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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2015-present **Lecturer (Assistant Professor), University of Sheffield**
(tenure expected: September 2018)
- 2014-2015 **Postdoctoral Jean Monnet Fellow, European University Institute**
Mentor: Professor Fabio Canova
- 2013-2014 **Postdoctoral Max Weber Fellow, European University Institute**
Mentor: Professor Evi Pappa

EDUCATION

- 2013 **Ph.D. in Economics**, Athens University of Economics and Business (A.U.E.B.), Thesis title: *'Essays in Macroeconomics and Public Finance'*
Advisor: Professor Sarantis Kalyvitis
- 2007 **MSc in International Economics and Finance**, A.U.E.B.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- *Macroeconomics, Fiscal Policy, Labor Markets, Economic Growth.*

PUBLICATIONS IN PEER REVIEW JOURNALS

1. 'Fiscal consolidation in a low inflation environment: Pay cuts versus lost jobs', *International Journal of Central Banking*, forthcoming (with G. Bandeira, E. Pappa and R. Sajedi).
2. 'The government wage bill and private activity', *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control*, 2017, 79, 21-47 (with D. Bermpeloglou and E. Pappa).
3. 'Fiscal consolidation with tax evasion and corruption', *Journal of International Economics*, 2015, 96, S56–S75 (with E. Pappa and R. Sajedi).
4. 'Productivity effects of public capital maintenance: Evidence from U.S. states', *Economic Inquiry*, 2015, 53(1), 72-90 (with S. Kalyvitis).
5. 'Green spending reforms, growth and welfare with endogenous subjective discounting', *Macroeconomic Dynamics*, 2015, 19(6), 1240-1260 (with E. Dioikitopoulos and S. Kalyvitis, *lead author*).
6. 'Public capital maintenance, decentralization, and U.S. productivity', *Public Finance Review*, 2011, 39(6), 784-809 (with S. Kalyvitis).

WORKING PAPERS

- 'Roads to prosperity without environmental poverty: The role of impatience and fiscal policy' (with E. Dioikitopoulos and S. Ghosh), submitted.

TEACHING QUALIFICATIONS

- *Fellowship of the Higher Education Academy (UK)*, October 2017.
- *Postgraduate Certificate in Learning and Teaching*, University of Sheffield, October 2017. More information can be found here: <https://www.sheffield.ac.uk/lets/cpd/cilt>
- *EUI Teaching Certificate*, European University Institute, 2014, following formal Max Weber teacher training program, including workshops on course design, curriculum development, small-group microteaching, teaching in culturally and linguistically diverse classrooms, and a teaching exchange at Universitat Pompeu Fabra (19-24 May 2014).

More information can be found here:

<https://www.eui.eu/ProgrammesAndFellowships/MaxWeberProgramme/TeachingatEUIAndAbroad/TeachingCertificate>

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Sheffield

- 2017 - present: *Economic Analysis and Policy* (Undergraduate, Year 1)
- 2016 - present: *Macroeconomic Principles* (Undergraduate, Year 2)
- 2015 - present: *Public Economics* (Postgraduate)

European University Institute

- 2015: Design and teaching of a 10-hour lecture series '*Economics for Non-Economists*' for the PhD programs in Political Science, Law, and History

Athens University of Economics and Business

- 2011: Teaching Assistant for *Macroeconomic Theory and Policy* (Postgraduate)
- 2008: Teaching Assistant for *Macroeconomic Theory* (Undergraduate, Year 2)
- 2011, 2010: Teaching Assistant for *Econometrics I* (Undergraduate, Year 2)
- 2010, 2008: Teaching Assistant for *Principles of Economics* (Undergraduate, Year 1)

SUPERVISION AND MENTORING ACTIVITIES

- Supervision of PhD students, (i) Emily Barker, (ii) Ioannis Karfakis, (co-advisor, theses in progress), University of Sheffield
- External member of PhD committee, G. Xin, February 2017, University of Leicester
- Personal tutor for undergraduate students, University of Sheffield

CHAPTERS IN COLLECTIVE VOLUMES

- Fiscal Consolidation Policies and the Underground Economy: The Case of Greece (with E. Pappa and R. Sajedi), in *Political Economy Perspectives on the Greek Crisis: Debt Austerity and Unemployment*, by Bournakis, I., Tsoukis, C., Christopoulos, D., Palivos, T. (eds.), Palgrave Macmillan, 2017. ISBN: 978-3-319-63706-8.
- The Economic Impacts of Climate Change in Greece: The Issue of Biodiversity, 2011, (with E. Kyriakopoulou and A. Xepapadeas), in *The Environmental, Economic and Social Impacts of Climate Change in Greece*, Bank of Greece Ed., Athens.

