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### Personal Details

Nationality: Finnish  
Date of Birth: June 21<sup>st</sup> 1972  
Married, Three Children (born 2004, 2006, 2010)

### CURRENT POSITION

2010 – present Academy of Finland Research Fellow,  
Aalto University, School of Economics, Department of Economics

### PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

2007 – 2010 Academy of Finland Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Helsinki School of Economics,  
2009 – 2010 Visiting Scholar and Lecturer, Boston University  
2007 – 2008 Acting professor of applied econometrics, Åbo Akademi University  
2006 – 2007 Research Fellow, Institute for Labour Market Policy Evaluation (IFAU)  
2005 – 2006 Research Fellow, Uppsala University  
2003 – 2006 Prize Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Nuffield College, Oxford University

### AFFILIATIONS

Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Research Fellow

### FIELDS OF INTEREST

Labour economics, personnel economics, economics of education, applied microeconometrics

### EDUCATION

1999 - 2003 European University Institute (EUI), Florence, Italy  
Ph.D. in Economics  
1992 - 1997 University of Helsinki, Helsinki, Finland  
Master in Social Sciences

## **PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED SCIENTIFIC JOURNALS**

- "School tracking and intergenerational income mobility: Evidence from the Finnish comprehensive school reform", with Sari Pekkala and Roope Uusitalo, *Journal of Public Economics*, 93, 965-973, 2009
- "Global sex differences in test score variability", with Stephen Machin, *Science*, 322, 1331-1332, 2008
- "Gender differences in educational attainment: Evidence on the role of tracking from a Finnish quasi-experiment", *Scandinavian Journal of Economics*, 110 (4), 807-825, 2008
- "Performance pay and earnings: Evidence from personnel records", with Chris Riddell, *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*, 61: 3 (April), 297-319, 2008
- "O-ring wage inequality", with Alberto Dalmazzo and Pasquale Scaramozzino, *Economica*, vol 74, 515-536, 2007
- "Gender differences in promotion on a job ladder: Evidence from Finnish metalworkers", with Juhana Vartiainen, *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*, 59:2 (January), 2006
- "Complexity, wages, and the O-ring production function: Evidence from Finnish panel data", *Labour Economics*, 9, 531-546, 2002
- "The Wage Curve: Evidence from Finnish Metal Industry Panel Data", *Finnish Economic Papers*, 14, 51 – 60, 2001

## **OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

- "Toimenpiteiden vaikutusten arviointi empiirisessä mikrotaloustieteessä", *Kansantaloudellinen aikakauskirja*, 102, 3, 307-321, 2006.

## **RESEARCH IN PROGRESS**

- "School tracking and development of cognitive skills" with Sari Pekkala and Roope Uusitalo, IZA Discussion Paper 4058, submitted
- "Productivity-wage gaps and aging", with Roope Uusitalo, work in progress

## **ACADEMIC AWARDS**

- 2009 Helsinki School of Economics Annual Research Award
- 2007 Academy of Finland, Postdoctoral Fellowship
- 2003 Prize Postdoctoral Fellowship, Nuffield College, Oxford - Yrjö Jahnsson Foundation, Research Grant - Finnish Work Environment Fund, Research Grant
- 2002 Okobank Research Foundation, Licentiate Thesis Award
- 1999 Academy of Finland, Grant for graduate studies at EUI - Yrjö Jahnsson Foundation, Grant for graduate studies - Yrjö Jahnsson Foundation, Master Thesis Award
- 1998 Väinö Tanner Foundation, Grant for graduate studies
- 1997 University of Helsinki, Faculty of Social Sciences, Master Thesis Award

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

- Labour Economics (MA), Boston University, 2010
- Labour Economics (Undergraduate), Helsinki School of Economics, 2009
- Advanced Macroeconomics (Undergraduate), Åbo Akademi University, 2008
- Principles of Econometrics (Undergraduate), Åbo Akademi University, 2007 and 2008
- Economic Analysis of Social Problems (Undergraduate), Uppsala University, 2006
- Advanced STATA Course (Graduate), Uppsala University, 2006 and 2007
- Topics in applied microeconometrics (M Phil), University of Oxford, 2005

