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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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### ORGANISATION FOR ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT (OECD)

Paris, France  
Since January 2013

Senior Economist in the Jobs and Income Division (*until 2020*: Economist)

- Leading the work on labour market and social inequalities and managing a small team of economists and external consultants. Developing the research agenda and overseeing the production and publication of research and policy work, organising policy missions, fundraising, budgeting, and managing grants and voluntary financial contributions. Recent work includes two *OECD Employment Outlook* chapters on countries' labour market and social-policy response to the COVID-19 crisis; analysis of income mobility using tax record data; and work on geographic inequalities in household incomes and the accessibility of essential services;
- Managing the OECD accession review process of Croatia in the areas of labour market and social policies; contributed chapters to the accession reviews for Bulgaria, Lithuania (both on social policies) and Romania (on labour markets)
- OECD expert on a multi-country EU project on supporting the development of digital solutions for matching minimum-income benefit recipients to jobs

### INSTITUTE OF LABOR ECONOMICS (IZA)

Bonn, Germany  
Since January 2013

Research Fellow (*until 2023*: Research Affiliate)

### THE WORLD BANK

Washington, D.C., USA  
October–December 2012

Short-Term Consultant in the Human Development Sector Unit

- Analysis of administrative data for a project on reforming social protection in Latvia

### STATISTICS NORWAY

Oslo, Norway  
April 2011–December 2012

Researcher (part-time) at the Research Department, Microeconomics Unit

- Contributed to work on income inequalities and the receipt of social assistance benefits; these projects resulted in two papers published in *The Economic Journal* and *The Journal of Economic Inequality*

### UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

Oxford, United Kingdom  
September 2010–June 2012

Departmental Teaching Associate at the Department for Economics

- Class teacher in Econometrics for students of the MPhil in Economics

### ORGANISATION FOR ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT (OECD)

Paris, France  
January–June 2009

Temporary Staff in the Social Policy Division

- Research assistance for a project on the rights and responsibilities of social assistance benefit recipients

## EDUCATION

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### UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

Doctor of Philosophy (DPhil) in Economics  
Thesis title: *The Dynamics of Social Assistance Benefit Receipt*  
Academic supervisors: Tony Atkinson; Steve Bond

Oxford,  
United Kingdom  
2009–2014

### HEC LAUSANNE

Master of Science in Economics

Lausanne, Switzerland  
2006-2008

### UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY

Semester abroad

Berkeley, CA, USA  
Fall 2005

### MAASTRICHT UNIVERSITY

Bachelor of Science in Economics

Maastricht,  
the Netherlands  
2003-2006

## ADDITIONAL SKILLS

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- Languages: Fluent in English, French and German (native); basic Dutch
- Coding: Stata

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

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- From Classes to Copulas: Wages, Capital, and Top Incomes 2018  
with R. Aaberge & A.B. Atkinson  
*The Journal of Economic Inequality*  
Vol. 16(2), 295-320; [link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10888-018-9386-x](https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10888-018-9386-x)
- Time Aggregation and State Dependence in Welfare Receipt 2017  
with M. Bhuller & C. Brinch  
*The Economic Journal*  
Vol. 127(604), 1833-1873; [doi.org/10.1111/eoj.12366](https://doi.org/10.1111/eoj.12366)
- Micro-level Dynamics of Social Assistance Receipt: Evidence from 4 European countries 2017  
*International Journal of Social Welfare*  
Vol. 27(2), 146-156; [doi.org/10.1111/ijsw.12279](https://doi.org/10.1111/ijsw.12279)
- State Dependence in Social Assistance Benefit Receipt in Germany before and after the Hartz Reforms 2014  
*Research in Labor Economics*  
Vol. 39, 107-150; [www.emeraldinsight.com/doi/abs/10.1108/S0147-912120140000039003](https://www.emeraldinsight.com/doi/abs/10.1108/S0147-912120140000039003)

## RECENT AND ONGOING OECD WORK

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### *OECD Employment Outlook*

Ageing and the labour market: Setting the scene *forthcoming*  
With A. Bassanini, E. Farchy, A. Melo & J. Terrero-Dávila  
In: *OECD Employment Outlook 2025: A Labour Market That Works For Older Workers*

Supporting jobs and incomes: An update on the policy response to the COVID-19 crisis *2022*  
With O. Denk  
In: *OECD Employment Outlook 2022: Building Back More Inclusive Labour Markets*  
[doi.org/10.1787/06cfa2e6-en](https://doi.org/10.1787/06cfa2e6-en)

COVID-19: From a health to a jobs crisis *2020*  
With A. Garnero  
In: *OECD Employment Outlook 2020: Worker Security and the COVID-19 Crisis*  
[doi.org/10.1787/cea3b4f4-en](https://doi.org/10.1787/cea3b4f4-en)

### *Inequalities*

Who climbs the income ladder? Cross-country evidence on short-term income mobility *forthcoming*  
from tax record data  
With J. Terrero-Dávila  
*OECD Social, Employment and Migration Working Papers*

Geographic inequalities in household incomes – evidence from administrative data *forthcoming*  
With M. Diaz Ramirez, S. Pinto, P. Veneri & A. Vindics  
*OECD Social, Employment and Migration Working Papers*

Geographic inequalities in the accessibility of essential services *2024*  
With V. Almeida, C. Hoffmann, A. Moreno-Monroy, M. Salazar-Lozada & J. Terrero-Dávila  
*OECD Social, Employment and Migration Working Papers*, No. 307  
[doi.org/10.1787/12bab9fb-en](https://doi.org/10.1787/12bab9fb-en)

### *Labour markets and social protection*

Effective social protection for vulnerable households in Bulgaria *forthcoming*  
In: *OECD Reviews of Labour Market and Social Policies: Bulgaria*

Lifting Romania's workforce potential *forthcoming*  
In: *OECD Reviews of Labour Market and Social Policies: Romania*

Belgium's labour market and social policy response to the COVID-19 crisis *2023*  
In: *Evaluation of Belgium's COVID-19 Responses - Fostering Trust for a More Resilient Society*  
[doi.org/10.1787/990b14aa-en](https://doi.org/10.1787/990b14aa-en)