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## ACADEMIC POSITION

### Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Department of Economics and Business

Tenured Associate Professor: 2016-  
Ramon y Cajal Fellow: 2020-  
Assistant Professor: 2011-2016

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## OTHER POSITIONS

### Economic Journal

Associate Editor

### Barcelona Graduate School of Economics (BGSE)

Research Associate

### Institute of Political Economy and Governance (IPEG)

Research Associate

### Center for Economic and Policy Research (CEPR)

Research Associate

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## PREVIOUS POSITIONS

### University of Warwick

Assistant Professor: 2013-2016

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## EDUCATION

### Ph.D Economics

Boston College, Chestnut Hill, U.S.

2010

### M.A. Economics

Boston College, Chestnut Hill, U.S

2007

### B.A. Economics

Bocconi University, Milan, Italy.  
Summa cum laude.

2003

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## MAIN PUBLICATIONS

**The Origin of the State: Land Productivity or Appropriability?**, with J. Mayshar, and O. Moav. *the Journal of Political Economy*, forthcoming.

\*Media Coverage: [Washington Post](#), [Financial Times](#), [Haaretz \(Hebrew\)](#), [La Vanguardia \(Spanish\)](#), [Barcelona GSE Focus](#), [Mostly Economics](#), [Naked Capitalism](#), [War in Context](#), [InsTED](#), [Folha de S. Paulo \(Portuguese\)](#), [El Diario \(Spanish\)](#).

\*[VoxEu](#) column

**Productivity and the Welfare of Nations**, with S. Basu, F. Schiantarelli and L. Serven, *the Journal of European Economic Association*, forthcoming.

**Religion, Division of Labor and Conflict: Anti-Semitism in German Regions over 600 Years**, 2019, with S. Becker, *the American Economic Review*, 109(5), pp. 1764-1804.

\*Media Coverage: [Marginal Revolution](#), [Barcelona GSE Focus](#)

**The Wind of Change: Maritime Technology, Trade and Economic Development**, 2017, *the American Economic Review*, 107(9), pp. 2821-54.

\*Media Coverage: [LSE Business Review Blog](#), [Marginal Revolution](#), [NEP-HIS Blog](#), [Futurity](#), [La Vanguardia \(Spanish\)](#), [La Vanguardia 2 \(Interview, Spanish\)](#)

\*[VoxEU](#) column

**Banks and Development: Jewish Communities in the Italian Renaissance and Current Economic Performance**, 2016, *Review of Economics and Statistics*, 98(1), pp.140-158.

\*Media Coverage: [The Economist](#), [Daily Mail](#), [Jerusalem Post](#), [i24news](#), [JSpaceNews](#), [Jewish Business News](#), [Canadian Jewish News](#), [Aurora Israel \(Spanish\)](#), [Atlantico \(French\)](#), [Salom \(Turkish\)](#), [KP.ru \(Russian\)](#), [Naked Science \(Russian\)](#), [Sputnick Polska \(Polish\)](#), [OdaTv \(Turkish\)](#), [Elu24 \(Estonian\)](#).

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## CHAPTERS IN BOOKS

**Religious Persecutions**, 2021, with S. Becker, in the Handbook of Labor, Human Resources and Population (ed K. F. Zimmermann), Springer.

**The use of archaeological data in economics**, 2020, in The Handbook of Historical Economics (eds Bisin, A. and Federico G.), Elsevier.

**Maritime Technology, Trade, and Economic Development. Evidence from the First Era of Trade Globalization**, 2017, in Michalopoulos S. and Papaioannou E., “The Long Economic and Political Shadow of History”, CEPR Press.

**Tax Systems and Tax Reforms in South and East Asia: Japan**, 2016, in Bernardi L., Frascini A. and Shome P., “Tax systems and tax reforms in South East Asia”, Routledge, International Studies in Money and Banking, London.

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## WORKING PAPERS

**Wars, Local Institutions and Fiscal Capacity: Evidence from Six Centuries of German History**, with S. Becker, A. Ferrara and E. Melander, CAGE Discussion Paper 395, *Submitted*

**Productivity, Welfare and Reallocation: Theory and Firm-level**, with S. Basu, F. Schiantarelli and L. Serven, NBER Working Paper 15579.

