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Personal information

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Education

PhD, University of Oslo, June 2004. Dissertation *Division and distribution. Three essays on the political economy of redistribution.*
Cand.polit., economics (grade 1.7), University of Oslo, March 2000
MSc, Economics, London School of Economics, July 1999 (best 11 candidates)
Cand.mag., economics, political science, University of Oslo, Dec. 1996
Baccalauréat, science, LEGTP Notre Dame, Fontenay le Comte, France, July 1993 (mention bien)

Past and present academic positions

Associate professor, ESOP and Department of Economics, University of Oslo, September 2009-present
Researcher, Ragnar Frisch Centre for Economic Research, April 2009-August 2009
Post doctoral fellow at the Department of Economics, University of Oslo, October 2004-March 2009
Visiting fellow at Cornell University, November 2008.
Visiting fellow at CESifo, Munich, October-November 2007.
Visiting student, Massachusetts Institute of Technology 2003
Research fellow at the Department of Economics, University of Oslo, 2001-2004
Economist at the Research Department, Statistics Norway, 1999-2001.

Other affiliations

Center for the Study of Civil War (CSCW) at PRIO, 2004-present
Equality, Social Organization and Performance (ESOP), 2007-present
CESifo Research Network, 2008-present

Languages

Norwegian: mother tongue
English: fluent written and spoken
French: fluent written and spoken
German: some knowledge

Other qualifications

Basic pedagogical competence (Pedagogisk basiskompetanse)
Proficiency in Stata, Matlab, Python, Ox, LaTeX, ArcGIS, and several other software platforms

Publications

“With or without U” *Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics* 72(1): 109-18 (2010) (with H. Mehlum)
“Does permanent income determine the vote?” *B.E. Journals of Macroeconomics* 7(1), Article 19 (2007).
“Fractionalization and the size of government.” *Journal of Public Economics* 91: 51-76 (2007).
“Religion, welfare politics, and church-state separation.” *Journal of Ecumenical Studies* 42(1): 42-52 (2007) (with D. L. Chen).
“Fractionalization and inter-group differences.” *Kyklos* 60: 123-39 (2007).
“Why is there so little redistribution?” *Nordic Journal of Political Economy* 31: 111-125 (2005).
“Repeated surveys and the Kalman filter.” *Econometrics Journal* 9: 1-10 (2005).
“Aggregation of utility and equivalence scales. A solution to the Pangloss critique.” *Review of Income and Wealth* 49: 555-568 (2003).

Work in progress

- “Measuring unfair (in)equality” (with I. Almås, A. W. Cappelen, E. Ø. Sørensen, and B. Tungodden)
- “Do the rich vote conservative because they are rich?”
- “The political economy of beliefs: Why do fiscal and social conservatives/liberals come hand-in-hand?” (with D. L. Chen)
- “Miserly developments” (with K. Moene)
- “The number of organizations in heterogeneous societies”
- “Income, information, and the extent of redistribution” (with D. Rohner)
- “Opium for the masses? Conflict-induced narcotics production in Afghanistan.” (with K. Moene and F. Willumsen)
- “Playing with the Good Guys: A Public Good Game with Endogenous Group Formation” (with K. A. Brekke, K. E. Hauge, and K. Nyborg)

Publications in Norwegian

- “Den skandinaviske modellen og økonomisk ulikhet” (med E. Barth, I. Krueger, K. Moene og H. Mehlum). Vedlegg 3 til NOU 2009:10 (Fordelingsutvalget)
 - “Samfunnsøkonomi” in E. Balsvik and S. M. Solli (eds.): *Introduksjon til Samfunnsvitenskapene. En Antologi*. Oslo: Universitetsforlaget (2008)
 - “Evaluering av tilskuddsordningen for organisasjoner for personer med nedsatt funksjonsevne.” Report 3/2006, Ragnar Frisch Centre for Economic Research (with R. Golombek).
 - “Ulikhet og økonomisk vekst.” *RØST* 2006-2 (2006).
 - “Hva blir konsekvensene av en flertallsregjering?” *Økonomisk forum* 2005-9 (2005).
- Regular columnist for *e24.no*

Honours

- His Majesty, The King of Norway’s Gold medal from the University of Oslo for the Ph.D. dissertation, 2005.
- 2004 EEA Young Economist Award
- 2002-03 Graduate Student Fellowship from the “Network on the Effects of Inequality on Economic Performance”, MacArthur Foundation.

Refereeing

American Political Science Review, Annals of Applied Statistics, B.E. Journals of Macroeconomics, Economic Inquiry, Economics & Politics, European Economic Review, European Journal of Political Economy, International Review of Economics and Finance, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Peace Research, MIT Press (book), Nordic Journal of Political Economy, Public Choice, Review of Economic Studies, Review of Income and Wealth, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Southern Economic Journal, Universitetsforlaget (book), World Development.

Other professional duties

Forskermøtet for økonomer (Annual meeting of the Norwegian economic association): Programme committee member 2006-2008 (head of committee 2008)