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Date of birth : 18 June 1984
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Research Interest

Macroeconomics, Public Finance, Tax Policy, Political Economy, Development Economics

Professional Experience

- Dec. 2010 - **Banque de France** - Research Economist *Paris*
·CFA Franc Zone and Development Financing Studies Division
- June - **The World Bank** - African Department - Office of the Chief Economist *Washington, DC*
Oct. 2010 ·Project of increasing public expenditure efficiency in oil-rich economies through direct redistribution and taxation of oil rents.
- June - **Prime Minister Cabinet of Niger** - Cellule d'Analyse et de Prospective en Développement
Aug. 2009 *Niamey, NIGER*
·Study on the impact of tariff-tax reforms on private sector and public finances in Niger

Education

- 2008 - 2011 **PhD in Economics** Center for Studies and Research on International Development (CERDI)
· Auvergne University, Clermont-Ferrand, France
· Ph.D. Thesis : "Essays on Tax Revenue Composition in Developing Countries"
· Supervisors : Gérard Chambas and Jean-Louis Combes
· Committee : S. Devarajan, G. Dufrenot, M. Keen and M. Mansour
- 2008 **Master's Degree in Development Economics** Second Class Honour
Master's Degree in Development Project Analysis Second Class Honour
·CERDI, Auvergne University, Clermont-Ferrand, France
- 2007 **French Economic and Management "Agregation"**, Rank 2
- 2004-2008 **Ecole Normale Supérieure of Cachan, France** Economics and Finance Department

Research

Publications

- "Elections and the Structure of Taxation in Developing Countries", 2011, forthcoming in *Public Choice*
- "Tax Revenue Instability in Sub-Saharan Africa : Consequences and Remedies", with C. Ebeke, 2011, *Journal of African Economies* doi :10.1093/jae/ejr026.

Working Papers

- "Is VAT stabilizing?", with C. Ebeke, 2011, CERDI Working Paper No.2011.24.
- "Direct Redistribution and Taxation in Oil-rich Economies : A Proposal", with S. Devarajan, T.M. Le and G. Raballand, 2010.
- "Deficit, Seigniorage and the Growth Laffer Curve in developing countries", with A. Minea and P. Villieu, 2009, CERDI Working Paper No 2009.26.
- "Assessing the Relationship between Democracy and Domestic Taxes in Developing Countries", 2009, CERDI Working Paper No.2009.30.
- "Social Impact of Indirect Taxes in Burkina Faso : Evidence from a Macro-Micro Computable General Equilibrium", with L. Balma.

Conference Presentations

- "Conference on Growth dynamics in UEMOA" UEMOA Economic Commission, Burkina Faso, July 2011.
- "DIAL Development Conference 2011 - Shocks in developing countries", Paris - France, July 2011.
- "10th Journées Louis-André Gerard Varet on Public Economics", Marseille - France, June 2011.
- "Oxford University, CSAE Annual Conference 2011 - Economic Development in Africa", March 2011.
- "59th Annual Congress of the French Economic Association (AFSE)", France - Sept. 2010.
- "Royal Economic Society 2010 Conference", University of Surrey, United Kingdom - 2010.
- "Oxford University, CSAE Annual Conference 2010 - Economic Development in Africa", March 2010.
- "2010 Annual Meeting of the Public Choice Society", Monterey, United States - 2010.
- "Annual International Conference of the German Research Committee on Development Economics", 2009.

Seminar Presentations

- Internal Seminar, CERDI, University of Auvergne, June 2009; May 2010; June 2011
- Doctoral Meeting, University of Paris 1, November 2009.

Teaching Experience

2008-2010 **University of Auvergne** *Clermont-Ferrand, France*
· Lectures and TD "Techniques de Prévision" (Master1); TD "Optimisation" (Licence2).

Other Activities

Referee for the Journal of African Economies, Regional Science and Urban Economics, and Public Choice.

Skills and Training

Languages French : native; English : fluent (*TOEIC : 975/990 points*);
 German : intermediate level.

Softwares Stata, Eviews, Mathematica, Matlab, Gams, LaTeX, MS Office, Microsoft Project.

References

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