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RESEARCH INTERESTS

International Macroeconomics and Finance (Expectations, Exchange rates, Capital flows); **Geoeconomics**; **Macroeconomics of Energy Security and Climate Change**; **Applied Time Series Econometrics** (Shock identification, Bayesian methods, Forecasting).

EDUCATION

University of Lausanne - HEC, PhD in Economics, Switzerland 2024 – 2029
Advisor: Kenza Benhima (UNIL); Co-advisor: Sylvia Kaufmann (Study Center Gerzensee / University of Basel)
Dissertation: *Three Essays in International Macroeconomics and Applied Econometrics*
PhD representative, Department of Economics

Study Center Gerzensee, Swiss Program for Beginning Doctoral Students (**overall GPA: 5.6/6**) 2024 – 2025
Econometrics: Anna Mikusheva (MIT), Bo Honoré (Princeton) (*Grade: A+*)
Macroeconomics: Ricardo Reis (LSE), Fernando Alvarez (Chicago), Jordi Galí (UPF), Cristina Arellano (FRB Minneapolis) (*Grade: A*)
Microeconomics: Klaus Schmidt (Munich), Pierro Gottardi (Essex), Johannes Hörner (Yale), John Moore (Edinburgh) (*Grade: A*)

University of Lausanne - HEC, MSc in Economics, Switzerland 2021 – 2023
Major: Quantitative Economics & Macroeconomic Policy (**GPA: 5.6/6**)
Thesis: *The more the better? Forecasting a small open economy using a FAVAR: Evidence from Switzerland* (6/6)
Exchange semester: **University of Bern**, Monetary and International Economics (2022–2023)

University of Lausanne - HEC, MSc in Business Administration, Switzerland 2018 – 2021
Exchange semester: **University of St. Gallen**, Banking and Finance (2020–2021)

University of Lorraine, Bachelor of Economics, France 2017 – 2018

Lycée Henri Poincaré, Preparatory Classes in Economics, Nancy, France 2015 – 2017

WORKING AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Institute of Applied Economics (CREA), University of Lausanne 01/2024 – Present
Scientific collaborator (part-time)

European Central Bank (ECB), Frankfurt 08/2023 – 01/2024
Economist Trainee, Prices and Costs Division (DG-E)

Institute of Applied Economics (CREA), University of Lausanne 01/2023-08/2023
Research Assistant

National Bank of Romania (NBR), Bucharest Summer 2022
Research Intern, Banking Resolution Department

Dunod Editions (Hachette), Paris 2022 – Present
Author of the economics textbook *L'Économie en 50 graphiques pour réussir vos concours*

Panthéon Recherche SA, Lausanne 2021
Economic Consultant Intern

PUBLICATIONS

Genève est-il un canton attractif ? Une analyse économique sous l'angle de 5 thématiques with Mathieu Grobéty, *CREA Policy Paper*, 2023.

The assessment of substitutability of critical functions under the supervision of Dr. Ana Maria Olteanu, *Library of the National Bank of Romania*, 2022.

WORK IN PROGRESS

The Macroeconomics of Energy Security: Anatomy of a Multi-Frequency Index with Julian Marcoux (University of Lausanne, Globalization PhD fellow Dartmouth College)

Safe-Haven Effects and Sectoral Implications: Lessons from Switzerland and Japan with Mathieu Grobéty (CREA)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Lausanne - HEC, Graduate Teaching Assistant 2024 –
International Money and Finance (Spring 2026)
Économie Politique II (Spring 2026)
Economic Forecasting for Decision Making (Fall 2025)
Public Finances (Fall 2024)

University of Lausanne - HEC, Teaching Assistant 2020 – 2023
Advanced Microeconomics (2022)
Statistics & Econometrics I (2022)
Applied Econometrics (2022, 2023)
Operations Management (2020)

CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

Co-organiser and Chair of the PhD Macroeconomics Conference (1st edition), University of Lausanne, keynote speakers: Matteo Maggiori (Stanford University) and Carlos Thomas (Banco de España) 2025
Research Retreat in Bayesian Methods organised by Mike West (Duke University), Study Center Gerzensee 2025
Inflation: Drivers and Dynamics Conference, ECB & FRB Cleveland, Frankfurt[†] 2023
Research Days on Banking Resolution, National Bank of Romania, Bucharest 2022

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Identification of Dynamic Structural Shocks, University of Lausanne (instructors: Kenza Benhima and Jean-Paul Renne) 2025
Term Structure Modelling and Asset Pricing, University of Lausanne (instructor: Jean-Paul Renne) 2024
IMF Macroeconomics Diagnostics Certificate 2024

SKILLS

R (RStudio, Shiny, Markdown), Stata, Matlab, Dynare, Git/GitLab
L^AT_EX, Office Suite, Datastream, Eikon, FAME, Haver, ECB SDW

LANGUAGES

French (native), English (C1), German (B1/B2), Romanian (spoken C1)

REFEREES

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