

## Curriculum Vitae

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#### Current Position

*Associate Professor*, IdEP, University of Lugano, Switzerland, 2012 - .  
*Department Head*, IdEP, University of Lugano, Switzerland, 2015 - .

#### Affiliations

*CESifo Research Network*, Fellow.  
*Center for Economic and Political Research on Aging (CEPRA)*, Fellow.  
*Swiss Public Administration Network (SPAN)*, Director.

#### Previous Positions

*Assistant Professor*, Mecop Institute, University of Lugano, Switzerland, 2008 - 2011.  
*Assistant Professor*, Department of Economics, York University, Canada, 2006 - 2010.  
*Visiting Scholar*, IEB, University of Barcelona, Spain, 2009.  
*Visiting Professor*, IAP, Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería, Nicaragua, 2008.  
*Visiting Scholar*, CES, University of Munich, Germany, 2008.  
*Postdoctoral Research Fellow*, Department of Economics, McMaster University, Canada funded by Swiss National Science Foundation, 2004 - 2006.  
*Research Assistant*, Department of Economics, Université de Lausanne, Switzerland, 2001 - 2004.  
*Teaching Assistant*, Department of Economics, Université de Lausanne, Switzerland, 2000 - 2004.  
*Lecturer*, Departamento de Economía Aplicada, Universidad Centroamericana, Managua, Nicaragua, 1999 - 2000.  
*Lecturer*, Facultad de Ciencias Comerciales, Universidad de Santiago, Chile, 1998.  
*Representative* for Central America, Inecon S.A., Managua, Nicaragua 1998 - 2000.  
*Consultant*, Inecon S.A., Santiago, Chile, 1996 - 1998.  
*Research Assistant*, Department of Geography, McMaster University, Canada, 1996.  
*Teaching Assistant*, Department of Economics, McMaster University, Canada, 1995 - 1996.

#### Education

*Ph.D. Economics*, Université de Lausanne, Switzerland, August 2004. (Thesis Committee : Thomas von Ungern-Sternberg, Marius Brühlhart, Gebhard Kirchgässner)  
*Swiss Program for Beginning Doctoral Students in Economics*, Studienzentrum Gerzensee, 2002.  
*M.A. Economics*, McMaster University, Canada, 1996.  
*B.A. Economics*, Université de Lausanne, Switzerland, 1995.

### Fields of Interest

Public Economics, Applied Microeconomics, Applied Econometrics, Industrial Organization.

### Publications

“Electoral Competition as a Determinant of Fiscal Decentralization” (with Marcelin Joanis). Forthcoming *Fiscal Studies*.

“Highway to Economic Growth? Competition in Public Works Tenders in the Democratic Republic of Congo” (with Sergio Galletta and Agustin Redonda). Forthcoming *South African Journal of Economics*.

“Pension Benefit Insurance and Pension Plan Portfolio Choice” (with Thomas Crossley). *Review of Economics and Statistics* 95(1): 337-341, 2013.

“Do Agglomeration Economies Reduce the Sensitivity of Firm Location to Local Taxes?” (with Marius Brühlhart and Kurt Schmidheiny). *Economic Journal* 122(563): 1069-1093, 2012.

“Risk Selection in Natural Disaster Insurance” (with Thomas von Ungern-Sternberg). *Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics* 166:344-364, 2010.

“Underfunding of Defined Benefit Pension Plans and Benefit Guarantee Insurance - An Overview of Theory and Evidence”. *Canadian Public Policy* 34(s1):39-45, 2008.

“Vertical Versus Horizontal Tax Externalities: An Empirical Test” (with Marius Brühlhart). *Journal of Public Economics* 90(10-11): 2027-2062, 2006.

“Assessing the Efficiency of an Insurance Provider - a Measurement Error Approach” (with Thomas von Ungern-Sternberg). *The Geneva Risk and Insurance Review* (formerly *Geneva Papers*) 30:15-34, 2005.

### Invited Papers

“Survivre à la crise financière mondiale: la démocratie directe est-elle d'un quelconque secours?” *Télescope - Revue d'Analyse Comparée en Administration Publique* 20(1):61-76, 2014.

“Tax Competition and Direct Democracy in Local Public Finance - Empirical Work on Switzerland”. CESifo DICE Report 12(1):12-17, 2014.

“The Rise of Partial Decentralization and Shared Responsibility Federalism” (with Marcelin Joanis). IEB's World Report on Fiscal Federalism '09, 2010.

### Working Papers

“Weathering the Global Financial Crisis - Is Direct Democracy of any Help?”. IdEP Economic Papers 2014/05.

“Elections and de facto Expenditure Decentralization in Canada” (with Marcelin Joanis, 2014). CESifo Working Paper 4791, IdEP Economic Papers 2014/04.

