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Employment

Senior Lecturer, Tel Hai - University of Kyriat Shmona in the Galilee, Department of Economics and Business, Israel, 2025-present.

Visiting Professor, University of Stuttgart, Institute of Economics and Law, Germany, 2024-2025.

Senior Lecturer, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Department of Economics, Israel, 2016-2024.

Senior Lecturer, Bar Ilan University, Department of Economics, Israel, 2015-2016.

Marie Curie Visiting Scholar, Brown University, Department of Economics, USA, 2013-2016.

Lecturer, Bar Ilan University, Department of Economics, Israel, 2008-2013.

Visiting Assistant Professor, George Mason University, Department of Economics, USA, 2006-2008.

Instructor-Doctor, Bar Ilan University, Department of Economics, Israel, 2003-2006.

Affiliation

Research Associate, University of Stuttgart, Institute of Economics and Law, Germany, 2025-present.

President, European Public Choice Society, 2024-present.

Associate Editor, Journal of Population Economics, 2022-present.

Associate Editor, Oxford Open Economics, 2022-present.

Associate Editor, European Journal of Political Economy, 2014-present.

GLO Fellow, 2022-present.

CESIfo Research Associate, 2020-present.

CEPR Research Fellow (Economic History, Macroeconomics & Growth, Political Economy programs), 2019-present.

Executive Board Member, European Public Choice Society, 2017-2020.

Education

Ph.D. Economics, University of Paris Pantheon-Assas, France, 2003.

B.A. Economics and Finance, University of Paris-Dauphine, France, 1998.

Grants

Israel Science Foundation, The House of Lords and the Great Reform Act of 1832, 2022-2025.

Volkswagen Foundation - Research Cooperation Lower Saxony & Israel, Economic and Ideological Causes of Political Radicalization and Violence, 2022-2026.

Marie Curie International Outgoing Fellowship for Career Development (EU-FP7) - The Cultural Diffusion of the Fertility Transition: Internal Migrations in Nineteenth Century France, 2013-2016.

Publications

Journal Articles

Labor Scarcity, Technology Adoption and Innovation: Evidence from the Cholera Pandemics in 19^{th} Century France, *Journal of Economic Growth*, 29(4), 543-583, 2024.

The Impact of Industrialization on Secondary Schooling during the Industrial Revolution: Evidence from 19th Century France, *Journal of Population Economics* 36 (4), 2007-2023, 2023.

Technology-Skill Complementarity in Early Phases of Industrialization, with Oded Galor, *Economic Journal* 132 (642), 618-643, 2022.

The Effects of Land Redistribution: Evidence from the French Revolution, with Theresa Finley & Noel D. Johnson, *Journal of Law and Economics* 64 (2), 233-267, 2021.

Flowers of Evil? Industrialization and Long Run Development, with Oded Galor, *Journal of Monetary Economics* 117, 108-128, 2021.

The impact of terror on trust, institutions and redistribution, with Zoya Nissanov, *Israel Affairs* 26(6), 960-968, 2020.

What Motivates an Oligarchic Elite to Democratize? Evidence from the Roll Call Vote on the Great Reform Act of 1832, with Toke S. Aidt, *Journal of Economic History* 79 (3), 773-825, 2019.

Can Internal Migration Foster the Convergence in Regional Fertility Rates? Evidence from Nineteenth Century France, with Guillaume Daudin & Hillel Rapoport, *Economic Journal* 129 (620), 1618-1692, 2019.

Can Public Policies Lower Religiosity? Evidence from School Choice in France, 1878-1902, with Noel D. Johnson, *Economic History Review* 69 (3), 915-944, 2016.

The Political Consequences of Income Shocks: Explaining the Consolidation of Democracy in France, *Review of Economics and Statistics* 98 (1), 57-82, 2016.

Democratization under the Threat of Revolution: Evidence from the Great Reform Act of 1832, with Toke S. Aidt, *Econometrica* 83 (2), 505-547, 2015.

Religious Decline in the 20th Century West: Testing Alternative Explanations, with Laurence R. Iannaccone, *Public Choice* 159 (3), 385-414, 2014.

From Internal Taxes to National Regulation: Evidence from a French Wine Tax Reform at the Turn of the Twentieth Century, with Noel D. Johnson & John V.C. Nye, *Explorations in Economic History* 51, 77-93, 2014.

How to Get the Snowball Rolling and Extend the Franchise: Voting on the Great Reform Act of 1832, with Toke S. Aidt, *Public Choice* 155 (3), 229-250, 2013.

Does the Leader's Ethnicity Matter? Ethnic Favoritism, Education and Health in sub-Saharan Africa, with Ilia Rainer, *American Political Science Review* 106(2), 294-325, 2012.

