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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Assistant Professor, CREST-ENSAE

October 2012-*Present*

EDUCATION

University of Cambridge, PhD in Economics

December 2012

University of Oxford, M.Sc in Economics for Development

August 2006

University of Delhi, B.A.(Hons) in Economics (First Class)

July 2005

PUBLICATIONS

“Does the Rotten Child Spoil His Companion? Spatial Peer Effects Among Children in Rural India” (with Christian Helmers). *Quantitative Economics*, Vol. 5(1), March 2014.

“Neighbours and Extension Agents in Ethiopia: Who matters more for technology diffusion?” (with Pramila Krishnan). *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*, Vol. 96(1), July 2013.

“The Formation and Evolution of Childhood Skill Acquisition: Evidence From India” (with Christian Helmers). *Journal of Development Economics*, Vol. 95(2), July 2011.

“Transforming public schools: Impact of the CRI program on child learning in Pakistan,” (with Reehana Raza and Farooq Naseer). *Economics of Education Review*, Vol. 29(4), August 2010.

WORKING PAPERS

“The Natural Resource Curse Revisited: Theory and Evidence from India” (with Amrita Dhillon, Pramila Krishnan and Carlo Perroni).

CAGE Working Paper No.268.

“Attention and Saliency in Online Markets: Evidence from an Online Recommendation System” (with Christian Helmers and Pramila Krishnan).

CEPR Discussion Paper No. 10939.

“Estimating Fiscal Multipliers with Correlated Heterogeneity” (with Manos Kitsios).

IMF Working Paper WP/16/13.

“Corporate Networks And Peer Effects In Firm Policies”.

(R&R Journal of Business & Economic Statistics).

“Let’s Make Software Patentable..or Maybe Let’s Not: Evidence from the Indian Software Industry” (with Markus Eberhardt, Marcel Fafchamps and Christian Helmers)

Stanford Center for International Development Working Paper No. 526.

“Volatility of Global Carbon Emissions and Spillovers From International Trade”.

“Do Board Interlocks Increase Innovation? Evidence From Natural Experiments In India” (with Christian Helmers and Raghavendra Rau).

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

Organiser

Organiser, and member of the scientific committee for the conference ‘**STATS IN PARIS**’ on the theme of networks at ENSAE, Paris.

Organiser and member of the big-data program ‘**DATALEAD**’ jointly organised by ENSAE and Berkeley on the theme of big data.

Member of Paris-Saclay **Data Science Institute** and ‘*New Challenges for New Data*’ project at CREST.

Refereeing

Annals of Economics and Statistics, American Journal of Agricultural Economics, Comparative Education Review, Economic Journal, Journal of Business & Economics Statistics, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Development Studies, Journal of Economic and Human Biology, Public Choice, Revue Economics.

Invited Talks

Ninth bi-annual Postal Economics Conference on the Digital Economy, TSE (2016), NBER Summer Institute (2015), Cemmap (UCL) Big-Data conference (2015), Toulouse School of Economics (2014), Paris School of Economics (2014), University of Namur (2014), Santa Clara University (2014), Federal Reserve Board Dallas (2014), Georgetown University (2014), Berkeley - DataLead Speaker (2014), Delhi School of Economics (2013), Ecole Polytechnique (2013), Warwick Political Economy Workshop (2011), Central European University (2012), NUS Singapore (2012), Indian School of Business (2012), Sauder School of Business UBC (2012), Carlos III (2012), Copenhagen Business School (2012), Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance (2012), CEMFI (2012), LMU Munich (2011), Royal Holloway (2011), World Bank DECRG (2010).

AWARDS & GRANTS

LABEX Grant for project on attention and saliency in online markets.

INET Grant for project on attention and saliency in online markets.

IGC Grant for project on technology adoption in Ethiopia.

ESRC Grant for project on the natural resource curse revisited.

Dr. Manmohan Singh Scholarship for doctoral studies at Cambridge.

Marie-Curie AMID Early Stage Researcher Fellowship held at Bocconi University.

Luca D’Agliano Scholarship for Development Economics.

Suzy Paine Award Department of Economics, University of Cambridge.

Young Lives **Research Grant** (together with Christian Helmers), University of Oxford.

Center for Research in Microeconomics (CReMic) Bursary, Faculty of Economics, Cambridge.

POLICY WORK

Consultant, World Bank - for project evaluating the National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NREGA) in India and Azerbaijan higher education project.

Consultant, Aga Khan Foundation (with Farooq Naseer and Reehana Raza) - for evaluating the Community Led Total Sanitation Program (CLTS) in Pakistan.

SKILLS

Proficient with the use of R, STATA, MATLAB, GAMS, LaTeX, ArcGIS, Fortran, HPC.

LANGUAGES

English, Hindi, French.