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CURRENT POSITION

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

UZH Affiliations

UBS Center for Economics in Society

Affiliated Professor

Larsson-Rosenquist Foundation Center for Economics of Breastfeeding

Managing Director

URPP Equality of Opportunity

Project Leader

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* (Since 2019)

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

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

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

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

Excellence in Refereeing Awards: *Journal of the European Economic Association* (2016), *American Economic Review: Insights* (2020)

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

Opinions as Facts (with Leonardo Bursztyn, Aakaash Rao & Chris Roth)
Review of Economic Studies, Forthcoming

Can Good Products Drive Out Bad? A Randomized Intervention in the Antimalarial Medicine Market in Uganda (with M. Bjorkman-Nyqvist and J. Svensson)
Journal of the European Economic Association, Forthcoming

Misperceived Social Norms: Women Working Outside the Home in Saudi Arabia (with L. Bursztyn and A. González)
American Economic Review, Vol.10(10), 2020

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, 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

Going Viral: Propaganda, Persuasion and Polarization in 1932 Hamburg (with B. Caprettini, M. Caesmann & H-J. Voth) May 2021

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)

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.