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Research & policy topics: Trade policy, international trade, supply chains, trade finance, sustainable finance
Nationalities: French, Czech

Professional Experiences

Finance For Development Lab - CEPREMAP

France

Senior economist

November 2025 - Today

- Lead and coordinate applied quantitative research on development finance, trade and debt sustainability, with a focus on low- and middle-income countries.
- Build and maintain harmonised trade, capital flow and firm-level databases for policy analysis.
- Conduct empirical analysis on trade finance, FDI and supply chains, contributing to policy-relevant reports for public institutions and international stakeholders.
- Coordinate analytical workstreams and supervise research assistants.

Joint Research Centre of the European Commission

Italy

Economist - Economics & Financial Resilience Team

September 2022 - September 2025

- Undertook quantitative policy analysis on sustainable finance, firms' financing conditions and competitiveness in the EU and emerging economies.
- Coordinated analytical support to the EU Platform on Sustainable Finance, including the development of quantitative indicators to monitor sustainable capital flows.
- Analysed the impact of climate change and climate-related shocks on supply chains, firm resilience and adaptation.
- Drafted and presented policy reports and briefs for EU institutions, engaging EU and international stakeholders through workshops and policy events.

Coface

France

Economist - Country-risk analyst

October 2017 - July 2022

- Conducted research on international macroeconomics, trade dynamics and firm behaviour to inform country risk assessments.
- Developed and analysed firm-level trade credit network databases to monitor globally trade linkages and shock propagation.
- Performed country risk analysis and macroeconomic monitoring of emerging economies, including trade vulnerabilities.
- Contributed to the design of country risk assessment methodologies.

Education

Aix-Marseille School of Economics

France

PhD in Economics

November 2018 - May 2022

Paris Dauphine University

France

Master of Arts: International Economics and Development

September 2017 - September 2018

Sciences-Po Paris

France

MRes in Economics, Specialisation in International Trade

September 2015 - September 2017

Sciences-Po Paris

France

Bachelor of Arts: Social Sciences (Economics Major)

September 2012 - September 2015

Research and Policy Publications

Peer-Reviewed Publications

US Monetary Policy Spillovers to Emerging Markets: the Trade Credit Channel – with Maéva Silvestrini, Journal of International Economics (Volume 155, May 2025)

Working Papers

Trade Networks and Natural Disasters – with Timothée Gigout

JRC Working Papers in Economics and Finance, JRC133099, 2023 - under rev. at the European Economic Review

Cross-Sector Interactions in Western Europe: Lessons From Trade Credit Data

AMSE Working Papers, hal-03667832, 2022

Policy Reports and Briefs.....

June 2025: JRC Science for Policy Brief (JRC 142 344) – *The financing of EU firms for green competitiveness*

April 2024: JRC report 136925 – *Towards a framework to monitor finance for green investment*

September 2023: SUERF Policy Brief No 680 – *US Monetary Policy Spillovers To Emerging Markets: The Role of Trade Credit*

May 2020: Coface Study – *World Trade - despite a sudden interruption, global value chains still have a bright future*

October 2018: Coface Study – *US Trade Protectionism: What Are the Knock-On Effects on Global Value Chains?*

Work-in-progress.....

Natural Disasters and Firms' Global Value Chain Adaptation – with Andrea Ciani, Filippo Maria D'Arcangelo & Elena Zaurino

Trade Uncertainty Propagation in Firms' Networks – with Anna Farrugia

Are corporate Climate Pledges Rewarded? Evidence from Bond and Loan Markets – with Giacomo Cotignano & Serena Fatica

Sustainable Finance in MENA countries – Book chapter with Lucia Alessi, Annette Becker & Caterina Rho

Skills

Programming: *R, Stata, Python, VBA, Microsoft Office Package*

Languages: French (Native), English (Fluent), Spanish (Fluent), Italian (Fluent), Czech (Basics), Arabic (Basics)

References

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Portfolio Leader

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