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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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PRIMARY FIELDS: Labor Economics, Spatial Economics, Economic Inequality  
SECONDARY FIELDS: Household Finance, Entrepreneurship

## EDUCATION

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2022 Ph.D. in Economics, GSEFM, Goethe University Frankfurt  
Supervisors: Prof. Ester Faia, Prof. Michael Haliassos  
Grade: Summa cum Laude  
2017 M.Sc. in Quantitative Finance, GSEFM, Goethe University Frankfurt  
Master Thesis Title: "Social status and households' financial behavior"  
Master Thesis Grade: 1.0  
2014 B.Sc. in Accounting and Finance, University of Macedonia, Thessaloniki  
Ranking: 2 out of 139 students

## EMPLOYMENT

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PRESENT Post-doctoral Fellow, Aix-Marseille School of Economics  
2017-2022 Research assistant, Goethe University Frankfurt,  
Chair of Macroeconomics and Finance, Prof. Michael Haliassos  
2016-2017 Research assistant, Goethe University Frankfurt,  
Chair of Monetary and Fiscal Policy, Prof. Ester Faia

## WORKING PAPERS & WORK IN PROGRESS

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Population Density and the Local Economy pre- and post-Pandemic Breakout (**JMP**)  
[\[Click here for latest version\]](#)

Heterogeneous agents and occupational choice in a directed search market  
[\[Click here for latest version\]](#)

The link of wealth inequality to agents' heterogeneity and returns  
[\[Draft available soon\]](#)

Social status and households' financial behavior  
[\[Draft available soon\]](#)

## PRESENTATIONS

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2022 LMU Munich, AMSE, 15th RGS Doctoral Conference in Economics, GCEG2022 Dublin, 20th Conference on Research on Economic Theory and Econometrics  
2021 19th Conference on Research on Economic Theory and Econometrics  
2020 Brown Bag Seminar of the Chair of Macroeconomics and Finance  
2018 6th International PhD Meeting in Economics

## TEACHING

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2022	Intermediate Macroeconomics (undergraduate)
2021	Household Finance (graduate), Intermediate Macroeconomics (undergraduate)-Course's Teaching Prize:3rd
2020	Household Finance (graduate)
2019	Household Finance (graduate)
2018	Intermediate Macroeconomics (undergraduate)-Course's Teaching Prize:2nd, Household Finance (graduate)-Course's Teaching Prize:2nd
2017	Intermediate Macroeconomics (undergraduate)

## SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

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2015-2016	Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst (DAAD), scholarship for master's degree (1 year)
2016-2017	Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst (DAAD), scholarship for master's degree (1 year)
2015	Trader's Eye Challenge, organized by Eurobank Equities Investment Firm S.A., I was ranked first

## OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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7-9/2013	Student assistant/Erasmus placement, University of Karlsruhe, Institut für Angewandte Betriebswirtschaftslehre und Unternehmensführung
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## LANGUAGES

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Greek (native), English (C2), German (C1), French (C1), Italian (B2)

## COMPUTER SKILLS

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ADVANCED	R, Mathematica, $\LaTeX$ , Matlab
MEDIUM	Stata, Python
BASIC	HTML, PHP, MySQL

## REFERENCES

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Professor Ester Faia Chair of Monetary and Fiscal Policy Goethe University, Frankfurt, <a href="mailto:faia@wiwi.uni-frankfurt.de">faia@wiwi.uni-frankfurt.de</a>	Professor Michael Haliassos Chair of Macroeconomic and Finance Goethe University, Frankfurt, <a href="mailto:haliassos@wiwi.uni-frankfurt.de">haliassos@wiwi.uni-frankfurt.de</a>
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