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EDUCATION

PhD in Economics – European University Institute	2022 – 2027
<i>Supervisors: Russell W. Cooper & Fabrizia Mealli</i>	<i>Florence, Italy</i>
Visiting PhD Student – New York University	Fall 2025
<i>Host: Christopher J. Flinn</i>	<i>New York City, USA</i>
M.Res. in Economics – European University Institute	2022 – 2023
	<i>Florence, Italy</i>
M.Sc. in Economics – Goethe University	2018 – 2020
<i>Erasmus Semester Universidade Nova de Lisboa</i>	<i>Frankfurt am Main, Germany</i>
B.Sc. in Business Administration and Economics – Goethe University	2013 – 2017
	<i>Frankfurt am Main, Germany</i>

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Labor Economics, Intergenerational Mobility and Wage Inequality, Micro Price-Setting

WORKING PAPERS

Labor-Market Adjustment to Policy-Directed Firm Closures

Joint Project with Raffael Kind & Robert Schall

Intergenerational Earnings Persistence and the Class Pay Gap in Elite Occupations

Joint Project with Simon Handreke & Raffael Kind

WORK IN PROGRESS

The Effective Reach of Collective Bargaining: Pass-Through, Wage Cushions, and Spillovers in Germany

Occupational Choice and Skilled Worker Shortages

Joint Project with Lina Segers & Fleming Zimbalski

POLICY PUBLICATIONS

A forward-looking Tracker of Negotiated Wages in the Euro area, *with G. Koester, L. Górnicka et. al*, ECB Occasional Paper No. 338, 2024

E-commerce and Price Setting: Evidence from Europe, *G. Strasser, E. Wieland, P. Macias, A. Błażejowska, K. Szafranek, J. Franke, L. Henkel, and C. Osbat*, ECB Occasional Paper No. 320, 2023

Minimum Wages and their Role for Euro Area Wage Growth, *G. Koester*, ECB's Economic Bulletin Box, April 2022

Housing Costs: Survey-based Perceptions and Signals from Price Statistic, *G. Koester, O. Kouvavas, F. Kuik*, ECB's Economic Bulletin Box, February 2022

WORK EXPERIENCE

PhD Intern – Deutsche Bundesbank <i>Economics, Macroeconomic Analysis and Projections Division</i>	April 2026 - October 2026 <i>Frankfurt am Main, Germany</i>
Consultant – European Central Bank <i>Directorate General Economics, Prices and Cost</i>	July 2022 - December 2022 <i>Frankfurt am Main, Germany</i>
Research Analyst – European Central Bank <i>Directorate General Economics, Prices and Cost</i>	October 2021 - May 2022 <i>Frankfurt am Main, Germany</i>
Trainee – European Central Bank <i>Directorate General Economics, Prices and Cost</i>	October 2020 - October 2021 <i>Frankfurt am Main, Germany</i>
Working Student – Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau <i>Eastern Europe, Caucasus, Central Asia Department</i>	January 2020 - September 2020 <i>Frankfurt am Main, Germany</i>
Research Assistant – Goethe University <i>Chair of Economics and Finance, Prof. Roman Inderst</i>	October 2018 - July 2019 <i>Frankfurt am Main, Germany</i>
Intern – Deutsche Bundesbank <i>Payment and Settlement System Department</i>	June 2018 - September 2018 <i>Frankfurt am Main, Germany</i>
Intern – ifo-institute <i>International Economics Department, Prof. Gabriel Felbermayr</i>	April 2018 - May 2018 <i>Munich, Germany</i>

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Doctoral Grant (EUI)	2026
ESR Grant (EUI)	2025
Invited Research Visit Atlanta FED, Host: Alexander Monge-Naranjo	2025
US Department Visiting Grant (EUI)	2025
Organizer EUI Macro Working Group	2023-2024
Doctoral Grant (DAAD)	2022-2025
Member of Dean's List Department of Economics and Business Administration	2018-2020

SEMINAR & CONFERENCE PRESENTATION

2026 Workshop on Labor Market & Political Polarization (Amsterdam), 2nd PhD Conference in Economics 2026 (Berlin); IAAE Annual Conference 2026 (Lisbon); 9th Linked Employer-Employee Data Workshop 2026 (Lisbon); 17th interdisciplinary PhD-Workshop – Perspectives On (Un-)Employment (Nuremberg) **2025** Federal Reserve Atlanta; EuroCIM – European Causal Inference Meeting (Ghent); Bocconi-EIEF-World Bank Workshop: Mend the Gap in Economic Opportunities in Europe and Central Asia (Rome)

SKILLS

Programming

R, STATA, SQL, Python, Latex, Matlab, Microsoft Office

Language

German (native), English (C2), Italian (B1), Spanish (A2)