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#### EDUCATION

University of Geneva

Geneva, Switzerland 2021–Present

Ph.D. in Economics

Advisor: Salvatore Di Falco

Gerzensee, Switzerland

Study Centre Gerzensee - Foundation of the Swiss National Bank Swiss Program for Beginning Doctoral Students in Economics (PhD Qualifiers), GPA: 5.5/6.0

2021-2022

- Sequences: Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, and Econometrics

Indian Institute of Foreign Trade

Delhi & Kolkata, India

M.A. in Economics (specialisation in Trade and Finance)- First Class, First; GPA: 8.72/9.00

2019-2021

— Thesis: "Cash Transfers, Labour Supply, Poverty, and Entrepreneurial Incentive", Advisor: Sugata Marjit

Presidency University

Kolkata, India

**B.Sc. in Economics**- First Class, First; GPA: 9.15/10.00

2016–2019

- Thesis: "'Missing Girls': Decline in the Child Sex Ratio in India", Advisor: Zakir Husain

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

European Commission- Research and Innovation: Horizon Europe Grant

Geneva, Switzerland August 2023- July 2025

Project **TRANSPATH**: Doctoral Research Assistant at the University of Geneva

Reserve Bank of India (RBI)

Kolkata, India April 2020- July 2020

Research Intern, Department of Economic & Policy Research; Supervisor: Dr. Raj Rajesh, Director

Research Project: "Bank Funding to Self Help Groups in India: A Panel Data Analysis"
 Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industries (BCCI)

Kolkata, India

Research Intern; Supervisor: Subhodip Ghosh, Director General; BCCI

Dec 2019- Jan 2020

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

#### University of Geneva

Geneva, Switzerland

Research & Teaching Assistant in Economics at the Institute of Economics and Econometrics (GSEM IEE)

2021-Present

- Autumn: Labour Economics (2022), Introduction to Microeconomics (2022)
- Spring: Introduction to Macroeconomics (2023, 2024), Development Economics (2024)

#### PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- U. Das, S. Di Falco, A. Mahajan, "Adaptive Capacity and Subsequent Droughts: Evidence from Ethiopia", Environment and Development Economics, 28(6), 511-537. doi:10.1017/S1355770X23000074 October 2023
- S. Di Falco, A. Kis, M. Viarengo, **U. Das**, "Leaving Home: Cumulative Climate Shocks and Migration in Sub-Saharan Africa", Environmental and Resource Economics, 87, 321–345. doi:10.1007/s10640-023-00826-x January 2024

#### Work in Progress

- U. Das, S. Maji, "Does Development Assistance induce more 'corrupt' politicians? Assessing its consequence on local development in India"
   March 2023 -
- U. Das, S. Di Falco, E. Katovich, "Sustainability and Quality-upgrading in Cocoa Supply Chains: Experimental Evidence from Ghana" (funded by TRANSPATH- Horizon Europe Grant No. 101081984)

  January 2023 -
- U. Das, E. Katovich, J. Rexer, "Local Content Policies and Reorganization in the Global Mining Industry" February 2024 -
- F. Alpízar, U. Das, S. Di Falco, P. Dingkuhn, J. Nel, "Exploring Policy Leverage Points to Trigger Transformative Change in Finance and Trade" (Deliverable D4.1 EU Horizon Europe TRANSPATH Project)

  May October 2023

#### Conferences and Invited Presentations

• TRANSPATH Annual Consortium - World Trade Centre, The Hague, The Netherlands

March 2024

• PhD Day Workshop: Geneva Graduate Institute and University of Geneva - Geneva, Switzerland

February 2024 January 2023

• Geneva School of Economics and Management: IEE Brownbag Seminar - Geneva, Switzerland

June 2023

• TRANSPATH Annual Meeting - Wageningen University, Wageningen, The Netherlands

• Swiss Joint PhD Seminar in Agricultural Economics: 4th Edition - Tänikon, Switzerland

February 2023

### AWARDS AND ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

•	Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA) Scholarship- Arizona State University, USA	2023
•	Debasish Chandra Memorial Prize- Presidency University, for securing First position in B.Sc. Economics	2019
•	UN Ghoshal Prize- Presidency University, for securing First position in B.Sc. Economics	2019
•	Gold Medal for First Class, First Position in MA Economics (2019-2021) at Indian Institute of Foreign Trade	2021
•	Gold Medal- IMO Mathematics Olympiad, Organized by Science Olympiad foundation (SOF)	2013

