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## PERSONAL INFORMATION

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| <b>Born</b>        | <i>August 12 1988 in Roding, Germany</i> |
| <b>Citizenship</b> | <i>German</i>                            |

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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International economics, international trade, regional economics, trade policy, applied econometrics

## CURRENT ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS AND AFFILIATIONS

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| <b>Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf, DICE</b><br><i>Professor</i> | Feb 2021 - present<br><i>Düsseldorf, Germany</i> |
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Full Professor of Economics (W3) (Oct 2024 - present)  
Associate Professor of Economics (W2) (Feb 2021 - Sep 2024)

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| <b>Director of the Industrial Policy Lab</b><br><i>KIEL Institute</i> | Oct 2025 - present<br><i>Berlin, Germany</i> |
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| <b>Chairwoman of the BMWK-Ökonominnen-Netzwerk</b><br><i>Advisory board, German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs</i> | Apr 2024 - present<br><i>Berlin, Germany</i> |
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| <b>CESifo Research Network Affiliate</b> | Oct 2020 - present |
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| <b>European Trade Study Group (ETSG) Managing Board</b> | Sep 2022 - present |
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| <b><i>International Economics</i> Editorial Board</b> | 2024 - present |
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| <b><i>Journal of Industry, Competition and Trade</i> Editorial Board</b> | 2024 - present |
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## PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS

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| <b>Massachusetts Institute of Technology</b><br><i>Postdoctoral fellow</i> | Oct 2019 - Jan 2021<br><i>Cambridge, USA</i> |
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Postdoctoral fellow

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| <b>ETH Zurich, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology</b><br><i>Postdoctoral fellow</i> | Aug 2017 - Jan 2021<br><i>Zurich, Switzerland</i> |
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Postdoctoral fellow at the chair of Applied Economics: Innovation and Internationalisation (Prof. Dr. Peter Egger)

**ETH Zurich, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology**

*Doctoral student*

Jan 2013 - Jul 2017

*Zurich, Switzerland*

Doctoral student at the chair of Applied Economics: Innovation and Internationalisation (Prof. Dr. Peter Egger)

**German central bank**

*Internship*

Oct 2012 - Dec 2012

*Frankfurt am Main, Germany*

Department of *banking supervision*

**University of Tübingen**

*Research assistant*

Oct 2011 - Sep 2012

*Tübingen, Germany*

Prof. Dr. Wilhelm Kohler

**University of Hohenheim**

*Research assistant*

Apr 2011 - Sep 2011

*Hohenheim, Germany*

Dr. Benjamin Jung

**University of Flensburg**

*Teaching assistant*

Nov 2008 - Mar 2009

*Flensburg, Germany*

Prof. Dr. Stephan Panther

## EDUCATION

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**ETH Zurich, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology**

*PhD*

Jan 2013 - Jul 2017

*Zurich, Switzerland*

PhD in Economics (Dr. sc. ETH) May 2017

with distinction (ETH medal for outstanding doctoral thesis)

Title: *On the Heterogeneous Effects of Trade and Fiscal Policy*

Committee: Peter Egger (ETH Zurich), Gianmarco Ottaviano (London School of Economics)

**Advanced Courses for Doctoral Students in Economics**

*Doctoral courses*

Aug 2016 - Sep 2016

*Study center Gerzensee Gerzensee, Switzerland*

*Financial Frictions*, Andrew Atkeson

*Trade, Migration, and the Geography of Development*, Esteban Rossi-Hansberg

**Swiss Program for Beginning Doctoral Students in Economics**

*Doctoral courses*

Jan 2014 - Jan 2015

*Study center Gerzensee Gerzensee, Switzerland*

Microeconomics (Klaus Schmidt, Piero Gottardi, John Moore, Jörgen Weibull), Macroeconomics (Ricardo Reis, Sergio Rebelo, Jordi Galí, Fernando Alvarez), Econometrics (Bo Honoré, Mark Watson)

**University of Tübingen**

*Master of Science*

Oct 2010 - Nov 2012

*Tübingen, Germany*

Master of Science in *International Economics and Worldwide Studies* (with distinction)

