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Academic Employment

2022 - Assistant Professor of Economics and International Affairs, George Washington University
Paternity Leave: *Fall 2023*.
2021 - 2022 Research Fellow, Department of Economics, London Business School

Affiliations

2022 - Affiliated Faculty, Institute for International Economic Policy, George Washington University
2021 - Associate, Centre for Economic Performance, London School of Economics
2020 - 2023 Affiliated Researcher, Wheeler Institute for Business and Development, London Business School

Education

2016 - 2021 PhD Economic Geography, London School of Economics
2013 - 2014 MA (Doctoral Stream) Economics, University of Toronto
2008 - 2013 BSc (Honours) Economics and Environmental Science, University of Toronto

Research Fields

Urban Economics, Development Economics, Public Finance

Publications

[Ask a local: Improving the public pricing of land titles in urban Tanzania](#),
Manara M. and T. Regan,
Review of Economics and Statistics, 2022.

[No Inventor Is an Island: Social Connectedness and the Geography of Knowledge Flows in the US](#),
Diemer A. and T. Regan,
Research Policy, 51(2), article 104416, 2022.

[Planning Ahead for Better Neighborhoods: Long Run Evidence from Tanzania](#),
Michaels G., D. Nigmatulina, F. Rauch, T. Regan, N. Baruah, and A. Dahlstrand,
Journal of Political Economy, 129(7), pp. 2112–2156, 2021.

[Building the city: from slums to a modern metropolis](#),
Henderson J.V., T. Regan, and A. Venables,
Review of Economic Studies, 88(3), pp. 1157–1192, 2021.

[Life in a slum: understanding living conditions in Nairobi's slums across time and space](#),
Bird J., P. Montebruno, and T. Regan,
Oxford Review of Economic Policy, 33(3), pp. 496–520, 2017.

[Building functional cities](#),
Henderson J.V., A. Venables, T. Regan, and I. Samsonov,
Science, 352(6288), pp. 946–947, 2016.

Research Grants

- 2023 IHS (\$7,000), *Thriving Cities workshop series*,
with Remi Jedwab
- 2023 IGC (£69,963), *Spatial Construction Dynamics in Sites and Services Projects*,
with Vernon Henderson, Martina Manara, Guy Michaels, and Francisco Libano-Monteiro
- 2021 IGC (£7,950), *Zoning laws and land value capture: Evidence from Rwanda*,
with Paul Brimble, Guy Michaels, and Matthew Sharp
- 2021 Wheeler Institute (£20,000), *Improving the Effectiveness of Formal Housing Delivery in Tanzania*,
with Vernon Henderson, Martina Manara, and Guy Michaels
- 2021 IGC (£4,800), *Exploring interactions between national and local government taxes*,
with Priya Manwaring
- 2020 IGC (£65,000), *Public Reporting and Property Tax Compliance*,
with Priya Manwaring
- 2020 IDS (£27,000), *Public Reporting and Property Tax Compliance*,
with Priya Manwaring
- 2019 IGC (£6,300), *Public Reporting and Property Tax Compliance in Kampala*,
with Priya Manwaring
- 2019 IGC (£8,852), *Valuation models for property tax*,
with Priya Manwaring
- 2018 IGC (£19,491), *Leveraging Informal Institutions*,
with Martina Manara

Teaching Experience

Course Instructor at George Washington University:

- 2024 ECON8351 Development Economics I (PhD)
- 2022 ECON2151 Economic Development (undergraduate)

Workshop Instructor at London Business School:

- 2022 - 2023 GIS for Quantitative Spatial Data Analysis (Open course)
- 2021 GIS Methods in Business Research (PhD)
- 2021 Geospatial Analytics for Business (MBA)

Teaching Assistant (GTA) at London School of Economics:

- 2019 - 2020 GY210 The Economics of Cities (undergraduate)
- 2018 GY209 The Economic Geography of Trade, Production and Development (undergraduate)
- 2018 GY499 Dissertation Methods Surgeries (graduate)
- 2017 - 2018 GY201 Urban and Spatial Economic Analysis I (undergraduate)

PhD Advising

Jingwen Zheng (committee, in progress), Bozhen Liu (committee, 2023).

University Service

- 2024 Co-organiser, 8th Conference on Urbanization and Poverty Reduction; GWU-ESIA, World Bank, IGC, and MCC.
- 2023 - 2024 Co-organiser, WB/GWU Sustainable Cities Workshop Series, hosted by GWU-ESIA (May 2023 'Urban Inclusion and Development') and World Bank (March 2023 'Urban Public Finance and Governance', February 2024 'Urban planning and local economic development').
- 2023 Co-organiser, 7th Conference on Urbanization and Poverty Reduction; GWU-ESIA, World Bank, and IGC.
- 2023 Co-organiser, Presentation of the World Bank's 2023 Flagship Report on Climate Change & Cities, hosted by GWU-ESIA.
- 2023 - Co-organiser, Washington Area Development Economics Symposium, hosted by; GWU-ESIA (2023).
- 2022 - Chair, Organisation of the Dean's Seminar of African Economies, GWU-ESIA.
- 2022 - Co-organiser, Trade and Development Seminar, GWU Economics and IIEP.

Referee Service

Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economic Studies, Journal of Urban Economics, Regional Science & Urban Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economic Geography, Journal of Econometrics, World Development, Applied Geography, Regional Studies.

Invited Seminars († planned)

- 2024 GMU Microeconomic Policy[†], Syracuse Applied Micro[†], William & Mary Economics[†]
- 2023 Wharton Urban and Real Estate, IFS TaxDev.
- 2022 GWU Economics, York U. Economics, Bristol School of Economics.
- 2021 Paris Sorbonne Sustainable Development, NTU Economics, University of Montevideo Economics, U of Toronto Munk School.

Conferences & other presentations (* discussant, † planned)

- 2024 AREUEA-ASSA Conference*, World Bank Land Conference[†].
- 2023 15th SIDEW at the Atlanta Fed, WB-GWU Urban Public Finance and Governance workshop, William & Mary (guest lecture), 10th WADES, AREUEA National Conference*.
- 2022 World Bank Climate Change and Cities Workshop*.
- 2021 6th Zurich Conference on Public Finance in Developing Countries, IGC-DevLab@Duke cities workshop (faculty coach).
- 2020 Meeting of the UEA (virtual).
- 2019 WEHIA at City University London, UREW at Universidad Javeriana.
- 2018 IDE-JETRO School, London School of Economics-NHH Conference.
- 2017 SERC Conference, IGC Making Cities Work, UEA Summer School, CE4 Geo4Dev Symposium.
- 2016 Land and Poverty Conference at the World Bank.
- 2015 Spatial Development of African Cities Workshop at the World Bank.

Honors, Scholarships & Fellowships

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| 2019 | David Jones Prize for inter-cluster research, London School of Economics |
| 2016 - 2020 | PhD Studentship, London School of Economics |
| 2013 - 2014 | Doctoral Stream Fellowship, University of Toronto |
| 2012 | T-Holder's Academic Excellence Award, University of Toronto |
| 2010 | Bronze T Award - Varsity Water Polo, University of Toronto |
| 2008 - 2013 | Cmolik Foundation Scholarship |

Previous Positions & Consulting

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| 2019 - 2020 | Data Science Consultant, Beekin |
| 2014 - 2016 | Research Assistant, Centre for Economic Performance, London School of Economics |
| 2012 - 2014 | Research Assistant, Department of Economics, University of Toronto |
| 2011 - 2012 | Analyst, Environment Canada |