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## Academic Employment

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Senior Research Fellow (Directeur de Recherche), CNRS	2024 –
Chaired Professor, Paris School of Economics	2022 –
Research Fellow (Chargé de de Recherche), CNRS	2017 – 2024
Professeur Associé, Paris School of Economics	2017 – 2021
Assistant Professor, Paris School of Economics	2014 – 2021
Visiting Associate Research Scholar, Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University	2013 – 2014
Assistant Professor, Paris School of Economics	2012 – 2013
LSE Tutorial Fellow, London School of Economics	2009 – 2012

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## Education

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PhD in Economics (London School of Economics), 2008 – 2012

*Thesis Title:* “Three essays on political economy and economic development”  
*Supervisors:* Robin Burgess and Gerard Padro-i-Miquel  
*Defense Jury:* Hans-Joachim Voth and Ronny Razin  
*Defense date:* 29 October 2012

MRes in Economics (London School of Economics), 2006-2008, *Distinction*

Master in Economics (KULeuven, Belgium), 2002 - 2006, *Summa cum Laude*

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## Published articles in peer-reviewed journals

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“[Losing on the Home Front? Battlefield Casualties, Media, and Public Support for Foreign Interventions](#)”, joint with Thiemo Fetzer, Pedro CL Souza, and Austin Wright. *American Journal of Political Science*, forthcoming.

“[Fiscal Incentives for Conflict: Evidence from India’s Red Corridor](#)”, joint with Jacob Shapiro, *Review of Economics and Statistics*, 2023.

“[Security Transitions](#)”, joint with Thiemo Fetzer, Pedro CL Souza, and Austin Wright, *American Economic review*, 2021, Vol.111 (7).

Press: Washington Post (The Monkey Cage), Les Echos, The Guardian, Institute of New Economic Thinking, Naked Capitalism, VoxEU, VoxDev

“[Trickle-Down Ethnic Politics: Drunk and Absent in the Kenya Police Force \(1957-1970\)](#)”, joint with Patrick Kuhn and Alex Moradi, *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, 2018.  
Press: VoxDev

“[Building Connections: Political Corruption and Road Construction in India](#)”, joint with Jonathan Lehen and Jacob Shapiro, *Journal of Development Economics*, 2018.

Press: Voxdev, Ideas for India, The Deccan Herald, The Indian Express, The Telegraph (India), IndiaSpend.

[“Targets of Violence: Evidence from India’s Naxalite Conflict”](#), *The Economic Journal*, 2018.

[“Economic Determinants of the Maoist Conflict in India”](#), joint with Maitreesh Ghatak, *The Economic and Political Weekly*, 2017, Vol.52(39).

Press: The Economic Times.

[“Military Service and Human Capital Accumulation: Evidence from Colonial Punjab”](#), *Journal of Human Resources*, 2016, Vol.54 (4).

Press: Mint.

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## Books

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[“Infrastructures et Développement Rural: L'exemple de l'Inde”](#), joint with Liam Wren-Lewis.

«Collection du Cepremap» n°61 (forthcoming 2023), Editions Rue d'Ulm, Paris.

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## Book chapters

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“L’économie appliquée du développement”, in: [Un monde commun. Comprendre le monde pour mieux l’habiter ensemble : les savoirs des humanités et des sciences sociales](#). 2023, CNRS Editions.

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## Working papers

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[“Complementarities in Infrastructure: Evidence from Rural India”](#), joint with Liam Wren-Lewis.  
(submitted)

[“Cooperation between National Armies: Evidence from the border regions in the Sahel”](#), joint with Marion Richard (submitted).

[“Team production on the battlefield: Evidence from NATO in Afghanistan”](#), joint with Thiemo Fetzer and Austin Wright (submitted).

[“From Brain Drain to Brain Gain: the long-run effects of Gurkha Recruitment in Nepal”](#), joint with François Libois, Ritu Muralidharan, and Juni Singh.

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## Policy publications

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[“Tender competitiveness and project performance in India’s PMGSY scheme”](#), joint with Jonathan Lehne and Jacob Shapiro, IGC Report, 2019.

[“Building Connections: Political Corruption and Road Construction in India”](#), joint with Jonathan Lehne and Jacob Shapiro, IGC Report, 2017.