**Universidad Mayor**

*Exchange student*

Aug 2009 - Feb 2010

*Santiago de Chile, Chile*

**University of Flensburg**  
*Bachelor of Science*  
Bachelor of Science in *International Management*

Oct 2007 - Jul 2010  
*Flensburg, Germany*

**Robert-Schuman-Gymnasium**  
*Abitur*  
High school diploma (with distinction)

Sep 1998 - Jun 2007  
*Cham, Germany*

## AWARDS AND HONORS

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**Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics** Jun 2019  
*Best Paper Award* *Geneva, Switzerland*  
Award for *Born to Be an Entrepreneur? How Cultural Origin Affects Entrepreneurship*

**GEP/CEPR Postgraduate Conference** May 2019  
*Best Paper Award* *Nottingham, UK*  
Award for *Born to Be an Entrepreneur? How Cultural Origin Affects Entrepreneurship*

**ETH Medal** Januar 2019  
*Award for outstanding doctoral thesis* *Zurich, Switzerland*  
Awarded by ETH Zurich

**Norbert-Kloten-Preis** 2013  
*Award for outstanding master's thesis* *Stuttgart, Germany*  
Awarded by the Institute for Applied Economic Research and the German central bank in Baden-Württemberg

**Hanns-Seidel-Stiftung** 2008-2012  
*Scholarship* *Munich, Germany*

## THIRD-PARTY FUNDING

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**Fritz Thyssen Stiftung** Mar 2024  
*Research Grant* *Cologne, Germany*  
Funding for project 'Vertical Integration, Networks and Global Engagement' (EUR 200,660) [with Joel Stiebale]

**Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft** Nov 2023  
*Individual Research Grant* *Bonn, Germany*  
Funding for project 'Schumpeter Calling - Firm-level Innovation in Times of Increased Competition' (EUR 238,259)

**Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft** Mar 2023  
*International Cooperation* *Bonn, Germany*  
Funding for workshop on 'Investigating the impact of trade shocks on labor reallocation within and across firms: A structural approach' (EUR 5,745) [with Philip Sauré]

**Swiss National Science Foundation**

*Mobility fellowship*

Jun 2019

Bern, Switzerland

Postdoc-Mobility Fellowship for a 2 year research visit at MIT, Cambridge (USA) (CHF 129,000)

**Swiss National Science Foundation**

*Scientific Exchanges Program*

Jan 2018

Bern, Switzerland

Third-party funding for organization of a workshop on *Quantitative International Economics* (CHF 21,000) [with Peter Egger]

## PUBLICATIONS

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Egger, P.H. and Erhardt, K. (2024): *Heterogeneous Effects of Tariff and Nontariff Trade-Policy Barriers in Quantitative General Equilibrium*, *Quantitative Economics*, 15: 453-487.

Egger, P.H., Erhardt, K. and Masllorens, G. (2023): *Backward versus Forward Integration of Firms in Global Value Chains*, *European Economic Review* (153).

Erhardt, K. and Haenni, S. (2022): *The Cultural Roots of Firm Entry, Exit, and Growth*, *The Economic Journal* 132 (686), pp. 2767–2814.

Egger, P.H., Erhardt, K. and Keuschnigg, C. (2020): *Heterogeneous Tax Sensitivity of Firm-level Investments*, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization* (176), pp. 512-538.

Auer, R., Burstein, A., Erhardt, K. and Lein, S. (2019): *Exports and Invoicing: Evidence from the 2015 Swiss Franc Appreciation*, *American Economic Review Papers & Proceedings* (109), p. 533-538.

Egger, P. H., Erhardt, K. and Lassmann, A. (2019): *Immigration and Firms' Integration in International Production Networks*, *European Economic Review* (111), p. 1–34.

Erhardt, K. (2017): *On Home Market Effects and Firm Heterogeneity*, *European Economic Review* (98), p. 316–340.

Egger, P.H. and Erhardt, K. (2016): *EU-Swiss Trade Integration via Input-Output Linkages.*, *Aussenwirtschaft*, 67(03), p. 1–23.

