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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Economics Oct 2003 – Sept 2006

University of Warwick, Coventry, UK

Thesis Title: Relativity in Judgements

Supervisors: Prof. Andrew Oswald and Prof. Gordon Brown

M.Sc. Economics Oct 2002 – Sept 2003

University of Warwick, Coventry, UK

B.Sc. Economics and Econometrics Oct 1999 – June 2002

University of Nottingham, Nottingham, UK

1st Class Honours

APPOINTMENTS

Senior Lecturer in Economics Oct 2013 –

Brunel University, London, UK

Lecturer in Economics April 2010 – Sept 2013

Brunel University, London, UK

Senior Lecturer in Economics Oct 2008 – Mar 2010

University of Westminster, London, UK

Assistant Economist Sept 2006 – Sept 2008

H.M. Revenue & Customs, London, UK

AFFILIATIONS

CESifo Affiliate Nov 2013

IFS Research Fellow July 2013 –

ESRC Peer Review College Nov 2012 – Oct 2014

IZA Research Fellow Oct 2011 –

Fellow of the Higher Education Academy Oct 2011 –

FIELDS

Microeconomic Theory, Behavioural Economics, Tax evasion.

PUBLICATIONS

“Audit Probability versus Audit Effectiveness: The Beckerian Approach Revisited”

Journal of Public Economic Theory 16, 2014, pp. 322–342.

“Social Networks and Occupational Choice: The Endogenous Formation of Attitudes and Beliefs about Tax Compliance” (with Gareth Myles, Nigar Hashimzade and Frank Page)

Journal of Economic Psychology 40, 2014, pp. 134–146.

“The Determinants of Election to the United Nations Security Council” (with Axel Dreher, Matthew Gould and James Vreeland)

Public Choice 158, 2014, pp. 51–83.

“Divergence in Credit Ratings”

Finance Research Letters 10, 2013, pp. 12–16.

“Risk Attitudes and Informal Employment in a Developing Economy”

(with John Bennett and Matthew Gould)

IZA Journal of Labor and Development 1:5, 2012.

“The Promotion of Local Wellbeing: A Primer for Policymakers”

Local Economy 27, 2012, pp. 297–314.

“Performance Targets, Effort and Risk-Taking”

Journal of Economic Psychology 31, 2010, pp. 687–697.

“The Saving Gateway: Implications for Optimal Saving”

Fiscal Studies 31, 2010, pp. 203–225.

“Tax Evasion and Exchange Equity: A Reference-Dependent Approach”

Public Finance Review 38, 2010, pp. 282–305.

“Relativity, Rank and the Utility of Income”

Economic Journal 118, 2008, pp. 801–821.

“Mortality and Immortality: The Nobel Prize as an Experiment into the Effect of Status on Longevity” (with Andrew Oswald)

Journal of Health Economics 27, 2008, pp. 1462–1471.

RESEARCH PAPERS

“Gov-aargh-nance – Even Criminals Need Law and Order” (with Anja Shortland and Olaf De Groot)

Submitted: Journal of Development Economics

“Self-Employment, Wage Employment and Informality in a Developing Economy” (with John Bennett)

Submitted: Oxford Economic Papers

“Baargh-gaining with Somali Pirates” (with Anja Shortland and Olaf De Groot)

Submitted: Economic Journal

“Auditing Strategy in a Social Network” (with Nigar Hashimzade, Gareth Myles and Frank Page)

“Equitable Representation in the Councils of the United Nations: Theory and Application” (with Matthew Gould)

Submitted: Social Choice and Welfare

“Reform of the United Nations Security Council: Efficiency vs. Equity” (with Matthew Gould)

“Incentivized Tax Disclosure Schemes: An Analysis” (with Matthew Gould)

“Prospect Theory and Tax Evasion: A Reconsideration of the Yitzhaki Puzzle” (with Amedeo Piolatto)

Submitted: Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization

GRANT AWARDS AND PRIZES

ESRC/HMRC/HMT Tax Administration Research Centre (£2m.); CI.

Future Research Leaders Scheme (£166k) Optimal Audit Portfolio Design for a Tax Authority, Economic and Social Research Council, Oct 2012 – Sept 2014; PI.

