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Degrees

July 2008	Ph.D. Economics, London School of Economics (LSE) Supervisors: Professors Timothy Besley and Maitreesh Ghatak
July 2004	MSc in Economics (Research), LSE, Distinction
March 2002	Diploma in Economics, University of Mannheim, Grade 1.8

Research Fields

Political Economy, Conflict, Economic Development, Organizational Economics

Academic Positions

2018 –	Tenured Researcher, Institute for Economic Analysis (CSIC) Post gained with 60/60 points (top 1%) in CSIC evaluation.
Spring 2016	Successful <i>I3</i> Evaluation (<i>Ramon y Cajal</i> Programme)
Winter 2011 – Winter 2017	Researcher <i>Ramon y Cajal</i> , Institute for Economic Analysis (CSIC)
Fall 2008 – Winter 2011	PostDoctoral Fellow (3 years <i>Juan de la Cierva</i>), Institute for Economic Analysis (CSIC)
Fall 2006 – Summer 2008	Tutorial Fellow, LSE

Teaching Experience

Spring 2012 –	Lecturer in Political Economy for MSc students in the Graduate School of Economics in Barcelona (GSE)
Spring 2010 –	Lecturer in Applied Public Economics for IDEA and QEM students, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona
Fall 2006 – Summer 2008	Class teacher in Advanced Microeconomics for MRes/PhD Students, LSE

Present Affiliations

Center for Economic Policy Research (CEPR), Barcelona Graduate School of Economics (GSE), Markets, Organizations and Votes in Economics (MOVE)

Referee Service For

Econometrica, Review of Economic Studies, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Public Economics, Economic Journal, American Economic Journal: Applied, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Economic Inquiry, Public Choice, Games and Economic Behavior, Economica, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization

Research Grants

2017 –	“ <i>Analysing Conflict from Space</i> ” La Caixa Research Grant, Spain. PI
2017 – 2018	“ <i>Quantifying Diplomatic Action</i> ” Seed Grant, Barcelona GSE. PI.
2016 – 2018	“ <i>Tourism and Terrorism: Evidence from North Africa</i> ” Research Grant (IGC). PI.
2016 – 2017	<i>Ayudas Fundación BBVA</i> , Research Grant. PI.
2015 – 2017	“ <i>Culture and Social Conflict</i> ” Research Grant ECO2015-66883-P (Spanish Ministry of Science and Innovation). Co-I.
2015 – 2016	“ <i>Predicting Political Violence with Newspaper Text</i> ” Seed Grant, Barcelona GSE. PI.
2014 – 2016	“ <i>Economia Política</i> ” Research Grant 2014 SGR 1064 (AGAUR-Generalitat de Catalunya). Co-I.
2014 – 2015	“ <i>Civil War Risk and Weapon Imports</i> ” Seed Grant, Barcelona GSE. PI.
2013 – 2016	“ <i>Coping Strategies of Young People in the Midst of the Spanish Crisis</i> ” Research Grant (RecerCaixa). PI.
2013 – 2015	“ <i>Advances in the Political Economy of Democratic Institutions</i> ” Research Grant ECO2012-37857 (Spanish Ministry of Economics and Competition). Co-I.
2011 – 2012	“ <i>Foreign Direct Investment and Conflict</i> ” Research Grant RA-2011-08-013 (International Growth Centre (IGC)). PI.
2011 – 2012	“ <i>The Economic Costs of Piracy</i> ” Research Grant RA-2011-08-012 (International Growth Centre (IGC)). PI.
2010 – 2012	“ <i>New Developments in Political Economy</i> ” Research Grant ECO2009-08820 (Spanish Ministry of Science and Innovation). Co-I.
2009 – 2013	“ <i>Economia Política</i> ” Research Grant 2009 SGR 1126 (AGAUR-Generalitat de Catalunya). Co-I.

Research Contracts

2017	“ <i>Governance, Institutional Change and Structural Transformation in Northern Africa</i> ”. UNECA. Co-I
2017	“ <i>Growth in Fragile States</i> ”. UK Government (IGC). PI
2016/2017	“ <i>How Much is Prevention Worth?</i> ”, World Bank. PI
2015	“ <i>Recovery from Conflict: Lessons of Success</i> ”, World Bank. PI
2013	“ <i>Economic Costs of Conflict</i> ”, UK Government (IGC) PI

Scientific Evaluations

- 2015 Israel Science Foundation (ISF): Individual Research Grant
- 2014 Agencia Nacional de Evaluación y Prospectiva (ANEP): Plan Estatal Excelencia i+d (type B)

