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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Macroeconomics, inequality and climate change

EDUCATION

London Business School 2019 - present

PhD in Economics, Advisor: Paolo Surico

- Visiting student at NYU - March-May 2024

UCL 2018 - 2019

MSc in Economics • Distinction

University of Cambridge, Peterhouse 2013 - 2016

BA in Economics • First

WORKING PAPERS AND PROJECTS

Inequalities in insuring climate risk (JMP)

Presentations: LBS, NYU Student Lunch

Non-essential Business Cycles with Michele Andreolli and Paolo Surico

Presentations: PSE Macro Days, Barcelona School of Economics Summer Forum, CREi/UPF*, Boston College*, LBS, Norges Bank*, EWMES, SEA*, RES*, ECB ChaMP Conference*, Midwest Macro, NASM of the Econometric Society, SED and NBERSI (Monetary Economics)**

Using newly constructed time series of consumption, prices and earnings in essential and non-essential sectors, we document three main empirical regularities on post-WWII U.S. data: (i) spending on non-essentials is more sensitive to the business-cycle than spending on essentials; (ii) earnings in non-essential sectors are more cyclical than in essential sectors; (iii) low-earners are more likely to work in non-essential industries. We develop and estimate a structural model with non-homothetic preferences over two expenditure goods, hand-to-mouth consumers and heterogeneity in labour productivity that is consistent with these findings. We use the model to revisit the transmission of monetary policy and find that the interaction of cyclical product demand composition and cyclical labour demand composition greatly amplifies business-cycle fluctuations.

The Green Transition in a Putty-Clay model of Capital with Simon Gilchrist and Joseba Martinez

Presentations: NYU Stern Macro lunch, CREi/UPF*, Imperial**

* = Presentations by co-authors

OTHER WRITING

How are economic models adapting to rising inequality and the pandemic? with Ben Moll 2021

For Economics Observatory [here]

OTHER POSITIONS AND EXPERIENCE

TA for PhD Macro I for Joseba Martinez, Ralph Luetticke, Chris House 2020 - 2022

LBS PhD co-representative 2021 - 2023

LBS Transatlantic Doctoral Conference Economics co-organiser 2021 - 2022

RA and TA to Paolo Surico 2020, 2023

FX Strategist and Research Analyst BNP Paribas 2016 - 2019

Summer Intern BNP Paribas 2012

AWARDS AND GRANTS

- Wheeler Institute and Sui Foundation - £11,500 grant
- Sir James Ball Award - annual award to one LBS PhD student, £10,000
- LBS PhD scholarship
- UCL Dean's List 2020
- Cambridge: William Stone Award and Peterhouse Economics prize

EXTERNAL COURSES

- EABCN Training School on Continuous-time Methods in Macroeconomics (Jesus Fernandez-Villaverde and Galo Nuno) - 2020
- LSE Macroeconomics for Research Students - 2020 - 2021
- EABCN Training School on Climate Change and its Effects on Macro/Monetary Policy (Per Krusell and John Hassler) - 2022

SKILLS

- Matlab, Python, R, Stata, Dynare