

“Trade From Space: Shipping Networks and The Global Implications of Local Shock” (with Andreas Moxnes, Inga Heiland and Karen Helene Ulltveit-Moe)
Forthcoming, *Review of Economics and Statistics*

“Trade Liberalization and the Great Labor Reallocation”
International Economic Review, 2025, Vol. 66, Issue2, pp. 933-963

"Made and created in China: the role of processing trade" (with Zhiyuan Chen and Aksel Erbahar)
The Scandinavian Journal of Economics, 2025, Vol. 127, Issue 2, pp. 390-426

“A Cost-Benefit Analysis of R&D and Patents: Firm-level Evidence from China” (with Zhiyuan Chen and Jie Zhang)
European Economic Review, 2021, Vol. 133, 103633

“Trade Costs, Global Value Chains and Economic Development”
Journal of Economic Geography, 2020, Vol. 20, Issue 1, pp. 249–291

“Cascading Trade Protection: Evidence from the US” (joint with Aksel Erbahar)
Journal of International Economics, 2017, vol. 108, pp. 274-299

Chapter in books

“Trade Liberalization and the Hukou System of the People’s Republic of China: How Migration Frictions Can Amplify the Unequal Gains from Trade” (ed) Marc Bacchetta and Matthias Helble *Trade Adjustment in Asia: Past Experiences and Lessons Learned*, ADBI-WTO joint publication, 2019

Research papers

“A Thirst for Silver: Trade Shock, Taxation, and Local Unrest in Nineteenth-Century China” (with Ting Chen, Jianan Li, Chong Pang)

“Sparse Production Networks” (with Andrew Bernard)

“Local Trade Wars” (with Wei Li, Bing Qiu and Zi Wang)

“Educating like China” (with Federica Coelli, Difei Ouyang and Weidi Yuan)

“Empowered Young Women: Trade Liberalization and Women’s Family Decisions in China” (with Difei Ouyang and Weidi Yuan)

“Two Decades of China’s Industrial Subsidies” (with Shuhui Xiang and Xinran Yin)

Selected work in progress

"Justice for Sale: Does U.S. IP Litigation Favor America First?" (with Roger So Yu)

"When Infrastructure Adapts: The Developmental Returns to Flood Risk Reduction" (with Xi Kang and Xinran Yin)

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Refereeing

Econometrica, Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of the European Economic Association, American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Economic Journal: Micro, Journal of International Economics, International Economic Review, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Development Economics, Canadian Journal of Economics, European Economic Review, European Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Economic Geography, Review of International Economics, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, World Economy, Review of World Economics, China Economic Review, Regional Science and Urban Economics, Economic Development and Cultural Change, China Journal of Economic Research

Evaluator of research proposals

Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)

Seminars and conferences organization

2021-present Scientific Committee, Geneva Trade and Development Workshop (GTDW)

Other academic service

2026 Recruitment committee, Geneva Graduate Institute (International History and Politics)
2026 Recruitment committee, Geneva Graduate Institute (Professor of Practice)
2024 Recruitment committee, Geneva Graduate Institute (Pierre du Bois Chair)
2021-2025 Placement officer of PhD Students, Geneva Graduate Institute

SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES

2026 (scheduled)	Paris School of Economics (Paris Trade Seminar), Peking University, CEPR European Research Workshop in International Trade (ERWIT), LMU Munich (Center for Economic Studies), University of Vienna, Hong Kong Baptist University, University of Düsseldorf, Erasmus University Rotterdam, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Econometric Society Asia Meeting (invited session), European Meeting of the Urban Economics Association, International Seminar on Trade (ISoT, Discussant), Villars Workshop on International Trade and Trade Policy
2025	University of Nottingham, University College Dublin, BI Norwegian Business School, Villars Workshop on International Trade and Trade Policy*, CEPR-Kiel-Tübingen Conference on Geoeconomics (Discussant), Kiel-Göttingen-CEPR China Conference, Globalization, Shipping and Trade Workshop at Paris School of Economics (Discussant)
2024	Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, Zhejiang University, HKU-UNSW-FID, World Trade Institute, CEPR ERWIT* ¹ , NOTIS*, Kiel-Göttingen-CEPR China Conference, ETSG, FIW-Workshop in Linz, CEPR-WB-BI Conference, CEPR Paris Symposium*
2023	NBER Summer Institute*, University of Oslo, CEPR ERWIT*, Nanjing University International Symposium (Keynote), Liaoning University, NOTIS, Local GTDW
2022	London School of Economics and Political Science, Dartmouth College, NBER Summer Institute*, Aarhus University, Osaka University, ILT Kobe University, ETSG (Keynote), Local GTDW, UEA 2022 London, International Conference of China Development Studies, Nanjing University
2021	NBER Summer Institute (Discussant), GEP/CEPR Trade and International Production Networks Workshop, Workshop on International Economic Networks (WIEN), Jinan University, SUFE&PKU Trade Workshop, FREIT ITO, Stavanger University
2020	The University of Hong Kong, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (PolyU), UCL GVC workshop, CEPR WeAre, EUA Annual Meeting
2019	CEPR labor and urban meeting, WTO-GTDW, Lancaster University
2018	Halle Institute for Economic Research, Erasmus University Rotterdam, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics
2017	University of Southern California, University of California San Diego, National University of Singapore, University of Lausanne, IESE Business School, University of Oslo, Aarhus University, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, Rhône Spatial Economics Workshop, Workshop on International Trade and Investment (SWUFE), ICID/IZA/Renmin University/UCW Workshop on Labor Markets in Transition, Central University of Finance and Economics, University of International Business and Economics, ELSNIT Conference, Workshop on International Production Networks at the Erasmus University, ADBI-IADB-WTO conference, AEA Annual Meeting

