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## **CURRENT POSITIONS**

2016 Sept – present     Department of Economics, University of Zurich  
*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**

Associate Editor, *Quarterly Journal of Economics* (Since 2020)

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

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

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

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

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

## **CURRENT AFFILIATIONS**

CEPR, Research Affiliate

J-PAL Global, Affiliated Professor

BREAD, Fellow

EUDN, Full member

## **PREVIOUS AFFILIATIONS (pre-2016)**

National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER), Political Economy, Member

Weatherhead Center for International Affairs (WCFIA), Harvard University, Faculty affiliate

Center for International Development (CID), Harvard University, Faculty affiliate

Carr Center for Human Rights Policy, Harvard Kennedy School, Faculty affiliate

Harvard Humanitarian Initiative (HHI), Faculty member

## **PUBLICATIONS**

[Misperceived Social Norms: Women Working Outside the Home in Saudi Arabia](#) (with L. Bursztyn and A. González) March 2020

*American Economic Review*, Forthcoming

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

*AEJ: 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**

[Can Good Products Drive Out Bad? A Randomized Intervention in the Antimalarial Medicine Market in Uganda](#) (with M. Bjorkman-Nyqvist and J. Svensson) Feb 2020

*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*

[Misinformation During a Pandemic](#) (with Leonardo Bursztyn, Aakaash Rao & Chris Roth) June 2020

[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)

## **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.