Journal Publications

- (joint with Dominic Rohner) (2018) Can Power-sharing Foster Peace? Evidence from Northern Ireland. *Economic Policy* (forthcoming).
- (joint with Christopher Rauh) (2018) Reading Between the Lines: The Prediction of Political Violence Using Newspaper Text. *American Political Science Review* (forthcoming).
- (joint with Tim Besley) (2018) Predation, Protection and Productivity: A Firm-Level Perspective. *American Economic Journal: Macro.* (forthcoming)
- (joint with Tim Besley) (2018) Institutions, Volatility and Investment. *Journal of the European Economic Association.* (forthcoming)
- (2016) Growth and Violence: Argument for a Per Capita Measure of Civil War. *Economica*, 83(331), pp. 473-497.
- (joint with Rafael Hortala-Vallve) (2015) Primaries: The Unifying Force. *Public Choice*, 163(2), pp. 289-305.
- (2015) Insulation or Patronage: Political Institutions and Bureaucratic Efficiency. *B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis & Policy*. 15(3), pp. 961-996.
- (joint with Tim Besley and Thiemo Fetzer) (2015) The Welfare Cost of Lawlessness: Evidence from Somali Piracy. *Journal of the European Economic Association*, 13(2), pp. 203–239.
- (joint with Esther Hauk) (2015) Cultural Leaders and the Clash of Civilizations. *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, 59(3), pp. 367-400.
- (2012) Growth Dynamics: The Myth of Economic Recovery – Comment. *American Economic Review*, 102(7), pp. 3774-3777.
- (joint with Tim Besley) (2012) Estimating the Peace Dividend: The Impact of Violence on House Prices in Northern Ireland. *American Economic Review*, 102(2), pp. 810-833.
- (joint with Maitreesh Ghatak) (2011) Thanks for Nothing? Not-for-Profits, Labor Donations, and Motivated Agents. *Journal of Public Economics*, 95, pp. 94-105.
- (2007) Pourquoi la Russie n'a-t-elle pas suivi la voie polonaise? Quelques leçons pour les économistes. *Revue d'études comparatives Est-Ouest*, 38, pp. 143-166.

Other Publications

- (joint with Tim Besley) Cohesive Institutions and the Distribution of Political Rents: Theory and Evidence. In: Institutions, Governance and Corruption. Conference Volume. (forthcoming)
- (2017) How Much is Prevention Worth? Background note for joint United Nations and World Bank report: *Pathways to Peace: Inclusive Approaches to Preventing Violent Conflict*.
- (joint with Lavinia Piemontese and Augustin Tapsoba) (2017) Recovery from Conflict: Lessons of Success. Policy Report for the World Bank published as Policy Research Working Paper, WPS7970.
- (joint with Julia Tobias) (2016) The Cost of Violence: Estimating the Economic Impact of Conflict. IGC Growth Brief.

Working Papers

(joint with Augustin Tapsoba) Access to Power, Political Institutions and Ethnic Favoritism. Barcelona GSE Working Paper, 901.

(joint with Tim Besley) Volatility and Political Institutions: Theory and Application to Economic Growth. CEPR Discussion Papers, 10374.

(joint with Lúdia Farré and Francesco Fasani) Feeling Useless: The Effect of Unemployment on Mental Health in the Spanish Crisis, IZA Discussion Paper, 9235.

(joint with Dominic Rohner and David Schoenholzer) Tectonic Boundaries and Strongholds: The Religious Geography of Violence in Northern Ireland. HEC Working Paper 13.04.

(2013) The Economic Cost of Conflict. IGC Working Paper.

Recent Conferences

PEPS, Santiago de Chile, December 2017. *Expert Meeting*, UN/ECA, Marseille, September 2017. CEPR/PODER/IGC, London School of Economics, June 2017. *Conflict Workshop*, IGIER, Bocconi University, Milan, May 2017. Catalan Economic Society Conference, Barcelona, May 2017. *Barcelona GSE 10th Anniversary Research Workshop*, 31 March 2016. *Social Interactions, Norms, and Development*, New Economic School, Moscow, October 2016. *Elections, Policymaking and Uncertainty*, Becker Friedman Institute (organised by the Hoover Institution), Washington DC, September 2016. *Engaging Fragile States*. ESOC Meeting, Washington DC, May 2016. European Network of Conflict Research (ENCoRe) Meeting, Barcelona, October 2015. ENCoRe Meeting, Bonn, March 2015. European Economic Association Annual Meeting (Invited Speaker), Toulouse, August 2014. World Congress of the International Economics Association, Dead Sea (Jordan), June 2014. IGC Workshop (Economic Cost of Conflict), London, April 2013. Royal Economic Society Meeting, London, April 2013. NGO Workshop (Non-Profits, Governments, and Organizations), London, May 2012.

