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### EMPLOYMENT:

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2016 –	Professor of Economics, London School of Economics
2011 – 2016	Associate Professor of Economics, London School of Economics
2008 – 2010	Assistant Professor of Economics, London School of Economics
2006 – 2008	Assistant Professor of Public Policy, London School of Economics
2000 – 2006	Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Munich

### EDUCATION:

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1996 – 2001	Ph.D. in Economics, London School of Economics
1994 – 1995	M.Sc. in Economics and Philosophy, London School of Economics
1993 – 1994	Visiting Undergraduate Student, London School of Economics
1991 – 1993	Undergraduate Student in Economics and Philosophy, University of Heidelberg

### OTHER AFFILIATIONS:

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President, Urban Economics Association (2020 and 2021)  
 Vice President, Urban Economics Association (2018 and 2019)  
 Program Director, Urban Programme, Centre for Economic Performance (CEP), LSE (2020 – )  
 Research Fellow, Centre for Economic Policy Research (2002 – )  
 Research Fellow, CESifo (2004 – )  
 Research Associate, Centre for Economic Performance (CEP), LSE (2005 – )

### RESEARCH INTERESTS:

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International Trade, Economic Geography, Urban Economics, Political Economy

### PRIZES AND HONOURS:

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Winner of the 2018 Frisch Medal for the paper “The Economics of Density: Evidence from the Berlin Wall” with Gabriel Ahlfeldt, Steve Redding and Nikolaus Wolf  
 LSE Excellence in Education Award (2019)  
 LSE Major Review Teaching Prize (2008)  
 LSE Teaching Excellence Award (2007)  
 Teaching Prize for Economics Teaching Assistants at LSE (1997)

### GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS:

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ERC Advanced Grant (€1.8m) “Quantitative Models of Cities” (2021 – 2026)  
 ERC Starting Grant (€1m) “Using Natural Experiments to Understand the Spatial Economy” (2010 – 2016)  
 German Science Foundation Grant (€75k) “The Impact of Division and Reunification on the Economic Geography of Germany” with Steve Redding and Nikolaus Wolf (2005 – 2008)  
 Marie Curie Fellowship, TMR Program, European Commission (1997 – 1999)  
 Scholarship from the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) (1994 – 1995)  
 Scholar of the “Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes” (1994 – 1995)

## **JOURNAL ARTICLES:**

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- “The Impact of Public Employment: Evidence from Bonn” (with Sascha Becker and Stephan Heblich), *Journal of Urban Economics*, 122, March 2021, 103291.
- “The Making of the Modern Metropolis: Evidence from London” (with Stephan Heblich and Steve Redding), *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 135(4), November 2020, 2059 – 2133.
- “The Economics of Density: Evidence from the Berlin Wall” (with Gabriel Ahlfeldt, Steve Redding, and Nikolaus Wolf), *Econometrica*, 83(6), November 2015, 2127 – 2189.
- “Term Limits and Electoral Accountability” (with Michael Smart), *Journal of Public Economics*, 107, November 2013, 93 – 102.
- “History and Industry Location: Evidence from German Airports” (with Steve Redding and Nikolaus Wolf), *Review of Economics and Statistics*, 93(3), August 2011, 814 – 831.
- “Political Competition, Policy and Growth: Theory and Evidence from the United States” (with Tim Besley and Torsten Persson), *Review of Economic Studies*, 77(4), October 2010, 1329 – 1352.
- “The Costs of Remoteness: Evidence from German Division and Reunification” (with Steve Redding), *American Economic Review*, 98(5), December 2008, 1766 – 1797.
- “How Elections Matter: Theory and Evidence from Environmental Policy” (with John List), *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 121(4), November 2006, 1249 – 1281.
- “Product Standards, Trade Disputes, and Protectionism”, *Canadian Journal of Economics*, 39(2), May 2006, 564 – 581.
- “Environment and Trade: The Implications of Imperfect Information and Political Economy” (with Alistair Ulph), *World Trade Review*, 1(3), November 2002, 235 – 256.

## **BOOK CHAPTERS:**

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- “Trade and the Environment: A Survey of the Literature”, in L. Marsiliani, M. Rauscher and C. Withagen (eds.), *Environmental Policy in an International Perspective*, Kluwer, 2003, 119 – 149.

## **SELECTED WORKING PAPERS AND WORK IN PROGRESS:**

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- “Neighbourhood Effects: Evidence from Wartime Destruction in London” (with Steve Redding)
- “The Geography of Life: Evidence from Copenhagen” (with Gabriel Ahlfeldt, Ismir Mulalic and Caterina Soto-Viera)
- “Applying the Quantitative Urban Model to Cities in Developing Countries” (with Kohei Takeda and Anthony Venables)
- “War-Time Destruction and the Persistence of Economic Activity” (with Daniela Glocker)

## **RECENT POLICY CONTRIBUTIONS:**

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- “The Making of the Modern Metropolis: Evidence from London,” with Stephan Heblich and Steve Redding, *CentrePiece* (Spring 2019)
- “What the Berlin Wall Can Teach Us About Urban Development,” with Gabriel Ahlfeldt, Steve Redding, and Nikolaus Wolf, *CentrePiece* (Spring 2019)
- “The Making of the Modern Metropolis: Evidence from London,” with Stephan Heblich and Steve Redding, *VoxEU* (October 2018)

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**REFEREE:**

American Economic Review, American Economic Journal, American Political Science Review, Canadian Journal of Economics, Econometrica, Economic Journal, Economic History Review, Economica, Economics of Transition, Environmental and Resource Economics, European Economic Review, European Journal of Political Economy, German Economic Review, International Economic Review, International Tax and Public Finance, Journal of Applied Econometrics, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economic Geography, Journal of Environmental Economics and Management, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of International Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Politics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Theoretical Politics, Public Choice, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economic Studies

