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## APPOINTMENTS

2024 -Present Associate Professor of Economics, University of Nottingham  
2019-2024 Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Nottingham  
2015 - 2019 University of Oxford, Pembroke College, Economic and Social History Group  
Rokos Career Development Fellow in Economics (postdoc)  
2016 - present University of Oxford, Department of Economics and History Faculty  
Lecturer – MPhil/MSc Economic and Social History

## EDUCATION

2012 – 2016 Sciences Po  
PhD in Economics under the supervision of Yann Algan  
Examiners: Yann Algan, Sascha Becker, Sergei Guriev, Nathan Nunn,  
and Paul Seabright.  
2010 – 2011 Harvard University  
Visiting graduate student in the Department of Economics  
2008 – 2010 Paris School of Economics  
Master's degree (Analysis and Policy in Economics)  
Graduated with honours  
2007 – 2012 École Normale Supérieure, rue d'Ulm  
Élève Normalienne (BL), Department of Social Sciences

## AFFILIATIONS

2022 – CAGE Research Associate  
2020 – Nottingham Interdisciplinary Centre for Economic and Political  
Research (NICEP). Deputy director  
2019 – CEPR Research Affiliate  
2018 – Oxford Centre For Economic and Social History Affiliated Researcher

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## RESEARCH FIELDS

Primary Economic History, Political Economy, Development Economics  
Secondary: Gender, Applied Econometrics

## TEACHING

- 2019- University of Nottingham  
“Growth and Development” (undergraduate course, taught jointly with Roberto Bonfatti); “Advanced Development Economics” (undergraduate course, taught jointly with Oliver Morrissey); “Development Microeconomics” (graduate course, taught jointly with Oliver Morrissey and Trudy Owens)
- 2015 – 2019 Pembroke College, University of Oxford  
College tutor in development economics and quantitative economics. Undergraduate programs: E&M, Economics and History, and PPE
- 2016 - 2019 Department of Economics and History Faculty, University of Oxford  
Lecturer in Quantitative Methods, MPhil/MSc in Economics and Social History.
- 2009 – 2015 Teaching Assistant: Paris-1 (2009), Harvard University (2010), Paris School of Economics (2011-2012), and Sciences Po (2012-2015).

## PUBLICATIONS IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

1. "[Gender Difference in Reference Letters: Evidence from the Economics Job Market](#) with work with Markus Eberhardt and Giovanni Facchini, *Economic Journal*, 133 (655), 2676-2708, 2023.
2. "[Internal borders and population geography in the unification of Italy](#)" with Brian A'Hearn, *Journal of Economic History*, 83(3), 747-784, 2023.
3. "[Notre Taxe de Paris: Tax expenditures with two public goods](#)" (2024) with Guillaume Willeme, *Revue Économique*, 74, 1053-1065.
4. "[Cash Crops, Print Technologies, and the Politicization of Ethnicity in Africa](#)," with Philip Roessler and Yannick Pengl, *American Political Science Review*, 116(1), 181-199, 2022.
5. "[Sex and the mission: The conflicting effects of early Christian missions on HIV in sub-Saharan Africa](#)," with Julia Cagé, *Journal of Demographic Economics*, 86(3), 213-257, 2020.
6. "[The long-term effects of the printing press in sub-Saharan Africa](#)," with Julia Cagé, *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 8(3), 69-99, joint with Julia Cagé, 2016.

## BOOK CHAPTERS

1. "Evaluating the Long-Term impact of Christian Missions" in [The Economics of Religion](#), Robert M. Sauer (ed.), World Scientific Publishing Co, 2023.
2. "Does it really matter how different we are? Ancestry distances and income in the USA", forthcoming in the World Scientific Encyclopaedia of Global Migration, Robert M. Sauer (ed.), World Scientific Publishing Co.

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3. "The devil is in the detail: Christian missions' heterogeneous effect on development in sub-Saharan Africa." in *The long-term economic and political shadow of History*, vol. 2, eds. Michalopoulos and Papaioannou, CEPR press (2016), joint with Julia Cagé

## WORKING PAPERS

- "[The Death of King Coal and the Scars of Deindustrialization](#)" CEPR DP 19082. Joint work with [Björn Brey](#).
- "[Becoming Political: How Marching Suffragists Facilitated Women's Electoral Participation in England](#)" CEPR DP 18641, Joint work with [Mona Morgan-Collins](#). Awarded a BA/Leverhulme Small Research Grant - 2020.
- "Career Paths with a Two-Body Problem: Occupational Specialisation and Geographic Mobility". Upjohn Institute [Working Paper WP 21-345](#) (2021). Awarded [Upjohn Institute for Employment Research](#) Early Career Research Award - 2020. Joint with Guillaume Willems

