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EDUCATION

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| 2020 | Goethe University , PhD in Economics (Summa Cum Laude)
<i>Research prize for scientific excellence and practical relevance</i> (awarded by German Economic Association and the KfW-Development Bank) |
| 2013 | University of Konstanz , MSc in Economics (Distinction, 1 st in class)
<i>VEUK-Award for the best graduate in economics at the University of Konstanz</i> |
| 2011 | University of Konstanz , BSc in Economics (Excellent, 2 nd in class)
one semester at the American University in Cairo |

RESEARCH AND EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

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| Since 2020 | Goethe University , postdoctoral researcher, Chair of Development Economics, Professor M. Schündeln |
| 2018 | Stanford University , visiting researcher at the Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research, 3 months, collaborating with Professor M. Fafchamps. |
| 2014 – 2019 | Goethe University , researcher for the DFG-funded project ‘ <i>The Dynamics of Economic Community Networks in the Development Process: An Empirical Study in Rural Gambia, West Africa</i> ’, Chair of Development Economics, Professor M. Schündeln |
| 2013 – 2014 | European Bank for Reconstruction and Development , research analyst (supervisor: Ralph De Haas), Office of the Chief Economist (6 months) |
| 2012 – 2013 | University of Konstanz , research assistant to Professor H. Ursprung and Professor C. Alós-Ferrer, Chair of Political Economy and Chair of Economic Theory |
| 2010 | KfW Development Bank , trainee, Country Office Ghana |

PUBLICATIONS

Environmental Effects of Development Programs: Experimental Evidence from West African Dryland Forests (with M. Schündeln and D. Jaimovich), **Journal of Development Economics** (in press).

Development Projects and Economic Networks: Lessons From Rural Gambia (with M. Schündeln and D. Jaimovich), **The Review of Economic Studies**, vol. 88(3): 1347–1384, 2021.

Randomization Inference with Stata: A Guide and Software, **Stata Journal**, vol. 17(3): 630–651, 2017.

WORKING PAPERS

Altruism and the Topology of Transfer Networks, **Job Market Paper** (with M. Fafchamps)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Fall 2021	Microeconometric Methods and Applications , graduate course, Goethe University Lecturer
2020 & 2021	Empirical Development Economics undergrad. course, Goethe University Co-taught with M. Schündeln
2014 – 2020	Development Economics II, Development Economics III, Evaluation of Development Policy , graduate courses, Goethe University Teaching Assistant
2008 – 2013	Microeconomics II – Game Theory (undergrad.), Advanced Microeconomics I (graduate), Mathematics for Economists I (undergrad.), Mathematics for Economists II (undergrad.), University of Konstanz Teaching Assistant

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Presentations at Conferences

2020	12 th World Congress of the Econometric Society Annual Meeting of the European Economic Association
2016 - 2019	CSAE Conference 2019 at St Catherine's College, Oxford University; Workshop on Geodata and Economics 2018 by the TU Braunschweig and the Centre for European Economic Research (ZEW); 70 th European Meeting of the Econometric Society; Annual Conference of the Research Group on Development Economics, German Economic Association 2016

Scientific Refereeing

Since 2018 | Economic Development and Cultural Change, Land Use Policy, Party Politics

AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS

2021	Dissertation award by the KfW Development Bank and the Development Group of the German Economic Association
2020	Sturm & Drang Prize 2020 for the best publication by a young researcher of the Faculty of Economics and Business at Goethe University
Since 2019	Joachim Herz fellow for interdisciplinary economics
2013 – 2014	Carlo Schmid fellow for placements in international organizations
2013	VEUK-Award for the best graduate in economics at the University of Konstanz
2011 – 2013	Scholarships from the Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes (German National Academic Foundation) and the DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service)

ACADEMIC REFERENCES

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