FELLOWSHIPS AND FUNDING RECEIVED

- '*Fiscal consolidation in a disinflationary environment: price- vs. quantity-based measures*' **European Commission (DG ECFIN)** Workshop "Fiscal policy after the crisis", Brussels, 19 January 2016 (with Professor E. Pappa and Dr R. Sajedi), 4,092€. The conference proceedings can be accessed here: https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/info/files/file_import/dp035_en_2.pdf
- 2014-2015: '*Fiscal consolidation policies and the underground economy: The case of Greece*', **John S. Latsis Public Benefit Foundation Research Grant**, (Coordinator: Professor E. Pappa), 12,000€. More information can be found here: <http://www.latsis-foundation.org/eng/education-science-culture/science/grants/scientific-projects/2014/fiscal-consolidation-policies-and-the-underground-economy-the-case-of-greecenbsp>

- 2014-2015: **Jean Monnet Postdoctoral Fellowship**, Research project: *Fiscal Consolidation and the Underground Economy: The Case of the Southern European Countries*, Pierre Werner Chair Programme, European University Institute, 25,000€. More information can be found here: <https://www.eui.eu/DepartmentsAndCentres/RobertSchumanCentre/People/Fellows/Past/2015/VellaEugenia>
- 2013-2014: **Max Weber Postdoctoral Fellowship**, European University Institute, 25,000€. More information can be found here: <https://www.eui.eu/ProgrammesAndFellowships/MaxWeberProgramme/People/MaxWeberFellows/Fellows2013-2014/Vella>
- 2011-2013: PhD Research Scholarship, co-financed by the European Union (European Social Fund) and Greek national funds through the **Operational Program 'Education and Lifelong Learning' of the National Strategic Reference Framework (NSRF) - Research Funding Program: Heracleitus II**, 45,000€.
- 2009-2010: Research funded project, *The Economic Impacts of Climate Change in Greece: The Issue of Biodiversity*, **Bank of Greece**, 6,228€.
- 2009-2010: '*Capital maintenance and the propagation of technology shocks*', **Basic Research Funding Program, Athens University of Economics and Business**, (Principal Investigator: Professor S. Kalyvitis), 10,000€.
- 2006: **MSc tuition fee scholarship, Athens University of Economics and Business.**

PRESENTATIONS IN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

- 'Fiscal consolidation in a low inflation environment: Pay cuts versus lost jobs', **32nd Annual Congress of the European Economic Association and 70th European Meeting of the Econometric Society**, University of Lisbon, 21-25 August 2017.
- 'Fiscal consolidation in a low inflation environment: Pay cuts versus lost jobs', **16th Conference on Research on Economic Theory and Econometrics (CRETE)**, Milos, 10-15 July 2017.
- 'Fiscal consolidation in a disinflationary environment', **10th Max Weber Fellows Conference**, European University Institute, Florence, 8-10 June 2016.
- 'The output, unemployment and deficit effects of fiscal shocks: Disaggregating government spending', **40th Simposio de la Asociacion Espanola de Economia (SAEe)**, Universitat de Girona, 10-12 December 2015.
- 'The output, unemployment and deficit effects of fiscal shocks: Disaggregating government spending', **Sheffield Workshop in Macroeconomics (SWIM) 2015**, University of Sheffield, 11-12 June 2015.
- 'Fiscal Consolidation with Tax Evasion and Rent Seeking', **39th Simposio de la Asociacion Espanola de Economia (SAEe)**, Universitat Illes Balears, 11-14 December 2014.
- 'Fiscal Consolidation and the Shadow Economy', **8th Max Weber Fellows Conference**, European University Institute, Florence, 11-13 June 2014.
- 'Fiscal Consolidation with Tax Evasion and Rent Seeking: Spending Cuts versus Tax Hikes', **18th International Conference in Macroeconomic Analysis and International Finance (ICMAIF)**, University of Crete, 29-31 May 2014.
- 'Fiscal Consolidation with Tax Evasion and Corruption', **13th Conference on Research on Economic Theory and Econometrics (CRETE)**, Milos, 13-17 July 2014