Judicial Independence and the Validity of Controverted Elections, *American Law and Economics Review* 12(2), 394-422, 2010.

Economic Growth and the Separation of Church and State: the French Case, *Economic Inquiry* 48 (4), 841-859, 2010.

Institutional Changes, Wars and Stock Market Risk: Evidence from the Israeli Stock Market from 1945 to 1960, with Miriam Krausz, *Cliometrica* 3 (2), 141-164, 2009.

Judicial Independence under a Divided Polity: A Study of the Rulings of the French Constitutional Court, 1959-2006, *Journal of Law, Economics and Organization* 25 (1), 262-282, 2009.

Why Separate Monetary Policy from Banking Supervision?, with Miriam Krausz, *Journal of Comparative Economics* 36 (3), 388-411, 2008.

Campaign Resources and Electoral Success: Evidence from the 2002 French Parliamentary Elections, with Gil Epstein, *Public Choice* 131 (3-4), 469-489, 2007.

Forecasting Exchange Rates: A Robust Regression Approach, with Arie Preminger, *International Journal of Forecasting* 23, 71-84, 2007.

Liquidity Risk and Bank Portfolio Allocation, with Miriam Krausz, *International Review of Economics and Finance* 16 (1), 60-77, 2007.

Public Safety and the Moral Dilemma in the Defence against Terror, with Arye L. Hillman & Miriam Krausz, *Defence and Peace Economics* 16 (5), 347-364, 2005.

Guest editor

Guest editor of a *Symposium on the Political Economy of the French Referendum on the European Constitution*, *European Journal of Political Economy* 21 (4), 2005.

Why did a Majority of French Voters Reject the European Constitution?, *European Journal of Political Economy* 21 (4), 1071-1076, 2005.

Books

Peaceful and Violent Origins of Voting Rights. A Political Economy Analysis of the Great Reform Act of 1832, with Toke S. Aidt, Oxford University Press, Oxford, UK, 2025.

Currency Crises: A Theoretical and Empirical Perspective, with André Fourçans, Edward Elgar, Cheltenham, UK, 2003.

Book Chapter

Democratization and the threat of revolution, with Toke S. Aidt, in Richard Jong-A-Pin and Christian Bjørnskov (eds.), Elgar Encyclopedia of Public Choice, Edward Elgar, Cheltenham UK, 2025, pp. 212-219.

Book Reviews

'Jagdish Bhagwati, Free Trade Today'& 'Gilles Grin, The Battle of the Single European Market: Achievements in Economic Thought, 1945–2000', *European Journal of Political Economy* 20 (4), 1100-1101, 2004.

'Gunther G. Schulze, The Political Economy of Capital Controls', *European Journal of Political Economy* 20 (3), 825-828, 2004.

'Horst Siebert, The World Economy, 2nd edition', *European Journal of Political Economy* 20 (1), 286-287, 2004.

'Roger B. Porter, Pierre Sauvé, Arvind Subramanian & Americo Beviglia Zampetti (editors), Efficiency, Equity, Legitimacy: The Multilateral Trading System at the Millennium', *European Journal of Political Economy* 19 (4), 912-914, 2003.

'Kenneth Dam, The Rules of the Global Game: A New Look at US Economic Policymaking', *European Journal of Political Economy* 18 (4), 797-799, 2002.

Teaching

Tel Hai - University of Kyriat Shmona in the Galilee. Undergraduate: Principles of Macroeconomics, Intermediate Macroeconomics. Graduate: Economic History.

University of Stuttgart. Undergraduate: Economic History.

Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Undergraduate: Principles of Economics, Economic Growth, Economic History of the Middle East, International Macroeconomics. M.A.: Econometrics.

Bar Ilan University. Undergraduate: Econometrics. M.A.: Econometrics, Macroeconomics.

George Mason University. Undergraduate: Econometrics, Intermediate Macroeconomics, International Economic Policy, International Finance, International Trade.

Keio University. Invited course (Ph.D.): Economics, Politics and Religion (Dec. 2011).

University Paris Panthéon-Sorbonne. Invited course (Ph.D.): Economics and Politics in Historical Perspective (Sept. 2015, May 2016, Sept. 2017).

Advising

Second PhD supervisor: Gerda Asmus (Heidelberg University 2022).

Post-Doctoral supervisor: Johannes Matzat (2023-2024).

External examiner for *Habilitation à Diriger des Recherches*: Jean Lacroix (2025).

External PhD examiner: Itai Atar (Ben Gurion University 2017), Anna Baranovsky (Ariel University 2026), Adilzhan Ismailov (University Pompeu Fabra 2022).

Activities

Conference Organization

Conference Program Committee: Econometric Society European Meeting - Area Coordinator for Political Economics & Public Economics (2019), European Public Choice Society (2018-2021), Israeli Economic History Association (2013).