“The Power to Pass on Taxes - A Test for Tax Shifting Based on Observables” (with Agustin Redonda and Anindya Sen, 2013). CESifo Working Paper 4265, USI Quaderno 13-01.

“How to Tame Two Leviathans? Revisiting the Effect of Direct Democracy on Local Public Expenditure” (with Sergio Galletta, 2012). CESifo Working Paper 3982, USI Quaderno 12-07. **Revise and resubmit *European Journal of Political Economy*.**

“Determinants of Fiscal Decentralization: Political Economy Aspects” (with Marcelin Joanis, 2010). Document de treball de l'IEB 2010/7.

“Hurricane Insurance in Florida” (with Thomas von Ungern-Sternberg, 2009). CESifo Working Paper 2768.

“Does Tax Competition Tame the Leviathan?” (with Marius Brülhart, 2007). Working Paper #2007-07, York University; Cahiers de Recherche DEEP #07.09, Université de Lausanne, CEPR Discussion Paper 6512.

“Die Übernahme von Denner durch Migros verstösst gegen das Kartellgesetz“ (with Thomas von Ungern-Sternberg, 2007). Cahiers de Recherche DEEP #07.02, Université de Lausanne.

“Disaster Insurance or a Disastrous Insurance - Natural Disaster Insurance in France” (with Thomas von Ungern-Sternberg, 2004), CESifo discussion paper #1303, Cahiers de Recherche DEEP #04.12, Université de Lausanne and Department of Economics Working Paper #2004-13, McMaster University.

“Der Bericht der Expertengruppe: 'Reform der Währungsordnung' - Eine kritische Würdigung” (with Thomas von Ungern-Sternberg, 2001). Cahiers de Recherche DEEP #01.06, Université de Lausanne.

#### **Work in Progress**

“Leverage in Public Private Partnerships” (with Laure Athias)

“Fiscal decentralization and Public Private Partnerships” (with Laure Athias)

“Horizontal and Vertical Tax Reaction Functions Across Federations”.

“Determinants of the Conversion from Defined Benefit to Defined Contribution Pension Plans in Canada”

#### **Awards and Nominations**

*Prix de la Banque Cantonale Vaudoise* for best thesis, 2005.

*Prix Jean Charles Burnens* for academic excellence in undergraduate studies, Université de Lausanne, 1995.

#### **Grants and Fellowships**

*Sinergia Grant II*, Swiss National Science Foundation (co-applicant), 2014 - 2016.

*Sinergia Grant*, Swiss National Science Foundation (co-applicant), 2010 - 2013.

*ProDoc*, Swiss National Science Foundation, 2010 - 2013.

*Empirical Project Grant*, Swiss Public Administration Network (SPAN), 2009.

*IEB Research Grant on Fiscal Federalism*, University of Barcelona, 2009.

*SSHRC Conference Travel Grant*, York University, 2007.

*Faculty of Arts Research Grant*, York University, 2007 - 2008.

*SSHRC Small Grant*, York University, 2007.

*Postdoctoral Fellowship*, SEDAP, McMaster University, 2006.

*Postdoctoral Fellowship*, Swiss National Science Foundation, extension to initial fellowship, 2005 - 2006.

*Postdoctoral Fellowship*, Swiss National Science Foundation, 2004 - 2005.

### Conference Presentations (last 5 years)

*"Reforming Public Service Delivery"*, IDHEAP, Lausanne, May 2014.  
*"Federalism and Regional Policy Workshop"*, Siegen, April 2014.  
*IIPF Conference*, Taormina, August 2013.  
*Swiss IO-Day*, Berne, June 2013.  
*Conference on Fiscal Rules*, CIRANO, Montreal, June 2013.  
*CESifo Area Conference Public Sector Economics*, Munich, April 2013.  
*EPCS Conference*, Zürich, April, 2013  
*CESifo Workshop on Political Economy*, Dresden, December 2012.  
*CPEG Meeting*, Montréal, October 2012.  
*SSES Conference*, Lucerne, June 2011 (programme committee).  
*Workshop "New Issues on Fiscal Federalism and Tax Competition"*, Lyon, November 2010 (discussant).  
*SIEP Conference*, Pavia, September 2010.  
*IIPF Conference*, Uppsala, August 2010.  
*SSES Conference*, Fribourg, June 2010.  
*CEA Conference*, Québec, May 2010.  
*CPEG Meeting*, Québec, May 2010 (discussant).  
*CESifo Area Conference Public Sector Economics*, Munich, April 2010.  
*Netspar Pension Workshop*, Amsterdam, January 2010.