#### ACADEMIC SERVICE

• RViE- Rare Voices in Economics	2021–Present
- President: Member of the Steering Committee (2023 - )	
- Co-organizer: Rare Voices in Economics Conference (3rd Edition) (2023 - 2024)	
- Communications coordinator: Responsible for handling social media and website (2021 - )	
• Journal Refereeing: Reviewer - European Review of Agricultural Economics	2023–Present
• IEE PhD Mentoring Program- University of Geneva	2023–Present
Co organizar (UNICE partner): Swigs DhD Saminar in Agricultural Economics (5th Edition) - Eviele Switzerland	2023 2024

- Journal References. Reviewer European Review of High contained Economics	2020 11050110				
• IEE PhD Mentoring Program- University of Geneva	2023–Present				
• Co-organizer (UNIGE partner): Swiss PhD Seminar in Agricultural Economics (5th Edition) - F	rick, Switzerland 2023–2024				
Workshops, Courses, Summer Schools					
• Summer School on Development Economics in the Field- Surveys, Measurements, and Experimental Paris School of Economics, Paris, France	nts June 2023				
• Workshop on Survey Design & Experimental Methods in Applied and Agricultural Economics AAEA, Arizona State University, Mesa, USA	May 2023				
• Advanced Courses in Economics for Doctoral Students and Faculty Members: Ex Ante and Ex Post Policy Evaluation Approaches - Prof. Petra Todd Study Centre Gerzensee- Foundation of the Swiss National Bank, Switzerland	May 2023				
• PhD course: Advanced Development Microeconomics: Market Failures The Graduate Institute, Geneva, Switzerland	February–May 2023				
• PhD course: Advanced Development Macroeconomics: Empirical Research The Graduate Institute, Geneva, Switzerland	September–December 2022				
• Workshop on International Trade and Multilateralism Villars-sur-Ollon, Switzerland	January 2023				
• Local Geneva Trade and Development Workshop WTO and Palace of Nations, Geneva, Switzerland	December 2022, May 2022				
• Summer School on Theoretical Physics & Quantum Mechanics Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science (IACS)- Kolkata, India	May 2015				

#### LANGUAGES SKILLS

• STATA, R Studio, LATEX, Python (Jupyter)	• English: Native or Bilingual
• Geospatial: ArcGIS, GEODA, Google Earth Engine	• Bengali: Native
• Experimental: NGENE, NLOGIT	• Hindi: Fluent
• WITS, SMART Simulation, OEC, Trade Map, EORA	• IIIIdi: Fident
• Bloomberg Market Concepts, Bloomberg Terminal	• Urdu: Intermediate (oral)
• Financial Modeling: MS Excel and VBA	• French: Beginner

#### PRE-PHD POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY

•	IES- IIFT Economics Society- Core working member	2019 - 2021
	Editor (ECOlibrium magazine) and Organising Committee (Academic Seminars). Published articles:	
	-"Impact of US Protectionism and Right-Wing Populism on Deglobalisation" - ECOlibrium 3rd Edition	
	-"India's Economic Slump and the Breakdown of the Industrial Sector" - ECOlibrium 2nd Edition	
•	OIKOS- Presidency University Economics Society: Core working member and Public Relations Head Organised 'ARTHATANTRA'- The Economics Summit, 2017, & 2018; PR & Social Media Team Head	2017-2019
•	PUYES- Presidency University Young Entrepreneurs' Society: Member of the Organising Committee Organised 'Presidency University Young Entrepreneurs' Drive'- 2016, 2017, & 2018.	2016-2018

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Classically trained (Hindustani) vocalist, performed in concerts at Victoria Hall, L'Usine, Fête de la Musique (Geneva), Vandœuvres, Switzerland
- Associated with the University of Geneva Choir for 3 consecutive years
- Former playback singer at Innokrea Motion Pictures (Movie: Dhupkathi)
- Former All Bengal Radio Artist at Gyan-Vani F.M. (IGNOU)