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## WORK IN PROGRESS

**Coordinating against the Mafia: Experimental Evidence from an anti-Racket Policy in Sicily**, with R. Greco and D. Yanagizawa-Drott.

**World Trade, Technology Diffusion, and the Marine Chronometer**, with Martina Miotto.

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## REFEREEING ACTIVITY

*American Economic Review, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Econometrica, Review of Economic Studies, Journal of Political Economy, Science, Journal of Economic Growth, Economic Journal, Journal of International Economics, Journal of Economic History, European Economic Review, Explorations in Economic History, Journal of European Economic Association, Journal of Spanish Economic Association, International Economic Review, Review of Economics and Statistics, Review of International Economics.*

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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### Graduate:

- Topics in Applied Economics, MRes Econ, Pompeu Fabra University (2012-2020)
- Topics in Economic History and Development, MRes Econ, University of Warwick (2014/-2015)
- International Development, Summer School, University of Warwick (2014-2015)
- Macroeconomics, MSc Econ, Warwick Business School (2013-2015)
- Advanced Economic Growth and Development, Master in Economics and Finance, Barcelona GSE (2010-2012)

### Undergraduate:

- Introduction to Macroeconomics, Pompeu Fabra University (2010-2020)
- Development Economics, Pompeu Fabra University (2016-2020)
- Advanced Macroeconomics 1, Pompeu Fabra University (2015-2016)
- Development Economics - Macroeconomics, University of Warwick (2014-2015)
- International Economics 2, Pompeu Fabra University (2012-2013)

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## OTHER ACTIVITIES

**-Organizer of the Summer Workshop “Towards Sustained Economic Growth: Geography, Demography and Institutions” at the Barcelona GSE, with Omar Licandro (2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019)**

**-Chair of the Conference “Galatina Summer Meetings” (2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020)**

**-Organizer of the Seminar Series on Labor, Public and Development at Pompeu Fabra University, with Gianmarco Leon (2017, 2018, 2019, 2020)**

**-Organizer of the Seminar Series on Institutions, History and Organizations at University of Warwick, with Mirko Draca (2013, 2014)**

**-Organizer of the Internal Applied Lunch at Pompeu Fabra University, with Libertad Gonzales (2012, 2013)**

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## SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

### **“The Wind of Change: Maritime Technology, Trade and Economic Development” presented at:**

University of Jena (2012), Pompeu Fabra University (2012), Growth Theory Conference – Brown University (2013), University of Warwick (2013), University of Oxford (2014), University of Essex (2014), Queen Mary University of London (2014), RES Annual Meeting (2014), NBER SI –Development Economics (2014), NBER SI- International Economics (2014), PSE-Sciences Po (2014), University of Copenhagen (2014), University of Amsterdam (2014), University of Southern Denmark (2014), University of Nottingham (2014), London School of Economics (2015, 2016), HEC Montreal (2015), Princeton University (2015), University of Munich (2015), University of Milano-Bicocca (2015), EEA Conference (2015), University of Oxford (2015 and 2016), University of Bonn (2015), Stanford University (2015).

### **“Banks and Development: Jewish Communities in the Italian Renaissance and Current Economic Performance” presented at:**

Boston College (2009), Boston University (2009), Brown University (2009), Clemson University (2010), UC-Berkeley (2010), Santa Clara University (2010), Clemson College (2010), Simon Fraser University (2010), Università degli Studi di Napoli-Federico II (2010), Bank of Italy (2010), Collegio Carlo Alberto (2010), London Business School (2010), Pompeu Fabra University (2010), EIEF (2011), Harvard Business School (2012), Universidad Carlos III (2013), University of Warwick (2013), ASSA Conference (2014).

### **“Cereals, Appropriability and Hierarchy” presented at:**

CEPR Public Economics (2014), Growth Theory Conference - Brown University (2015), University of Warwick (2015), Yale University (2015), New York University (2015), Harvard University (2015), Boston University (2015), Columbia University (2015), NBER-BREAD Development (2015), University College of London/London School of Economics (2015), University of Munich (2015), CEPR Development (2015), NBER Political Economy (2016), Stanford University (2016), UC-Berkeley Haas (2016), NBER SI Inequality (2016), Bocconi University (2017), Higher School of Economics, Moscow (2017), Tel Aviv (2017), CEPR-History (2017), NBER Political Economy (2017), Science Po (2018), University of Cambridge (2020).

