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Citizenship: Georgian

Current Positions:

July 2015 – Assistant Professor of Economics
Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance (EIEF);

2017 – CEPR Research Affiliate.

Education:

2015 Ph.D. in Economics
University of Pennsylvania;

2009 M.A. in Economics, *Summa cum Laude*
International School of Economics, ISET (Georgia);

2007 B.S. in Mathematics, *Summa cum Laude*
Tbilisi State University (Georgia).

Research Interests:

Innovation, Firm Dynamics, Productivity, Growth, Entrepreneurship.

Relevant Positions:

Fall 2018 Visiting Assistant Professor – IIES, Stockholm
Visiting Scholar – NBER, Cambridge, MA

January 2018 Visiting Scholar
Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis;

2016 – VisitINPS Scholar
Social Security Administration of Italy;

Summer 2014 AEA Summer Economics Fellow
Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta;

Summer 2008 Research Intern
European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) London, UK.

Publications:

- ***“Taxation and the International Mobility of Inventors”***
(with Ufuk Akcigit and Stefanie Stantcheva)
American Economic Review, 2016, 106 (10): 2930-2981

Working Papers:

- ***“Connecting to Power: Political Connections, Innovation, and Firm Dynamics”***
(with Ufuk Akcigit and Francesca Lotti)
- ***“The Role of the IT Revolution in Knowledge Diffusion, Innovation and Reallocation”***
- ***“Entrepreneurship through Spinouts, Innovation, and Growth”***
- ***“Patents to Products: Innovation and Firm Performance”***
(with David Argente, Douglas Hanley, and Sara Moreira)

Work in Progress:

- ***“International R&D spillovers: from “Made in China” to “Invented in China”***
(with Felipe Saffie and Pengfei Han)
- ***“Entrepreneurship and Exploitation of Labor”***
(with Claudio Michelacci and Guido Menzio)
- ***“Stay Together or Break Up: Dynamics of Team Formation and Innovation”***
(with Ufuk Akcigit)

Other Publications:

- ***“On the Unique Solvability of a Periodic Boundary Value Problem for Third-Order Linear Differential Equations”***, with Ivane Kiguradze. *Differential Equations*, 2006, Vol. 42, No. 2, pp. 165-171.

Conference and Seminar Presentations:

2018 Fed St. Louis; Rotman School of Management; EPFL Lausanne; Fed New York; Philadelphia Fed Conference “Macroeconomics across Time and Space”; IESE Business School; Conference “Future of Productivity” (Banque de France, Paris); Conference “Market Power” (College de France, Paris); Munich Summer Institute; CEPR European Summer Symposium (plenary talk); SED Mexico; University of Barcelona; Boston College; Cambridge University; Fed Atlanta*¹; Copenhagen Business School*; IIES*; BEROC Conference, Minsk*; Manchester University**²; CREST Paris**.

¹ * denotes scheduled talks.

² ** denotes scheduled talks for Spring 2019.

- 2017** Workshop on Economic Growth, Innovation, and Finance (SKEMA-OFCE); Society for Economic Dynamics (SED) Meetings, Edinburgh; Workshop on Trade, Growth and Firm Dynamics, BI - Norwegian Business School; EEA-ESEM Conference, Lisbon; Workshop on Innovation and Entrepreneurship, ISET-Tbilisi; Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance (EIEF), INPS seminar; INPS Workshop “VisitINPS one year after: Education, Research and Innovation”, NBER Political Economy seminar (Boston); University of Maryland; “Conference on Trade and Innovation”, Paris.
- 2016** INPS; Society for Economic Dynamics (SED) Meetings, Toulouse; 5th Rome Conference on Macroeconomics a.k.a. “Pizzanomics”; SKEMA-OFCE workshop on Innovation, Corporate Finance and Growth; Seminar “Innovation, Growth and Firm Dynamics”, College de France; Toulouse School of Economics.
- 2015** CREI, EIEF, Florida International University, University of Mannheim, University of Southern California, University of Toronto, Renseelaer Polytechnical Institute, VU University of Amsterdam, SED Meetings (Warsaw), EEA Meetings (Mannheim), University of Nottingham, Royal Holloway University, University of Naples, The Mini Conference on Economic Growth (University of Chicago).
- 2014** University of Pennsylvania, Bilkent University (Macroeconomics Jamboree), Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta.

Professional Activities:

Conference (Co-)Organizer:

- Bank of Italy-CEPR-EIEF workshop on "Firm Dynamics and Economic Growth", December 2018, Rome Italy.
- “Workshop on Innovation and Entrepreneurship”, 2017, International School of Economics (ISET), Tbilisi, Georgia.

Discussions:

- Edmond, Midrigan, Xu “How Costly Are Markups?” Conference on “Recent Developments in Macroeconomics”, EIEF, April, 2018.
- Kurmann, McEntarfer, and Spletzer “Downward Wage Rigidity in the United States: New Evidence from Worker-Firm Linked Data”, The 12th ECB/CEPR Labour Market Workshop, 2016;
- Gaggl and Wright “A Short-Run View of What Computers Do: Evidence from a U.K. Tax Incentive”, NBER Summer Institute, 2015.

Referee:

B.E. Journal of Macroeconomics; Economic Letters; Economic Journal; European Economic Review; International Economics Review; Journal of Development Economics; Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control; Journal of Economic Theory; Journal of European Economic Association; Journal of Political Economy; Journal of Public Economics; Quarterly Journal of Economics; RAND Journal of Economics; Review of Economic Dynamics; Review of Economic Studies; The Scandinavian Journal of Economics.

Teaching:

2018 Firm Dynamics and Productivity, 2nd year Master/PhD course, EIEF;
2017 The Economics of Innovation and Growth, PhD course, EIEF;
2013 Trainer for Teaching Assistants, University of Pennsylvania;
2012 Instructor: Game Theory, University of Pennsylvania;
2010-2014 Teaching Assistant: Economic Growth, Intermediate Macroeconomics, Game Theory, Strategic Reasoning, Market Design; University of Pennsylvania.

Honors, Scholarships, and Awards:

2017 JEEA Excellence in Refereeing Award 2017;
2016 William Polk Carey Prize “for the Outstanding Economics Dissertation in 2015”, University of Pennsylvania;
2012 Joel Popkin Graduate Student Prize in Teaching, University of Pennsylvania;
2009 Lawrence R. Klein Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania;
2009 Certificate for “Outstanding Master’s Thesis”, ISET, Georgia.

Languages: Georgian (native), English (fluent), Russian (fluent), Italian (basic).