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Research interests

Primary: Financial intermediation, Fintech, Corporate finance, Contract theory
Secondary: Monetary policy, Macroeconomics, Development Economics

Education

University of Basel, Chair: Financial Markets	Basel, Switzerland
PhD in Applied Economics, "Essays in Financial Intermediation"	Oct 2020
<i>Summa cum laude</i>	
Advisors: Prof. Yvan Lengwiler, Prof. Stephen G. Cecchetti	
New York University, Stern School of Business	New York, USA
Visiting PhD Research Scholar	2018
Study Center Gerzensee Adv. Doc. Program	Gerzensee, Switzerland
Advanced courses in Finance, Banking, and Computational Economics	2016-18
by Itay Goldstein, Charles Calomiris, Andrew Atkeson, and Felix Kubler	
Study Center Gerzensee Doc. Program	Gerzensee, Switzerland
Swiss Program for Beginning Doctoral Students in Economics	2016
Microeconomics, Macroeconomics and Econometrics	
Jawaharlal Nehru University	New Delhi, India
MA in Economics	2009
University of Delhi, Ramjas College	New Delhi, India
BA (honors) in Economics	2007

Work experience

Research Associate and Lecturer	Basel, Switzerland
University of Basel, Chair: Financial Markets	Oct 2020 – Present
Research Assistant	Basel, Switzerland
University of Basel, Chair: Financial Markets	Oct 2015 – Sep 2020
Economist	Mumbai, India
Reserve Bank of India, Research Department	Dec 2010 – Sep 2014
Junior Economist	Gurgaon, India
Towers Watson	Jun 2009 – Nov 2010

Awards and scholarships

Young Economist Award (Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics))	2021
Johann-Jakob Speiser Scholarship (Speiser-Bär Foundation)	2020
Project grant (WWZ Förderverein)	2020
EEA-ESEM Conference Travel Grant (European Economic Association)	2019
Doc.Mobility Fellowship (Swiss National Science Foundation)	2018
PhD Fellowship (University of Basel)	2015
Rai Kedar Nath Memorial Gold Medal (Ramjas College, University of Delhi)	2007
Anuj Mehta Memorial Award (Ramjas College, University of Delhi)	2007

Teaching experience

Banks and the Fintech Revolution (Nominated for the teaching excellence award)	2021
Economics of Banking (Master's and PhD level)	2020
Growth and Development (Bachelor's level)	2015–2019

<i>Publications</i>	Financial Intermediation and Monetary Policy Transmission in EMEs: What Has Changed Post-2008 Crisis? 2016. With Madhusudan Mohanty (BIS). <i>Chetan Ghate and Kenneth Kletzer (Eds.) Monetary Policy in India: A Modern Macroeconomic Perspective.</i> 2016. (Also as a BIS WP No. 546)	
<i>Working Papers</i>	Payment Fintechs and Debt Enforcement. 2021. With Jorma Schäublin (Basel). Young Economist Award 2021 of the Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics Paper covered in “ Big Tech, Fintech, and the Future of Credit ” moneyandbanking.com Commentary on the paper published in VoxDev. Commentary (forthcoming) commissioned by the World Bank	
	Payment and the Repayment: Loan Underwriting Using Payment Footprints. 2021.	
	Bank as a Venture Capitalist. 2020. Shortlisted for the Louis-André Gerard-Varet prize by the Association of Southern-European Economic Theorists European Economic Association Travel Grant	
	Failure of Collateral. 2018. With Yvan Lengwiler (Basel).	
<i>Conferences</i>	<i>Cambridge Centre for Alternative Finance Annual Conf.</i> (Cambridge, Virtual) 2021 <i>Econometric Society North American Summer Meeting</i> (Montreal, Virtual) <i>WEFIDEV Seminar Series</i> (Virtual) <i>IFABS Oxford Conference</i> (Oxford, Virtual) <i>5th Shanghai-Edinburgh-London Fintech Conference</i> (Shanghai, Virtual) <i>Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics Annual Congress</i> (Zurich, Virtual)* <i>American Finance Association PhD Poster Session at ASSA</i> (Virtual)* <i>Econometric Society World Congress</i> (Milan, Virtual) 2020 <i>Gerzensee Alumni Conference</i> (Gerzensee, Switzerland)* <i>12th RGS Doctoral Conference in Economics</i> (Bochum, Germany) 2019 <i>Conference on Economic Design</i> (Budapest, Hungary) <i>European Economic Association Annual Congress</i> (Manchester, UK) <i>Gerzensee Alumni Conference</i> (Gerzensee, Switzerland) <i>Association of Southern-European Economic Theorists Conf.</i> (Florence, Italy) 2018 <i>Economics Lunch Seminar</i> (Basel, Switzerland) <i>EFiC Conference in Banking and Finance</i> (Essex, UK) 2017 * Presentation by co-author.	
<i>Skills</i>	Programming <i>MATLAB, STATA, MAPLE, MATHEMATICA, L^AT_EX</i> <i>MACHINE LEARNING METHODS</i>	
	Languages <i>English (fluent), Hindi (native)</i>	
<i>References</i>	Prof. Yvan Lengwiler Professor of Financial Markets University of Basel, Switzerland	Prof. Stephen G. Cecchetti Rosen Family Chair in International Finance Brandeis University, MA, USA
	Prof. Sarah M. Lein Professor of Macroeconomics University of Basel, Switzerland	
<i>Personal</i>	Citizenship India. Swiss Residence Permit. Family Information Married. One son (born: 2017).	