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- Education**      Ph.D. in Economics, DIW & Technical University Berlin, Expected June 2020  
M.Sc., Economics, University of Bonn, October 2014  
B.Sc., Economics, University of Mannheim, February 2012
- Research Interest**      Data & Market Power, Sharing Economy, Cartels
- Working Papers**      The Effect of Big Data on Recommendation Quality: The Example of Internet Search  
With Geza Sapi and Szabolcs Lorincz
- Work in Progress**      Data Network Effects: The Example of Internet Search  
With Geza Sapi  
(Revised Version of Working Paper)
- Airbnb and Rental Prices: Evidence from Berlin  
With Claus Michelsen, Tomaso Duso and Kevin Tran
- Modeling Spatial Competition to Assess the Impact of Airbnb on the Hotel Sector  
With Kevin Tran
- Master Thesis**      On the Impact of the Transition from National to International Antitrust Authorities  
on Cartel Stability.  
Supervisor: Eugen Kovac
- Awards & Honors**      Doctoral Scholarship, DIW Berlin, 2015-2018  
BCCP Travel Grant, 2018  
Teaching Excellence Award, University of Bonn, 2014
- Conferences**      International Industrial Organization Conference, Boston (2019)  
23rd Spring Meeting of Young Economists, Palma de Mallorca (2018)  
Paris Conference on Digital Economics, Paris (2018)  
Mannheim Centre for Competition and Innovation Conference, Mannheim (2018)
- Workshops**      Digital Economic Workshop, Lisbon (2019)  
20th ZEW Summer Workshop for Young Economist Mannheim (2018)  
2nd Doctoral Workshop on the Economics of Digitization, Paris (2018)  
Industrial Organization in the Digital Economy, Liège (2018)  
Digital Economy Workshop, Zürich (2017)
- Research Grants**      Fritz Thyssen Foundation, project "Modeling Spatial Competition to Study the Impact  
of Airbnb on the Hotel Sector "  
(co-investigator, principal investigator: Tomaso Duso)  
EUR 20,000

**Teaching Assistant**

Industrial Organization (Elective Course of the Bachelor's Programme)  
University of Bonn, Germany, 2014

Microeconomics A (1st Year of the Bachelor's Programme)  
University of Bonn, Germany, 2013 - 2014

**Policy Experience**

Policy Evaluation, DIW Berlin, 2018 -

Intern, DG-COMP Chief Economist Team  
European Commission, Brussels, Sept. 2016 - Feb. 2017

Intern, Economic Department  
German Federal Cartel Office, Bonn, Mai - Sept. 2015

**Languages**

German, English, French

**Software Skills**

Python, Stata, Matlab, R (intermediate)

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