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Education

Master, Macroeconomics and European Policies

2012

Department of Economics and Management, University of Strasbourg

Strasbourg, FR

Licence, Economics and Sociology

2008

Department of Economics, University of Toulouse 1 Capitole

Toulouse, FR

Baccalauréat Général, Économique et Social

2005

Lycée Henri Poincaré

Nancy, FR

Professional Experience

Present

Consulting Editor

2024–Present

Standard Error Research Editor

Chicago, IL

Development and management of the blog and the social media accounts.

R, RStudio & Tidyverse Educator

2022–Present

Independent

Online, Europe and North America

Online courses, online and in-person workshops and trainings, online services.

Consultant in Economics and Statistics

2019–Present

Independent

Online, Europe and North America

Public and private data, consulting to assist people in decision-making roles.

Science Communication Writer, Content Creator, and Community Manager

2015–Present

Independent

Online

Economics, critical thinking, environmental economics, United States, social sciences, data and statistics.

Past

Pedagogical Engineer, Statistician

2018–2019

Department of Law and Economics, University of Lorraine

Nancy, FR

Teaching Contract

2017–2018

Department of Law and Economics, University of Lorraine

Nancy, FR

French "vacations"

Teaching Contract

2015–2017

Graduate School of Engineering (Mines Nancy), University of Lorraine

Nancy, FR

French "A.T.E.R."

Teaching Contract

2012–2015

Department of Economics and Management, University of Strasbourg

Strasbourg, FR

Doctoral Contract

2012–2015

Bureau of Economic Theory and Applications, University of Strasbourg

Strasbourg, FR

Thesis title: "Three essays on non-monetary incentives in firms". Supervisor: Jocelyn Donze. French "contrat doctoral".

Science Communication

Projects

Radio: L'Éco d'ici **Since 07/02/2024**
France Bleu Sud Lorraine Nancy, FR

2-minutes long weekly science communication segment: I use economics to shed light on relevant topics in the Lorraine region (Northeastern France).

Newsletter and Podcast, in English and in French **Since 2019**
Under my name. Formerly "The Skeptical Economist"/"L'Économiste Sceptique". Online

Economics, critical thinking, environmental economics, United States, social sciences, data and statistics. The French-speaking version is one of the largest science communication newsletter.

Co-Founder, CEO, Conference Host **2017–2022**
Association Lorraine de Médiation Scientifique en Économie (ALMESE) Nancy, FR

Non-profit to organize economics science communication conferences in Nancy and Lorraine for the general public

Online Economics Science Communication Magazine **2016–2018**
Le Signal Économie Online

Creator of the magazine, writer. I also produced YouTube videos and a podcast.

Economics Science Communication Blog **2015–2016**
Passeur d'Éco Online

Creator of the blog, writer.

Events

Conference **17/11/2023**
TimeWorld Énergie Paris, FR

"How to Analyze the Costs and Benefits of Environmental Public Policies?"

Conference **23/06/2023**
Festival Low Tech Nantes, FR

"Economic Growth: Ally or Enemy to the Environment?"

Two Roundtables **22-23/04/2023**
Rencontres de l'Esprit Critique Toulouse, FR

"Debunking Myths of Individual and Collective Solutions to Global Warming" (with Rémi Gaubert) and "Economics and Critical Thinking" (with Emmanuelle Auriol and Louis Fréget)

Conference **16/01/2017**
Jardin des sciences, Université de Strasbourg Strasbourg, FR

"Debunking Economic Myths"

Conference **06/10/2016**
Cap sur le Peel, Peel, Université de Lorraine Nancy, FR

"Toward a New Scientific Revolution in Economics?"

Media

Podcast Interview **10/02/2023**
Tech Café techcafe.fr

Twitter and network externalities

Short interview **23/02/2022**
Libération liberation.fr

"Climat : les actifs des milliardaires font exploser leur empreinte carbone"

Video Live "La Tronche en Live" **24/05/2017**
La Tronche en Biais youtube.com

"Can Economics be a Science?"

Research

Affiliations

Berkeley Initiative for Transparency in the Social Sciences, UC Berkeley Catalyst	2019–Present Online
Bureau d'Économie Théorique et Appliquée Junior Research Fellow	2015–2019 Nancy, FR
Bureau d'Économie Théorique et Appliquée Junior Research Fellow	2012–2015 Strasbourg, FR

Trainings attended

Research Transparency and Reproducibility Training Berkeley Initiative for Transparency in the Social Sciences, UC Berkeley	Sep. 5–7, 2018 Los Angeles, CA
Summer School in Comparative Social Sciences: Social Preferences University of Oslo	Summer 2014 Oslo, NO
Visiting PhD Student Graduate School of Decision Sciences, University of Konstanz	Spring 2013 Konstanz, DE

Publications

Working papers:

- **Managing Employees 'Insides' to Remedy Agency Problems? A Model of Transformational Leadership** [↗](#) (2019)
 - Contract theory, with Jocelyn Donze