Egger, P. H., Erhardt, K. and Lassmann, A. (2015): *Productivity and R&D as Drivers of Exports and Domestic Sales - Semi-parametric Evidence from French Firm-level Data.*, *World Economy* 38(7), p. 1115–1129.

## CHAPTERS IN BOOKS

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Erhardt, K. and Lassmann, A.: *Immigration and international trade* in *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Economics and Finance*, 2023.

Baltagi, B., Egger, P.H and Erhardt, K.: *The Estimation of Gravity Models in International Trade* in *The Econometrics of Multi-dimensional Panels - Theory and Applications* edited by Laszlo Matyas, Springer, 2017.

## WORKING PAPERS

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Arni, P., Egger, P., Erhardt, K., Gubler, M., Sauré, P. (2024): *Heterogeneous Impacts of Trade Shocks on Workers.*, CEPR Discussion Paper 19017, CESifo Working Paper 11041, IZA DP 16895. **Revise and Resubmit at the *Review of Economics and Statistics***

Egger, P.H., Erhardt, K. and Nigai, S. (2023): *Empirical Productivity Distributions and International Trade*, CEPR Discussion Paper 15160. **Revise and Resubmit at *Quantitative Economics***

Egger, P.H., Erhardt, K. and Suverato, D. (2024): *How Aggregate Uncertainty Shapes the Spatial Economy*, CEPR Discussion Paper 19016.

Erhardt, K. and Gupta, A. (2024): *Go wide or go deep: Margins of new trade flows*, CESifo Working Paper 11269. **Revise and Resubmit at the *American Economic Journal: Microeconomics***

Dibiasi, A. and Erhardt, K. (2025): *Young Firms under Pressure: Heterogeneous Investment Responses to a Trade Shock*, CESifo Working Paper 12098.

## NON-REFEREED WORK

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Egger, P. and Erhardt, K. (2019): *Mehr Handel dank Währungsunion?* Die Volkswirtschaft.

Erhardt, K. and Haenni, S. (2019): *The Cultural Roots of Firm Entry, Exit, and Growth*, VoxEU.

Egger, P. and Erhardt, K. (2019): *The Effects of Trade Policy Might Be More Diverse Than Most Economists Think*, VoxEU.

Egger, P., Erhardt, K. and Keuschnigg, C. (2019): *The Heterogeneous Tax Sensitivity of Firm-level Investments: European Evidence*, VoxEU.

Erhardt, K. and Haenni, S. (2019): *Unternehmertum im Blut?*, Ökonomenstimme.

Egger, P. and Erhardt, K. (2016): *TTIP – jenseits von Handelsfreiheit*, Wirtschaftsdienst, vol. 96: no. 3, pp. 159-171.

## ONGOING PROJECTS

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Egger, P.H., Erhardt, K. and Masllorens, G.: *The Real Impact of Bilateral Investment Treaties - A Reassessment*.

Egger, P.H., Erhardt, K. and Suverato, D.: *Solving Large Spatial Dynamic Economy Models with Aggregate Uncertainty in Discrete Time*.

## PRESENTATIONS AT CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

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2025: FIW Conference (Vienna), CESifo Global Area Conference (Munich), Ausschuss für Außenwirtschaftstheorie und -politik (Kiel, discussant), Ausschuss für Regionalökonomie (Münster, scheduled), CESifo Conference on Macroeconomics and Survey Data (scheduled)

2024: Ausschuss für Außenwirtschaftstheorie und -politik (Vienna, discussant), ETSG Athens, Midwest International Trade and Theory Conference (Rochester), Annual Research Conference of the European Commission (Ispra, discussant)

2023: Göttingen Workshop on International Economics, CESifo Area Conference on Global Economy (Munich), Ausschuss für Außenwirtschaftstheorie und -politik Wien (Vallendar), CESifo Venice Summer Institute, Paris Workshop on Migration, Bad Homburg Workshop on Trade, ETSG Surrey

2022: ETSG Groningen, Verein für Socialpolitik (Basel), FIW Workshop Firms and Workers in the Global Economy (Linz), FIW-Workshop on Regional Economics (Vienna)

