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## APPOINTMENTS & AFFILIATIONS

**Associate Professor, Central European University (CEU), August 2023 -**

Affiliate Faculty, Social Mind Center, CEU, November 2016 -

Research Affiliate, Democracy Institute Budapest, September 2022 -

Senior Fellow, Institute of Advanced Studies Vienna, July 2022 -

## EDUCATION

Ph.D., University of Maryland, College Park, 2015

Dissertation: "Economics of Society: Essays on Health, Marriage and Child Adoption"

M.S., University of Arizona, Tucson, 2008

M.A., Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, 2003

B.Com., Bangalore University, 2001

## RESEARCH

### Peer-Reviewed Publications

"Leader and citizens participation for the environment: Experimental evidence from Eastern Europe," with Centofanti, T., *Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics*, 2022

"Drain on your health: Sanitation externalities from dirty drains in India," with Rahman, T., & Dayal, V., *Review of Development Economics*, 2022

"Air pollution trade-offs in developing countries: An empirical model of health effects in Goa, India," with Das, S., Dayal, & Uma, R., *Environment and Development Economics*, 2021.

"Electoral clientelism and vote buying," *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics*, 2020.

"Use of Weather Information for Agricultural Decision Making," with Frisvold, G., *Weather, Climate and Society*, 5(1), 55-69, 2013.

### Book

*Demystifying causal inference: Public Policy Applications with R*, with Dayal, V., Springer.

### Working Papers

The puzzling practice of cash-for-votes, with Tyran, J-R. (*forthcoming, Elgar Encyclopedia of Public Choice*)

"Markets for children: International adoptions, IVF, and U.S. Foster Care," with Innes, R. (*under review*)

"Demystifying causal inference: ingredients of a recipe," with Dayal, V. *IEG working paper no. 393*, 2020.

Premarital testing, beliefs and behavior: Effect of testing rules on disease transmission

**Works-in-Progress**

Valuing Democracy, with Tyran, J-R.

Emotions in Politics, with Tyran, J-R.

Holy Cow! Vigilante violence, markets and social costs, with Singh J.

From Enlightenment to Cameralism: Compliance and Tax Morale as Imperial Legacy, with Dorsch, M.

*Let them play games!* Using coordination games to elicit cultural beliefs, with Chokkalingam, M., Heintz, C., & Karabegovic, M.

*Imagine them and you:* Framing effects reveal differences in attitudes towards allegedly unethical social rules with Heintz, C., & Karabegovic, M.

Give or Take: Experimental examination of bribery vs. extortion, with Robert Innes

Yes, in my backyard! Empirical study of citizen efforts in environmental restoration, with T. Centofanti

**PAST EMPLOYMENT† / VISITS / SERVICE**

Visiting Scholar, Indian Statistical Institute, New Delhi, August 2023

[CIVICA](#) (WP3 subtask lead), Collaborative Experimental platform, Feb. 2021 - Dec. 2023

Visiting Scholar, King Center on Global Development, Stanford University, USA, July 2023

Visiting Professor, Center for Development Studies, India, December 2022

Visiting Professor, Università Bocconi, Italy, November 2022

Lead Author (Economics), *Enlightenment 2.0*, EC (JRC) Flagship Report, 2018 - 2019

Visiting Professor, Dept. of Economics, Ashoka University, India, August - December 2018

Visiting Scholar, Dept. of Economics, University of Bologna, Italy, May 2018

Visiting Scholar, Dept. of Economics, University of Vienna, January - February 2018

Program Director, School of Public Policy, CEU, Hungary, August 2016 - December 2017

Visiting Professor, Azim Premji University, India, Summer 2016

†Assistant Professor (consultant), Minerva University, USA, August 2016 - July 2017

†Lecturer & Research Scholar, University of California, Merced, USA, August 2012 - June 2015

†Consultant Economist, World Bank, July - September 2011, March 2013 - February 2014

†Research Associate, The Energy and Resources Institute, New Delhi, June 2003 - May 2006

**TEACHING**

*Central European University, Vienna* (graduate)

Advanced Impact Evaluation, Winter 2022, 2023, 2024

Impact Evaluation: Policy Applications with R, Winter 2020, 2021, 2022 & Fall 2023

Microeconomics, Behavior and Policy, Fall 2023

Economic Analysis for Public Policy, Fall 2021 & Winter 2023

Data and Development, Winter 2020

Institutional and Behavioral Economics, Winter 2020, 2021, 2022

*Central European University, Budapest* (graduate)

