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Academic Appointments and Affiliations

Monash University, Department of Economics, Assistant Professor	2022 –
Stigler Center, U of Chicago Booth School of Business, Affiliate Fellow	2022 –
Economic Research Southern Africa, Associate	2021 –
SoDa Labs, Monash University, Principal Investigator	2019 –
NBER, Postdoctoral Fellow	2019 – 2022

Research Fields

Growth, Development, Industrial Organization (Productivity), Finance

Education

The University of Chicago, Ph.D. Economics	2013 – 2019
Central European University, MA Economics with distinction	2010 – 2012
Corvinus University of Budapest, BSc Economic Analysis	2006 – 2010
University of Amsterdam, BA Economics (exchange)	2008 – 2009

Honors, Grants, Scholarships and Fellowships

STEG Small Research Grant	2023
UNU-Wider SA-TIED Research Grant	2022
Norwegian Research Council Grant (co-PI)	2021
Monash University New Faculty Establishment Grant	2019
Bank of Finland BOFIT Fellowship	2019
BFI Data Acquisition Grant, Becker Friedman Institute	2018
Dissertation Fellowship, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago	2018
Entrepreneurship Research Bootcamp, NBER	2017
Fama-Miller Research Grant (2×), Booth School of Business	2017, 2018
BFI IO Research Grant (2×), Becker Friedman Institute	2017, 2018
Stigler PhD Dissertation Award, Booth School of Business	2016 – 2018
Social Sciences Fellowship, U. of Chicago	2013 – 2018
Outstanding Thesis Award, Central European U.	2012
Olga Radzyner Award, Central Bank of Austria	2012
Huygens Scholarship, Dutch State Scholarship (<i>renounced</i>)	2010
Full Scholarship, Central European U.	2010 – 2012
GE Scholar-Leader Award, Institute for International Education	2008 – 2011
The Scholarship of the Hungarian Republic, Hungary	2007

Research

“The Inception of Capitalism through the Lens of Firms”

“The Macroeconomics of Managers: Supply, Selection and Competition” with Miklós Koren

“Firm and Worker Effects of an Affirmative Action Labor Market Policy: Evidence from South Africa” with Daniel Brink

“Training by Firms and Entrepreneurship: Evidence from South Africa”

“Levelling the Playing Field for Small Firms: Evidence from South Korea” with Nathan Lane

“Firm Effects of Bank Privatization”

“Do Firms’ Banks Help Acquire New Markets?”

“The Optimal Allocation of PhD Graduates?” with Gregory Buchak

“Managers and International Trade” with Miklós Koren and Álmos Telegdy

“Innovation and the Transition to a Market Economy”

Research Experience and Relevant Employment

Bank of Finland, BOFIT, Visiting Fellow	Dec, 2019
Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, Research Dep., Dissertation Fellow	Jun – Aug, 2018
European Central Bank, International Policy Analysis, Research Intern	Jul – Aug 2012
Dutch Central Bank, Research Department, Research Intern	Feb – Jun 2010, Jul – Aug 2011
Central Bank of Hungary, Financial Stability, Intern	Jul – Aug 2010

Professional Activities

Presentations (scheduled, ** canceled/postponed due to COVID-19) :*

2024 Macro Development Workshop at Deakin University, Stigler Center Junior Conference*, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago*, University of Notre Dame*, Tufts University*, Central European University* 2024

University of Melbourne, Deakin University, USC-Monash conference on competition, entrepr. and innovation, Western Economic Association International Conference, University of New South Wales workshop on Firms in the Macroeconomy, 2023 Macro Development Workshop at Deakin University, e61, CDES Center for Development Economics Workshop (Prato), Econometric Society Australasian Meeting 2023

University of Nottingham (virtual), Stigler Center Junior Conference, Melbourne IO Workshop, Asia-Pacific Industrial Organization Conference, Melbourne Trade Workshop 2022

Princeton University Northeast Labor Symposium for Early Career Economists (virtual), Brown University (virtual), WEFIDEV Workshop in Finance and Development (virtual), Society for Economic Dynamics Annual Meeting (Minneapolis/zoom) 2021

NBER Productivity Seminar, European Summer Symposium in International Macroeconomics at the CEPR** (discussant), Society of Institutional and Organizational Economics (MIT)**, Society for Economic Dynamics Annual Meeting (Barcelona)**, IFO Institut Muenich (virtual), Stockholm School of Economics SITE (virtual), Monash University SoDa Labs (virtual), Stockholm University (virtual), Structural Transformation and Economic Growth at the CEPR (virtual), Washington University Macro Development Miniconference (virtual) 2020

Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, University of Virginia-Darden Business School, University of Hong Kong, University of Oslo, Norwegian School of Economics, Aalto University, Halle Institut für Wirtschaftsforschung, Monash University, New Economic School (Moscow), Comparative Analysis of Enterprise Data (Michigan Ross), United States Census Bureau, Macroeconomics and Growth Programme Meeting at the CEPR, 2nd European Midwest Micro/Macro Conference (University of Chicago), University of Warwick, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, Bank of Finland, Annual Conference of the Belarusian Economic Research and Outreach Center 2019

Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, University of Chicago Applied Micro, IO, Capital Theory, Trade, Corporate Finance Working Groups, Paris-Dauphine Finance PhD Conference, Illinois Economic Association Economic History Section (discussant), Crossing Boundaries Conference (University of Chicago) 2015–2018

Referee:

Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Law, Economics and Organization, Journal of Comparative Economics, Economics of Transition, The Scandinavian Journal of Economics

Grant Reviewer:

STEG 2024

Organizing:

Macroeconomics seminar series at Monash University 2023

Other Information

Mentor in Heller Farkas College for Advanced Studies, Budapest 2019-2022

Mentor for International Students, University of Chicago 2016-2019

Personal Information

Citizenship: Hungary

Languages: Hungarian (N), English (F), German (F), Dutch (F), Italian (F), Portuguese (B)

Maternity leave: 2021, 2024
