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## Education

Habilitation (habilitation à diriger les recherches), University of Paris X-Nanterre, 2007

Ph.D., Economics, University of Paris X-Nanterre, 2002

M.A., Economics, University of Paris X-Nanterre, 1999

M.A., Economics, University of Miskolc, 1998

## Professional Experience

OECD, Economics Department, 2007-present

Economist, Austrian National Bank, Foreign Research Division, 2003-2007

Analyst, Europe Economics, 2002-2003

## Publications in OECD ECO Working Paper Series

["The impact of monetary and commodity fundamentals, macro news and central bank communication on the exchange rate: Evidence from South Africa"](#), *OECD Economics Department Working Papers No.692*, 2009

["Infrastructure investment in network industries: the role of incentive regulation and regulatory independence"](#), *OECD Economics Department Working Papers No. 688*, 2009

["Infrastructure investment: links to growth and the role of public policies"](#), *OECD Economics Department Working Papers No.686*, 2009 (with, S. Araujo and T. Koźluk)

["Infrastructure and growth: empirical evidence"](#), *OECD Economics Department Working Papers No.685*, 2009 (with D. Sutherland and T. Koźluk)

["Monetary transmission mechanism in Central and Eastern Europe: Surveying the surveyable"](#), *OECD Economics Department Working Papers No. 654*, 2008 (with R. MacDonald)

## Selected Publications in Peer-Reviewed Journal

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