Data 1: Statistics for Executives (w/ A. Reguly), Summer 2020

Economic Analysis for Public Policy (w/ C. Brown & M. Dorsch), Fall 2019

Economic Analysis for Public Policy II, Winter 2019  
 Institutions, Culture and Economic Development, Winter 2016, 2019  
 Cognitive Science and Policy Making (with Heintz, C.), Fall 2017 & Winter 2019  
 Economic Analysis I, Fall 2017  
 Poverty, Health and Development, Winter 2016 & Spring 2017  
 Consumer and Firm Behavior (Dept. of Economics & Business), Winter 2017  
 Economic Analysis (with Dorsch, M.), Fall 2015 & Winter 2017  
 Quantitative Methods (with Diamond, A.), Fall 2016

*University of California, Merced* (undergraduate)  
 Statistical Inference Lab, Spring 2015  
 Intermediate Microeconomic Theory, Summer 2014  
 Econometrics Lab, Fall 2013, Spring and Fall 2014

### Advising

*Central European University, Budapest* (graduate)  
 Aderoju Alao, Daniel Szugyi and Jonathan Vega (*Applied Policy Project, 2015 - 2016*)  
 Hanh Nguyen, Michele Massacesi and Faryal Sajjad (*APP, 2016 - 2017*), Client: EBRD  
 Michele Massacesi, (*Thesis, Winter and Spring 2017*)  
 Saheem Khizar (*Thesis, Winter and Spring 2019*)  
 Reena Burathoki (*Thesis, Winter 2019 - Summer 2020*)  
 Akshay Ahuja and Teresa Giedel (*Thesis, Winter - Spring 2020*)

*Central European University, Vienna* (graduate)  
 Angarika Deb (*Ph.D. Committee member, Fall 2020 -*)  
 Tanja Burjel and Lou Manalo (*Thesis, Winter - Spring 2021*)  
 Maciej Drwal, Maryna Lebid, Grace Linczer & Nina Melkonyan (*Applied Policy Project, 2019 - 2021*), Client: International Institute for Sustainable Development  
 Timur Naushirvanov, Gabija Siaulytyte and Marius Frankenhorst (*Thesis, Winter - Spring 2022*)  
 Gulsun Alca (*Ph.D. Committee member, Fall 2022 -*)  
 Natalia Esquenazi, Fanni Kontro & Aizada Omen (*Applied Policy Project, 2023 - 2024*), Client: Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic  
 Kornel Denes & Alena Teplyshova (*Thesis, Winter - Spring 2024*)

### GRANTS, AWARDS AND HONORS (*selected*)

EU Horizon Grant, “The emotional politics of democracies” with Jorg Matthes, Andreas Nanz & Tyrann, J-R [June 2024 - May 2027, 750,000€]  
 CEU Research Excellence Support Fund, “Voter’s dilemma: Experimental study of cash-for-votes” [April 2023 - August 2024, 17,000€]  
 CEU ACRO, “Demystifying causal inference” [January 2022 - December 2022, 5,000€]  
 CEU Intellectual Themes Initiative (ITI) Grant, “**Just Data**” (w/ team) [2017 - 2019, 100,000€]  
 CEU ACRO grant, “Greening the Margin: Building Cooperation and Public Goods I & II” (w/ Centofanti, T.) [2018 - 2019, 10,000€]  
 CEU ITI Grant, “**Beliefs Fostering Dishonesty**” (w/ team) [100,000€, 2016 - 2019]  
 Best Student paper (second place) “Betrothal Testing, Beliefs and Bad Behavior: Effect of Testing Rules on HIV Transmission,” Institutional and Behavioral Economics Section, AAEA, 2013  
 Complex Systems Summer School scholarship, Santa Fe Institute, 2011

Pass with Distinction, Ph.D. qualifying paper, University of Maryland, 2010  
Ray Cowden Scholarship (GPA 4.0), University of Arizona, 2007  
Bangalore University Top Ranker, 2001  
Best Outgoing Student, St. Joseph's College, Bangalore, 2001

**LANGUAGES**

Fluent: English, Hindi, Kannada and Tamil (*native*)  
Basic: Bengali, German, Italian, Urdu  
Beginner: Hungarian, Spanish

**PERSONAL**

Male, *Indian Citizenship*