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Employment

CENTER FOR EUROPEAN ECONOMIC RESEARCH (ZEW)

Postdoctoral Researcher

- Fields: Political Economy, Comparative Economics, Development Economics.

Mannheim, Germany

September 2012-

Education

HUMBOLDT UNIVERSITY OF BERLIN, Institute of Slavic Languages and Literatures

Doctor of Philosophy in Slavic Literatures and Cultures (PhD)

Berlin, Germany

May 2014

- Field: Old Russian Literature and Culture.
- Dissertation Title: *Ivan the Terrible as Orthodox Emperor: A Cultural-Historical Study of 16th century Russian Publicists.*
- Dissertation Advisor: Susanne Frank, Professor of East Slavic Literatures and Cultures.
- External Reviewer: Paul Bushkovitch, Professor of Russian History, Yale University.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT BERKELEY, Department of Political Science

Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science (PhD)

Berkeley, CA

December 2012

- Fields: Comparative Politics, Public Policy & Organization, Formal Theory and Methodology.
- Regions: Russia/former Soviet Union, Middle East.
- Dissertation Title: *Essays on Political Economy of Religion.*
- Dissertation Chair: Gérard R. Roland, Professor of Economics and Political Science.
- Dissertation Committee: Barry J. Eichengreen, M. Steven Fish, Sean P. Gailmard, J. Bradford DeLong.

SAINT PETERSBURG STATE UNIVERSITY, Faculty of Economics

Candidate of Science in Economics (PhD)

Saint Petersburg, Russia

February 2012

- Field: World Economy - 08.00.14.
- Dissertation Title: *Models of EU Development Aid and Economic Reform in the former Soviet Union, 1992-2007.*
- Dissertation Advisor: Nikita A. Lomagin, Professor of World Economy.

UNIVERSITY OF ATHENS, Department of Law

Master of Laws in History of Law (LLM)

Athens, Greece

July 2007

- Field: History of Hellenistic Law.
- LLM Thesis Title: *The Institution of Stipulatio in Greco-Roman Egypt: Economic Activity, Class Foundations and Multiple Legal Orders in the Formation of Oral Contracts.*
- Thesis Advisors: Andreas Helmis, Assistant Professor of Legal History, and Julia Velissaropoulou-Karakosta, Professor of Legal History.
- Academic GPA 8.00/10.

YALE UNIVERSITY, Council of European Studies

Master of Arts in Russian and East European Studies (MA)

New Haven, CT

May 2005

Graduate Certificate in European Studies

- Field: Political Economy of Russia and Eastern Europe.
- MA Thesis Title: *Energy Regulation and Political Development in the State Duma of Russia: A Spatial Analysis of Roll Call Votes with the Optimal Classification Model, Russia 1994-2003.*
- Thesis Advisor: Susan Rose-Ackerman, Henry R. Luce Professor of Law and Political Science.
- Director of Graduate Studies: Paul A. Bushkovitch, Professor of Russian History.

UNIVERSITY OF ATHENS, Department of Law

Bachelor of Laws (LLB)

Athens, Greece

May 2002

- Academic GPA 7.76/10 (top 5% of the graduating class: 13th out of 252).

Books

Aid in Transition: EU Development Assistance to the former Soviet Union, Berlin and New York: Springer, 2013.

Working Papers

- “Religious Origins of Democracies and Dictatorships”, under review.
- “Bureaucrats as Monks: A Political-Economic Theory of Russian Orthodoxy”, under review.
- “Religious Identity, Governance and Centralization: Evidence from Russian and Israeli Cities”, under review.
- “EU Aid Effectiveness and Imperfect Monitoring in the former Soviet Union”, under review.
- “Compromising Islam with Empire: Bureaucracy and Class in Safavid Iran”, under review.
- With George F. Willcoxon. “Religion, War and Alliance Formation: Regional Blocks and Economic Development in the Middle East”, under preparation.
- With Joe Gardner. “Modeling the Arab Spring: Religion and Transition in the Middle East”, under preparation.

