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Personal Information:

Nationality: Italian, German Date of birth: 27.03.1986 Civil status: married, two children

Current position:

Since Sep. 2011 Researcher, **ZEW – Leibniz Centre for European Economic Research**, Research Department “Labour Markets and Human Resources”.
Research interests: **labor economics, applied microeconometrics, education economics, urban economics**

Education:

December 2017 PhD in Economics at the **University of Heidelberg**. Advisor: Prof. Christina Gathmann. Thesis Committee: Prof. Tobias Seidel. Thesis on *Individual and Regional Returns to Higher Education: Empirical Evidence for Germany*.
April 2011 Master of Science in Economics and Social Sciences (ESS) at **Bocconi University**, Milan.
Sep. - Dec. 2009 Graduate Exchange, University of Mannheim, Germany.
October 2008 Undergraduate Degree in International Economics and Management (DIEM) at **Bocconi University**, Milan.
Oct. - Dec. 2007 Undergraduate Exchange, WirtschaftsUniversität Wien, Austria.

Work experience:

Apr. - Jul. 2018 Post-Doc Research Associate, **University of Heidelberg**, Chair of Labor Economics and Political Economy.
Jul. - Dec. 2016 Research assistant, **University of Heidelberg**, Chair of Labor Economics and Political Economy.
Jan. - Aug. 2011 Consultant at the research department of **Confindustria Genova**.
Jun. - Sep. 2010 Traineeship at **European Commission**, DG Development, Unit A1 - Forward Looking Studies and Policy Coherence, Brussels.

Publications:

Local Labor Market Size and Qualification Mismatch, *Journal of Economic Geography*, 2019, 19(6): 1261-1286 - [Paper](#)

Working from Home and Covid-19, The Chances and Risks for Gender Gaps (with Melanie Arntz and Sarra Ben Yahmed), *Intereconomics*, 2020, [Paper](#); Media coverage: *Süddeutsche Zeitung*, *DUB-Unternehmer Magazin*, *Mannheimer Morgen*, *Rhein-Neckar-Zeitung*

Working papers:

1. **Working from Home: Heterogeneous Effects on Hours Worked and Wages** (with Melanie Arntz & Sarra Ben Yahmed), [ZEW Discussion Paper](#) - Media coverage: *Spektrum der Wissenschaft*, *Wirtschaftswoche*
 2. **Earnings of university dropouts across Europe** (with Theresa Bolz), [ZEW Discussion Paper](#) - Media coverage: *FAZ*, *Handelsblatt*, *Business Insider*
 3. **Field of Study, Qualification Mismatch, and Wages: Does Sorting Matter?** (with Ulrich Zierahn), [ZEW Discussion Paper](#)
 4. **How Relevant Is Job Mismatch for German Graduates?** (with Daniel Erdsiek), [ZEW Discussion Paper](#) - Media coverage: *Wirtschaftswoche*
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Work in progress :

College Openings and Local Economic Development (with Christina Gathmann & Matthias Quinkhardt)

Does Studying the Preferred Field of Study Improve Academic Performance? (with Andre' Diegmann & Maresa Sprietsma)

Paper presentation:

2021: Society of Labor Economists (scheduled)

2020: Italian Association of Labor Economists

2019: LERN conference (IAB Nuremberg), 9th European Meeting of the Urban Economics Association (Amsterdam), International Workshop on Applied Economics of Education (Catanzaro), NEPS Conference (Bamberg)

2018: IZA World Labor Conference (Berlin), IZA/OECD Workshop on Labor Productivity and the Digital Economy (Paris), 13th Meeting of the Urban Economic Association (Columbia U.)

2017: European Association of Labour Economists (St. Gallen)

2015: RSAI/ERSA Workshop (U. Barcelona), CEDEFOP/IZA Workshop on Skills and Skill Mismatch (Thessaloniki), German Economic Association (Muenster), European Meeting of the Urban Economics Association (Lisbon), EGIT research meeting (DICE Düsseldorf)

2014: European Association of Labour Economists (Ljubljana), Italian Association of Labor Economists (Pisa), International Workshop on Applied Economics of Education (Catanzaro), New Research in the Economics of Educational and Skills Mismatch (University of Aberdeen), Perspectives on (Un-) Employment (IAB Nuremberg)

2013: CSAE annual conference (University of Oxford), The Optimal Skill Mix for a Modern Economy (Marbach), Perspectives on (Un-) Employment (IAB Nuremberg)

Research related activities:

Refereeing	<i>Education Economics, Environment and Planning A, ILR Review, Journal of Economic Geography, Regional Studies, Review of the Economics of the Household</i>
Reviewer	German Economic Association (VfS) annual conference
News and blog articles	Oekonomenstimme (6/2020); nelMerito.com (10/2014); ZEWnews (11/2014, 5/2019, 6/2020, 1/2021)

Organisation of workshops and seminars:

2015-2019	Co-organisation of ZEW Research Seminar
2019	The Economics of Higher Education, ZEW Mannheim
2016	Ubiquitous Working - Challenges and Prospects of the Interconnected Working Environment, ZEW Mannheim
2014	Skill Mismatch: Microeconomic Evidence and Macroeconomic Relevance, ZEW Mannheim
2012	Education and Equality of Opportunity, ZEW Mannheim

Policy related activities:

Policy reports	Youth Unemployment in Europe – Appraisal and Policy Options (with Holger Bonin and Maresa Sprietsma), Report , Media coverage: <i>Deutsche Welle</i> , <i>Deutschlandfunk</i> , <i>Welt</i> , <i>FAZ</i> , <i>Focus</i> , <i>Handelsblatt</i> , <i>Spiegel</i> , <i>Tagesspiegel</i>
Invited talks	2015: Grantmakers East Forum (Istanbul); Stiftung neue Verantwortung (Berlin) 2014: Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (Bucharest); Dante Gesellschaft (Stuttgart)

Research grants:

2017-2020	<i>Analyses of Costs and Returns from Major Changes and Dropout from University</i> , project leader, financed by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF)
2018-2021	<i>Local Labor Market Effects of Plant Openings, New Colleges and Local Public Spending</i> , project member, financed by the German Science Foundation (DFG)
2014-2017	<i>Challenges and Opportunities Arising from Ubiquitous Working</i> , project member, financed by the Leibniz Association
2011-2014	<i>Adequate Employment of Graduates: An Economical Analysis of Job Match Quality</i> , project member, financed by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF)

Additional Skills:

Foreign languages	Italian (native), English (fluent), German (fluent), French (beginner)
Computer skills	Very good knowledge of STATA, LaTeX, Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, Powerpoint). Knowledge of MATLAB, R, Python, Eviews, SPSS, QGIS.

References:

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