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Education

PhD, Economics, Boston University, United States	2023
MSc, Astronomy, Kyoto University, Japan	2012
BSc, Astronomy, Institut Teknologi Bandung, Indonesia	2009

Working Papers

Remittances, Economic Development, and Education Investment

Religion, Education, and the State (with S. Bazzi and B. Marx)

What Determines Online Charitable Giving to Pandemic Victims? (with G. Lim and Y. E. Riyanto)

The Impact of Sending Top College Graduates to Rural Primary Schools

Research in Progress

Can Anti-Corruption Norms Be Taught? (with S. Bazzi, B. Marx, M. Shaukat, and A. Stegmann)

Demand Effects in the Field (with S. Bazzi, B. Marx, M. Shaukat, and A. Stegmann)

Improving the Link between Vocational Schools and Industry: Evaluation of Teacher Training in Indonesia (with C. Garro-Marín)

Work Experience

Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab Southeast Asia (J-PAL Southeast Asia)

Research Manager 2016-2017

Senior Research Associate 2015

Research Associate 2014

Teacher, Indonesia Mengajar 2012-2013

Grants and Awards

BU Department of Economics, Rosenstein-Rodan Essay Prize runner-up, 2022

J-PAL Governance Initiative and J-PAL Southeast Asia IRF Grant, Building State Capacity at Scale: Impacts of Training Local Officials in Indonesia (US\$100,000 and US\$261,948), with S. Bazzi, B. Marx, M. Shaukat, and A. Stegmann, 2021

BU Institute for Economic Development, The Determinants of Altruism: Evidence from an Online Peer-To-Peer Wealth Redistribution Platform (US\$1,720), with G. Lim and Y. E. Riyanto, 2021

Weiss Fund and J-PAL Southeast Asia IRF Grant, Improving the Link between Vocational Schools and Industry: Evaluation of Teacher Training in Indonesia (US\$44,447 and US\$25,500), with C. Garro-Marín, 2020-2021

Duolingo Language Impact Award (US\$10,000), 2021

World Bank Knowledge for Change Program, Institutional Strengthening for Improved Village Service Delivery (US\$102,265), with S. Bazzi, Y. Herawati, B. Marx, A. O'Donnell, L. Ralston, M. Shaukat, and A. Stegmann, 2020

Berkeley Initiative for Transparency in the Social Sciences/BITSS Research Transparency and Reproducibility Training (tuition waiver), 2020

Weiss Fund, Exploratory Fieldwork for Research on Education in Indonesia (US\$6,607), 2019

BU Institute for Economic Development, Manuel Abdala grant (US\$4,400), 2019

Russell Sage Foundation Summer Institute in Computational Social Science, participant, 2019

Japanese Government Scholarship, 2009-2012

Presentations (* denotes co-author presentation)

2023: NUS (Economics, Public Policy), UNSW, Monash, Macquarie, INSEAD, Gottingen

2022: NEUDC

2021: NBER Economics of Culture and Institutions Spring Meeting*; AIFIS Michigan State Univ.; WIDER Dev Conference United Nations University; ADB Institute; NEUDC*

2020: CILIS Univ. of Melbourne; NBER Development Economics Summer Institute*; NEUDC*; J-PAL SEA Brown Bag Seminar

2019: GEA Spring Poster Session (Boston University)

2017: Raskin Reform Inter-ministerial Meeting (Bappenas/Ministry of Development Planning);

2016: Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research Workshop (Bandung); Sustainable Coffee Platform of Indonesia/SCOPI Workshop (Jakarta); Expert Meeting on Expansion of Informal Sector Enrollment to National Health Insurance (Universitas Gadjah Mada); Generasi Impact Evaluation Inter-Ministerial Workgroup (Bappenas);

2015: Indonesia Regional Studies Association (Universitas Udayana)

2014: Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Jakarta); Social Security Agency for Health/BPJS Kesehatan

Teaching

2022: EC320 Economics of Less-Developed Regions (Instructor, Boston University)
EC101 OL Introduction to Microeconomics

2021: EC101 Introductory Microeconomic Analysis (Teaching Fellow, Boston University)

2017: J-PAL SEA Course, Introduction to Evaluations and Randomized Evaluations (Teaching Facilitator, Univ. Indonesia)

2016: J-PAL SEA Course, Evaluating Social Program (Teaching Facilitator, Univ. Indonesia)

2015: J-PAL SEA Course, Evaluating Social Program (Teaching Facilitator, Univ. Gadjah Mada); Mixed Methods Research Training Workshop (Bappenas/Ministry of Development Planning); Regional Development Planning Agency Training (LPEM UI)

2012-2013: Trans Batui 5 Public Elementary School, (Grade 4-5 teacher, Banggai, Indonesia)

Service

Referee: Labour Economics, Economic Modelling, Singapore Economic Review, International Journal of Public Opinion Research

Mentorship: GAIN/Graduate Application International Network (2021), Indonesia
Mengglobal (2021), Boston Partners in Education (2019-2020)

Selected Research Contributions as RA

Banerjee, A., Finkelstein, A., Hanna, R., Olken, B.A., Ornaghi, A. and Sumarto, S. Subsidies and the Dynamics of Selection: Experimental Evidence from Indonesia's National Health Insurance. *American Economic Review*, 2021.

Banerjee, A., Hanna, R., Olken, B.A. and Sumarto, S., The (Lack of) Distortionary Effects of Proxy-Means Tests: Results from a Nationwide Experiment in Indonesia. *Journal of Public Economics Plus*, 2020.

Bazzi, S., Koehler-Derrick, G. and Marx, B. The Institutional Foundations of Religious Politics: Evidence from Indonesia. *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 2020.

Olken, B.A., Sacks, A., Endarso, G.K.A., Subandoro, A.W. and Wrobel, R.. Indonesia Long-term Impact Evaluation of Generasi. The World Bank, 2018.

Activities

Queer Indonesia Archive, volunteer, 2020

Duolingo Incubator, volunteer, developed a free online [Indonesian course](#) (834K active users) and an [English course](#) (3.49M active users), 2014-2019.

Skills

Programming: Stata, Mata, R, Matlab, IDL, Fortran, LaTeX, Git.

Languages: English (fluent), Indonesian (native), Javanese, Japanese (basic).