Supervisor of Master thesis, Åbo Akademi University, Ville Hupa, 2008

- External examiner (1 of 2) of doctoral thesis, University of Helsinki, Teemu Lyytikäinen, 2008
- External examiner (1 of 2) of doctoral thesis, University of Helsinki, Khondker Aktaruzzaman, 2008
- External opponent at the doctoral seminar, Stockholm University, Lalaina Hirvonen, 2009
- External opponent at the doctoral seminar, Uppsala University, Hélène Lundqvist Nilsson, 2009
- External opponent at the doctoral seminar, Uppsala University, Caroline Hall, 2009

External opponent at the doctoral seminar, Uppsala University, Mikael Elinder, 2008  
External opponent at the doctoral seminar, Uppsala University, Karin Edmark, 2007

#### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED SEMINARS**

- 2009 Stockholm University - 4<sup>th</sup> Nordic Summer Institute in Labour Economics, Os
- 2008 CEPR Conference on Economics of Education and Education policy in Europe, Amsterdam – EALE Meeting, Amsterdam – ESPE Meeting, London - 3<sup>rd</sup> Nordic Summer Institute in Labour Economics, Århus – Universidad de Alicante – ZEW Workshop on “Gender and Labour Market”, Mannheim
- 2007 London School of Economics - CEPR Conference on Economics of Education and Education policy in Europe, Madrid - EALE 2007 Meeting, Oslo - 2<sup>nd</sup> Nordic Summer Institute in Labour Economics, Helsinki
- 2006 CEPR Conference on Economics of Education and Education policy in Europe, Paris - SOFI, Stockholm - 1<sup>st</sup> Nordic Summer Institute in Labour Economics, Uppsala - ZEW Workshop on “Wage Growth and Mobility: Micro-, Macro-, and Intergenerational Evidence”, Mannheim
- 2005 European University Institute, Florence - CEPR Conference on Economics of Education and Education policy in Europe, Uppsala – EALE-SOLE 2005 World Conference, San Francisco - ZEW Workshop on “Education and Training: Markets and Institutions”, Mannheim – Uppsala University
- 2004 London School of Economics – University of Oxford – European Economic Association, Madrid - IZA Workshop on “Nature of Discrimination”, Bonn - CMPO, Bristol
- 2003 All Souls College, Oxford - Nuffield College, Oxford - Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona
- 2002 European Association of Labour Economists, Paris – European Society for Population Economics, Bilbao - CEPR Workshop “Incentives and Beyond – The Economics of Personnel and Organizations”, Stockholm - IZA European Summer School for Labor Economics, Buchan Ammersee
- 2001 European Association of Labour Economists, Jyväskylä

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- Member of the Executive Committee, European Association of Labour Economists
- Member of scientific committee of the Annual Meeting of the European Society for Population Economics, Essen, 2009
- Organizer of the Young Researchers' meeting of the Marie Curie Research Training Network “The Economics of Education and Education Policy in Europe”, London, 2006
- Member of the scientific committee of the First Summer School of the Marie Curie Research Training Network “The Economics of Education and Education Policy in Europe”, Padova, 2006
- Co-organizer of the Yrjö Jahnsson Summer School on Economics of Education, Helsinki, 2006
- Member of the Equality Committee of Nuffield College, Oxford, 2003-2004
- Member of the Program Committee, Spring Meeting of Young Economists, Paris, 2003

Referee for *B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis & Policy*, *Economic Journal*, *Economica*, *Economics of Education Review*, *European Economic Review*, *Finnish Economic Papers*, *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*, *Journal of Applied Econometrics*, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, *Journal of International Economics*, *Journal of Population Economics*, *Labour Economics*, *Research in Labor Economics*, *Review of International Economics*, *Scandinavian Journal of Economics*