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CURRENT POSITIONS

Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Alicante	Fall 2021-Present
Research Coordinator, Measures for Advancing Gender Equality (MAGNET)	2021 - Present

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Economics, Georgetown University, Washington DC	2015 - 2021
Dissertation title: <i>Essays on gender and development economics</i>	
Committee: <i>Garance Genicot, Martin Ravallion, Andrew Zeitlin</i>	
MA Economics, New York University, NY	2011 - 2013
BS Economics, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, Spain	2007 - 2011

PUBLICATIONS

Genicot, G. and Hernandez-de-Benito, M., 2022. Women's land rights and village institutions in Tanzania. *World Development*, 153, p.105811.

WORKING PAPERS

This Is a Man's World: Crime and Women's Bargaining Power (Submitted)

Firstborn Girls and Family Structure: Evidence from Sub-Saharan Africa (with Garance Genicot)

The Gendered Impacts of COVID-19 on Small Businesses: Evidence from Kenya (with Julian Jamison, Abla Safir, and Bilal Zia)

POLICY REPORTS

Measuring Women's Goal-Setting and Decision-Making. Gender Innovation Lab, World Bank Group 2021.

Measuring Women's Control Over Assets. Gender Innovation Lab, World Bank Group 2021.

Measuring Women's Sense of Control and Efficacy. Gender Innovation Lab Washington, World Bank Group 2021.

The interplay of statutory and customary laws on land rights in Tanzania. EDI Research Insights. 2019.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE AND OTHER EMPLOYMENT

Short Term Consultant, Gender Innovation Lab, World Bank	2021
Senior Research Associate: COVID-19 Gendered Impacts, Innovations for Poverty Actions	2020 - 2021
Research Assistant, Prof. Garance Genicot, Georgetown University	2017 - 2019
Field work in Tanzania, Georgetown University	2017 - 2018
Analyst, NERA Economics Consulting (New York, USA)	2013 - 2015
Economics Intern, Latam. Roubini Global Economics (New York, USA)	2012 - 2013
Summer Analyst at Market Risk Management and Analysis, Goldman Sachs (New York, USA)	2012
Research Assistant, Prof. Luis C. Corchon, Universidad Carlos III Madrid (Spain)	2010-2011
Microfinance and Social Business Internship, Hindusthan Microfinance LTD (Mumbai, India)	2010

RESEARCH GRANTS

“Evaluating the impact of boosting youth self-employment on Intimate Partner Violence in Kenya”; IPA IPV Competitive Fund; \$49,181.97. 2022.

“COVID19, Gender and Youth Employment, WWES Initiative”; Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation; \$100,000. 2021.

Research Scholarship at Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, Spain Ministry of Education. 2010 - 2011.

HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Razin Prize, Georgetown University Economics Department 2021

Premio Nada es Gratis to Job Market Papers in Economics 2020

Maloof Fellowship, Georgetown University 2020 - 2021

Doctoral Candidate Fellowship, Center for Global Development Summer 2019

PhD Fellowship, Georgetown University 2015 - 2020

Academic Award for Excellence in Microeconomics, New York University Spring 2012

Graduate Studies Scholarship, Bank of Spain 2011 - 2013

SEMINARS

Virtual Crime Economics (ViCE) seminar 2022

University of Exeter 2021

Pontificia Universidad Javeriana

Navarra Center for International Development

Université de Montréal

Universidad de Alicante

University of Surrey

Abt Associates

Universidad del Rosario

University of Vienna

CUNEF

Georgetown University 2020

Center for Global Development 2019

WZB Berlin Social Center, IPI Brownbag Series

Mortara International Georgetown University

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

NOVAFRICA Conference on Economic Development 2022

European Society for Population Economics (ESPE)

Center for the study of African economies (CSAE)

American Economic Association Annual Meeting (ASSA)

North East Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC) 2021

European Association of Labour Economists (EALE)

International Conference on Globalization and Development (GlaD)

Midwest International Economic Development Conference

International Association for Feminist Economics

Spanish Economic Association Symposium 2020

Ridge Political Economy of Conflict and Crime workshop

Southern Economic Association

Economics PhD Conference, University of Warwick

Bolivian Conference on Development Economics
IPWSD, Columbia University

Southern Economic Association
Sustainability and Development Conference, University of Michigan
SEBOL Development Studies Workshop
GCER, Georgetown University

2019

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Development Economics, Instructor, Universidad de Alicante	Spring 2022
Economic Statistics, Instructor, Georgetown University	Summer 2020
Economic Statistics, Teacher Assistant, Georgetown University	Spring 2019, Spring 2020
Econometrics (masters), Teacher Assistant, Georgetown University	Fall 2019
Data Analysis (masters), Teacher Assistant, Georgetown University	Fall 2018
Development Economics, Teacher Assistant, Georgetown University	Spring 2018
Introduction to Econometrics, Teacher Assistant, Georgetown University	Fall 2017
PhD 1st year official tutor, Georgetown University	Fall 2016-Spring 2017

JOURNAL REFEREE ACTIVITIES

The Quarterly Journal of Economics; Quantitative Economics; Economic Development and Cultural Change; PLOS ONE; Oxford Development Studies.

SKILLS

STATA, R, SAS, Latex, GIS, Survey Solutions, MS Office
Spanish (native speaker); English (advanced proficiency); French (medium proficiency).