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CURRENT POSITIONS

2016 Sept – present University of Zurich, Department of Economics
Professor of Development and Emerging Markets

UBS International Center of Economics in Society, Zurich
Affiliated Professor

PREVIOUS POSITIONS

2014 – 2016 Associate Professor of Public Policy, HKS, Harvard University

2010 – 2014 Assistant Professor of Public Policy, HKS, Harvard University

VISITING POSITIONS

Sep 2013 – Apr 2014 Visiting Assistant Professor, MIT Economics Department

EDUCATION

PhD, Economics, IIES Stockholm University, 2010

MSc, Economics, University of Gothenburg, Sweden, 2005

BA, Economics and Japanese, University of Gothenburg, Sweden, 2004

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Board of Editors, *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy* (2016-)

Associate Editor, *Journal of the European Economic Association* (2019-)

Associate Editor, *Review of Economics and Statistics* (2016-2019)

Excellence in Refereeing Award, *Journal of the European Economic Association* (2016)

Referee for: *American Economic Review*, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, *Journal of Political Economy*, *Econometrica*, *Review of Economic Studies*, *Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *Quarterly Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of the European Economic Association*, *Review of Economics and Statistics*, *Journal of Public Economics*, *AEJ: Economic Policy*, *Journal of Development Economics*, *AEJ: Applied Economics*, *Journal of Peace Research*, *Economic Journal*, *Journal of African Economies*, *Journal of Urban Economics*, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, *Journal of Human Resources*, *World Bank Economic Review*, *Journal of Economic Growth*

PUBLICATIONS

[Reducing Child Mortality in the Last Mile: A Randomized Social Entrepreneurship Intervention in Uganda](#) (with M. Bjorkman-Nyqvist, A. Guariso, and J. Svensson)
A EJ: Applied Economics, July 11(3), 2019

[Long-Range Growth: Economic Development in the Global Network of Air Links](#) (with Filipe Campante)
Quarterly Journal of Economics, August 133:3, 2018

[Lemon Technologies and Adoption: Measurement, Theory and Evidence from Agricultural Markets in Uganda](#) (with T. Bold, K. Kaizzi, and J. Svensson)
Quarterly Journal of Economics, August 132:3, 2017

[Government Distortion in Independently Owned Media: Evidence from U.S. Cold War News Coverage of Human Rights](#) (with Nancy Qian)
Journal of the European Economic Association, Vol.15:2, 2017

[Media Persuasion, Ethnic Hatred and Mass Violence: A Brief Overview of Recent Advances](#) (with Maria Petrova) *Economic Aspects of Genocides, Other Mass Atrocities, and Their Preventions*. July 2016, Handbook editors C.H. Anderton and J. Brauer, Oxford University Press

[Does Religion Affect Economic Growth and Happiness? Evidence from Ramadan](#) (with Filipe Campante)
Quarterly Journal of Economics, May 130:2, 2015 [Editor's Choice]

[Propaganda and Conflict: Evidence from the Rwandan Genocide](#)
Quarterly Journal of Economics, November 129:4, 2014

[Do Political Protests Matter? Evidence from the Tea Party Movement](#) (with A. Madestam, D. Shoag, and S. Veuger)
Quarterly Journal of Economics, November 128:4, 2013

[Propaganda vs. Education: A Case Study From Rwanda](#) *Oxford Handbook of Propaganda Studies*, December 2013, Handbook editors J. Auerbach and R. Castronovo, Oxford University Press

[The Strategic Determinants of U.S. Human Rights Reporting: Evidence from the Cold War](#) (with Nancy Qian)
Journal of the European Economic Association P&P, April-May 8:2-3, 2009

[Getting Prices Right: The Impact of the Market Information Service in Uganda](#) (with Jakob Svensson)
Journal of the European Economic Association P&P, April-May 8:2-3, 2009

[Social Capital vs. Institutions in the Growth Process](#) (with Pelle Ahlerup and Ola Olsson)
European Journal of Political Economy, 25:1, 2009

WORKING PAPERS & WORK IN PROGRESS

[Misperceived Social Norms: Female Labor Force Participation in Saudi Arabia](#) (with L. Bursztyrn and A. González) June 2018
American Economic Review, *Revise & Resubmit*

[Can Competition Reduce Lemons? A Randomized Intervention in the Antimalarial Medicine Market in Uganda](#) (with M. Bjorkman-Nyqvist and J. Svensson) May 2018
Journal of the European Economic Association, *Revise & Resubmit*

[The Intergenerational Transmission of War](#) (with Filipe Campante) Apr 2016,
Journal of the European Economic Association, *Revise & Resubmit*

[Estimating Impact in Partial vs. General Equilibrium: A Cautionary Tale from a Natural Experiment in Uganda](#) (with Jakob Svensson) Aug 2012

[Shaping the Nation: The Effect of Fourth of July on Political Preferences and Behavior in the United States](#) (with Andreas Madestam) Nov 2011

POLICY REPORTS

“Growth and Poverty Reduction: Evaluating Rwanda’s First PRS”, (with A. Bigsten), Country Economic Report December 2005:9, Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida)

AFFILIATIONS

Affiliated Professor, Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL Global)

Fellow, BREAD

Full member, EUDN (European Development Research Network)

Research Affiliate, CEPR (Development)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Empirical Political Economy, PhD Level, University of Zurich, 2017-2019

Econometrics, Master Level, University of Zurich, 2017-2019

Empirical Methods II (API-202), MPP, Harvard University, Spring 2011/12/13/15/16

Using Data to Understand Good Governance, Harvard University, Spring 2016

Game Theory and Contract Theory (API-110), MPA/ID, Harvard University, Spring 2013

Microeconomic Theory (API-101), MPP, Harvard University, Fall 2011

PREVIOUS ENGAGEMENTS

Consultancy for Asian Development Bank, Evidence-Based Policy Design Workshop Lecturer, Sep 2013.

Consultancy for Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida), Rwanda, 2005 Feb.

Lead Operator (Spaningsledare) of signals intelligence, Försvarets Radio Anstalt/Swedish Armed Forces, promoted to 2nd lieutenant (löjtnant), Each summer 2000-03.

President, Graduate Students’ Council, Dept. of Economics, Stockholm University, 2006 Fall.

Board Member, Department Board, Dept. of Economics, Stockholm University, 2005-06.

President, The Society of International Affairs, Göteborg, 2003.