## RESEARCH PROJECTS

- "Stereotyping in Reference Letters: Experimental Evidence and Consequences" Joint work with [Markus Eberhardt](#), [Giovanni Facchini](#), [Anna Hochleitner](#), and [Fabio Tufano](#)
- "Placement of Top Economics PhDs in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century" with [Markus Eberhardt](#) and [Giovanni Facchini](#)
- "Militantism and Non-Violence in the Women's Suffrage Movement" with [Olivia Tsoutsopolidi](#).
- "Residential Security Mappings and Local Public Finances" with [Sevim Kösem](#) and [Carlos van Hombbeck](#).

## GRANTS

2024	BA/Leverhulme research grant on militantism in the British Suffrage Movement
2024	Economic History Society Carnevali Grant
2020-2022	BA/Leverhulme research grant for project on Women's Political Socialization in the British Suffrage movement
2020	UoN Stemm Change EDI Grant for project on gender differences in reference letters, with Markus Eberhardt and Giovanni Facchini.
2019	Early career grant from the W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research for project on gender employment gaps and geographic mobility. Joint with Guillaume Willems.

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2016 – 2018 John Fell Fund  
Research fund awarded by the University of Oxford for the research on the long-term effects of mission on HIV

## FELLOWSHIPS

2015 – 2019 Rokos Career Development Fellowship (Postdoc fellowship)

2012 – 2015 French Ministry of Research and Higher Education  
PhD scholarship

2010 - 2011 Herchel-Smith Scholarship  
Student exchange full scholarship École Normale Supérieure & Harvard

2005 - 2010 French Ministry of Education - AEFÉ  
Undergraduate full scholarship for foreign students

## RELEVANT SKILLS AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Programming and software Advanced: ArcGIS; ArcPy; QGIS; Stata; R.  
Intermediate: Python; Shell.  
Basic: SAS; HTML

Languages Spanish (mother language); French (bilingual); English (very advanced)

Other PGCHE (Associate Fellow)

## PRESENTATIONS IN CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS (SINCE 2019)

2024 Invited Speaker: University of Birmingham, University of Aberdeen, University of Barcelona.  
Conferences and Workshops: Royal Economic Society, Economic History Society.

2023 Invited Speaker: City University London, Queen's University Belfast, University of Essex, University of Oxford, University of York.  
Conferences and Workshops: Centre for European Studies (Reykjavik), NICEP (Nottingham), POLECON-UK (Bristol).

2022 Invited Speaker: Università Bocconi, CERGY Paris Université, Lund University, University of Saint Andrews, SOFI Stockholm, Trinity College Dublin, University of Warwick.  
Conferences and Workshops: American Political Science Association Conference, CAGE- Warwick 2022 Economic History Workshop.

2021 Invited Speaker: "Next Generation Economics" (Network of German Universities), Centre for Archival Future (University of Maryland)  
Conferences and Workshops: "The Political Economy of Power Relations" Workshop (Università Bocconi), "Text as Data Workshop" (University of Zurich and Monash University).

2020 Invited Speaker: University of Glasgow, Universidad Carlos III.  
Conferences and Workshops: Annual Conference of the Association for the study of Religion Economics and Culture (Chapman University), Workshop "Politics of Favouritism and its Economic Implications" (ZEW, Mannheim).

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2019                   Invited Speaker: Amsterdam School of Economics, Universidad de Los Andes, University of Exeter, University of Glasgow, University of Nottingham, Universidad del Rosario, University of York.  
Conferences and Workshops: Venice CEPR Conference on Religion and Economics.

## REFEREEING ACTIVITIES AND EDITORIAL POSITIONS

2022 -                   Associate Editor for the *Bulletin of Economic Research*

Refereeing           Comparative Political Studies; Economic Letters; Economic Journal;  
activities              Explorations in Economic History; Journal of African Economies;  
Journal of Development Economics; Journal of Development Studies;  
Journal of Economic Growth; Journal of Economic History; Journal of  
Economic Behavior and Organization; Journal of the European  
Economic Association; Journal of Law Economics and Organization;  
Review of Economic Studies; Quarterly Journal of Economics; World  
Development.

## OTHERS

Translation           *Proses Apatrides*, Julio Ramón Ribeyro, Collective translation from  
Spanish, edited by François Géral, Éditions Finitude