[“Connecting the red corridor: Infrastructure development in conflict zones”](#), joint with Jacob Shapiro, Jamie Hansen-Lewis, and Austin Wright, IGC Report, 2014.

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## Teaching Experience

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### Paris School of Economics

Microeconomics, Markets and market failures, 1 <sup>st</sup> year Master	2015-
Political Economy II (Conflict and Development), Second Year Master	2017-
Development Economics, 1 <sup>st</sup> year PhD	2020-2023
Development Economics, 1 <sup>st</sup> year Master	2017-2023
Conflict and Development, Second Year Master	2012-2015
General Equilibrium and International Trade (tutorials)	2012-2013
Conflict and Development, PSE Summer School	2016-2023

### Sciences Po

Introduction to Microeconomics for Development	2013-2014
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### London School of Economics

Development Economics for MPA (tutorials)	2009-2011
Quantitative Approaches and Policy Analysis for MPA (tutorials)	2010-2012
Microeconomic Principles I and II (tutorials)	2007-2009

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## Mentorship and Supervision

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### Habilitation à Diriger des Recherches (HDR):

Obtained on 5 April 2022, in Université Paris-Saclay. Jury members: Rémi Bazillier, Margherita Comola, Mathieu Couttenier, Roberto Galbiati, Elise Huillery

### Supervisor of PhD students:

- Jonathan Lehne, co-supervised with Margherita Comola (U Paris-Saclay).  
Thesis title: "[Essays on the Political Economy of India](#)".  
Defended in December 2020.  
Placement: Assistant Professor, Stockholm School of Economics (SITE).
- Sebastian Garcia, co-supervised with Denis Cogneau (PSE)  
"Colonial investments, land tenure and conflict"  
Ongoing: 2021-
- Hector Paredes  
"Essays on the Economic Drivers of Political Inequality"  
Ongoing: 2022-
- Balasai Vanukuri  
"Essays on Political Economy of Identity"  
Ongoing: 2022-

### Member of PhD thesis committee:

Juliette Crespín, Oscar Barrera, Martin Fernandez Sanchez, Nitin Bharti, Zhexun Mo, Benjamin Blumenthal, Antonela Miho, Maria Montoya, Rafael Schutz, Marcelo Gantier, Gisli Gylfason, Vitaliia Eliseeva, Rafael Schutz, Maximilian Doerfler.

### External member of PhD jury:

Sciences Po (2019,2020), European University Institute (2021), CREST (2023), Paris-Saclay (2024 – scheduled), AMSE (2024 – scheduled).

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## Awards

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2011	Banco de Portugal - Lisbon Meeting Best Paper Award
2011	Bagri Fellowship (Asia Research Centre, LSE)
2011	Economic History Society New Researcher Prize (UK)
2006-2010	ESRC Quota Award (UK)

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## Research Grants

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2018	ANR, "Cooperation in Conflict Zones", (€147k), PI
2017	EDI, "Using RTI requests to reduce corruption" (€22k), co-PI
2015	IGC State Effectiveness, "Bidding for Roads - top-up" (€26k), co-PI
2015	IGC State Effectiveness, "Bidding for Roads" (€20k), lead PI
2014	Princeton University, "Terrorism, Governance, and Development" (€11k), co-PI
2014	UC San Diego, "Deterrence with Proxies" (€113k), co-PI
2013	IGC Bihar, "Crime Reduction and Political Change in Bihar" (€50k), lead PI
2013	IGC Central India, "Connecting the Red Corridor" (€26k), co-PI
2013	IGC Central, "Rural infrastructure provision in India: mapping the Bharat Nirman programme" (€15k), co-PI

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## Institutional responsibilities

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2024-present	Theme leader (joint) and head of engagement of <a href="#">RECIPE</a> (CEPR).
2024-present	Director (joint) of the Master in Public Policy and Development at PSE.
2016-present	Director of summer school programme in inequality and institutions (PSE).
2019-present	Member of the PSE/PjSE Council (CLEOR)
2021-2024	Head (joint) of the Development Economics research group at PSE.
2018-2019; 2020-2021	Member of the assistant professor search committee (PSE).
2019-2020	Head of the assistant professor search committee (PSE).
2018	Member of the MCF recruitment committee (Paris 1).

