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### Position

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| From 2021 | <b>University of Namur:</b> Professor.   |
| 2014–2021 | <b>University of Namur:</b> Associate Professor (Chargé de cours with tenure).                   |
| 2012–2014 | <b>University of Namur:</b> Assistant Professor (Chargé de cours).                               |
| 2011–2012 | <b>London School of Economics:</b> Post Doctoral Fellow.<br><i>Axa Research Fund Fellowship.</i> |

### Training

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| 2007–2011 | <b>Paris School of Economics:</b> PhD in Economics.<br><i>Award from the French Economic Association for the best PhD in Economics.</i> |
| 2010–2011 | <b>Bocconi University:</b> visiting fellow.<br><i>AMID Network - Marie Curie Early Stage Researcher.</i>                                |
| 2006–2007 | <b>London School of Economics:</b> Master of Research.<br><i>European Doctoral Program</i>  |
| 2005–2006 | <b>Paris School of Economics:</b> Master of Research.   |
| 2003–2006 | <b>Ecole Normale Supérieure de Cachan</b><br>Social Sciences Undergraduate studies.   |

### Affiliations

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CEPR, Research Fellow (Development Economics and Political Economics)  
CEPREMAP (Paris School of Economics), Program Director  
CRED (UNamur), Research Affiliate  
EUDN, Full Member  
World Inequality Database (Paris School of Economics), Fellow  
CAGE (Warwick), Research Associate.

## Working Papers

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A Division of Laborers: Identity and Efficiency in India.  
Joint with Dan Keniston (LSU) and Tatjana Kleineberg (World Bank).

*2nd Round R&R Econometrica*

The Poverty-Adjusted Life Expectancy index: a consistent aggregation of the quantity and the quality of life.

Joint with Jean-Marie Baland (UNamur) and Benoit Decerf (World Bank).

*Reject & Resubmit Restat*

Sex-Selective Abortions and Instrumental Births as the two faces of the Stopping Rule. New measures and world evidence.

With Jean-Marie Baland (UNamur) and François Woitrin (UNamur).

*Submitted*

Political Motives and the News Market: Quasi-experimental Evidence and New Data from India.

Joint with Julia Cagé (Science Po) and Francesca Jensenius (University of Oslo).

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The Stopping Rule may decrease fertility: evidence from a counterfactual analysis.

Joint with Milan van Steenvoort (Maastricht).

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## Research in Progress

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Democratization, Media Supply and Media Bias: Evidence from the USA.

Joint with Julia Cagé (Science Po), Eric Melander (Birmingham) and James Snyder (Harvard).

Majoritarian Systems and Inequalities in Government Interventions: Evidence from India.

Joint with Laurent Bouton (Georgetown), Micael Castanheira (ULB), Garance Genicot (Georgetown) and Francesca Jensenius (University of Oslo).

Invisibilization of mothers. Child Penalty in cinema and media: evidence from actors.

Joint with Auguste Debrouse (UNamur) and Camille Landais (LSE).

## Publications

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Enfranchisement, Political Participation and Political Competition: Evidence from India.

With Lakshmi Iyer (Notre Dame) and Rinchan Mirza (Kent).  
*Forthcoming Journal of Economic History.*

The impact of 2020 French municipal elections on the spread of COVID-19.

With Marc Sangnier (UNamur).  
*Journal of Population Economics, 2022.*

“Too young to die”. Deprivation measures combining poverty and premature mortality.

With Jean Marie Baland (UNamur) and Benoit Decerf (UNamur).  
*American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, 2021.*

Identities and Public Policies: Unexpected Effects of Political Reservations for Women in India.

With Lore Vandewalle (Graduate Institute).  
*World Development, 2021*

Political regime and COVID 19 death rate: efficient, biasing or simply different autocracies? An econometric analysis.

With Milan van Steenvoort (Maastricht).  
*Social Science and Medecine Population Health, 2021*

Affirmative Action, Education and Gender: Evidence from India.  
*Journal of Development Economics, 2019*

Income Concentration in British India, 1885-1946.

With Facundo Alvaredo (PSE) and Augustin Bergeron (Harvard).  
*Journal of Development Economics, 2017.*

Identity Based Policies and Identity Manipulation: Evidence from Colonial Punjab.

*American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, 2015.*

Religion, Politician Identity and Development Outcomes: Evidence from India.

With Sonia Balhotra (Essex), Irma Clots-Figueras (UCIII) and Lakshmi Iyer (Notre Dame).

*Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, 2014.*

## Honours, Scholarships and Fellowships

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| 2012      | Award from the French Economic Association for the best PhD. |
| 2011–2012 | Post Doctoral Fellowship, Axa Research Fund.                 |
| 2010–2011 | Marie Curie “Early Stage Researcher” Fellowship.             |
| 2007–2010 | Research Studentship, French ministry of Research.           |
| 2003–2007 | Ecole Normale Supérieure, full fellowship.                   |

## Short term visits

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| 2018–2019 | UBC (invited by Siwan Anderson), Science Po (invited by Julia Cagé), ULB (invited by Micael Castanheira) |
| 2016–2017 | Yale University (invited by Dan Keniston).   |
| 2014–2015 | Harvard Business School (invited by Lakshmi Iyer).   |
| 2013–2014 | Harvard Business School (invited by Lakshmi Iyer).   |
| 2012–2013 | Universitat Pompeu Fabra (invited by Yanos Zylberberg).  |

## Non Academic Publications

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Avortements sélectifs, naissances instrumentales et la règle d’arrêt.  
With Jean-Marie Baland (UNamur) and François Woitrin (UNamur).  
*Revue d’Economie du Développement*, 2022.

*The Economics of Caste*. Chapter prepared for the Oxford Handbook of Caste in Contemporary/Modern Times, Surinder S. Jodhka and Jules Naudet eds.

*Caste in developing India* (in French). Editions Rue d’Ulm, Collection du CEPREMAP, 2015.

*Economics of Public Policy* (in French). La Decouverte, Reperes, 2010.  
Edited by Antoine Bozio and Julien Grenet.

*Migration ‘Push’ Factors in Non-OECD countries over the long term: synthesis report*. OECD, 2009.  
With Anna di Mattia (OCDE).

## Teaching

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| From 2024      | Economic Tools to Solve Global Challenges. Master Level, University of Namur and UCLouvain.  |
| From 2020      | Projet Intégré : Globalisation et Interdépendances Economiques, Undergraduate, University of Namur.  |
| From 2014–2024 | Institutional Foundations of Markets, Master level, University of Namur and UCLouvain.   |
| From 2013      | Macro Institutions and Political Economy of Development, Doctoral level, University of Namur and UCLouvain.  |
| From 2012      | Institutions and Development, Master level, University of Namur and UCLouvain.<br>Seminars in Development Economics, Undergraduate and Master levels, University of Namur and UCLouvain. |

## Service to the Profession

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| <i>Referee for:</i> | American Political Science Review, American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, Applied Economics, Cambridge University Press, Econometrica, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Economic History Review, Economic Journal, Economic Modelling, European Economic Review, Journal of Comparative Economics, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Development Studies, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Economic Growth, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Politics, Journal of Population Economics, Nature Sustainability, Oeconomia, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, Political Research Quarterly, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Development Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Revue d'Economie Politique, SAMAJ, Social Science and Medecine - Population Health, Socio Economic Review, World Development, World Politics. |
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## Conferences and seminars

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| 2023–2024 | CEPR Development Economics Symposium, Brown University Growth Lab Webinar, Kent, Nottingham, POLECONUK Webinar.  |
| 2022–2023 | CEPR/IFS/UCL/BREAD/TCD Workshop in Development Economics (UCL); Norms, Gender and Development Conference (Yale); EDI Conference on Growth Institutions and Development (Brunel).   |
| 2021–2022 | UCLouvain (Demography), ULB (i3h), Bath, Paris School of Economics, EDI Conference.  |
| 2020–2021 | EHESS, ERINN Conference.   |
| 2019–2020 | BREAD Pre-Conference (Northwestern), Guest speaker at Journées de l'économie (Lyon), ULB, EHESS (cancelled).   |
| 2018–2019 | Tinbergen Institute, UC Santa Barbara, DIAL-Paris, Groeningen University, Paris School of Economics, Science-Po, UBC.  |
| 2017–2018 | Toulouse School of Economics, Warwick, Paris School of Economics, INED, EDI Conference (Namur), Institutions and Development Conference (New Economic School, Moscow).   |
| 2015–2017 | CEPR Development Conference (LSE), AMSE Economic Development Workshop, Moscow History Conference, Science Po Paris, Workshop on Poverty and Well Being (UC Louvain), DIAL Economic Development Conference (Paris-Dauphine).  |
| 2014–2015 | South Asian Economic History Conference (Yale), SARI Conference (Dallas, Guest Speaker), ISI Growth Conference (Delhi), EUDN Conference (Paris), Cergy University, Queen Mary University (London), UN-WIDER Gender Conference (Helsinki), World Economic History Congress (Kyoto), World Congress of the Econometric Society (Montreal), DIAL Development Conference (Paris) . |
| 2013–2014 | World Bank, Paris School of Economics, IGC Conference (Delhi), Trinity College Dublin, Graduate Institute of Geneva, Université de Nancy, University of Ottawa, Boston University.   |
| 2012–2013 | Clermont Ferrand, Lyon-GATE, Oxford-CSAE, Paris 1, Louvain La Neuve, Political Economy and Public Services Workshop (Bristol), EUDN Scientific Conference (Paris), ISI Growth Conference (Delhi), Asian Econometric Society Conference (Delhi), Doctoriale ADRES (guest speaker, Strasbourg).  |

