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CITIZENSHIP: Russian Federation

LANGUAGES: Russian (native), English (fluent), German (basic)

UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES:

M.A., Economics, New Economic School, Russia, 2003

M.S. (cum laude), Applied Mathematics, Moscow State University, Russia, 2002

GRADUATE STUDIES:

Ph.D., Economics, Penn State University, August 2009

THESIS TITLE: Essays on Income Distribution and Trade Volumes

THESIS SUPERVISORS: Prof. Kala Krishna and Prof. Andrés Rodríguez-Clare

EMPLOYMENT AND AFFILIATIONS:

Associate Professor of Economics, Faculty of Economic Sciences, HSE University, January 2017- present

CESifo Research Network Affiliate, November 2016 - present

Leading Research Fellow, Center of Market Studies and Spatial Economics, National Research University Higher School of Economics, January 2016- present

Assistant Professor of Economics, Faculty of Economic Sciences, National Research University Higher School of Economics, September 2015 – January 2017

Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Munich, October 2009 – September 2015

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

HSE University:

INSTRUCTOR: Intermediate Micro (Spring 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019), International Trade (Fall 2016-present)

BEST TEACHER AWARD: 2016, 2017

University of Munich:

TUTORIALS: International Trade (Summer 2010, Summer 2012, Winter 2012-13, Winter 2013-14, Winter 2014-15), Intermediate Macroeconomic Analysis (Winter 2009-2010), Intermediate Empirical Economics (Summer 2011)

INSTRUCTOR: Topics in Trade (graduate) (Summer 2010, Summer 2011, Summer 2012, Summer 2013, Summer 2014, Summer 2015)

Penn State University:

TEACHING ASSISTANT: Advanced Macroeconomic Analysis (graduate), International Finance, International Trade, Money and Banking, Intermediate Macroeconomic Analysis

PUBLICATIONS:

"Exporting Costs and Multi-product Shipments" (with David Gomtsyan), 2021, accepted for publication in *Scandinavian Journal of Economics*.

"On Equilibrium in Monopolistic Competition with Endogenous Labor" (with Alexey Kushnir and Robertas Zubrickas), 2021, *Economics Letters* 201, 109774.

"Trade in Tasks and the Organization of Firms" (with Dalia Marin and Jan Schymik), 2018, *European Economic Review* 107, 99-132.

"Affirmative Action: One Size Does Not Fit All" (with Kala Krishna), 2016, *American Economic Journal: Microeconomics* 8(2), 215-52.

"Per Capita Income and the Extensive Margin of Bilateral Trade," (with Christian Hopenstrick), 2015, *Canadian Journal of Economics* 48(4), 1561-1599.

"Trade Openness and Cross-country Income Differences" (with Christian Hopenstrick), 2015, *Review of International Economics* 23(2), 271-302.

"Trade Costs, Conflicts, and Defense Spending" (with Michael Seitz and Roman Zakharenko), 2015, *Journal of International Economics* 95(2), 305-318.

"Preferences and Income Effects in Monopolistic Competition Models," 2014, *Social Choice and Welfare* 42(3), 647-669.

"Trade Liberalization and Welfare Inequality: A Demand-Based Approach," 2012, *Scandinavian Journal of Economics* 114(4), 1296-1317.

"Per Capita Income, Market Access Costs, and Trade Volumes," 2012, *Journal of International Economics* 86, 284-294.

"Income Distribution, Market Structure, and Individual Welfare," *The B.E. Journal of Theoretical Economics*: Vol. 9: Iss. 1 (Contributions), Article 39.

WORKING PAPERS:

"Trade and the Spatial Distribution of Transport Infrastructure" (with Gabriel Felbermayr), 2019

"A Theory of Monopolistic Competition with Horizontally Heterogenous Consumers" (with Sergey Kokovin, Shamil Sharapudinov, Philip Ushchev), 2020

"Pork, Infrastructure and Growth: Evidence from the Italian Railway Expansion" (with Roberto Bonfatti, Giovanni Facchini, Gian Luca Tedeschi, and Cecilia Testa), 2021

"Optimal Income Taxation under Monopolistic Competition" (with Robertas Zubrickas), 2021

WORK IN PROGRESS: Vertical and Horizontal Quality (with Sergey Kichko)

GRANTS, HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND FELLOWSHIPS:

- 2018-2020: The Russian Science Foundation (RSF) grant No. 18-18-00253: "Income inequality, taste heterogeneity, and spatial dispersion: the aggregate implications of individual differences"
- 2018-2020: The Russian Science Foundation (RSF) grant No. 18-48-05007: "Information Acquisition, Diffusion and Disclosure in Markets"
- 2018-2019: The Russian Foundation for Basic Research (RFBR) grant No. 18-010-01002: "General equilibrium multisectoral models: intersectoral markup divergence, welfare, and gravity"
- 2016: Yegor Gaidar Award for Young Economists
- 2012-2015: Financial support from the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft through SFB/TR 15
- 2010: Financial support from the European Commission under the FP7 Framework program "Science, Innovation, Firms, and Markets in a Globalized World (SC-FI-GLOW)"
- 2010: The SSES Young Economist Award
- 2003: Best Student Paper Award, New Economic School
- 2001-2003: Full Scholarship, New Economic School
- 1997-2002: Full Scholarship, Moscow State University

