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Vienna University of Economics and Business

Current Position (Tenure-track) Assistant Professor of Economics, Vienna University of Economics and Business

Previous Position Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Vienna (2012-2016)

Education

Ph.D. in Economics, New York University, 2006-2012

Thesis Title: Essays in Microeconomic Theory and Experimental Economics

M.A. in Economics, Bogazici University, 2004-2006

B.A. in Business Administration, Bogazici University, 2000-2004

Teaching and Research Fields

Microeconomics, Behavioral&Experimental Economics, Political Economy, Public Economics

Publications

“A Comparative Welfare Analysis of Electoral Systems with Endogenous Turnout”
Economic Journal, 125(587): 1369-1392, September 2015. <https://doi.org/10.1111/eoj.12150>

“Laboratory Elections with Endogenous Turnout: Proportional Representation versus Majoritarian Rule”, *Experimental Economics*, 18(3): 366-384, September 2015. doi: 10.1007/s10683-014-9408-x

“Honest Equilibria in Reputation games: The role of Time Preferences”, *American Economic Journal: Microeconomics*, 10(1), 278-314, February 2018. DOI: 10.1257/mic.20160178

“An offer you can refuse: the effect of transparency with endogenous conflict of interest”, *Journal of Public Economics*, 161, 44-55, May 2018 (joint with James Tremewan). <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jpubeco.2018.04.003>

Working Papers

“Fake news, Voter Overconfidence, and the Quality of Democratic Choice” (with Jean-Robert Tyran)

“Building Trust: The Costs and Benefits of Gradualism” (with Wieland Müller and James Tremewan)

“A New Approach to the Analysis of Cooperation Under the Shadow of the Future: Theory and Experimental Evidence” (with Wieland Müller)

Work-in-progress

“Evaluation of a School-Mentoring Intervention for Disadvantaged Children” (with Simone Häckl and Rupert Sausgruber)

“Can Gradualism alleviate Discrimination?” (with Wieland Müller and Sigma Samhita)

“Protecting Privilege: How Earnings Competition and Inequality of Opportunity shape Redistribution” (with Eryk Krykowski and Rupert Sausgruber)

“Strategic Voting Behavior in the Lab” (with Jean-Robert Tyran)

“Gender-Biased Perceptions in Non-Cognitive Skills: An Experimental Analysis of Grit” (with Simone Häckl)

“An Experimental Study of Lobbying and Political Institutions” (with James Tremewan)

Refereeing: American Economic Review, American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, Econometrica, Economic Inquiry, European Economic Review, Experimental Economics, Games and Economic Behavior, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Theoretical Politics, Management Science, Public Choice, Review of Economic Studies, Social Choice and Welfare

Research Grants and Fellowships

2019	Diligentia Research Grant (€20,000, joint with Wieland Müller)
2019	Diligentia Research Grant (€31,670, joint with Rupert Sausgruber)
2013	Research Mobility Program Award, University of Vienna
2013, 2016, 2019	Heinrich Graf Hardegg Stiftung Research Grant
2006-2012	McCracken Fellowship, New York University
2006-2010	Summer Fellowship, New York University
2011	Dean’s Travel Grant, New York University

List of Talks

Conference and Workshop Presentations

CESS/CREED Graduate Student Conference (Amsterdam, 2011), North-American Economic Science Association (ESA) Conference (Tucson, 2011), World Congress of the Game Theory Society (Istanbul, 2012), Uni Vienna VCEE Away Day (2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2018), Political Economy: theory meets experiment (Zurich, 2014), Econometric Society European

Summer Meeting (Toulouse, 2014), NYU-CESS Experimental Political Science Conference (New York, 2016), Lille Experimental Public Choice Workshop (2017), Workshop on Behavioral Public Economics (Vienna, 2017), NYU-CESS Experimental Economics Conference (New York, 2017), Organizational Economics Workshop (Konstanz, 2018), Workshop on Endogenous Institutions in Social Dilemmas (Copenhagen, 2018), Asia Pacific Economic Science Association (ESA) Conference (Abu Dhabi, 2019), London Behavioral Political Economy Workshop (2019), Austrian Economic Association (NOeG) Annual Meeting, (Graz, 2019), Erasmus Political Economy Workshop (Rotterdam, 2019) , Financial Market Authority Workshop on Transparency (Vienna, 2019), NYU Economics Ph.D. Alumni Conference (New York, 2019), 11th Lisbon Meetings in Game Theory and Applications (scheduled), CEPR Political Economy Conference (Rome, scheduled)

Seminar Presentations

New York University (2011), University of Vienna (2012), University of Southern California (2012), University of Georgia (2012), Universitat Pompeu Fabra (2012), Southern Methodist University (2012), Bogazici University (2012), Ecole Polytechnique (2013), Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (2013), Higher School of Economics in Moscow (2014), University of Konstanz (2015), WZB Berlin Social Science Center (2015), Berlin Behavioral Economics Colloquium and Seminar (2018), University of Passau (2018), University of Konstanz (2019), University of Maastricht (scheduled), University of Nottingham (scheduled)

Languages

English (fluent), German (intermediate), Turkish (native)