Conferences & Seminars

WEHIA 2019 City, University of London	Jun. 26, 2019 London, UK
5th MAGECO Workshop Catholic University of Lille MAGECO is the French network of economists working with agent-based models	Dec. 15, 2017 Lille, FR
BETA Seminar Bureau of Economic Theory and Applications, University of Lorraine	Dec. 5, 2017 Nancy, FR
Meeting on Labor and Personnel Economics – University of the Greater Region Institute for Labour Law and Industrial Relations in the EU, University of Trier	Nov. 23–24, 2017 Trier, DE
PhD Seminar Bureau of Economic Theory and Applications, University of Lorraine	Jun. 13, 2017 Nancy, FR
Spring Workshop in Experimental Economics Bureau of Economic Theory and Applications, University of Strasbourg	Jun. 6–7, 2016 Strasbourg, FR
PhD Seminar Bureau of Economic Theory and Applications, University of Lorraine	May 17, 2016 Nancy, FR
Yearly Workshop Augustin Cournot Doctoral School, University of Strasbourg	Oct. 25, 2013 Strasbourg, FR

Diversity

European Committee for LGBTQ+ Economists Co-manager of the Twitter account @ECQE6, manager of the Bluesky account @ecqe.bsky.social	2022–Present Europe
Graduate Summit for Diversity in Economics Gender, racial, and LGBTQ representation in economics	2018 Berkeley, CA

Memberships & Profiles.....

Memberships: American Economic Association, Association Française de Science Économique, INET Young Scholar Initiative (Complexity Economics, Behavior and Society, Philosophy of Economics, History of Economic Thought), The Replication Network.

Profiles: CoMSES [↗](#), GitHub [↗](#), Google Scholar [↗](#), IDEAS [↗](#), ORCID [↗](#), OSF [↗](#).

Awards & Grants.....

Funding for the Lorraine Workshop on Measuring Consensus in Economics **2019**
Institute of New Economic Thinking, 1.500 USD. *New York, NY*

Full Funding for the Research Transparency and Reproducibility Training (RT2) **2018**
Berkeley Initiative for Transparency in the Social Sciences, UC Berkeley, 3.000 USD. *Berkeley, CA*

Best Paper Presentation Award **2017**
PhD Seminar, Bureau of Economic Theory and Applications. *Nancy, FR*

Best Paper Presentation Award **2016**
PhD Seminar, Bureau of Economic Theory and Applications. *Nancy, FR*

Award for Promising Ph.D. Thesis **2014**
AMOPA Bas-Rhin, 1.000 EUR. *Strasbourg, FR*

Research Grant on Non-monetary Incentives (PROJEX) **2014–2016**
University of Strasbourg, 6.500 EUR with Jocelyn Donze. *Strasbourg, FR*

France-Germany Mobility Grant **2013**
Franco-German University, 2.400 EUR. *Konstanz, DE*

French "Doctoral Contract" (three years PhD stipend) **2012–2015**
Ministry of Higher Education and Research, University of Strasbourg. *Strasbourg, FR*

Organised Events.....

French Economics Association (AFSE) Annual Meeting **Jun. 27–29, 2016**
Staff (400 attendees) *Nancy, FR*

Augustin Cournot Doctoral Days — 11th Edition **Apr. 10–11, 2014**
Head of the steering committee (26 attendees, 10.000 EUR budget). *Strasbourg, FR*

Administrative Duties.....

Webmaster **2014–2015**
Augustin Cournot Doctoral School, University of Strasbourg *Strasbourg, FR*

Elected representative of PhD candidates **2013–2015**
Board of the Augustin Cournot Doctoral School, University of Strasbourg *Strasbourg, FR*

Elected representative of PhD candidates **2012–2015**
Board of the Bureau of Economic Theory and Applications *Strasbourg, FR*

Teaching

Courses.....

- **ESG Act!** (2023-2024):
 - Introductory Macroeconomics (2023)
 - Social Media, Disinformation, and Critical Thinking (2024)
- **Bureau of Economic Theory and Applications, University of Lorraine.** Workshops given for junior and senior economics researchers:
 - Introductory R (2018)
 - Coding for Economists (2017)

- **Department of Law, Economics and Management, University of Lorraine** (2017–2018):
 - Game Theory (TA)
 - Contract Theory (TA)
 - Introductory Macroeconomics (TA)
- **Graduate School of Engineering (Mines Nancy), University of Lorraine** (2015–2017):
 - Introductory Economics for Engineers (TA)
 - Economics of Climate Change
 - Environmental Economics for Engineers
 - Non-monetary Incentives in Organizations
- **Department of Economics and Management, University of Strasbourg** (2012–2015):
 - Introductory Statistics (TA)
 - Introductory Mathematics (TA)
 - Linear Algebra (TA)
 - Introductory Microeconomics (TA)
 - Workshop "How to be a good keynote speaker?" (for graduate students, with Thomas Coudert)

TA: Teaching Assistant

Thesis Supervision.....

Alexandre Costa and Raphaël Ohanian

Spring 2018

Graduate School of Computer Science (Telecom Nancy), University of Lorraine

Nancy, FR

Master thesis: "Agent-Based Modeling Applied to Economics and Finance". Joint supervision with Vincent Chevrier, Christine Bourjot and Camille Ait-Youcef.

Software

Data: R, RStudio, Microsoft Power Platform, Excel

Data visualization: RMarkdown, Quarto, Microsoft Power BI

Scientific: Python, Mathematica, SAS

Agent-based modelling: Python Mesa, NetLogo

Cloud: Azure, AWS, Digital Ocean

Versioning: Git

Spreadsheets: Excel, LibreOffice

Web: WordPress, Ghost, Analytics, Social media

Office: \LaTeX , Microsoft Office, iWork, LyX

OS: macOS, Ubuntu, Windows

Other Information

Citizenship: French

Birthday: 25 September 1987

Langage: French: native speaker. American English: fluent. German: notions.