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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Development Economics	09.2013 - 10.2017
Date of Ph.D. Defense: 23.10.2017	
Co-supervisors: Ugo Panizza, Lore Vandewalle	
Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva	
Master in International Economics	09.2011 - 10.2013
Supervisor: Ugo Panizza	
Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva	
Bachelor (Honours) in Economics	07.2004 - 06.2007
University of Delhi, New Delhi	
Certificate, Predictive and Causal Machine Learning	02.2021
Chair of Applied Econometrics and Evaluation of Public Policies, University of Fribourg	
Certificate, Machine Learning (Levels: Introduction and Advanced)	06.2019
Global School for Empirical Research Methods, University of St. Gallen	
Certificate, Advanced Courses in Law and Economics	06.2018
Study Centre Gerzensee, Swiss National Bank	

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva	10.2017 - Present
Post-doctoral Research Fellow	
· Project Coordinator, Swiss Programme for Research on Global Issues for Development (r4d.ch)	
Scientific advisor: Gilles Carbonnier	
· Faculty, Department of International and Development Studies	
Department Chair: Davide Rodogno	
National Institute for Economic Research (NIER), Lao P.D.R.	03.2020 - 08.2020
Visiting Researcher; Host: Sthabandith Insisienmay	
University of Ghana, Ghana	09.2019 - 02.2020
Visiting Researcher; Host: Fred Mawunyo Dzanku	
Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva	02.2014 - 08.2017
Teaching and Research Assistant; Advisor: Ugo Panizza	
· Course Instructor: Mathematics for Economists	
· Teaching Assistant: Economic Policy in Developing Countries, Statistical Methods for Social Sciences	
· Research Assistant: Mobile Banking in India (Co-Principal Investigator: Lore Vandewalle)	
Symbiotics Group S.A., Switzerland	05.2012 - 09.2012
Trainee, Microfinance Investment Fund Management; Advisor: Christophe Favre	
Gartner Consulting Inc. (previously: Corporate Executive Board), India	09.2007 - 05.2010
Strategic Research Analyst, Corporate Finance and Strategy Practice	

INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Editor, RePEC Graduate Institute Economics Section: Working Paper Series	09.2014 - 08.2016
Department Representative, Graduate Institute Students' Association	09.2013 - 08.2014
Department Representative, Graduate Institute Teaching Assistants' Association	09.2014 - 08.2015

APPROVED RESEARCH PROJECTS

r4d.ch Research Synthesis Grants	10.2020 - 05.2022
<i>Swiss National Science Foundation (Awarded: Chf 121,000)</i>	
Role: Co-Principal Investigator (joint with Sabin Bieri, Eva Ming and Maliphone Douangphachanh)	
Curbing Illicit Financial Flows from Resource-rich Countries	09.2017 - 08.2023
<i>Swiss National Science Foundation (Awarded: Chf 2.9 million)</i>	
Role: Lead Researcher and Project Coordinator (Principal Investigator: Gilles Carbonnier)	

ACADEMIC SUPERVISION

Master Dissertation: Kristina Enger (Second reader), Kennedy Mmasi (First reader)
Capstone Projects in Trade and International Finance: 18 applied research projects with 56 students (Academic supervisor)

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

Capstone Applied Research Projects, Trade and International Finance (Lecturer)	02.2020 - 01.2022
Economic Policy in Developing Countries (Guest Lecturer)	03.2019
Mathematics for Economics (Course Instructor)	09.2014 - 08.2017
Economic Policy in Developing Countries (Teaching Assistant)	02.2017 - 08.2017
Statistics for Social Sciences (Teaching Assistant)	02.2014 - 08.2014

INDIVIDUAL SCIENTIFIC REVIEWING ACTIVITIES

Climate, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Environment and Development Economics, International Economics, International Trade Journal, Journal of Economics and Management Strategy, Sustainability

ACTIVE MEMBERSHIPS IN SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES

Memberships: American Economic Association, European Economics Association, Royal Economic Society, Swiss Society for Economics and Statistics, Swiss Political Science Association

HONORS

Ph.D. Scholarship, Graduate Institute (Chf 18,000)	09.2013 - 02.2014
M.A. Scholarship, Graduate Institute (Chf 18,000)	09.2012 - 08.2013
Certificate of Merit (top-ranked student in B.A. program), University of Delhi	04.2008

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

Quantitative Analysis:	ArcGIS, MATLAB, R, Stata
Type-setting and Web Design:	BibLaTeX, InDesign, LaTeX, Lightroom, Wordpress
Survey Programming:	CsPro, Amazon M-Turk, Qualtrics

ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

Research Workshop: Illicit Financial Flow Risks in Gold Trading (Role: Co-Organizer, Webpage here)	Bern, 10.2021
Mid-term Conference: Curbing Illicit Financial Flows Project (Role: Organizer, Webpage here)	Geneva, 02.2019
Research Workshop: Curbing Illicit Financial Flows from Ghana	Accra, 02.2018

(Role: Co-organizer, [Webpage here](#))
Research Workshop: Curbing Illicit Financial Flows from Laos Vientiane, 01.2018
(Role: Co-organizer, [Webpage here](#))
Keynote Speech and Expert Panel: Deterring corruption and Geneva, 01.2018
improving commodities trading transparency (Role: Co-organizer, [Webpage here](#))

RESEARCH OUTPUT

Rahul Mehrotra, Vincent Somville and Lore Vandewalle (2021), *Increasing Trust in the Bank to Enhance Savings: Experimental Evidence from India*, [Economic Development and Cultural Change](#), Volume 69, Issue 2

Laura Cyron and **Rahul Mehrotra** (2021), *Deeper Crisis, Higher Skills Demand? Impact of Financial Crises on Demand for Skills*, [Education Economics](#), DOI: 10.1080/09645292.2021.1931036

Rahul Mehrotra and Gilles Carbonnier (2021), *Abnormal Pricing in International Commodity Trade: Evidence from Switzerland*, [Resources Policy](#), Volume 74, December 2021

Ama Ahene-Codjoe, Angela Alu and **Rahul Mehrotra** (2021), *Abnormal Pricing in International Commodity Trading: Evidence from Ghana*, [Revise & Resubmit \(2nd round\)](#), [International Economics](#)

Rahul Mehrotra, Vanthana Nolintha and Vanxay Sayavong (2021), *Abnormal Pricing in International Commodity Trade: Evidence from Lao P.D.R.*, [Revise & Resubmit](#), [International Trade Journal](#)

Rahul Mehrotra (2020), *Contagion and Conflict: Evidence from India*, [CEPR Covid Economics, Vetted and Real-Time Papers 25](#), 3 June 2020: 122-140

Agustin Redonda, Irma Mosquera Valderrama, Gilles Carbonnier, Robert Koopman, **Rahul Mehrotra** and Facundo Calvo (2020), *Trade Implications of Tax Expenditures*, [Policy Brief: Think20 Task Force on Trade, Investment and Growth](#)

Gilles Carbonnier and **Rahul Mehrotra** (2020). *Abnormal Pricing in Swiss Commodity Imports: Research Findings and Policy Proposals*, [R4D-IFFs Project Working Paper Series](#)

Gilles Carbonnier and **Rahul Mehrotra** (2018), *Illicit Financial Flows from Developing Countries: Conceptual Framework and Empirical Methods*, [R4D-IFFs Project Working Paper Series](#)

Rahul Mehrotra (2018), *Stereotypes or Prejudice: Evidence of Gender Discrimination from Rural India*, [Pre-Analysis Plan](#), Under revision

POLICY AND MEDIA CONTRIBUTIONS

Defining, Estimating and Disseminating Statistics on Illicit Financial Flows in Africa 06.2021 -
Joint Project of UNECA, UNODC and UNCTAD
(Role: Invited Expert, [Webpage here](#))

Statistics and Data for Measuring Illicit Financial Flows in the Asia-Pacific region 05.2021 -
Joint Project of UNODC, UNESCAP and UNCTAD
(Role: Invited Expert, [Webpage here](#))

Violent consequences of the Covid-19 Pandemic in India, 06.2020
Global Challenges Special Issue on the Politics of the Coronavirus Pandemic
(Podcast, [Listen here](#))

United Nations Economic Development in Africa Report 2020 05.2019 - 12.2019
Africa and Least Developing Countries Division, UNCTAD Geneva
(Role: Contributing Expert and Peer-reviewer, [Webpage here](#))

Increasing Trust in Bankers to Enhance Savings: Research Interview 06.2019
Communications Office, Graduate Institute Geneva
(Interview, [Webpage here](#))

- How to assess commodity-trade related illicit financial flows? 04.2019
LAgefi Commodities, Special Edition. (Media article, [Webpage here](#))
- Expert Meeting on Statistical methodologies for measuring Sustainable
Development Goal 16.4.1 (Illicit Financial Flows), UNCTAD Geneva 06.2018
(Role: Invited Speaker, [Webpage here](#))

REFERENCES

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