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## Referee activity

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*American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Political Science Review, Econometrica, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Economic Letters, The Economic Journal, International Economic Review, Journal of Comparative Economics, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Development Studies, Journal of Human Capital, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Peace Research, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of the European Economic Association, Oxford University Press, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Revue Economique, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, World Development.*

Grant proposals: ANR (France), FNRS (Belgium), National Science Foundation (USA), World Bank, PSL.

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## Associations

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Centre for Economic Policy Research, Fellow, 2023 –  
Centre for Economic Policy Research, Research Affiliate, 2019 –  
European Development Network, full member, 2021 –  
Association Française d’Economie de Développement, Membre du Comité Directeur, 2022 – 2024.

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## Academic visits

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2022      CREST (ENSAE/Polytechnique), France.

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## Academic Presentations

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2024      South Asia Seminar (University of Chicago), Workshop in Geoeconomics, Geopolitics and Preventing Conflict Studies (CEPR, Bocconi), Geneva Workshop on Development and Political Economy, India-China Workshop (UNamur), ESOC Conference (UCLA) – including scheduled.

2023      Université de Lausanne, ENS Lyon, Université Paris-Saclay, Political Economy of Development and Conflict Conference (CEPR, UPF), CREST Political Economy Workshop, MEUDC (NYU Abu Dhabi), AFEDEV, SIOE (Frankfurt)

2022      Economics of National Security Association (ASSA, Boston), IRSEM (Paris), CERDI (Clermont-Ferrand), Toulouse School of Economics, Stockholm School of Economics

2021      University of Naples Federico II, Nordic Conference in Development Economics, CREST, Accountability and Political Economy Workshop, European Development Network (Amsterdam).

2020      University of Manchester.

2019      University of Bozen, CEU Budapest, Household in Conflicts Network (PSE), MPSA (Chicago).

2018      European Development Network (Bergen), LMU Munich, Tinbergen Institute (Amsterdam).

2017      CSAE Conference (Oxford University), Barcelona Workshop on Prediction for Prevention (IAE), Household in Conflicts Network (ULB).

2016      WGAP (NYU Abu Dhabi), Geneva Graduate Institute, NEUDC (MIT), University of Warwick, EUDN (Bonn)

2015      NEUDC (Brown), NBER Summer Institute (Boston), Sussex Development Workshop, NCID Development week (Madrid)

2014      Columbia University, MPSA, Workshop on India’s Maoist Insurgency (Princeton), GWU, GSE Barcelona Summer Forum, PACDEV (UCLA), ESOC Meeting (UCSD), EUDN (Paris), NYU Abu Dhabi

2013      Dial Conference (Paris), Concentration on Conflict (IAE Barcelona), ESOC Meeting (Washington DC), University of Lausanne, Oxford University, University of Connecticut

2012      Princeton University, RES Annual Conference (Cambridge), Simon Fraser University, PSE, UPF, University of Navarra, FUNDP Namur, University of Bristol, Royal Holloway, CEMFI

2011      HICN (IAE Barcelona), NEUDC (Yale), University of Warwick, University of Sussex, STICERD-UCL Development and Growth Seminar, Lisbon Meeting on Institutions and Political Economy, EPSA (Dublin), MWIEDC (UW Madison), Economic History Society Annual Conference (University of Cambridge), FUNDP Namur, PACDEV (UC Berkeley), Paris School of Economics.

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**Conferences/Sessions/Seminar Series organized**

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2025	RECIPE Inception Conference (PSE, scheduled).
2024	European Development Network PhD Workshop at PSE.
2023	The 2 <sup>nd</sup> annual conference of the “Association française d’économie du développement” (AFEDEV) at PSE, CEPREMAP India-China Workshop at PSE, Workshop on the economics of conflict zones at PSE.
2019	PSE workshop on Conflict, the <u>15<sup>th</sup> Annual Workshop of the Households in Conflict Network</u> (PSE).
2016-present	<u>Paris Political Economy Seminar</u> (PEPES, PSE – Sciences Po)
2015-2018	<u>CEPREMAP India-China Workshop</u> at PSE
2014	Workshop on India’s Maoist movement (Princeton); Panel on India’s Maoist movement, Midwest Political Science Association (Chicago).

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