Recent Seminar Presentations

GRIPS, Tokyo, 14 February 2018. IBEI, Barcelona, 23 October 2017. Violence Early-Warning System (ViEWS), Uppsala, 17 October 2017. London School of Economics, 2 February 2016. Toulouse School of Economics, 10 December 2015. Queen Mary University, 19 March 2015. IBEI Barcelona, 27 February 2015. University Duisburg, 7 January 2015. CEMFI Madrid, Internal Seminar, 17 October 2013. NYU Abu Dhabi, Political Science Seminar, 8 May 2013. IAE Barcelona, Internal Seminar, 3 May 2013. HEC Lausanne, External Seminar, 5 December 2012. UPF Barcelona, Labour/Development/Public Economics Seminar, 27 November 2012. ETH Zurich, KOF Research Seminar, 4 July 2012. DIW, Development and Security Seminar, Berlin, 5 March 2012.

Supervision

Rajesh Ramachandran, “Essays on Education, Discrimination and Development”, Ph.D. Thesis, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, defended in 2013.

IDEA MSc Thesis: Bruno Conte Leite (2017), Hadar Gafni (2017), Aldo Lo Presti (2017), Thomas Pfeiffer (2017), Simon Dagrain (2016), Lavinia Piomentese (2015), Pawel Rachel (2015), Gema Lax Martínez (2015), Koustuv Lahiri (2012), Asuman Kemiksiz (2012), David Jiménez Gómez (2010), Andrea Martin (2010).

Participation in Ph.D. Thesis Committees

Ricardo Maertens (UPF) *Essays in Development, Environmental, and Health Economics*. July 2017. Alejandra Ramos (UAB) *Household Decision Making with Violence*. June 2017. Mónica Oviedo (UAB) *Inequality, Opportunity and Redistribution*. December 2015. Simón Planells (UB) *Essays on the Economics*

of Crime. May 2015. Roberto Ramos (CEMFI), *Essays on International Economics*. March 2014. Marian Meller (UPF), *Essays on Education, Gender, and Child Health in Developing Countries*. July 2011

Workshop and Seminar Organization

Applied Bellaterra Seminar Series (since 2015)

Advances in Prediction for Prevention, Barcelona 18 December 2017

Prediction for Prevention, Barcelona 15-16 May 2017

ENCoRe Meeting, Barcelona, 1-2 October 2015

Understanding Conflict, Barcelona Summer Forum, 18-19 June 2014

Political Institutions: Effects on Policy and Civil Conflict, Barcelona Summer Forum, 12 June 2013

Media Attention and Dissemination

22 January 2018, VoxEU (CEPR policy portal), "*Shared power as a way to reduce violence*", 3239 reads online

22 September 2017, SIPRI blog, "*Ounces of prevention, pounds of cure*"

21 September 2017, Press release by the World Bank President J.Y. Kim, "*United Nations and World Bank Leaders Call for Stronger International Efforts to Prevent Violent Conflict*.", key figures provided in report: How Much is Prevention Worth?

12 July 2017, VoxEU (CEPR policy portal), "*The local dynamics of complex warfare*", 6037 reads online

12 January 2017, Barcelona GSE Research Focus, "*Those eating the biggest slice: Institutions can restrict the abuse of political power*"

20 October 2016, VoxEU (CEPR policy portal), "*Why We Fail to Prevent Civil Wars: A Forecaster's Perspective*", 5608 reads online

5 August 2016, Radio Onda Cero (Spanish National Radio), "*Hemos desarrollado un algoritmo que predice guerras civiles un año antes de que ocurran*", Interview

20 January 2016, Barcelona GSE Research Focus, "*Does unemployment lead to a decrease in mental health?*"

26 November 2015, Nada Es Gratis (Economics Blog), "*Suicidios en España, ¿un fenómeno de la crisis?*"

16 February 2014, VoxEU (CEPR policy portal), "*Foreign Intervention and the Economic Costs of Conflict*", 21326 reads online

28 February 2013, VoxEU (CEPR policy portal), "*The Welfare Cost of Lawlessness: Evidence from Somali Piracy*", 19267 reads online

18 January 2013, Financial Times Magazine, "*Lessons for pirates – from tax collectors*" discussion of article "*The Welfare Cost of Lawlessness: Evidence from Somali Piracy*"

Winter 2012, CentrePiece (Magazine of the Centre for Economic Performance), "*Stop fighting and wealth will follow*"