Local Organizer: European Public Choice Society Meeting, Jerusalem (2019), Israeli Economic History Association, Jerusalem (2020).

Keynote Lectures, Conference & Seminar Presentations

Keynote lectures: Political Economy of Democracy and Dictatorship Conference (Münster, February 2025), European Public Choice Society (Presidential Address, Riga, April 2025).

Contributions to conferences: Armenian Economic Association, American Law and Economics Association, ASSA Meeting, Association for the Study of Religion, Economics and Culture, Barcelona GSE Forum, Brown Economic Growth Conference, Cesifo Workshop on Political Economy, Congress of the European Economic Association, Dubrovnik Economic Conference, European Association for Law and Economics, Economic History Association Meeting, European Public Choice Meeting, Israeli Economic Association Meeting, Israeli Economic History Association Meeting, Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association Conference, Geneva/Lausanne Political Economy of Conflicts and Development, North American Summer Meeting of the Econometric Society, NBER Economics of Religion Conference, NBER Summer Institute (Economic Growth, Political Economy), PEDD Munster, Silvaplana Workshop on Political Economy, Summer Workshop in the Economic History and Historical Political Economy of Russia, TEI Larissa Conference on Defence/Security and Economic Development, Tel Aviv Economic Growth Conference.

Invited seminar presentations: Bonn University, Brown University, CEMFI, Clemson University, Ben-Gurion University, Doshisha University, George Mason University, Göttingen University, GRIPS, Haifa University, Haverford College, Heidelberg University, HEC Lausanne, Hohenheim University, HSE Moscow, IAS Toulouse, Interdisciplinary Center Herziliya, Jerusalem College of Technology, Keio University, Konstanz University, Kyoto University, Lille Catholic Institute, Philipps University of Marburg, Sciences-Po, Southern Denmark University, Stockholm School of Economics in Riga, Tel Aviv University, UC Merced, Université de Cergy, Université de Lille-1, Université de Montréal, Université Paris-1 Sorbonne, Université Paris-9 Dauphine, Université de Rennes-1, Université Libre de Bruxelles, University of Groningen, University of Mannheim, University of Tokyo, University of Warsaw.

Conference discussions: Barcelona GSE Forum (2017), The Future of Political Economics - Walter Eucken Institute (Freiburg, 2014), Historical Growth Dynamics of the Modern World, ASSA Meetings (San Francisco, 2016), Voting Rights and Public Policy Conference (Cambridge, 2007), Workshop on Favoritism in Africa (Mannheim 2021).

Referee

Journals: AEJ Applied Economics, American Economic Review, American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, Australian Economic Papers, British Journal of Political Science, Canadian Journal of Political Science, Comparative Political Studies, Constitutional Political Economy, Econometrica, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Economics of Education Review, Economic History Review, Economic Inquiry, Economic Journal, Economics Letters, Economics of Governance, European Economic Review, European Journal of Political Economy, European Review of Economic History, Explorations in Economic History, German Economic Review, International Economic Review, International Political Science Review, International Review of Economics and Finance, International Review of Law and Economics, Japanese Economic Review, Journal of African Economies, Journal of Applied Statistics, Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics, Journal of Comparative Economics, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Journal of Demographic Economics, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Economic Growth, Journal of Economic History, Journal of Economic Inequality, Journal of Economics Management and Religion, Journal of Empirical Legal Studies, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Experimental Political Science, Journal of Human Development and Capabilities, Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics, Journal of Law and Economics, Journal of Law Economics and Organization, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Politics, Journal of Population Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Macroeconomics, Journal of Religion and Health, Macroeconomic Dynamics, North American Journal of Economics and Finance, Political Behavior, Political Research Quarterly, Post-Communist Economies, Public Choice, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Quarterly Journal of Political Science, Review of Economic Studies, Review of International Organizations, Review of Law & Economics, Revue d'Economie Politique, Revue Economique, Social Forces, Southern Economic Journal, Studies in Comparative International Development, Studies in Nonlinear Dynamics & Econometrics, World Development.

Book proposals: John Wiley & Sons, Open University Press.

Research councils: British Academy, Center for Global Development, Czech Science Foundation, Dutch Research Council (NWO), European Research Council (ERC), French National Research Agency (ANR), German Israeli Foundation, Leverhulme Trust.

Department & University Service

Committee Member, Maurice Falk Institute, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 2020-2023.

Committee Chairman, D.B. Doran Lecture, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 2018-2022.

University Library Committee, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 2017-2021.

Deputy Chairman, Department of Economics, Bar Ilan University, 2015-2016.

University Library Committee, Bar Ilan University, 2015-2016.

Languages

French (native), English (fluent), Hebrew (fluent), German (intermediate).