## Administrative service

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| 2019 -      | Director of the Econ Master Program (UNamur).   |
| 2012 - 2021 | Organizer of the Departmental seminar (UNamur). |

## Scientific Committees

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| 2015–2020 | DFID Economic Development and Institutions, Research Activity 4 (Institutional Interactions) |
| 2016–2017 | UNU-WIDER Gender and Development Project   |

## Recent Conference Organization

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| 2025 | EUDN Conference, UNamur.  |
| 2024 | India-China Conference, UNamur.   |
| 2023 | India-China Conference, Paris School of Economics.  |
| 2020 | India-China Conference, University of Namur (Cancelled).  |
| 2019 | India-China Conference, University of Warwick.  |
| 2018 | India-China Conference, Paris School of Economics.<br>Thinking Identity Today: Contributions from Economics, Universite de Namur. |

## Research Grants

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| 2024–2029 | Action de Recherche Concertée “Identity in Economics” (900,000 €). Spokesperson. Joint with Joseph Gomez, Catherine Guirkinger, William Parienté and Amma Panin.   |
| 2024–2027 | Projet de Recherche FNRS “Women representation in media” (330,000 €).  |
| 2018–2020 | EOS - FNRS Grant for the “Winner and Losers from Globalization and Market Integration: Evidence from Micro-Data” (1,000,000 €). Joint with Jean Marie Baland, Catherine Guirkinger and Romain Houssa.  |
| 2016–2017 | EDI RA4 Grant for the “Enfranchisement and the Supply and Content of News Media: Evidence from India” (28,000 £).  |
| 2015–2016 | FNRS “Mandat d’Impulsion Scientifique” for the “Democratisation in late colonial India” project (237,000 €).   |
| 2014–2015 | CEPREMAP Research Grant for the “Enfranchisement and the Supply and Content of News Media: Evidence from India and the United States” project (5,000 €). Joint with Julia Cagé.<br>CEPREMAP Research Grant for the “Democratisation in late colonial India” project (2,000 €). |
| 2013–2014 | Credit de Recherche FNRS for the “Muslim representation in colonial India” project (7,300 €).<br>CEPREMAP Research Grant for the “Transports in Developing Mega Cities” project (3,000 €) (joint with Carole Treibich).  |
| 2012–2013 | Belgian National Bank Grant for the “Religion, politics and public goods” project (7,200 €).<br>CEPREMAP Research Grant for the “Setting the rules” project (1,300 €).   |
| 2011–2012 | IGC Grant for the “Religion, politics and public goods” project (10,000 £) (joint with Sonia Bhalotra, Irma Clots Figueras and Lakshmi Iyer).  |

## Phd & Post Doc Supervision

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*PhD supervisor:* Nitin Bharti, Justine Dijon, Marine Gueben, Nicolas Larrea Avila, François Woitrin.

*Post doc supervisor:* Auguste Debroise, Eric Melander, Rinchan Mirza, Milan van Steenvoort.

*Member of Jury/PhD committee:* Ashish Aggarwal (Warwick), Giulia Camilotti (UNamur), Ombeline De Bock (UNamur), Aguste Debroise (UNamur), Alice Duhaut (ULB), Wouter Gelade (UNamur), Jérémie Gross (UNamur), Tillman Heidelk (ULB), Dimple Krukeja (TSE), Jonathan Lehne (PSE), Zhexun Mo (PSE), Niranjana Prasad (UCLouvain), Andrea Renk (UNamur-PSE), Mira Serhral (Cergy), Athira Vinod (Nottingham).

## Other

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Co-Founder of the India Research Group of the Paris School of Economics.

Co-Founder of the “Casual Friday Development Seminar” of the Paris School of Economics.

Blog: Ecopublix (2008 Challenges Prize of the best French econ blog).