- ‘Productivity Effects of Public Capital Maintenance: Evidence from U.S. States’, **28th Annual Congress of the European Economic Association and 66th European Meeting of the Econometric Society**, University of Gothenburg, 26-30 August 2013.
- ‘Green Spending Reforms, Growth and Welfare with Endogenous Subjective Discounting’, **17th International Conference in Macroeconomic Analysis and International Finance**, University of Crete, 30 May – 1 June 2013.
- ‘Green Spending Reforms, Growth and Welfare with Endogenous Subjective Discounting’, **Dynamics, Economic Growth and International Trade (DEGIT) XVII Conference**, University of Milan, 13-14 September 2012.
- ‘Government Consumption, Investment, or Employment to Boost the Economy? There is no Trilemma’, **2nd International Ioannina Meeting on Applied Economics and Finance (IMAEF)**, University of Ioannina, 21-22 June 2012.
- ‘Green Spending Reforms, Growth and Welfare with Endogenous Subjective Discounting’, **2012 Conference of the Royal Economic Society (RES)**, University of Cambridge, 26-28 March 2012.
- ‘On the Productivity Effects of Public Capital Maintenance: Evidence from U.S. States’, **7th PhD Meeting of the Royal Economic Society (RES)**, Queen Mary University, 21-22 January 2012.
- ‘Public Spending on Infrastructure's Operations and Maintenance and Productivity Spillovers: Evidence from U.S. states’, **2011 Conference of the Royal Economic Society (RES)**, Royal Holloway University of London, 18-20 April 2011.
- ‘Public Environmental Investment as a Growth Policy: The Role of Endogenous Time Preference’, **Association of Southern European Economic Theorists 2011 Annual Meeting**, University of Evora, 27-29 October 2011.
- ‘Time Preference, Environment, and Optimal Fiscal Policy’, **9th Conference on Research on Economic Theory and Econometrics (CRETE)**, Milos, 7-11 July 2010.
- ‘Disentangling the Effects of Public Capital and O&M Outlays on U.S. State Productivity’, **8th Conference on Research on Economic Theory and Econometrics (CRETE)**, Tinos, 8-12 July 2009.

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS (INVITED)

- ‘Fiscal consolidation in a low inflation environment: Pay cuts versus lost jobs’, **University of Glasgow**, 2 November 2017.
- ‘Fiscal consolidation in a low inflation environment: Pay cuts versus lost jobs’, **University of Cyprus**, 1 February 2017.
- ‘Fiscal consolidation with tax evasion and rent seeking’, **University of Manchester**, 14 February 2015.
- ‘Fiscal consolidation with tax evasion and rent seeking’, **University of Sheffield**, 14 February 2015.
- ‘Fiscal consolidation with tax evasion and rent seeking’, **German Institute for Economic Research (DIW Berlin)**, 5 February 2015.
- ‘Fiscal consolidation with tax evasion and rent seeking’, **IMT School for Advanced Studies Lucca**, 12 February 2015.
- ‘On the productivity effects of public capital maintenance: Evidence from U.S. states’, **University of Barcelona**, 13 March 2013.

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS (INTERNAL)

- ‘The government wage bill and private activity’, **University of Sheffield**, 21 March 2017.
- ‘Fiscal consolidation in a disinflationary environment: Price vs. quantity-based Measures’, **University of Sheffield**, 8 March 2016.

- ‘Fiscal Consolidation and the Underground Economy’, *Robert Schuman Center, European University Institute*, 23 May 2015.
- ‘Spending cuts and their effects on output, unemployment and the deficit’, *European University Institute*, 29 November 2013.
- ‘Endogenous Time Preference, Environment and Optimal Fiscal Policies’, *Athens University of Economics and Business*, 18 May 2010.

DISCUSSIONS

- ‘Inflation, Stock Market and Long-Term Investors: Real Effects of Changing Demographics’ by Annaig Morin, *8th Max Weber Fellows Conference*, European University Institute, Florence, 11-13 June 2014.
- ‘Assessing the Impact of Fiscal Measures on the Czech Economy’ by Jan Babecky, *18th International Conference in Macroeconomic Analysis and International Finance (ICMAIF)*, University of Crete, 29-31 May 2014.
- ‘Austerity to save the banks? A DSGE model of endogenous costs of default with banking’ by D. Thaler, *3rd-year PhD Student Forum*, European University Institute, April 2014.
- ‘Fiscal Policy in an Unemployment Crisis’ by Pontus Rendahl, *EUI Alumni Conference in Economics*, European University Institute, 11-12 October 2013.

ORGANIZATION OF INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

- Co-organizer of the Sheffield Workshop in Macroeconomics (SWIM), 15 June 2017.

REFEREEING

- Economic Journal, Journal of Applied Econometrics, European Economic Review, Economic Inquiry, Journal of Development Economics, *Economica*, Macroeconomic Dynamics, FinanzArchiv/Public Finance Analysis, Bulletin of Economic Research, Empirical Economics

REVIEWER FOR GRANT APPLICATIONS

- Funding schemes ‘Sonata’ and ‘Preludium’, National Science Centre of Poland.

ADMIN SERVICES

- 2016 - present: Departmental representative in the Equality and Diversity Committee of the Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Sheffield.

FURTHER TRAINING

- ‘*Solution and Estimation of DSGE Models*’, taught by Professor Fabio Canova, C.R.E.I. Macroeconomics Summerschool, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, July 2011.

COMPUTER SKILLS

- Matlab, Gauss, Maple, Stata, Latex.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

- Greek (native), English (fluent), French (fluent), Spanish (conversational), Italian (basic understanding).

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Nationality: Greek, Date of birth: 18 April 1982.