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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Behavioral Economics, Field Experiments, Economics of Crime, Applied Microeconomics

EDUCATION

01/2022 – present	PhD in Economics ETH Zurich, KOF Swiss Economic Institute Supervisors: Prof. Michel Maréchal, Prof. Ernst Fehr, Prof. Jan-Egbert Sturm
09/2017 – 08/2020	MA in Management & Economics / Behavioral Economics University of Zurich, GPA: 5.9/6 (<i>summa cum laude, best graduate of the year</i>) Thesis: “Psychological Foundations of Other-Regarding Preferences”
01/2019 – 06/2019	Erasmus exchange semester University of Copenhagen, GPA: 12/12
09/2013 – 07/2016	BA in Management & Economics University of Zurich, GPA: 5.6/6 (<i>summa cum laude</i>)

VISITING POSITIONS AND SUMMER SCHOOLS

Visiting positions

01/2024 – 04/2024	Rady School of Management, UC San Diego (Host: Prof. Uri Gneezy)
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Summer schools

10/2024	PhD Course Economics of Criminal Behavior, Max Planck Institute Freiburg
03/2024	Spring School in Behavioral Economics, FAIR NHH & UC San Diego

PUBLICATIONS

Beliefs about Inequality and the Nature of Support for Redistribution (with Thomas Epper, Ernst Fehr, and Julien Senn), *Journal of Public Economics*, 2025, vol. 246, article number 105350.

ACADEMIC RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

Do Monetary Incentives Matter for Identifying Social Preferences? (with Thomas Epper, Ernst Fehr, and Julien Senn), accepted registered report at *Experimental Economics*

Standing in Prisoners’ Shoes: A Randomized Trial on How Incarceration Shapes Criminal Justice Views (with Arto Arman, Andreas Beerli, and Michel Maréchal)

The Effects of Providing Mental Health Therapy and Extended Social Services in Pretrial Detention (with Andreas Beerli and Michel Maréchal)

The Social and Economic Consequences of Legalizing Recreational Cannabis Use in Switzerland (with Arto Arman, Andreas Beerli, Alain Cohn, and Michel Maréchal)

The Psychological Foundations of Social Preferences (with Thomas Epper, Ernst Fehr, and Julien Senn)

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS (incl. scheduled)

2025	Chicago School in Experimental Economics (CSEE), IZA Bonn Workshop on the Economics of Crime for Junior Scholars (WEC Jr), U Penn
2024	Virtual Crime Economics Seminar (ViCE), online PhD Course Economics of Criminal Behavior, MPI Freiburg Nordic Conference in Behavioral & Experimental Economics, Copenhagen Advances with Field Experiments Conference (AFE), London ESA World Meeting, Bogotá Economics Seminar, Universidad del Rosario Bogotá Spring School in Behavioral Economics (<i>Poster</i>), FAIR NHH & UC San Diego Economics Seminar, Rady School of Management, UC San Diego
2023	Swiss Network on Public Economics Workshop (SNoPE), Zurich Immigration Policy Lab Seminar, ETH Zurich Behavioral Lab Meeting Seminar, University of Zurich

GRANTS

2022 - 2026	Swiss Federal Office of Justice and Cantons of Zurich & Bern, funding of project “Resource-oriented care and social assistance in pretrial detention” (overall: CHF 12’833’850, scientific evaluation: CHF 1’432’313, role: contributing researcher)
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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2022 - present	Behavioral Public Policy Analysis (part of CAS Policy Process, ETH Zurich)
2021	Topics in Experimental & Behavioral Economics (TA, PhD, University of Zurich)
2015 - 2016	Corporate Finance and Banking (Tutorials, Bachelor, University of Zurich)

SUPERVISED STUDENTS

Master & Bachelor	Arto Arman, Benjamin Huber, Domenico Sorrentino
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REFEREEING

Experimental Economics

EMPLOYMENT

01/2022 – present	Scientific Project Manager Office of Corrections & Rehabilitation, Dept. of Justice & Home Affairs, Zurich
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02/2020 – present	Associate Policy Analytics, Zurich
09/2020 – 12/2021	Pre-Doctoral Research Associate Prof. Ernst Fehr, Dept. of Economics, University of Zurich
08/2019 – 08/2020	Research Assistant Prof. Michel Maréchal, Dept. of Economics, University of Zurich
06/2018 – 08/2020	Research Assistant Laboratory for Experimental & Behavioral Economics, Dept. of Economics, University of Zurich
09/2016 – 06/2017	Consultant Simon-Kucher & Partners, Singapore & Zurich

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Policy reports

Impact Guide for Social Purpose Organizations, The Migros Pioneer Fund, May 2021, with Andreas Beerli and Linda Sulzer (in German)

Evidence review: Effects of Prison Conditions on (Mental) Health and Re-integration of Prisoners, September 2020, commissioned for Office of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Department of Justice and Home Affairs, with Andreas Beerli (in German, available upon request)

Consulting engagements on evidence-based policies, programs, or services

2021 – 2024	Cannabis Research Association, Zurich
2022 – 2023	ProFuturis - Think & Do Tank, Zurich
2021 – 2022	Swiss Society for the Common Good, Zurich
2020 – 2021	The Varelle Foundation, Paris
2020 – 2021	Office of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Zurich
2020 – 2021	The Migros Pioneer Fund, Zurich

LANGUAGES

German (native), English (fluent), Spanish (proficient)

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