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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**

Editorial Board, *Review of Economic Studies* (2019-)

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. Bursztyn 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.