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Education

PhD in Economics, Universitat Pompeu Fabra	2023 - 2027 (expected)
Advisor: Luca Fornaro	
MRes in Economics, Universitat Pompeu Fabra	2022 - 2023
MSc in Economics, Barcelona School of Economics	2021 - 2022
MSc in Economics, Nova School of Business and Economics	2018 - 2020
Exchange program, University of Copenhagen	
BSc in Economics, University of Porto	2015 - 2018
Exchange program, University of Amsterdam	

Research Interests

Macroeconomics, Economic Growth, International Economics

Work in Progress

Capital Market Integration for Innovation-Led Growth
Economic Integration, Knowledge Spillovers and Growth

Professional Experience

International Monetary Fund , Washington DC, United States	Summer 2025
PhD intern - European Department	
European Central Bank , Frankfurt, Germany	2020 - 2021
Trainee - Directorate General Macroeprudential Policy & Financial Stability	

Teaching Experience

Barcelona School of Economics , Teaching Assistant (graduate)	
International Macroeconomics - Prof. Luca Fornaro	Winter 2025, 2026
Universitat Pompeu Fabra , Teaching Assistant (undergraduate)	
Macroeconomics I - Prof. Priit Jeenas	Spring 2026
International Macroeconomics II - Prof. Rasim Ahmedov Hyuseinov	Spring 2024
Macroeconomics I - Profs. Isaac Baley and Davide Debortoli	Fall 2023
Microeconomics II - Profs. Miguel de Quinto, Daniel Sanchez and David Puig	Spring 2023
Introduction to Macroeconomics - Prof. Alberto Martin	Winter 2023

Fellowships and Grants

Consultaccount Award for best paper presented by a PhD student, PEJ meeting (2026)
REACT grant for data purchase, Universitat Pompeu Fabra (2025)
Predoctoral Grant (FPI), Spanish Ministry of Science and Innovation (2024-2027)
Full tuition waiver and stipend, Barcelona School of Economics (2021-2022)
DGES Scholarship for best student in the MSc of Economics, Portuguese Ministry of Education (2020)
Nova Fellowship for Excellence, Nova SBE (2018-2020)

Conferences and Seminars (Including Scheduled)

2026 6th WE-ARE-IN Macroeconomics and Finance Conference (poster session), CEPR European Economic Policy RPN Annual Conference (discussant), 41st meeting of the European Economic Association, 19th Annual Meeting of the Portuguese Economic Journal, XXIX Workshop on Dynamic Macroeconomics, PSE-CEPR Policy Forum, 25th RIEF Doctoral Meeting, 8th PhD Workshop at Queen Mary University London, 6th Workshop for Women in Macroeconomics, Finance and Economic History.

2025 CREi Macro Lunch, IMF European Department Seminar.

Workshops

ISEG Winter School "Firm heterogeneity and production networks", Glenn Magermann	2025
2nd Summer School of the Journal of International Economics	2024

Policy Work

"Firm-Level Innovation in Spain: Patterns, Drivers, and Policy Implications", with Younghun Shim and Carlo Pizzinelli, Spain 2025 Article IV Consultations Selected Issues Paper.

"Bank Mergers and Acquisitions in the Euro Area: Drivers and Implications for Bank Performance", with S. Gardó, M. Grodzicki, B. Klaus, L. Lebastard, B. Meller and W. Wakker, *Financial Stability Review*, ECB, November 2021.

Languages and Technical Skills

Languages: Portuguese (native), English (fluent), Spanish (intermediate), French (beginner)

Software & Programming: Matlab, Python, RStudio, L^AT_EX, Stata, SQL