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

Editorial Board: Journal of Industry, Competition and Trade, November 2018-

Referee experience: Canadian Journal of Economics, Economic Modelling, Economic Theory, European Economic Review, German Economic Review, International Economic Review, Journal of Economics, Journal of Economic Theory, Journal of International Economics, Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics, Journal of International Trade and Economic Development, Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization, Journal of Mathematical Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Rand Journal of Economics, Regional Science and Urban Economics, Research in Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Review of International Economics, Social Choice and Welfare, The B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy

Service to the profession:

Reviewer for the Research Foundation – Flanders (Fonds Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek - Vlaanderen, FWO), Assessor for the Australian Research Council, Assessor for the Research Grants Council (RGC) of Hong Kong

Service to the university:

University of Munich: Munich International Economics Seminar (organizer, 2011-2015), International Economics Brown Bag Seminar (organizer, 2009-2015)

HSE University: Internal Hiring Committee (member, September 2015-April 2017, September 2019 - present), FES International Research Seminar (organizer, 2016-2019), HSE WP BRP Series: Economics (managing editor, October 2016-present), FES Scientific Committee (member, April 2017- December 2020), FES Academic Council (member, April 2017 – present), Head of the Department of Theoretical Economics (March 2019 – present)

CONFERENCES, PRESENTATIONS, AND RESEARCH VISITS:

- 2021: **Invited Presentations:** University of Sassari
Conferences: The Third International Workshop "Market Studies and Spatial Economics" (Moscow), CESifo Area Conference on Global Economy (Munich), The Third Baltic Economic Conference (Tartu), EEA-ESEM Congress (Copenhagen)
- 2020: **Invited Presentations:** University of Nottingham
Conferences: 12th World Congress of the Econometric Society (Milan)
- 2019: **Invited Presentations:** The Baltic International Centre for Economic Policy Studies
Conferences: The First International Workshop "Market Studies and Spatial Economics" (Moscow), CESifo Area Conference on Global Economy (Munich), International Conference "Industrial Organization and Spatial Economics" (Saint-Petersburg), European Trade Study Group (Bern)
- 2018: **Conferences:** EEA-ESEM Congress (Cologne), DEGIT XXIII (Moscow), European Trade Study Group (Warsaw)
- 2017: **Conferences:** 1st Catalan Economic Society Conference (Barcelona), 5th International Conference on Applied Research in Economics (Perm, Russia)
Research Visits: Pennsylvania State University (invited by Kala Krishna)

- 2016: **Invited Presentations:** University of Groningen
Conferences: 17th April International Academic Conference on Economics and Social Development (Moscow), EEA-ESEM Congress (Geneva), 9th FIW Research Conference (Vienna)
Research Visits: Ifo Institute in Munich (invited by Gabriel Felbermayr)
- 2015: **Invited Presentations:** Lancaster University, University of Vienna, Central European University, UC de Louvain, Higher School of Economics, IMT Lucca, Bank of Lithuania, International Workshop “International Trade and Regional Economics” (Saint-Petersburg),
Conferences: Annual Meeting of Society for Economic Dynamics (Warsaw), 36th NES Research Conference (Moscow), 8th FIW Research Conference (Vienna)
- 2014: **Invited Presentations:** International Workshop “Imperfect Competition and Spatial Economics: Theoretical and Empirical Aspects” (Saint-Petersburg), Mercator School of Management at the University of Duisburg-Essen, ETH Zurich, Bayreuth University, Université Libre de Bruxelles
Conferences: Congress of the European Economic Association (Toulouse), Congress of German Economic Association (Hamburg), European Trade Study Group (Munich), 19th Conference of the SFB/TR 15 (Berlin), 7th FIW Research Conference (Vienna)
- 2013: **Invited Presentations:** DIW Applied Micro Seminar, University of Ljubljana, “Offshoring and International Production” conference (Tubingen), University of St. Gallen
Conferences: EGIT Workshop (Berlin), [CESifo–Delphi Conference](#) (Munich), Congress of the European Economic Association (Gothenburg), 17th Conference of the SFB/TR 15 (Munich)
Research Visits: Pennsylvania State University (invited by Kala Krishna)
- 2012: **Invited Presentations:** University of Tübingen, University of Nottingham
Conferences: European Trade Study Group (Leuven), 15th Conference of the SFB/TR 15 (Berlin)
- 2011: **Invited Presentations:** Goethe University Frankfurt
Conferences: Gottingen Trade Workshop, 13th Conference of the SFB/TR 15 (Munich)
- 2010: **Invited Presentations:** Higher School of Economics
Conferences: Congress of German Economic Association (Kiel), 25th Annual Congress of the European Economic Association (Glasgow), Econometric Society 10th World Congress (Shanghai), the SSES Annual Meeting (Fribourg), 2nd SCIFI-GLOW Research Workshop (Budapest)
- 2009: **Invited Presentations:** University of Texas-Austin, New Economic School, University of Munich
Conferences: Midwest Economic Theory and International Economics Meetings (State College), Midwest Economic Theory and International Economics Meetings (Iowa City), North American Summer Meeting of the Econometric Society (Boston)

- 2008: **Conferences:** Midwest Economic Theory and International Economics Meetings (Urbana-Champaign), North American Summer Meeting of the Econometric Society (Pittsburgh), CEA 42nd Annual Meetings (Vancouver)
- 2007: **Conferences:** Midwest Economic Theory and International Economics Meetings (Minneapolis), North American Summer Meeting of the Econometric Society (Durham)