Refereed Articles

- “Aid Effectiveness and the Soft Budget Constraint: EU Development Aid to the former Soviet Union”, *Economics Letters*, Vol. 112, No. 3 (2011): 287-289.
- “Aid Effectiveness and Donor Preferences: European Aid Systems in the former Soviet Union, 1992-2007”, *Journal of International Development*, Vol. 25, No. 1 (January 2013): 45-66.
- “State Responsibility and Antitrust in the Energy Charter Treaty: Socialization vs. Liberalization in Bilateral Investment Relations”, *Texas International Law Journal*, Vol. 44 (1): 45-64.
- With Benno Torgler. “Energy Polarization and Popular Representation: Evidence from the Russian Duma”, *Energy Economics*, Vol. 31, No. 2 (2009): 322-334.

Book Chapters and Non-refereed Articles

- “Energy Restructuring and Social Distribution in the Transition Economies of East Germany and Poland”, *Journal of Siberian Federal University, Series: Humanities and Social Sciences*, 3 (2011 4): 410-425.
- “Nuclear Power Contracts and International Cooperation: Analyzing Innovation and Social Distribution in Russian Foreign Policy”, in Aggarwal, Vinod and Kristi Govella. 2011. *Responding to a Resurgent Russia: Russian Policy and Responses from the European Union and the United States*. Berlin and New York: Springer.
- “‘Effektivnost’ sodeistviya razvitiyu i strana-donor: natsionalnye i nadnatsionalnye sistemy ofitsialnoi pomoshi v Evropeiskom soyuze”, *Mezhdunarodnaia Ekonomika* 7/2010: 34-47.
- “Geschäftsdiplomatie und EU-Regulierungspolitik in der deutsch-russischen Erdgaspartnerschaft”, *UTOPIE kreativ*, Vol. 207 (Januar 2008): 22-27.

Fellowships and Awards

- German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), Predoctoral Fellowship, 2011- 2012.
- UC Berkeley Graduate Division, Dean’s Normative Time Fellowship, 2010-2011.
- Alexander S. Onassis Foundation, Graduate Fellowship, 2003-2005 and 2009-2012.
- Greek Government (IKY), Graduate Fellowship, 2003-2005 and 2007-2008.
- UC Berkeley Institute of European Studies, Summer Grant, 2009 and 2011.
- UC Berkeley Institute of Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies, Research Grant, 2009.
- UC Berkeley Institute of Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies, Summer Grant, 2008 and 2011.
- UC Berkeley School of Law, Law and Economics Program, Grant, Fall 2007.
- Church of Greece, Committee of Interorthodox Relations, Study Grant, 2003-2005.
- Yale University, Council of European Studies, Hart Rice Fellowship, Tuition Waiver, 2003-2005.
- Yale Center for International and Area Studies, Coca-Cola World Fund-Leitner-EU Studies, Summer Grant, 2004.
- University of Athens, Papadakis Foundation, Study Award, 1999-2000.

Invited Talks

- SFB 884 Political Economy of Reforms, University of Mannheim, 2012.
- Center for European Economic Research (ZEW), Mannheim, 2012.

- Institute of Energy Economics, University of Cologne, 2012.
- Saint Petersburg State University and Institute of East European Studies, Free University of Berlin, 2012.
- Institute of East European Studies, Free University of Berlin, 2012.
- German Institute of Economic Research (DIW), Berlin, 2012.
- Department of Economics, Philipp University of Marburg, 2012.
- DAAD-ELIAMEP Workshop, Goethe Institute of Athens, 2012.
- Institute of East and Southeast European Studies, University of Regensburg, 2013.
- Department of International Institutional Comparisons, Ifo Institute of Economic Research, Munich, 2013.

