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## Employment

- 2023- Postdoctoral Researcher, Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz (Germany)  
References: Philip Sauré and Klaus Wälde
- 2024- Researcher, the Kiel Institute for the World Economy (Germany)  
Reference: Julian Hinz

## Affiliations

- 2024, 2022 Visiting Researcher, Institute of Economic Research, Hitotsubashi University (Japan)
- 2021

## Education

- 2023 Ph.D. in Economics, Pennsylvania State University (USA)  
Committee: Jonathan Eaton (chair), Fernando Parro, Stephen Yeaple
- 2017 Master of Economics, Hitotsubashi University (Japan)
- 2015 Bachelor of Economics, University of Tokyo (Japan)

## Research Fields

Spatial Economics, International Trade

## Working Papers

- “The Aggregate Effects of the Great Black Migration.” (job market paper)
- “Trade and the Spatial Distribution of Unemployment.”

## Work in Progress

“Structural Change in the Global Economy,” with Hayato Kato and Kensuke Suzuki,

## Grants and Awards

- 2024 Grant: IERPK2417, 750,000 yen, Institute of Economic Research, Hitotsubashi University  
(with Hayato Kato (principal investigator), and Kensuke Suzuki)
- 2023 Grant: IERPK2321, 1,000,000 yen, Institute of Economic Research, Hitotsubashi University

- (with Hayato Kato (principal investigator), and Kensuke Suzuki)
- 2023 Fumio Dei Award, IEFS Japan
  - 2022 Grant: IERPK2210, 300,000 yen, Institute of Economic Research, Hitotsubashi University  
(with Kensuke Suzuki, Taiji Furusawa, and Daiji Kawaguchi)
  - 2021 Grant: IERPK2114, 300,000 yen, Institute of Economic Research, Hitotsubashi University  
(with Kensuke Suzuki, Taiji Furusawa, and Daiji Kawaguchi)
  - 2017 Fulbright Scholarship
  - 2015 Distinguished Senior Thesis Award, University of Tokyo

## Presentations

- 2025 Osaka University, RIETI, Göttingen Workshop “International Economics,” RF Berlin Migration Forum
- 2024 Bielefeld University, Osaka University, CITP (Nottingham), the Conference in the Honor of Taiji Furusawa (Kushiro), German Council of Economic Experts (Wiesbaden)
- 2023 Bank of Japan, Hitotsubashi University, the Kiel Institute for the World Economy, RIEF Doctoral Meetings (Brussels), IEFS Japan, Midwest Economic Association Annual Meetings (Cleveland), Urban Economic Association European Meetings (Milan), Keio University, Musashi University, the Japan Society of International Economics Kanto, SWET (Sapporo), CEPR Macroeconomics and Growth Meeting (Madrid), “Urban Labor Markets and Local Income Inequality” Workshop (Nürnberg), Aarhus-Kiel Workshop (Sandbjerg)
- 2022 Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz
- 2019 Osaka University

## Teaching

Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz

Recent Advances in International Trade (2024),  
 Tutorial for Recent Advances in International Trade (2024),  
 Tutorial for Theoretical Labour Economics (2024),  
 Tutorial for Advanced Macroeconomics (2023-2024).

## Refereeing

Review of World Economics

## References

- Professor Julian Hinz  
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