lamparter, Olesja Ischanow

#### MISCELLANEOUS

## Awards and Honors

'Nachhaltigkeits-Patin' for the Sustainable Development Goal "Decreasing Inequalities" by Hamburg University, 11/2018
Official recognition by the university president and 5000 euros funding for

sustainability-related projects

Invitation to Participate in the 5th Lindau Nobel Laureate Meeting, Lindau, Germany, 08/2014

Premier Prix du Mémoire de Recherche, Paris, France, 12/2008 Prize for the best master's thesis of the year, awarded by Fondation ESCP-EAP

#### Refereeing

Review of Income and Wealth, Journal of Economic Inequality, World Development, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, Canadian Journal of Economics, Review of International Organizations, Applied Economics, Statistica Neerlandica, Economies, Sustainability

# Skills: Language Skills:

- German (mother tongue)
- English (fluent)
- French (fluent)
- Spanish (fluent)
- Norwegian (intermediate)
- Hebrew (basic)
- Polish (basic)

#### **Programming Skills:**

- STATA and Mata in STATA (good)
- MatLab (good)
- Python (good)
- R (basic)

Hamburg, 30 September 2019