HMRC/HMT/ESRC Joint Research Programme (£100k). Optimal Audit Policy for a Tax Evasion Network; Economic and Social Research Council; Sept 2010 – Sept 2011; CI with Gareth Myles (PI), Nigar Hashimzade and Frank Page.

LARCI Placement Fellowship Scheme (£8,500). Reviewing the evidence on the promotion of well-being for reshaping policies and programmes towards neighbourhood management, governance and development and resident engagement, Economic and Social Research Council, Jun – Dec 2010, PI.

1+3 Studentship. Economic and Social Research Council, Oct 2002 – June 2006.

Best Dissertation Prize (£200). Department of Economics, University of Nottingham, UK, June 2002. Dissertation Title: The Determinants of Trade: A Study of UK Bilateral Inter- and Intra-Industry Trade with the European Union in the Automobile Industry.

Exhibition Prize (£50). Department of Economics, University of Nottingham, UK, June 2001.

CONFERENCES

15th Annual Conference of The Association for Public Economic Theory, July 2014, Washington University, United States. Incentivised Offshore Voluntary Disclosure Schemes: An Analysis.

IRS-TPC Research Conference, June 2014, Washington, DC, United States. Incentivised Offshore Voluntary Disclosure Schemes: An Analysis.

PEUK Conference, May 2014, University of Bristol, UK. Prospect Theory and Tax Evasion: A Reconsideration of the Yitzhaki Puzzle.

European Public Choice Society, April 2014, University of Cambridge, UK. Equitable Voting in the Councils of the United Nations: Theory and Application.

International Tax Analysis Conference, December 2014, HMRC, UK. Incentivised Offshore Voluntary Disclosure Schemes: An Analysis.

The Shadow Economy: Tax Evasion and Governance, July 2013, University of Münster, Germany. Incentivised Offshore Voluntary Disclosure Schemes: An Analysis.

14th Annual Conference of The Association for Public Economic Theory, July 2013, Católica Lisbon, Portugal. Prospect Theory and Tax Evasion: A Reconsideration of the Yitzhaki Puzzle.

Political Economy of International Organizations VI, Feb 2013, Universities of Mannheim and Heidelberg, Germany. The Determinants of Election to the United Nations Security Council.

ESRC/HMRC/HMT Tax Administration Research Centre Inaugural Workshop, January 2013, University of Exeter, UK. Incentivised Tax Disclosure Schemes: An Analysis.

13th Annual Conference of The Association for Public Economic Theory, June 2012, Academia Sinica, Taiwan. Tax compliance: The Beckerian Approach Revisited.

Emerging Trends in 21st Century Intelligence Workshop, Mar 2012, London, UK. Gov-aargh-nance – Even Criminals Need Law and Order.

International Conference on Taxation Analysis and Research, Dec 2011, London, UK. Tax compliance: The Beckerian Approach Revisited.

The Shadow Economy: Tax Evasion and Money Laundering, July 2011, University of Münster, Germany. Tax compliance: The Beckerian Approach Revisited.

LAGV #10, June 2011, Aix-Marseille University, France. Tax compliance: The Beckerian Approach Revisited.

Relativity of Value, Sept 2010, UCL, UK. Implications of a Concern for Social Status for Utility and Longevity.

66th IIPF Congress, Aug 2010, Uppsala University, Sweden. Tax compliance: The Beckerian Approach Revisited.

Royal Economic Society Annual Conference, Mar 2010, University of Surrey, UK. Tax compliance: The Beckerian Approach Revisited.

PEUK Conference, May 2008, University of Warwick, UK. Enforcing Tax Compliance: Audit Probability versus Audit Effectiveness.

21st Annual Congress of the European Economic Association, Aug 2006, University of Vienna, Austria. A Reference-Dependent Theory of Tax Evasion and Exchange Equity.

20th Annual Congress of the European Economic Association, Aug 2005, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Relativity, Rank, and the Utility of Income.

2nd Ph.D. Conference in Economics, May 2005, University of Leicester, UK. A Reference-Dependent Theory of Tax Evasion and Exchange Equity.

Voting Power Analysis with Reference to Institutions of Global Governance, July 2005, University of Warwick, UK. United Nations Security Council Reform: A Proposal for Weighted Voting.