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Academic appointments

2017 - 2018	Academy Scholar, Harvard University
2016 - 2018	Azrieli Global Scholar, Canadian Institute for Advanced Research
2016 -	Center for Effective Global Action (CEGA) Faculty Affiliate
2016 -	International Growth Centre (IGC) Faculty Affiliate
2015 -	Assistant Professor, UC Berkeley, Haas School of Business (<i>on leave</i>)
2014 - 2015	Academy Scholar, Harvard University

Education

2014	Ph.D. Economics	Columbia University
2011	M.Phil. Economics	Columbia University
2008	M.Sc. Development Economics	Sciences-Po, Paris
2004	B.Sc. Economics	Carlos III Madrid; L. Maximilians Universität Munich

Dissertation

Title: “Essays on the Economics of Statelessness and State Formation”

Committee: S. Naidu (sponsor), E. Verhoogen (sponsor), C. Blattman, P.C. Chiappori, B. Salanie

Fields: Development Economics, Political Economy, Conflict, Taxation

Publications

“Why Being Wrong can be Right: Magical Warfare Technology and the Persistence of False Beliefs” with Nathan Nunn (2017) **American Economic Review *Papers and Proceedings***

“Fishing, Commitment, and Communication: Comprehensive Nonbinding Registration” with M Humphreys and P Van der Windt (2013) **Political Analysis**, 2012, 21 (1) pp 1-20

Papers

“On the Origin of States: Stationary Bandits and Taxation in Eastern Congo”, ***Revision requested, Journal of Political Economy***

Media coverage: [Marginal Revolution](#), [Christopher Blattman's blog](#), [Frankfurter Allgemeine](#), [Die Zeit](#), [Kris Berwouts](#)

“Temporary gender quotas” with M Humphreys and P Van der Windt, ***Revision requested, Journal of Development Economics***

“Dis-organizing violence: stationary bandits, and the time horizon”

“Origins and Consequences of Indirect Rule: Evidence from armed groups’ rule in Eastern Congo,” with *Gauthier Marchais and Soeren Henn*

“Why do people join armed groups?” with *Gauthier Marchais*,

“Ethnic State capacity and contracts enforceability”

“On the mechanics of Kleptocratic states: Administrators’ power, protectors, and taxpayers false confessions” with *S Henn, L Paler, C Samii, W Prichard* (2016)

“Social Engineering in the tropics: A Grassroots Democratization Experiment in Eastern Congo”, with M Humphreys and P Van der Windt

Media coverage: [Financial Times](#), [World Bank Development blog](#), [Tim Hartford's blog](#)

“Who’s watching? Monitoring on Strategies of Corruption in the DRC”

Work in Progress

Industrial organization of the police in DRC, with Kristof Titeca

State administration reform, Democratic Republic of Congo, with E. Mvukiyehe

Impacts of aid on conflict

Economics of state kidnaping: Sicilian Fishermen, with Naor Ben-Yehoyada and Vito Pipitone

Emotional factors of participation into armed groups

Magical beliefs, with Nathan Nunn

Economic implications of responsible sourcing policies in DRC, with Ben Faber and Ben Krause

Armed groups and information leakage, with Carlos Schmidt Padilla

Research Grants

2016	PI Canadian Institute for Advanced Research <i>Global fellowship</i>	\$80,000
	PI International Center for Taxation and Development <i>The Beer distribution sector in conflict</i>	\$267,000
	PI Weiss Family Program Fund for Research in Development Economics <i>Participation into Armed Organizations</i>	\$69,000
	PI Electronics industry <i>Regulating electronics global supply chain and human rights</i>	\$421,000
	PI Clausen Center for International Business and Policy <i>Indirect rule by armed groups</i>	\$7,000
	PI Haas School of Business Deans's office competition <i>The beer sector in conflict</i>	\$12,000
2015	PI International Growth Center <i>Police, DRC</i>	\$30,000
	PI Department For International Development, U.K. <i>Taxation, DRC</i>	\$675,000
	PI Private Enterprise in Developing and Low-income Countries Major Grant - <i>Private sector development, DRC</i>	\$240,000
	PI International Center for Taxation and Development <i>Armed groups in DRC</i>	\$120,000
	PI Private Enterprise in Developing and Low-income Countries Exploratory Grant - <i>Police, DRC</i>	\$53,000
2014	PI <i>i2i</i> , World Bank <i>Public sector reform, Democratic Republic of the Congo</i>	\$5,000
2013	PI Private Enterprise in Developing and Low-income Countries Exploratory Grant - <i>Armed groups in DRC</i>	\$55,000
	PI National Science Foundation Graduate Dissertation Improvement Grant <i>Armed groups in DRC</i>	\$30,000
	PI Russell Sage Foundation Small Grant in Behavioral Economics <i>Ethnicity, state contracts, and trade. Evidence from DRC</i>	\$7,500