### Invited Seminars

2014 University College Dublin  
2013 ETH Zürich, U Heidelberg  
2012 U Lucerne, Koç U, U Fribourg  
2011 U Augsburg, U Neuchatel, Cambridge U, ifo Munich  
2010 U Brescia  
2009 IEB, Barcelona  
2008 IFS, London; U of Munich  
2007 U of Berne, U of Lugano, U of Toronto  
2006 U of St. Gallen, York U, U of Oklahoma, U of Alabama, U Carlos III, Guelph U, Ottawa U, U of Waterloo, Wilfrid Laurier U  
2005 McMaster U, U of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, U of Leicester

### Invited Talks

*"Estado, Economía y Políticas Públicas"*, invited lecture at Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería, Nicaragua, July 2008.  
Central Europe Economic Forum, Toronto and Montreal, September 2007.

### Professional Associations

International Institute of Public Finance (Member of Board of Management)  
Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics (Member of Executive Committee)

### Teaching

*Introduzione alla Microeconomia Quantitativa (BA Economics)*, University of Lugano, Switzerland.  
*Political and Institutional Economics (MSc Public Policy)*, IDHEAP, University of Lausanne, Switzerland.  
*Industrial Organization (MSc Economics)*, HEC, University of Lausanne, Switzerland  
*Advanced Microeconomics (MSc Public Policy)*, University of Lugano, Switzerland.  
*Public Economics (MSc Public Policy)*, University of Lugano, Switzerland.  
*Microeconomics (MSc Public Policy)*, University of Lugano, Switzerland.  
*Advanced Microeconomics (PhD)*, University of Lugano, Switzerland.  
*Industrial Organization (MSc Management)*, University of Lugano, Switzerland.  
*Public Economics II* (graduate, topics in empirical public), York University, Canada.  
*Public Economics II* (4<sup>th</sup> year, expenditure), York University, Canada.  
*Use of Economic Data* (3<sup>rd</sup> year, econometrics), York University, Canada.

*Intermediate Microeconomics II* (Consumer Behaviour), McMaster University, Canada.  
*Introductory Microeconomics*, McMaster University, Canada.  
*International Economics*, Universidad Centroamericana, Nicaragua.  
*Principles in Economics*, Universidad de Santiago de Chile.

Teaching Assistant for *Principles in Economics* and *Seminar on Applied Microeconomics*,  
Université de Lausanne.

### **Executive Teaching**

*Introductory Economics* (co-instructor), NetMEGS, University of Lugano, 2009 - 2013.  
*Public Economics* (executive master in public policy), UNI, Nicaragua. 2008.

### **Referee**

*Annals of Actuarial Science, Australian Economic Papers, Canadian Journal of Economics, Canadian Public Policy, CESifo Economic Studies, Economica, European Economic Review, The Geneva Papers, Fiscal Studies, International Journal of Health Care Finance and Economics, International Tax and Public Finance, Journal of Economic Geography, Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics, Journal of Pension Economics and Finance, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Public Economic Theory, Journal of Risk and Insurance, Journal of Urban Economics, National Tax Journal, Natural Hazards, Publius: The Journal of Federalism, Review of Economics and Institutions, Structural Change and Economic Dynamics, Swiss National Science Foundation, Urban Studies.*

### **PhD Supervision**

*Eleonora Lanzio*, University of Lugano, 2014 -  
*Edoardo Slerca*, University of Lugano, 2012 -  
*Agustin Redonda*, University of Lugano, 2010 -  
*Sergio Galletta*, University of Lugano, 2010 - 2014

### **Dissertation Committees**

*Maxime Clemenceau*, IDHEAP, Université de Lausanne (external), 2014  
*Moreno Baruffini*, University of Lugano, 2014  
*Stefano Scagnolari*, University of Lugano, 2013  
*Simin Seury*, York University, 2008 - 2009  
*Muhammad Cheema*, McMaster University, 2005 - 2009

### **Master Thesis Supervision**

*Doris Gasser, Julien Mozzo, Aline Ducommun, Ingo Trede, Marco Tarchini*

### **Seminar series co-organizer**

*Research Seminar in Economics*, University of Lugano, 2010 - 2012  
*York University*, 2006 - 2008

### **Conference co-organizer**

*IIPF*, Lugano, 2014 (head of local organization committee).  
*YSEM*, 2013 - 2015 (program committee)  
*SSES Congress*, Lucerne, 2011 (program committee)  
*Private Pensions and Income Security in Old Age: An Uncertain Future*, SEDAP  
Hamilton, 2006.

**Scientific Commissions**

DSAS-SUPSI (Department of Management and Social Sciences, University of Applied Sciences, Lugano), 2009 -  
National Research Programme proposal "Lebensende", 2008.

**Personal Information**

Born: 09.02.1972

Citizenship: Swiss; married to Z. Murtazaieva.

Personal interests: sports involving running after a ball (squash, tennis), travel, cinema, languages.

**Languages**

German, French, English, Spanish and Italian (all speaking and writing).