**“Religion, Division of Labor and Conflict: Anti-Semitism in German Regions over 600 Years” presented at:** University of Warwick (2014), University of Munich (2014), Growth Theory Conference - Brown University (2015), CEU Budapest (2015), Notre Dame (2015), UC-Davis (2015), UC-Berkeley (2015), UCLA (2015), UC Irvine (2015), University of Copenhagen (2015), University of Southern Denmark (2015), University of Sussex (2015), EEA Conference (2015), Harvard University (2016), Pompeu Fabra University (2016), University of Zurich (2016) SIOE Conference in Paris (2016), Northwestern University (2016), New York University (2017), NBER- Culture and Institutions (2017), Tel Aviv University (2017), Bank of Italy (2018), UCLA (2018), Boston WEHC (2018).

**“Wars, Local Institutions and Fiscal Capacity: Evidence from Six Centuries of German History” presented at:** UC-Los Angeles (2018), New York University (2019), University of Hong Kong (2019), University of Zurich (2019), Lucca IMT (2019), Growth Theory Conference - Brown University (2019), Northwestern University (2020).

**“Productivity and the Welfare of Nations” presented at:** NBER Monetary Economics (2012), Pompeu Fabra University (2013), Harvard University (2013), MIT (2013).

**“Contract Incompleteness, Globalization and Vertical Structure: an Empirical Analysis” presented at:** Boston College (2007,2008), Boston University (2007), ISNIE Conference (2008) in Toronto, EEA Conference (2009) in Barcelona, Pompeu Fabra University (2011), ESNIE Conference (2012).

**“Productivity, Welfare and. Reallocation: Theory and Firm Evidence” presented at:** NBER SI-Productivity (2009), Boston College (2010).

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## GRANTS

Fundacion BBVA. Beca Leonardo. 2020-2023 (38,140 €), PI

Ministero de Economia y Competitividad. Ramon y Cajal Fellowship. 2020-2025. (308,600€). PI

Fundacion la Caixa. 2018-2020. Coordinating against the Mafia: Experimental Evidence from an anti-Racket Policy in Sicily, Obra Social Fundacion la Caixa (20,000€), PI

Ministero de Economia y Competitividad. 2017. Crisis económica y fragilidad social: el papel de las instituciones, la diversidad social, la política pública y los medios de comunicación. ECO2017-82696-P. Co-investigador. (66,550€)

Ministero de Economia y Competitividad. 2015-2017. La prevencion de crisis y conflictos. ECO2014-5555-P. Co-investigador (108,900€).

Ministerio de Economia y Competitividad. 2014-2016. Macroeconomia Aplicada i Mètodes Quantitatius. 2014-SGR546, Co-investigador (36,000€)

Ministerio de Economia y Competitividad. 2011-2014. Capital humano, iniciativa empresarial y productividad. ECO2011-25272, Co-investigador (123,750€)

Barcelona GSE. Seed Grant: 2017 (10,000€) and 2012 (8,000€)

University of Warwick. CAGE Small Grant Initiative: 2015 (8,000£) and 2013 (5,000£)

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## HONORS AND AWARDS

**11th International Conference “Economics of Global Interactions”.** 2020. Keynote speaker.

**La Vanguardia – Fundacio Catalunya La Pedrera.** 2017. Finalist of the 2017 Vanguardia de la Ciencia.

**Economic Journal Referee Prize.** 2016.

**Jamboree Conference, European Doctoral Program.** 2016. Keynote speaker.

**Boston College.** 2011. Dissertation Donald White Award.

**Boston College.** 2010. Research Excellence Award.

**Bocconi University.** 2003. Premio di Laurea “Carlo Manzoni” - Best Italian undergraduate thesis in Public Finance.

**Bocconi University.** 2003. Gold medal to best undergraduate students.