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**RESEARCH INTEREST**

Climate change, shocks, drought, development economics, rural development, environmental and economic vulnerability, coping strategy

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**EDUCATION**

- 2008-2009**      **Ph D candidate in Development Economics (PhD expected 2011)**  
**Thesis: “Climate change and development economics”**  
**CERDI** (Centre d'Etudes et de Recherches sur le Développement International).  
Université d'Auvergne – Clermont-Ferrand – France
- 2007-2008**      **Magistere of development economics**  
**M.Sc.(research) in Economic analysis and international development** with Distinction (mention bien)  
Advisors: Prof J.L.Combes and J.L Arcand  
Thesis Topic: “*Rainfall shocks and economic growth*”  
Fields of study: macroeconomics of developing countries, development microeconomics, panel data and time series econometrics, impact evaluation, political economics, foreign aid, international development, international trade
- M.S (professional) in development economics and project analysis**, with distinction (mention bien)  
Advisor: J.P.Foirry  
Fields of study: financial analysis, management,
- 2006-2007**      **First year of Master in Economics, specialization economic in developing countries** (Master 1), with distinction (mention bien)  
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Fields of study: development economics, applied microeconomics, public economics
- 2005-2006**      **Bachelor degree in Economics, specialization development economics** (Licence 3), with distinction (mention très bien)  
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- 2004-2005**      **Equivalent to a Foundation Year (Licence 2)**  
In Economic and Management with distinction (mention très bien)  
In Geography with distinction (mention bien)  
Faculté de Poitiers – France
- 2003-2004**      **Première année de classe préparatoire «Lettres et Sciences Sociales » (BL)**  
Lycée Janson de Sully – Paris (16)

## WORK EXPERIENCES

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- December 2009** Mission to present the report “Preventing food crises in the Sahel: indicators based on market prices” funded by the French Development Agency (AFD) and conducted by S. Brunelin and C. Araujo.  
**Niger, Burkina-Faso and Mali**
- February 2009** Mission to collect information and data from Information Systems Markets (SIM) and public national and regional structures. Mission for a study funded by the AFD "Preventing food crises in the Sahel: indicators based on market prices" and conducted with S. Brunelin and C. Araujo.  
**Burkina-Faso and Niger**
- April-August 2007** Internship at AFD (French Development Agency) in French Polynesia  
Setting up a matrix of indicators for monitoring: analysis of challenges, limits and rules for implementing a monitoring and evaluation of the activity of the agency, within the framework of managing Results-  
**French Polynesia**
- June-August 2006** Internship with the Non Governmental Organisation (NGO) “Tonga Trust Community development” in the program: “Village Women Development”  
**Tonga**

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2009-2010** Vacataire à l'Université d'économie et gestion (Clermont-Ferrand)  
Enseignement : Introduction à l'économétrie et utilisation du logiciel STATA en M1 (TD)
- 2008-2009** Vacataire à l'Université de droit (Clermont-Ferrand)  
Enseignement : Introduction à l'économie en L1 d'Administration Economique et Sociale (TD)

## CONFERENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

- July 2009** “3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference of African Monsoon Multidisciplinary Analyses (AMMA)”,  
**Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso**  
Presentation of “*Impact of the Monsoon on the Grain Markets in a Sahelian country: Case Study of the Millet in Niger, Burkina Faso and Mali.*”

## WORKING PAPERS

- “Impact of the Monsoon on the Grain Markets in a Sahelian country: Case Study of the Millet in Niger, Burkina Faso and Mali.” C. Araujo-Bonjean, C.Simonet
- “Designing an index of vulnerability to climate change.” P.Guillaumont, C.Simonet

## LANGUAGE AND COMPUTER SKILLS

### LANGUAGES

French: Mother tongue  
English: fluent (written and spoken)  
German: basic

### COMPUTER AND IT SKILLS

Statistical software: Eviews, STATA, SAS, R  
SIG et cartography: MapInfo, Philcarto, Phildigit, ARCGIS  
Publishing: MS office, OpenOffice  
Others: Gam's, MS Project

## INTERESTS AND HOBBIES

Playing Piano, Climbing, Reading, Travelling

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## REFERENCES

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