	PI	International Peace Research Association Foundation Grant <i>Armed groups in DRC</i>	\$5,000
	PI	Advanced Consortium on Cooperation, Conflict and Complexity <i>Armed groups in DRC</i>	\$3,000
2012	PI	Program for Economic Research grant, Columbia University <i>Armed groups in DRC</i>	\$5,000
	PI	Cross-Cutting Initiative, Earth Institute <i>Conflict and resources in DRC</i>	\$5,000
	PI	Economics Development Colloquium Research Funds, Columbia University - <i>Armed groups in DRC</i>	\$700
2011	PI	CSDS Research Grant, Columbia University <i>Ethnicity, state contracts, and trade. Evidence from DRC</i>	\$9,000
		Lead researcher on 3ie grant. <i>Impact evaluation of development aid</i>	\$40,000
2010		Lead researcher on a 3ie grant <i>Impact evaluation of development aid</i>	\$400,000

Invited Presentations

- 2017** American Economic Association invited session, Arizona State University Evolution of Social Complexity colloquium, NYU PE seminar, Cornell Development seminar, DFID DRC, DRC Ministry of Finance, DRC Civil society, Econometrics Society Asian Meeting, DEVPEC opening speech
- 2016** UCLA Politics Department, Paris School of Economics, Aix Marseille, Namur, University of British Columbia, Harvard Africa Conference, Canadian Institute for Advanced Research, Harvard/MIT development seminar, Northwestern Kellogg, University of Alberta, Oxford CSAE lunchtime seminars, Chicago Harris Conference on the political economy of conflict, NYU Development seminar, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (conference on the economics of conflicts), Stockholm School of Economics, Bocconi, Petralia, SUNY Binghamton, APSA (2), Barcelona Graduate School of Economics Summer Forum
- 2015** Berkeley Economics, Harvard Africa Conference, Harvard Positive Political Economy Seminar, Stanford Comparative Politics Seminar, NYU Political economy seminar, World Bank applied micro seminar, Inter-american Development Bank seminar, California Consensus, Berkeley Haas

- 2014** Stanford Development Workshop, Harvard Development retreat, NEUDC (BU), Harvard Academy, Oxford (CSAE), Oxford (OxCarre), Santa Fe (Workshop on the Co-evolution of Institutions and Behaviors), CEMFI, Lausanne (Conference on the Political Economics of Conflicts and Development), NHH Bergen (Symposium on Economic Experiments in Development Countries), World Bank, Barcelona Graduate School of Economics, U Toronto (ICTD/Munk School of global affairs), APSA
- 2014 (job market)** Toulouse School of Economics, MIT, Chicago Booth, Brown, Berkeley Haas, LSE (ID), Warwick, IIES Stockholm, Sciences-Po, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Fundacao Getulio Vargas (Rio), Georgetown Qatar
- 2013** NEUDC (Harvard), Columbia Comparative Politics Seminar (Columbia), Development Seminar (Columbia), Chicago Summer School in Socioeconomic Inequality, Working Group in African Economy national meeting (MIT), Social Impact (DC)
- 2011** INET Conference (New York), Columbia Political Economy Colloquium, Columbia Workshop on Experiments in Political Economy, Columbia Social Impact Workshop

Fellowships and Awards

- 2017 Academy Scholar, Harvard University
- 2016 Azrieli Global Scholar, Canadian Institute for Advanced Research
- 2014 Academy Scholar, Harvard University
- 2013 Leitner Family student fellowship for research in Africa
- 2013 University of Chicago Summer School in Socioeconomic Inequality
- 2014-2015 Columbia University Dissertation Fellowship
- 2010-2014 Columbia University Teaching and Research Fellowships
- 2009 IGERT Fellow (with J Stiglitz and A Noman)
- 2008-2010 La Caixa Foundation Scholarship for Postgraduate studies in the United States
- 2004-2005 Leonardo/Goya Fellowship
- 2004-2005 Erasmus Scholarship for Ludwig-Maximilians University, Munich

Professional Service

Referee for: American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Economic Review, American Political Science Review, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Games and Economic Behavior, International Economics Review, Journal of Comparative Economics, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Peace Research, Journal of Political Economy, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Theoretical Economics, World Development

Seminar organizer: Williamson Seminar in institutional analysis (UC Berkeley, Haas); Seminars in theoretical and empirical development economics (*founder*, Sciences-Po)

Other

Nationality: Spanish, French

Languages: Spanish (Native), French (Native), English (Fluent), German (Fluent), Italian (Intermediate), Portuguese (beginner), Swahili (beginner), Arabic (beginner)

Fieldwork: Democratic Republic of Congo (19 months), Chile (7 months), Kyrgyzstan (1 month)

Founder and Director, [Marakuja Kivu Research group](#)

References

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