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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University (XJTLU)

Suzhou, China

Assistant Professor

09/2023–present

IQS School of Management | Universitat Ramon Llull (IQS-URL)

Barcelona, Spain

Research & Teaching Assistant to Prof. Valerio Mendoza

09/2020–09/2023

EDUCATION

IQS School of Management | Universitat Ramon Llull

Barcelona, Spain

- Ph.D. in Economics and Territorial Competitiveness (Cum Laude)

09/2020–07/2023

- Advisor: Octasiano M. Valerio Mendoza (IQS-URL), Flavio Comim (IQS-URL & Cambridge)

Universität Konstanz

Konstanz, Germany

- M.Sc. in Economics

10/2016–03/2019

Shanghai Lixin University of Accounting & Finance

Shanghai, China

- B.Sc. in Insurance

09/2012–06/2016

VISITING AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Editorial Board Member, *Humanities & Social Sciences Communications* [JCR Q1]

06/2024–present

Peking University, China

05/2023–08/2023

Heidelberg University, Germany

10/2022–12/2022

University of Essex, UK

09/2018–01/2019

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Master's Thesis Supervision [*1]

PG-level: HR Digital Transformation and Implementation Strategy, XJTLU; Organizational Culture and Cross-Cultural Management, XJTLU

UG-level: Trends in Economics and Finance, XJTLU; Econometrics and Forecasting [TA], IQS-URL; Applied Mathematics [TA], IQS-URL

PUBLICATIONS¹

For co-authored papers: ♣ = First Author / ™ = Corresponding Author

1. Wang-Lu, H. ♣, Valerio Mendoza, O. M., Chen, S., Geldsetzer, P., & Adam, M. (2025). Regional Mobility and COVID-19 Vaccine Hesitancy: Evidence from China. *Vaccine* [IF 4.5, JCR 52/189 in Medicine]. Forthcoming.
2. Wang, D., & Wang-Lu, H. ™ (2025). Land Expropriation, Child Schooling, and Child Housework: Evidence from China. *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization* [ABDC A*, ABS 3 in Economics]. Forthcoming.
3. Wang-Lu, H. ♣, Comim, F., & Valerio Mendoza, O. M. (2024). *Valuing Children: Parents' Perceptions, Spending Priorities and Children's Capabilities*. *Journal of Development Studies* [ABDC A, ABS 3 in Social Sciences], 60(6), 932–955.
4. Wang-Lu, H. ♣, & Valerio Mendoza, O. M. (2023). *Job Prospects and Labour Mobility in China*. *Journal of International Trade & Economic Development* [ABDC B, ABS 1 in Economics], 32(7), 991-1034.

WORKING PAPERS

1. Wang-Lu, H., To Engage or Not to Engage? Social Activities and Survival Perceptions in Older Adults, *Revise & Resubmit*, *Kyklos* [ABDC A, ABS 2 in Social Sciences]²
2. Wang-Lu, H. ♣, Borsi, M. T., & Valerio Mendoza, O. M., *Looking Back and Forward: COVID-19 Risks and Local Travel Dynamics*, *Under Review*

RESEARCH PROJECTS

1. *PoPMeD-SuSDeV* 2023–2024
Horizon Europe | Grant ID: 101086139 (co-PI: Octasiano M. Valerio Mendoza & Simiao Chen)
2. *CHINEQUALJUSTICE* 2020–2022
Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions | Grant ID: 838534 (PI: Octasiano M. Valerio Mendoza)
3. Identifying Opportunities in the Future Chinese Consumer Market 2020–2022
Spanish Ministry of Science, Innovation and Universities | Grant ID: EIN2019-102931 (PI: Octasiano M. Valerio Mendoza)

¹Please interpret ABS ratings across fields with caution. As the Methodological Guidelines advise, "...readers of the AJG are cautioned against simply counting the number of 3 and 4-rated journals in a particular field, and comparing the result with other fields." Scholars have also noted, "For instance, the requirements for publication at the ABS-3 rank in entrepreneurship could be very different than at the same rank in economics. Using a non-comparable scale is quite a limitation."

²Rated 3 in the 2010, 2015, 2018, and 2021 editions.

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

Presentations at Conferences & Workshops

2024: 16th International Symposium on Human Capital and Labor Markets

2023: 1st Annual Conference of Financial Analytics Research Society; The CES 2023 Annual Conference

2022: 14th International Symposium on Human Capital and Labor Markets; 1st International Workshop on the Chinese Development Model; 15th RGS Doctoral Conference in Economics

2021: 46th Symposium of the Spanish Economic Association (SAEe); 13th Chinese Economic Association & 32nd CEA UK Annual Conference; Inequality Conference, International Centre for Economic Analysis; 9th International Conference on Applied Research in Economics and Finance; The Chinese Economists Society (CES) 2021 Annual Conference

Presentations at Seminars

Brown Bag Seminar, HeXie-XJTLU; Research Seminar [*3], IQS-URL; [invited speaker] Research Seminar, AQR-IREA-University of Barcelona; Journal Club Seminar, Deusto Business School

OTHER PARTICIPATION

Organizing Committee: 1st International Workshop on the Chinese Development Model

Writings: “Should you prolong your predoc life?”. In: INOMICS.

Referee for Journals: Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization; Journal of International Trade & Economic Development; Economic Change and Restructuring; Humanities & Social Sciences Communications; Urban Affairs Review; Journal of Chinese Economic and Business Studies; Higher Education Policy

HONOURS AND AWARDS

Research Mobility Grant (amount: 4,200€), Societat Econòmica Barcelonesa d'Amics del País 2022

Fellowship for Ph.D. students presenting at SAEe, Fundación Ramón Areces 2021

3-Year Doctoral Fellowship (RAship & tuition waiver), IQS-URL 2020

Erasmus+ Grant, Universität Konstanz 2018

SKILLS AND OTHERS

Programming & Software: Stata, L^AT_EX, SQL, R, Python

Languages: Chinese (native), English (fluent), Spanish (A1), German (A1)