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Current position

Postdoctoral researcher 2025 -

University of Turku, Department of Economics

- Research interests: Public economics, behavioral economics, applied microeconometrics, survey methods

Lab manager 2021-

UTU Choice Lab, University of Turku

- Developing research infrastructure for experimental and behavioral sciences as part of FIRIPO project funded by the Research council of Finland.

Education

Doctor of Social Sciences in Economics 2025

University of Turku

Advisors: profs. Heikki Kauppi, Kaisa Kotakorpi, Topi Miettinen, Janne Tukiainen

Master of Social Sciences in Economics 2016

University of Turku

Master of Arts in Sociology of Religion 2013

University of Helsinki, Department of World Cultures

Research visits and experience

Doctoral researcher 1.1.2017-16.6.2025

University of Turku

Visiting researcher 1.1.2024-1.6.2024

IPERG Institute, University of Barcelona

Visiting researcher 1.9.2022-20.3.2023

Hanken School of economics

Research assistant 1.10.2018 - 30.11.2018

Finland's Economic Policy Council

Research assistant 1.11.2015 - 31.12.2015

University of Turku / Prof. Kaisa Kotakorpi

Teaching and supervision

Teaching

Advanced course on experimental methods in economics (lecturer)

Introduction to economics (responsible teacher)

TEVY A: Entering Working Life – Futures Thinking and Project Work (lecturer)

Supervision

Master's theses (co-supervisor)

Service

Committee membership

2024 European meeting of Economic Science Association

Peer review

JFEA Journal of Finnish Economic Association

Research Funding and grants

Turku University Foundation

Working grant (082147) 2025

Yrjö Jahnsson Foundation

Project grant (20247810) 2024

Working grant (20237675) 2023

Finnish Cultural Foundation

Working grant (00210723) 2021 and 2022

Working grant (00200728) 2020

Working grant (00180719) 2018

Affiliations

Finnish Centre of Excellence in Tax Systems Research (FIT), <https://verotutkimus.fi/en/home/>

The Finnish Research Infrastructure for Public Opinion (FIRIPO), <https://www.firipo.fi>

The Helsinki Laboratory for Behavioral and Experimental Studies (Helsinki LABBET), <https://www.helsinkilabbet.fi/> & Helsinki GSE Behavioral group

Publications and work in progress

Peer reviewed publications

Xu, Xiaogeng, Satu Metsälampi, Michael Kirchler, Kaisa Kotakorpi, Peter Hans Matthews, and Topi Miettinen. "Which Reference Groups Matter and How? A Relative Income Information Experiment with Administrative Data." *American Economic Journal. Applied Economics*. Forthcoming. <https://doi.org/10.1257/app.20240181>.

Kotakorpi, Kaisa[✉], Tuomas Nurminen, Topi Miettinen, and Satu Metsälampi. 2024. “Bearing the Burden — Implications of Tax Reporting Institutions on Evasion and Incidence.” *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization* 220 (April): 81–134.
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.jebo.2024.01.021>

Other publications

Metsälampi, Satu. 2025. “Essays on Behavioral Public Economics.” Doctoral Dissertation, Turku: University of Turku. <https://urn.fi/URN:ISBN:978-952-02-0103-6>.

Work in progress

“Inequality and social preferences - an experimental study with register data” with Xiaogeng Xu, Michael Kirchler, Kaisa Kotakorpi, Peter Hans Matthews and Topi Miettinen. Pre-analysis plan available at <https://doi.org/10.17605/OSF.IO/PSBD4>

“Which Ponds Do We Choose, And Why? Choices of Income Reference Group and Its Consequences” with Xiaogeng Xu, Michael Kirchler, Kaisa Kotakorpi, Peter Hans Matthews and Topi Miettinen

“Effect of income rank information on risk-taking” with Xiaogeng Xu, Michael Kirchler, Kaisa Kotakorpi, Peter Hans Matthews and Topi Miettinen

“Effects of free-of-charge birth control”, with Milla Hägg, Elina Jussila, Mika Kortelainen and Marika Viertola. Link to project in Open Science Repository: osf.io/bgxq4

“Causes and consequences of abortion denials for women seeking legal termination of pregnancy in Finland in the 1950’s and 1960’s – evidence from archival data and administrative records”

“The Tug-of-War for Cooperation: How Incentives, Minds, and Culture Shape Collective Action” (Multi-country project with Angel Sánchez, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, as PI)

Career breaks

Parental leave	1.7.2025-31.12.2025
Parental leave	26.02.2019 - 31.08.2019