¹* indicates presentation by a coauthor or participation only.

2016 Kiel Institute, Geneva Trade and Development Workshop (WTO-GTDW), Gerzensee Alumni Conference, European Trade Study Group Annual Conference (ETSG), Annual Congress of the European Economic Association (EEA), The International Input-Output Association (IIOA) Conferences, China Meeting of the Econometric Society, Annual Congress of the Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics (SSES), The Graduate Institute BBL Seminar (IHEID), Research Workshop on International Trade in Villars

PRIZES AND GRANTS

Research grant

2025-2026 Seed Money Grant
 2022-2023 Seed Money Grant
 2021-2022 Seed Money Grant

Awards

2023 Third Prize, Camphor Finance and Economics Conference for the paper “Empowered Young Women: Trade Liberalization and Women’s Family Decisions in China”
 2022 First Prize, the 8th China Public Finance Conference for the paper “Local Corporate Taxes and the Geography of Foreign Multinationals”
 2016 RoWE Prize for Young Economists for the paper “Trade Liberalization and the Great Labor Reallocation”

TEACHING

At the IHEID:

2024-present - Frontier Research on Trade and Multinational Activities
 2021-present - Microeconomics
 2021-present - International Trade II
 2021-present - The China Syndrome: Modern Reforms in China’s Economy

At University of Oslo (earlier teaching):

2022 - International Trade [guest teaching]
 2020 - International Trade [seminar]
 2019 - International Trade [seminar]
 2018 - International Trade

SUPERVISION

Current PhD supervision at Geneva Graduate Institute (starting year in parentheses)

First advisor: Karolina Wilczynska (2021), Yu So (2023), Shuhui Xiang (2023), Xinran Yin (2025)

Co-advisor: Xi Kang (2022)

Member of PhD committees (non-supervised theses - completion year in parentheses)

Giulia Sabbadini (Graduate Institute, 2021), Linnea Lorentzen (BI Norwegian Business School, 2023), Taehoon Lee (Graduate Institute, 2024), Carolina Lemos Rêgo (Graduate Institute, 2025), Hossein Tohidimehr (Graduate Institute, 2026)

Supervised researcher under BCC programme (completion year in parentheses)

Jose Pulido (Banco de la República-Central Bank of Colombia, 2022)

Supervised Master theses (completion year in parentheses)

Advisor: Geoffrey David Hilton (2023), Yu So (2023), Shuhui Xiang (2023), Hanxiao Zhong (2023), Dae-gan Keillor Roberson Kingery (2023), Bharadwaj Tridisha (2024), Mengyao Yang (2024), Yin Xinran (2024), Bhatia Epsa Diya (2025), Cui Xinyuan (2025), Keppler Michelle Joan (2025), Lin Cheng (2025), Long Ruiou (2025), Capecchi Giovanna (2026), Dachao Yang (2026), Zhang Yingjie (2026)

Second Reader: Ólafía Kolbrún Gestsdóttir (2022), Lisa Caberlotto (2022), Yi Yu (2022), Odil Abdusattarov (2024), Safiyyah Oladepo (2024), Rithika Devarakonda (2024), Sichang Yu (2025), David Jonas Bohnenberger (2025), Sara Ferrari (2025), Di Wang (2025), Saikia Chanakya (2026), Taal Sheriff (2026), Zheng Jinhao (2026)

PERSONAL

Born: November 7th, 1988

Citizenship: Chinese

One child, born in 2023

Languages: English (proficient), Chinese (native), French (basic), Norwegian (basic)

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