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POSITIONS

2022 – present *Lecturer (Assistant Professor) in Economics*, University of Birmingham
2019 – 2022 *Post-Doctoral Researcher in Economics*, University of Namur

AFFILIATIONS

2022 – present *External Member*, Arthur Lewis Lab, University of Manchester
2022 – present *External Affiliate*, DeFiPP, University of Namur
2019 – present *Research Associate*, CAGE, University of Warwick

EDUCATION

2015 – 2019 *Ph.D. Economics*, University of Warwick
Thesis: *Democracy Manifest: Essays in Historical Political Economy*
Supervisor: Sascha O. Becker
Examiners: James Fenske (Warwick), Erik Hornung (Cologne)
2013 – 2015 *M.Res. Economics, with Distinction*, University of Warwick
2010 – 2013 *B.Sc. Economics and Economic History, First Class Honours*, University of Warwick

RESEARCH

Publications **Welfare Cuts and Crime: Evidence from the New Poor Law**
with Martina Miotto
forthcoming at *The Economic Journal*

Working papers **Creating ‘Us and Them’: Racial Propaganda and Right-Wing Voting in Interwar Sweden**
revise and resubmit at *The Economic Journal*

Transportation Technology, Individual Mobility and Social Mobilisation
CAGE Working Paper No. 471

Wars, Taxation and Representation: Evidence from Five Centuries of German History
with Sascha O. Becker, Andreas Ferrara and Luigi Pascali
CEPR Discussion Paper No. 15601

Work in progress **Brexit and the Blitz: Conflict, Collective Memory and Euroscepticism**

Voting Power and the Press: Evidence from US Newspapers
with Julia Cagé, Guilhem Cassan and James M. Snyder

Other work **Book Review: *Race and the Undeserving Poor*** by Robbie Shilliam
Economic History Review, 72(2), 2019

INVITED SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

2023	Trinity College Dublin (scheduled) – Arthur Lewis Lab, University of Manchester (scheduled)
2022	NICEP, University of Nottingham
2021	University of Bayreuth – University of Birmingham
2020	University of York – LICOS, KU Leuven – University of Antwerp – Centre Emile Bernheim, Université Libre de Bruxelles
2019	Birkbeck College, University of London – University of Potsdam – University of Gothenburg – University of Rome, Tor Vergata – University of Namur – UC Louvain
2018	London School of Economics Graduate Seminar in Economic History

CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

2022	RES Annual Conference, virtual – DeFiPP Workshop, Namur – Annual Workshop on Growth, History and Development, Southern Denmark – ZEW Political Economy Workshop, Mannheim – European Historical Economics Society Congress, Groningen – Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics Conference, Toronto – Workshop on the Political Economy of Conflict, Royal Holloway and Queen Mary University of London – University of Birmingham Internal Seminar – ASREC Europe Conference, University of Notre Dame London – Trade, Environment, Development and Energy Research Group Seminar, University of Birmingham
2021	Frontier Research in Economic and Social History Meeting, virtual – International Workshop on the Political Economy of Democracy and Dictatorship, virtual – European Social Science History Conference, virtual – Big Data in Economic History Conference, virtual – Workshop on the Political Economy of Wars and Political Transitions, virtual – Transatlantic Workshop on the Economics of Crime, virtual – Meeting of the Scandinavian Society for Economic and Social History, Gothenburg – DeFiPP Workshop, Namur – Economic History Association Annual Meeting, Tucson/virtual – European Winter Meeting of the Econometric Society, virtual
2020	DeFiPP Workshop, virtual (×2) – Annual Meeting of the Danish Society for Economic and Social History, virtual – ASREC 24H, virtual
2019	Baltic Connections Conference in Social Science History, Helsinki – Economic History Society Annual Conference, Queen’s University Belfast – Spring Meeting of Young Economists, Brussels – RES Annual Conference, Warwick – EOS Workshop, Antwerp – Geodata in Economics Workshop, Hamburg – European Economic Association Annual Congress, Manchester – European Historical Economics Society Congress, Paris – Meeting of the Scandinavian Society for Economic and Social History, Uppsala – DeFiPP Workshop, Namur – HEDG Mini-Workshop, Southern Denmark
2018	Leicester Ph.D. Conference, Leicester – RES Symposium of Junior Researchers, Sussex – CAGE AMES Seminar, Warwick – Warwick Ph.D. Conference, Warwick (poster) – Annual Workshop on Growth, History and Development, Southern Denmark – ASREC Europe Conference, Luxembourg – EBE Summer Meeting, Munich – World Economic History Congress, Boston – Sound Economic History Workshop, Gothenburg – Workshop on Urban, Regional and International Economics, Southern Denmark – Oxford-Warwick-LSE Economic History Workshop, Warwick – Workshop on Political Economy, ifo Dresden – Workshop on Interwar Economic History, London School of Economics – CREA Workshop on Culture and Comparative Development, Luxembourg – RES Ph.D. Meeting, Westminster Business School
2017	CAGE Research Day, Warwick – Spring Meeting of Young Economists, Halle/Saale – Young Economists’ Meeting, Brno – CAGE-EHES-IAS Summer School, Warwick – ASREC Europe Conference, Bologna – Annual Meeting of the Danish Society for Economic and Social History, Copenhagen Business School

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2022 – present	Lecturer , University of Birmingham LI Econometrics, undergraduate LM Introduction to Econometric Software, postgraduate
2022 – present	Supervisor , University of Birmingham LH Economics Extended Essay, undergraduate LM Dissertation, postgraduate

2019 – 2022 *Lecturer*, University of Namur
EDEV331 Development and Institutions, postgraduate
2019 – 2022 *Tutor*, University of Namur
EDEV350 Personal Project, postgraduate
2015 – 2019 *Teaching Assistant*, University of Warwick
EC123 Mathematical Techniques B, undergraduate
EC124 Statistical Techniques B, undergraduate

OTHER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2014 – 2016 *Research assistant* for Sascha O. Becker and Luigi Pascali, University of Warwick
2014 *Researcher*, ifo Centre for the Economics of Education and Innovation, University of Munich

GRANTS, AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

2021 University of Namur Covid Impact Support Grant (€9500)
2019 Warwick Departmental Applied Research Grant (£1030, with Martina Miotto)
2019 Economic History Association Exploratory Travel and Data Grant (\$2400, with Martina Miotto)
2019 Royal Economic Society Small Academic Expense Grant (£450)
2018 – 2019 Departmental studentship, University of Warwick
2017 Best Paper Award, Young Economists' Meeting (Brno)
2015 – 2018 CAGE ESRC DTC studentship, University of Warwick
2013 – 2015 M.Res. departmental studentship, University of Warwick
2012 Greenlite Prize for best performance in Economics and Economic History, University of Warwick

REFEREEING

Journals *Economics of Transition and Institutional Change – International Tax and Public Finance – Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization – World Development*
Conferences Spring Meeting of Young Economists – Warwick Ph.D. Conference

DEPARTMENTAL RESPONSIBILITIES

2020 – 2022 DeFiPP workshop co-organiser, University of Namur
2016 – 2019 CAGE AMES seminar series co-organiser, University of Warwick
2015 – 2017 Ph.D. Conference co-organiser, University of Warwick
2013 – 2014 M.Res. student-staff liaison representative, University of Warwick

SKILLS

Languages English (fluent), Swedish (native), German (fluent), French (basic)
IT Office, L^AT_EX, Stata, ArcGIS, Python

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