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EDUCATION

London School of Economics

MRes/PhD in Economics

Supervisor: Ricardo Reis

London, UK

2024-2030

(Expected)

London School of Economics

MSc in Economics

Distinction

Thesis: “Heterogeneous labour market concentration and minimum wage policy in Portugal”

London, UK

2021-2022

Nova School of Business and Economics

BSc in Economics

GPA: 19.0 out of 20

Lisbon, PT

2018-2021

REFERENCES

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RESEARCH EMPLOYMENT

Pre-Doctoral Research Assistant

London School of Economics – Centre for Macroeconomics

Principal Investigators: Ethan Ilzetzki and Liliana Varela

London, UK

2022-2024

PRE-DOCTORAL PAPERS

Heterogeneous Labour Market Concentration and Minimum Wage Policy [\[Draft\]](#)

2023

This paper empirically tests whether minimum wages may have positive employment effects when diverging from a perfect competition framework. I use administrative data from 1986 to 2013 to segment Portugal into several local labour markets and construct Herfindahl–Hirschman Indices to measure concentration levels in each market. I find that increased minimum wage exposure has differential employment effects depending on labour market concentration - estimates indicate employment responds negatively in highly competitive markets and positively in highly concentrated ones. These results are robust to the usage of instrumental variables and to different definitions of local labour markets, although the persistence of these effects varies across specifications. Labour markets are highly heterogeneous in their concentration level, which can help reconcile the conflicting results in the minimum wage literature and provide new policy insights.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

EC1A3 Microeconomics I (Undergraduate) LSE
Graduate Teaching Assistant 2025
Lecturer: Ronny Razin

OTHER TRAINING

Macro Numerical Summer School – The Essentials London, UK
London School of Economics 2023

PRESENTATIONS

16th Annual Meeting of the Portuguese Economics Journal Braga, PT
Presented “*Heterogeneous Labour Market Concentration and Minimum Wage Policy*” 2025

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

LSE Departmental Studentship 2024-2029
LSE Department of Economics

“la Caixa” Postgraduate Fellowship Abroad 2024-2026
“la Caixa” Foundation

Professor Jacinto Nunes Award 2021
Bank of Portugal

Democracy and Development Award UNL 2021
NOVA University of Lisbon / Professor Aníbal Cavaco Silva

DGES Merit Scholarship 2019-2020
Portuguese Directorate-General of Higher Education

Nova Young Talent Award 2019
NOVA University of Lisbon

Nova SBE – Santander Excellence Scholarship 2018-2019
Santander Bank

COMPUTER SKILLS

Statistical: STATA
Programming: Python; Matlab
Other: \LaTeX

LANGUAGES

English: Fluent
Portuguese: Native
German: Intermediate