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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Health Economics
Applied Econometrics
Labor Economics

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 11/2021 – present **Associate Professor (with tenure)** of Public Health Economics at the *Department of Economics, Econometrics & Finance* at the University of Groningen
- 9/2022 – present **Board Member** of the Cross-Border Institute of Healthcare Systems and Prevention (CBI) - Cooperation of University of Groningen and University of Oldenburg
- 10/2013 – 10/2021 **Senior Researcher** at the *Chair of Applied Macroeconomics* at the ETH Zurich, KOF Swiss Economic Institute
- 10/2011 – 09/2013 **Research Associate** at the *Chair of Public Economics and Economic Policy* at the Technical University of Darmstadt
- 10/2010 – 04/2011 **Teaching Assistant** (part-time) at the *Chair of Public Finance* at the Goethe University of Frankfurt
- 03/2009 – 09/2011 **Research Associate** at the *Chair of Applied Microeconomics* and Institutional Economics at the Technical University of Darmstadt
- 01/2008 – 12/2008 **Student Assistant** (part-time) at Center for Financial Studies in Frankfurt

ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

- 09/2007 – 03/2013 Ph.D. Student at Graduate School of Economics, Finance, and Management (GSEFM); Structured Program and cooperation between universities of Darmstadt, Frankfurt and Mainz; Dissertation topic: Infectious Diseases and the Economy; Grade: with distinction (summa cum laude); Supervisors: Prof. Dr. Michael Neugart and Prof. Dr. Carsten Helm;
- 09/2007 – 01/2010 Master of Science in Quantitative Economics at the Goethe University of Frankfurt; International Graduate Program; Specialization in Finance and Microeconomics; Final Grade 1.7; Thesis Title: Instrumental Variables versus Matching Estimators: An Application to the Indian Balsakhi Program.
- 10/2004 – 06/2007 Bachelor of Science in Economics and Management at the Free University of Bolzano (Italy); taught in German, Italian and English; Specialization in Finance; Final grade 110/110; Thesis topic: Credit Risk – Correlation in the evolution through credit classes.
- 07/2004 Matura (Italian High School Leaving Certificate) at Handelsoberschule Heinrich Kunter in Bolzano (Italy)

ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

- 2021 – present FEB Research Institute at the University of Gronigen, Research Fellow
- 2021 – present Aletta Jacobs School of Public Health, Research Fellow
- 2021 – present Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Research Fellow
- 2021 – present KOF Swiss Économic Institute, Research Fellow

PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS

Measuring inequality using geospatial data (with Jaqueson Galimberti and Regina Pleninger), in *World Bank Economic Review*, forthcoming

Awareness and use of (emergency) sick leave: US employees' unaddressed sick leave needs in a global pandemic (with Emma Jelliffe, Paul Pangburn, and Nicolas R. Ziebarth), in *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America (PNAS)*, 118(29), 2021.

Positive Health Externalities of Mandating Paid Sick Leave (with Katherine Wen and Nicolas R. Ziebarth), in *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*, 40(3), 715-743, 2021

COVID-19 Emergency Sick Leave Has Helped to Flatten the Curve (with Katherine Wen and Nicolas R. Ziebarth), in *Health Affairs* 39(12), 2197-2204, 2020

Labor Market Effects of US Sick Pay Mandates (with Nicolas R. Ziebarth), in *Journal of Human Resources* 55(2), 611-659. 2020

The Pros and Cons of Sick Pay Schemes: Testing for Contagious Presenteeism and Shirking Behavior (with Nicolas R. Ziebarth) - in *Journal of Public Economics*, 156, 14-33, 2017

A tradable employment quota (with Metin Akyol and Michael Neugart), in *Labour Economics*, 36, 48-63, 2015

Demographic Consequences of HIV (with Martin Karlsson), in *Journal of Population Economics*, 28(4), 1097-1135, 2015

Sickness Absence and the Business Cycle: Moral Hazard, Labor Force Composition or Neither?, in *Health Economics* 24(6), 692-710, 2015

Climate Policy with Technology Transfers and Permit Trading (with Carsten Helm), in *Environmental and Resource Economics* 60(1), 37-54, 2015

The Impact of the 1918 Spanish Flu Epidemic on Economic Performance in Sweden (with Martin Karlsson and Therese Nilsson), in *Journal of Health Economics* 36 (0), 1-19, 2014

Were the Hartz Reforms Responsible for the Improved Performance of the German Labour Market? (with Metin Akyol and Michael Neugart), in *Economic Affairs* 33 (1), 34-47, 2013

PUBLICATIONS IN BOOKS AND NON-REFEREED JOURNALS

Corona und Ungleichheit in der Schweiz - Eine erste Analyse der Verteilungswirkungen der Covid-19-Pandemie (Covid-19 and inequality in Switzerland - A first analysis of the relationship between the pandemic and the income distribution) (with Isabel Martinez, Daniel Kopp, Raphael Lalive and Michael Siegenthaler), KOF Studies, Nr. 161, February 2021

Sick leave and medical leave in the United States: a categorization and recent trends. (mit Nicolas R. Ziebarth) In: Rachidi A, Ruhm JC, editors. Paid Leave for Illness, Medical Needs, and Disabilities - Issues and Answers. Washington (DC): American Enterprise Institute and Brookings Institution. November 2020

Effekten av spanska sjukan pa ekonomiska utfall i Sverige (Economic Effects of the Spanish Flu in Sweden) (with Martin Karlsson und Therese Nilsson), in *Ekonomisk Debatt* (The Journal of the Swedish Economic Association) 41 (1), 22-27, 2013

