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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Firm Location Decisions, Firm Networks, Interlocking Directorates, Infrastructure

CURRENT POSITIONS

Visiting PhD <i>SoDa Labs - Monash University</i> Hosted by Prof. Dr. Paul Raschky	February - March 2025 <i>Melbourne, Australia</i>
Ph.D. Candidate in Economics <i>Chair of Public Economics - University of Fribourg</i> Under the Supervision of Prof. Dr. Mark Schelker	2020 - Present <i>Fribourg, Switzerland</i>
Teaching & Research Assistant <i>Chair of Public Economics - University of Fribourg</i> - Professor : Prof. Dr. Mark Schelker - BA courses : Economie Publique I, Economie Publique II - Approfondissement (Co-teaching since 2022) - MA courses : Politiques publiques suisses, The Economics of Politics, Empirical Public Economics, Behavioral Public Economics (2019 - 2024)	2019 - Present <i>Fribourg, Switzerland</i>

PREVIOUS POSITIONS

Student Research Assistant to Prof. Dr. Mark Schelker <i>Chair of Public Economics - University of Fribourg</i>	2019 - 2020 <i>Fribourg, Switzerland</i>
Student Research Assistant to Prof. Dr. Mark Schelker <i>Chair of Public Finance - University of Fribourg</i>	2017 <i>Fribourg, Switzerland</i>

EDUCATION

Swiss Program for Beginning Doctoral Students in Economics <i>Study Center Gerzensee</i> Full program: Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Econometrics	2020 - 2021 (BDP2020) <i>Gerzensee, Switzerland</i>
M.A. in Economics <i>University of Fribourg</i> - Specialization in Public Economics and Public Finance - Modules - Public Economics and Public Finance, Quantitative Methods, Economic Policy & Economic Theory - Dissertation: <i>Voluntary Mergers in the Canton of Vaud: Effect on Expenditures. Evidence based on Difference-in-Differences and the Synthetic Control Method</i>	2017 - 2020 <i>Fribourg, Switzerland</i>
B.A. in Economics <i>University of Fribourg</i> Dissertation: <i>Estimation empirique de la taille de l'économie informelle dans les cantons suisses</i>	2014 - 2017 <i>Fribourg, Switzerland</i>
Did@cTIC (Diploma of Advanced Studies - DAS) <i>Center for University Didactics, University of Fribourg</i>	2023 - Present <i>Fribourg, Switzerland</i>

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

2025 SoDa PhD Seminar - SoDa Lab (Monash University, Melbourne); Cookie Seminar (University of Fribourg, Switzerland); Annual Congress 2025 of the Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics (KOF - ETH Zürich, Switzerland); European Economic Association Conference 2025 (University of Bordeaux, France)

2024 Cookie Seminar (University of Fribourg, Switzerland); PhD Seminar (University of Fribourg, Switzerland); Assistentenkonferenz (University of Fribourg, Switzerland); 16th Beyond Basic Questions - BBQ (University of Groningen, Netherlands); 80th Annual Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance (Prague University of Economics and Business, Czech Republic)

ADVANCED CLASSES

2024 How Do Firms Behave? by Prof. David Thesmar, Advanced Courses in Economics, Study Center Gerzensee, Gerzensee CH (June 2024)

2023 Social Network Analysis at the RECSM Winter Methods School, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona (March 2023); AMSE Summer School in Political Economy: Institutions and Media, Aix-Marseille School of Economics, Marseille (June 2023); The Oxford Summer School in Economic Networks, University of Oxford, Oxford (June 2023)

2022 CUSO Virtual Workshop on Behavioral Public Economics (April 2022); Winter School in Data Analytics, University of Fribourg (February 2022)

ACADEMIC WRITING

2022 Les avantages et les principes fondamentaux du fédéralisme. *Journal des Libertés* 15, 2022: p. 13-34 (with Mark Schelker)

POPULAR WRITING

2022 Le paquet d'aide aux médias est un compromis boiteux. *Watson*, 07.02.2022 (with Mark Schelker)

2021 Errements et tourments du fédéralisme suisse. *Le Temps*, 28.01.2021 (with Mark Schelker)

2020 Fédéralisme en temps de crise: un avantage abandonné. *Le Temps*, 12.05.2020 (with Mark Schelker)

APPEARANCES IN THE MEDIA AND PUBLIC DEBATES

2021 Interview/Radio debate, "Service compris - Fédéralisme". *Radio Fribourg*, 29.09.2021

2021 Panelist/Public debate, "Fédéralisme - Un pour tous ou tous pour un?". *Cafés scientifiques de l'Université de Fribourg*, Nouveau Monde, 29.09.2021

EXPERT REPORTS

2021 Avis concernant le projet de loi sur la participation des communes au financement des prestations sociales et des mesures de soutien aux personnes âgées (LPCFPS) et son effet mécanique sur les flux péréquatifs. Rapport commandé par le Secrétariat général du Département de la cohésion sociale du Canton de Genève (with Mark Schelker)

WORK IN PROGRESS

The Effects of Highway Access on Firm Creations, Deaths, and Relocations (with Mark Schelker); Place-Based Interventions in 1970s Switzerland: The Two Policies (with Mark Schelker); Constraining Borders, Connecting Roads: The Rise of the National Swiss Firm Network Between 1934 and 2003

GRANTS

2023 Bourse 2023 de la Fondation du 25ème anniversaire de la Société de Banque Suisse à Fribourg (CHF 8,000)

SOFTWARES

Stata (proficient), Latex (proficient), R (intermediate), Python (basics), Cytoscape (intermediate),

LANGUAGES

French (Native), English (Fluent), German (Basics)

REFERENCES

On Request