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**EDITORIAL WORK:**

Co-Editor, Journal of Urban Economics (2022 – )  
Editorial Board, Journal of Urban Economics (2016 – 2021)  
Panel Member, Economic Policy (2012 – 2014)  
Editorial Advisor, Canadian Journal of Economics (2008 – 2011)

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**PROGRAMME COMMITTEES:**

Conference on Urban and Regional Economics (CURE), London, 2019  
European Economic Association Meeting, Manchester, 2019  
European Economic Association Meeting, Cologne, 2018  
Econometric Society Meeting, Lisbon, 2017  
European Economic Association Meeting, Lisbon, 2017  
Econometric Society Meeting, Toulouse, 2014  
Conference on Urban and Regional Economics (CURE), London, 2013  
Econometric Society Meeting, Gothenburg, 2013  
Econometric Society Meeting, Malaga, 2012  
European Economic Association Meeting, Malaga, 2012  
Urban Economics Association, Bratislava, 2012  
Econometric Society Meeting, Oslo, 2011  
World Congress of the Econometric Society, Shanghai, 2010  
German Economic Association, Dresden, 2004

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**RECENT SEMINARS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS:**

Science Po (March 2024), Trinity College Dublin (January 2024), PPCR Workshop Lyon (December 2023), Sorbonne Paris (December 2023), CReAM Workshop Regional Inequality UCL (October 2023), Urban Economics Association Toronto (October 2023), CHS Summer Workshop Stanford (September 2023), NOITS Conference Stockholm (September 2023) University of Duisburg (June 2023), Urban Economics Association DC (October 2022), EAERE Rimini (June 2022), UEA Summer School Barcelona (June 2022), University of Bologna (April 2022), Online Spatial and Urban Seminar (December 2021), Berkeley Haas (October 2021), University of Houston (April 2021), Conference on Urban and Regional Economics, SMU Singapore (December 2019), University Aix-Marseille (December 2019), IDC Tel Aviv (November 2019), Urban Economics Conference, University of Zurich (October 2019), Workshop Firm Location and Economic Geography, HEC Paris (September 2019), University of Pennsylvania (September 2019), University of Geneva (September 2019), EEA Manchester (August 2019), University of St Gallen (May 2019), Fed Board (April 2019), Conference on Spatial Economics and Economic History, NYU and Columbia (September 2018), University of Zurich (March 2018), UC Berkeley (February 2018), EIEF Rome (November 2017), Ausschuss Regionaltheorie und -politik, Bochum (October 2017), Stockholm University (September 2017), Wharton (April 2017), UC San Diego (April 2017), UBC (April 2017).

## **LONGER ACADEMIC VISITS**

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Visiting Professor, Department of Economics, UC Berkeley (March – August 2017)  
Visiting Professor, Department of Economics, Columbia University (April – May 2012)  
Visiting Scholar, GREQAM, University of Aix-Marseille (April – July 2011)  
Visiting Research Fellow, CEP and STICERD, London School of Economics (March – August 2004)

## **UNIVERSITY SERVICE AT LSE:**

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Member External Funding Ethical Review Board (EFERB) (2019 – )  
Member Executive MSc Management Board (2020 – 2022)  
Member Dean's Group School of Public Policy (2018 – 2021)  
Director Executive Master of Public Policy (EMPP) (2015 – 2021)  
Director Executive Master of Public Administration (EMPA) (2012 – 2021)  
Member Visiting Professors Standing Committee (2016 – 2019)  
Convenor MPA Public and Economic Policy (2007 – 2011)  
Economics Junior Recruiting Committee (09/10, 10/11, 12/13, and 19/20)

## **PHD STUDENTS WITH FIRST PLACEMENT:**

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Pol Simpson (ongoing)  
Caterina Soto-Viera (ongoing)  
Azhar Hussain (ongoing)  
Lin Fan (ongoing)  
Animesh Jayant (ongoing)  
Sidharth Moktan (ongoing)  
Emiliano Rinaldi (ongoing)  
Mateus Morais (ongoing)  
Felix Iglhaut (ongoing)  
Leo Yu (ongoing)  
Xavier Tierney (ongoing)  
Ningyuan Jia (2024 – Xiamen)  
Veronica Salazar-Restrepo (2024 – IIES)  
Kohei Takeda (2022 – NUS)  
Tillman Hoenig (2021 – UNU-Wider)  
Niclas Moneke (2020 – Oxford)  
Adrien Bussy (2020 – NUS)  
Giuseppe Rossitti (2020)  
Clare Balboni (2019 – MIT)  
Marcus Biermann (2019 – Louvain)  
Alessandro Sforza (2018 – Bologna)  
Yatang Lin (2017 – Hong Kong)  
Thiemo Fetzner (2015 – Warwick)  
Jason Garred (2015 – Ottawa)  
Reka Juhaz (2015 – Columbia)  
Ben Faber (2013 – Berkeley)  
Oliver Denk (2012 – OECD)  
Kitjawat Tacharoen (2012 – Trade Commission Thailand)  
Yanhui Wu (2011 – USC)

**CURRENT TEACHING AT LSE:**

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Empirical Methods for Public Policy (PP455E)

Advanced Empirical Methods for Policy Analysis (PP419)

International Economics for Research Students (EC532)

**PERSONAL:**

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Married to Dr Maya Sturm, one child

UK and German citizenship