The Young Prisoner's Dilemma: Juvenile Recidivism in Germany (with Daniel Römer), in *Lessons from the Economics of Crime: What Reduces Offending?*, MIT press, 111-130, 2013

WORKING PAPERS

Measuring Inequality using Geospatial Data (with Jaqueson K. Galimberti and Regina Plening), 2020

Mandated Sick Pay: Coverage, Utilization, and Welfare Effects (with Catherine Maclean and Nicolas R. Ziebarth), NBER Working Paper No. 26832, IZA DP No. 13132, 2020

Sickness absence and unemployment revisited, (with Stefanie Thönnies), Working Papers Dissertations 53, Paderborn University, Faculty of Business Administration and Economics, 2019

The Economic Impact of the HIV Pandemic, (with Martin Karlsson), mimeo, 2012

Sensitivity Analysis in Program Evaluation: Endogeneity and Spillover Effects, mimeo, 2012

Juvenile Law and Recidivism in Germany-New Evidence from the Old Continent (with Daniel Römer), University of Heidelberg, Department of Economics, Discussion Paper Series No. 519, 2011

PHD STUDENTS

Castor Compoj (1st supervisor - in progress)

Marc Anderes (2nd supervisor - defended in April 2023)

INVITED PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCES (LAST 5 YEARS)

- 2023 • Research Seminar at Seoul National University • Research Seminar at University of Utrecht
- 2022 • dggö German Health Econometricians study group workshop, Hannover • Research Seminar ifo, Munich
- 2021 • Second World Inequality Conference, Paris (online participation)
• Beyond Basic Questions Conference, Nuremberg
• 10th Annual Conference of the American Society of Health Economists, Virtual
- 2020 • EALE SOLE AASLE World Conference 2020, Virtual
• Third IESR-GLO Joint Conference, Virtual
• SKILS 2020 - Engelberg
- 2019 • AEI-Brookings Author Conference, Washington DC
• NBER Labor Demand and Older Workers meeting, Cambridge, Massachusetts
• Research seminar at Cornell University
• Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) research conference, Denver
• Research seminar at Aarhus University
• Research seminar at Copenhagen Business School
• Research seminar in Innsbruck
• Applied Microeconomics Workshop in Bolzano, Italy
• dggö German Health Economist meeting, Augsburg
• SKILS 2019 - Engelberg
• Research seminar at DICE, Düsseldorf

TEACHING

University of Groningen

- Health Economics, Undergraduate level, Fall 2022
- Estimation and Testing, Undergraduate level, Spring 2023
- Empirical Research Paper, Undergraduate level, Spring 2022 & Spring 2023
- Statistical Modeling, Undergraduate level, Spring 2022
- Econometrics for Economics and Business Economics, Undergraduate level, Spring 2022 & Spring 2023
- Linear Algebra for Econometrics and Operations Research, Undergraduate level, Spring 2022 & Spring 2023

ETH Zurich

- Identification and Causal Inference, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich, Ph.D. program, Spring 2015 & Spring 2017 & Spring 2019 & Spring 2021
- Political Economics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich, Graduate level, Spring 2016
- Principles of Econometrics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich, Graduate level, Spring 2014-2016

Goethe University and Technical University of Darmstadt

- Economic Policy, Technical University of Darmstadt, Undergraduate level, Fall 2013
- Introductory Economics, Technical University of Darmstadt, TA, Tutorial, Undergraduate level, Fall 2011-2012
- Empirical Public Economics, Goethe University Frankfurt, TA, Tutorial, Graduate level, Fall 2011
- Microeconomics, Goethe University Frankfurt, TA, Tutorial, Ph.D. program, Fall 2009
- Microeconomics, Technical University of Darmstadt, TA, Tutorial, Undergraduate level, Spring 2009-2011

RESEARCH STAYS

10/2017 - 12/2017 Fudan University, Shanghai, China

MEDIA COVERAGE AND INTERVIEWS (SELECTION)

The Hill, Economist, VoxEU, Wall Street Journal, The Washington Post, Chicago Tribune, The New York Times, Conversable Economist, NZZ, Ökonomenstimme, Börsenzeitung, Radio Suisse, 20 Minuten,

SERVICES TO THE PROFESSION

Associate Editor Economics and Human Biology

Refereeing Quarterly Journal of Economics, American Economic Review: Insights, American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics, Journal of Human Resources, Social Science and Medicine, PNAS, Economic Inquiry, Journal of Health Economics, Health Economics, Economics and Human Biology, Journal of Population Economics, World Bank Economic Review, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Applied Economics, International Journal of Production Economics, Health Affairs, American Journal of Health Economics, Review of Economics of the Household, B.E. Journal of Analysis and Policy, International Journal of Public Health, European Journal of Public Health, European Journal of Political Economics, German Economic Review, Empirical Economics, *Economica*, Scottish Journal of Political Economy

More refereeing (non-journal) Diligentia, Jahrestagung des Vereins für Socialpolitik (Annual Meeting of the German Economic Association), Czech National Bank Working Paper Series

Seminar series Organization of the *KOF research seminar* and the *KOF-ETH-UZH International Economic Policy Seminar* from 2015-2021

Organization of conferences Young Swiss Economists Meeting 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021

PERSONAL DETAILS

Languages: German (mother tongue), English (fluent), Italian (fluent)

Date of Birth: December 07, 1985 in Bolzano/Italy

Marital Status: Single

Nationality: Italian