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## *Employment and Affiliations*

**2018 - present** Assistant Professor (Lecturer), Department of Economics,  
University of Bristol.  
**2014 - 2018** Postdoctoral Researcher, Department of International Development,  
University of Oxford.  
**2018 - present** Research Affiliate, CEPR.  
**2019 - present** Affiliate, J-PAL.

## *Education*

**2011 - 2015** University of Oxford, D.Phil. in Economics.  
**2007 - 2009** University of Oxford, M.Phil. in Economics (Distinction, Best Thesis Prize).  
**2003 - 2006** University of Oxford, B.A. in Politics, Philosophy and Economics (First Class).

## *Research papers*

"The Selection of Talent: Experimental and Structural Evidence from Ethiopia". (with Girum Abebe and Esteban Ortiz-Ospina) 2019.

***R&R, American Economic Review.***

"Anonymity or Distance? Job Search and Labour Market Exclusion in a Growing African City". (with Girum Abebe, Paolo Falco, Marcel Fafchamps, Simon Franklin and Simon Quinn) 2019

***R&R, Review of Economic Studies.***

"Can People Share Information Efficiently?". (with Marcel Fafchamps)

***The Economic Journal, Forthcoming.***

"Expectations, Network Centrality and Public Good Contributions: Experimental Evidence from India". (with Marcel Fafchamps)

***Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization, Forthcoming.***

"Does the Risk of Poverty Reduce Happiness?". (with Paolo Falco)

***Economic Development and Cultural Change, 67.1 (2018): 1-28.***

“Job Fairs. Matching Firms and Unemployed Youth in a Field Experiment”. (with Girum Abebe, Paolo Falco, Marcel Fafchamps, Simon Franklin, Simon Quinn and Forhad Shilpi) 2018.

“Do Employers Trust Workers too Little? An Experimental Study of Trust in the Labour Market”. (with Paolo Falco) 2018.

“Searching with Friends”. (with Simon Franklin and Marc Witte) 2018.

“Captured Labor Markets: Social Structure and Labor Market Performance in the Philippines”. (with Julien Labonne) 2018.

### *Ongoing fieldwork*

Retention interventions and firms’ willingness to train middle managers in Ethiopia with Girum Abebe (EDRI), Pascaline Dupas and Marcel Fafchamps (Stanford).

[Pre-analysis plan](#)

Employment interventions to help Syrian refugees find jobs in Jordan with Max Kasy (Harvard), Grant Gordon (IRC), Simon Quinn and Alex Teytelboym (Oxford).

[Pre-analysis plan](#)

Labor management interventions to improve worker retention and productivity in Ethiopia with Girum Abebe (EDRI), Stefan Dercon and Lukas Hensel (Oxford).

[Interview for The Guardian](#)

Interventions to promote female employment in Egypt with Bruno Crépon (CREST), AbdelRaham Nagy (J-PAL), and Caroline Krafft (St. Catherine University).

### *Research grants*

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| <b>2017</b> | IGC and Oxford Martin School, “Understanding Industrial Parks” (with Girum Abebe, Stefan Dercon and Simon Quinn). Principal Investigator, 275,000£.                              |
| <b>2016</b> | John Fell Fund, “An Experimental Study of the Demand for Information among Firm Managers in Ethiopia”. Principal Investigator, 7,500£.   |
| <b>2015</b> | IGC, “Do Managers use financial incentives effectively? Evidence from a field experiment in urban Ethiopia” (with Girum Abebe). Principal Investigator, 95,000£.                 |
| <b>2014</b> | DfID-IZA and IGC, “Assisting Job Search in Low-Employment Communities” (with Girum Abebe, Paolo Falco, Marcel Fafchamps Simon Franklin, Simon Quinn). Co-investigator, 300,000£. |

### *Lecturing and supervision*

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| <b>2019 - 2020</b> | <i>Lecturer</i> , Behavioral Economics, BSc in Economics, University of Bristol. |
| <b>2018 - 2020</b> | <i>Lecturer</i> , Policy Experiments, MSc in Economics, University of Bristol.   |

- 2014 - 2018**     *Lecturer, Applied Econometrics, MSc in Economics for Development, University of Oxford.*
- 2015 - 2016**     *Lecturer, Development Economics, M.Phil. in Economics, University of Oxford.*
- 2014 - 2019**     *Thesis supervisor, University of Oxford and University of Bristol.*

### *Seminars and conference presentations (including forthcoming)*

2019: LSE (Capabilities, Competition and Innovation Seminar and Labour Workshop), Stockholm School of Economics, Munich, Amsterdam (Tinbergen Institute), CEPR/IGC/ILO/GSEM Conference on Labour Markets in Developing Countries (University of Geneva), Conference on “Forced Displacement, Asylum Seekers and Refugees” (Queen Mary University), CSAE conference, Milano Bicocca workshop on “Challenges and Opportunities for Policy Making in Africa”, Southampton Workshop on Applied Economics.

2018: Warwick, NBER Summer Institute, BREAD/CEPR/LSE/TCD Development Workshop (LSE), EALE (Lyon), Bristol Workshop, Ohlstadt Workshop, Cologne, IZA/WB conference on Jobs and Development, NEUDC (Cornell), JM: Cornell Dyson, Virginia Darden, McGill, Toulouse, Sciences Po, CREST, Paris School of Economics, Bristol, Essex, Royal Holloway, Bologna, Tilburg, Utrecht, CERGE-IE, Javeriana.

2017: NEUDC (Tufts), IGC/CEPR Labour Conference (LSE), IFS (London), Queen Mary University, Nottingham University, Impact Evaluation Conference (University of Mannheim), OxDev, Reading University, SEEDEC (University of East Anglia), OECD, Royal Economic Society (Bristol University), Ethiopian Economic Association Conference, CSAE conference, SAEe (Barcelona), Econometric Society Winter Meetings (Barcelona).

2016: NEUDC (MIT), Annual World Bank Conference on Africa, Clermont-Ferrand (Workshop on “Learning for adoption” organized by Alain de Janvry and Elisabeth Sadoulet), NIBS (Nottingham), LACEA-LAMES, Ethiopian Economic Association Conference, OxDev, CSAE conference.

2015: NEUDC (Brown), SEEDEC Conference (CERGE-EI, Prague), DIW (Berlin), Wageningen University, CSAE conference; GSE Summer Forum Barcelona, Royal Economic Society (Manchester).

### *Refereeing*

American Economic Review, Review of Economics and Statistics, Economic Journal, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization, Labor Economics, Economica, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Journal of African Economics, Oxford Development Studies, Regional Science and Urban Economics.

### *Honors and scholarships*

+3 ESRC full award studentship to pursue doctoral studies.

George Webb Medley Prize 2009 for the best M.Phil. Thesis.

### *Languages*

English, Italian, Spanish, Amharic (basic).

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