Teaching Experience

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT BERKELEY

Berkeley, CA

Graduate Student Instructor

- Economics 110/Political Science 135: Game Theory in the Social Sciences, Robert Powell, Fall 2011.
- Political Science 129B: Russia after Communism, M. Steven Fish, Summer 2010.
- Economics 100B: Economic Analysis: Macroeconomics, Steven Wood, Spring 2010.
- Economics 115: The World Economy in the Twentieth Century, J. Bradford Delong, Fall 2009.
- Political Science 112C: History of Political Theory – Hegel, Marx, Nietzsche & Weber, Paul Thomas, Spring 2009.
- Political Science 141C: Politics and Government in Eastern Europe, Jason Wittenberg, Fall 2008.
- Legal Studies 145: Law and Economics I, Daniel L. Rubinfeld, Spring 2008.
- Legal Studies 147: Law and Economics II, Robert Cooter, Fall 2007.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT BERKELEY, Department of Economics

Berkeley, CA

Acting Faculty Instructor

Summer 2008

- Economics 161: Economics of Transition - Eastern Europe.

Professional Experience

HELLENIC FOUNDATION OF EUROPEAN AND FOREIGN POLICY (ELIAMEP)

Athens, Greece

Research Associate and Coordinator

September 2012-

- Area of Responsibility: Program in Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies.

DELEGATION OF THE EUROPEAN UNION TO RUSSIA, Economic Section

Moscow, Russia

Trainee

March 2007-July 2007

- Area of Research: WTO and EurasEC in Russia's Foreign Economic Policy, COMECON.
- Supervisor: Antonio Parenti, Section Head.

WORLD BANK GROUP, RUSSIAN COUNTRY OFFICE, The World Bank Institute

Moscow, Russia

Trainee

May 2006-July 2006

- Area of Research: Russia as a Donor, Development Assistance Practices of Mature and Emerging Donors, Russia Development Strategy, Legal and Judicial Reform in Russia.
- Supervisor: Andrei R. Markov, Senior Human Development Specialist.

WORLD ECONOMIC FORUM

Davos, Switzerland

External Associate

January 2003

- Worked with the Global Agenda Team and the Regional Center for European Strategies in the WEF Annual Meeting of 2003.

HELLENIC ARMY

Alexandroupolis and Athens, Greece

Infantry Sergeant

July 2001-October 2002

- Served as NATO Interpreter and Team Leader in the Greek-Turkish Border and the Ministry of Defense.

Research Experience

HUMBOLDT UNIVERSITÄT ZU BERLIN, Institute of Social Sciences

Berlin, Germany

DAAD Predoctoral Fellow

January 2012-August 2012

- Area of Research: Dissertation Research and Writing.
- Faculty Supervisor: Klaus Eder, Professor of Social Science and Institute Director.

UNIVERSITY OF HAIFA, Department of Economics

Haifa, Israel

Visiting Graduate Student

Spring-Summer 2011

- Area of Research: Economics of Religion, Israeli Public Sector, Survey Data Modeling.

- Faculty Supervisor: Todd Kaplan, Professor of Economics.

SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH CENTER BERLIN (WZB)

Visiting Graduate Student

Berlin, Germany
Summer 2009

- Area of Research: Comparative Redistribution, Aid Effectiveness.
- Faculty Supervisor: Kai Konrad, Professor of Economics, Free University of Berlin, and Director, Max Planck Institute for Tax Law and Public Finance.

HIGHER SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS, Department of Higher Mathematics in Economics

Visiting Graduate Student

Moscow, Russia
Summer 2004

- Area of Research: Political Economy and Legislative Processes.
- Faculty Supervisor: Fuad T. Aleskerov, Professor of Mathematical Economics and Department Chair.

HELLENIC FOUNDATION OF EUROPEAN AND FOREIGN POLICY (ELIAMEP)

Research Assistant

Athens, Greece
October 2000-July 2001

- Area of Research: European and International Political Economy.
- Faculty Supervisor: Theodore A. Couloumbis, Professor of International Relations, University of Athens, and Institute Director.

Language Skills

Modern Greek (Mother-tongue), English (fluent), French (fluent), German (fluent), Russian (fluent), Ukrainian (fluent), Turkish (intermediate, Hebrew (intermediate), Bulgarian (elementary), Persian (elementary), Armenian (basic), Arabic (basic).

Referee

Journal of Comparative Economics, Energy Economics, Public Choice, Energy Policy, Society & Natural Resources, European Sociological Review, European Union Politics, Business & Politics.

References

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