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Education

University of Oxford, St. Antony's College

Sep. 2015 – June 2017

MPhil in Economics

Thesis Title: "Production Networks and International Trade"

University of Cambridge, Queens' College

Oct. 2012 – June 2015

BA in Economics: **First Class Honours**

Dissertation Title: "The Macroeconomic Impact of Dollarisation Adjustments in Cambodia"

Awards: **Northam Memorial Prize in Economics** (2015; awarded by Queens' College for the best first in the final year), **Foundation Scholarship** (2014, 2015)

International School of Phnom Penh

Aug. 2007 – June 2012

International Baccalaureate Diploma: **42 out of 45**

Awards: **President's Education Awards Program in Recognition of Outstanding Academic Achievement** (2012; awarded by the U.S. Secretary of Education and the President of the United States)

Experience

University of Oxford, Oxford (United Kingdom)

Nov. 2019 – present

- Research Assistant in Development Economics at the Mind and Behaviour Research Group (MBRG) at the Centre for the Study of African Economies (CSAE) and Blavatnik School of Government (BSG).

Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning, Kigali (Rwanda)

Oct. 2017 – Oct. 2019

- ODI Fellow in the role of economic advisor to the Government Chief Economist and the Senior Economist in the Macroeconomic Policy Division.
- Responsible for conducting economic research on key topics such as urbanisation, economic forecasting, macroeconomic modelling, poverty reduction and human capital.
- Responsible for supporting the Senior Economist on policy documents such as the Macroeconomic Framework chapter of the National Strategy for Transformation (NST1).

World Economic Forum, Davos (Switzerland)

Jan. 2013, Jan. 2014, Jan 2016

- Member of the media team during the Annual Meeting in Davos.
- Organised interviews with key public figures and supported different media organisations.

Asian Development Bank Viet Nam Resident Mission, Hanoi (Vietnam)

Aug. – Sep. 2014

- Research assistant to senior economist Dominic Mellor on a private sector assessment.
- Contributed sections on Viet Nam's participation in global value chains and the demand side factors constraining private sector firm growth.

Ministry of Economy and Finance, Phnom Penh (Cambodia)

June – July 2014

- Researched the topic of dollarisation to evaluate the financial sector development strategy.
 - Developed and calibrated a DSGE model of the Cambodian economy to evaluate the economy's volatility in response to de-dollarization as part of my undergraduate dissertation.
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Conference Presentations

World Bank

- "Using remote sensing data and machine learning to value property in Kigali, Rwanda" Mar. 2019 (with J. Bower, A. Braun, F. Bachofer & P. McSharry), *20th Land and Poverty Conference*

European Space Agency (ESA)

- "A New Approach to Property Valuation Using Remote Sensing Data and Machine Learning in Kigali, Rwanda" (with J. Bower, A. Braun, F. Bachofer & P. McSharry), *2nd Mapping Urban Areas from Space Conference* Oct. 2018

Institute of Policy Analysis and Research Rwanda (IPAR-Rwanda)

- “VUP and Poverty Reduction: A Quantitative Analysis” (with T. Kalisa), *7th Annual Conference* Feb. 2018

Economic Policy Research Network (EPRN) Rwanda

- “Rwanda’s Agricultural Productivity Gap”, *4th Annual Conference* Jan. 2018

Selected Working Papers and Current Research

International Growth Centre (IGC)

- “A New Approach to Property Valuation Using Remote Sensing Data and Machine Learning in Kigali, Rwanda” (with J. Bower, A. Braun, F. Bachofer & P. McSharry)
- “Mapping Kigali’s Expansion from Space: A Review of Urban Trends from 2009 to 2015” (with J. Bower)

Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning (MINECOFIN)

- “Returns to Education in Rwanda” (with T. Kalisa and L. Crawford)
- “VUP and Poverty Reduction: A Quantitative Analysis” (with T. Kalisa and T. Kigabo)
- “Rwanda’s Agricultural Productivity Gap”

Skills

Language: English (native), Thai (native)

Software: Excel, Stata, Matlab (advanced); R, QGIS (intermediate)