2021: 13th FIW-Research Conference in International Economics (online), Annual Congress of the Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics (online), Verein für Socialpolitik (online)

2019: 11th Villars Research Workshop on International Trade 2019 (Villars-sur-Ollon), ASREC conference (Boston), Workshop on Innovation, Technological Change, and International Trade (Heilbronn), the 18th GEP/CEPR Postgraduate Conference (Nottingham), Swiss Workshop on Local Public Finance and Regional Economics (Lugano), Annual Congress of the Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics

(Geneva)

2018: Workshop on Quantitative International Economics (Villars-sur-Ollon), GEP Postgraduate Conference (Nottingham), ERWIT (St. Gallen), ZEW Conference on the Dynamics of Entrepreneurship (Mannheim)

2017: Research Workshop on International Trade (Villars-sur-Ollon), Pronto Workshop (Paris), European Trade Study Group (Florence), Doctoral Conference on Business Taxation (Oxford), Immigration in OECD countries (Paris)

2016: Research Workshop on International Trade (Villars-sur-Ollon), Spring Meeting of Young Economists (Lissabon), European Trade Study Group (Helsinki), DEGIT (Nottingham), European Economic Association (Geneva), Sinergia Workshop (Stoos)

2015: Spring Meeting of Young Economists (Ghent), European Trade Study Group (Paris)

2014: Spring Meeting of Young Economists (Vienna), NBER Trans-Atlantic Public Economics Seminar (Vienna), European Economic Association (Toulouse), European Trade Study Group (Munich)

## PRESENTATIONS IN SEMINARS

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2025: LMU Munich (scheduled), University of Aix-Marseille (scheduled), University of Bayreuth (scheduled)

2024: University of Bielefeld, University of Hohenheim, University of Hannover, University of Duesseldorf

2023: WU Vienna, TU Darmstad, USI Lugano, University of Goettingen, Univeristy of Aarhus, University of Trier, University of Kent, University of Chicago, University of Bayreuth

2022: Ludwigs Maximilians University Munich, Ruhr Graduate School Seminar

2021: DICE (Heinrich Heine University), University of Goettingen, Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies

2020: MIT Sloan, MIT Economics Department, Harvard Growth Lab, UC Dublin

2019: Institute for Employment Research, MIT Economics Department

2018: Friedrich-Alexander-University of Erlangen-Nuremberg, KOF ETH Zurich

2017: University of Zurich

2016: University of Zurich

2015: University of Salzburg

2013: KOF ETH Zurich

## TEACHING

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2021-2025: *International Trade*, Master-level, Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf

2021-2025: *Ökonomische Aspekte von Grenzen und Migration*, Bachelor-level, Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf

2021-2025: *Internationaler Handel II*, Bachelor-level, Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf

2021-2025: *Seminar: Globalisierung – Kritik, Verteidigung und Herausforderungen* , Bachelor-level, Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf

2021-2023: *Seminar: Research Methods* , Master-level, Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf

2021: *Seminar - Economic policy evaluation in general equilibrium*, Master-level, Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf

2019: *International Economics: Theory of New Trade and Multinational Firms*, Master-level, ETH Zurich

2016: *International Economics: Theory of New Trade and Multinational Firms*, Master-level, ETH Zurich

2008: *Tutorial Microeconomics*, Bachelor-level, University of Flensburg

## REFEREEING

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The Economic Journal, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of International Economics, European Economic Review, Economic Policy, German Economic Review, International Economics, Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics, Journal of Economic Behaviour and Organization, Review of International Economics, Review of World Economics, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Swiss Journal of Economics and Statistics, Economica, World Trade Review

## ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCES

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Workshop on Labor Market Outcomes of Trade Shocks 2023 (Duesseldorf)

Villars Workshop on International Trade 2019

Villars Workshop on International Trade 2018

## MEMBERSHIP

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Swiss Society for Economics and Statistics, Verein für Socialpolitik, Ökonominnennetzwerk des BMWK

## MISCELLANEOUS

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| <b>Software</b>        | Python, SQL, R, Matlab, Stata, Mathematica, L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X |
| <b>Language skills</b> | German (native), English (fluent), Spanish and French (intermediate)        |

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