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PERSONAL DETAILS

Born: 13 August 1997
Place of birth: Negresti-Oas
Nationality: Romanian

CURRENT POSITION

Sept. 2025 – **Temporary Lecturer and Research Assistant (full-time)**
Present Faculty of Law, Economics and Management, University of Orléans

RESEARCH FIELDS

Public Economics; Energy and Environmental Economics; International Economics

DEGREES AND QUALIFICATIONS

- 2021–2025 **PhD in Economics**
Joint international PhD thesis: *Digitalisation of public services and corruption*
University of Orléans – Laboratoire d'Économie d'Orléans (LEO) & West University of Timișoara
Supervisors: Mihai Mutascu, Camélia Turcu
Reviewers: Jarko Fidrmuc, Valérie Mignon
Chair of the Jury: Marcel Voia
Jury Members: Claudiu Tiberiu Albuлесcu - Claudiu Botoc - Jarko Fidrmuc - Jesús López-Rodríguez - Valérie Mignon - Mihai Mutascu - Camélia Turcu - Marcel Voia
- 2019–2021 **Master's Degree in Taxation and Tax Advisory**
West University of Timișoara, Romania
- 2016–2019 **Bachelor's Degree in Economics**
West University of Timișoara, Romania

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Publications – peer-reviewed journals

- 2025 **Online Social Media and Populism in Europe** corresponding author
European Journal of Political Economy [CNU A], vol. 86, 102619. with M. Mutascu and C. Turcu
- Does English Proficiency Promote International Trade?** corresponding author
International Economics [CNU B], vol. 183, 100628. with M. Mutascu and S. W. Hegerty
- 2024 **Wildfires and Wind Turbine Plants: A Story Never Told** corresponding author
Journal of Forest Economics [CNU B], vol. 39(3), pp. 205–237. with M. Mutascu and A. Sokic
- 2023 **Good or bad? Digitalisation and green preferences** with M. Mutascu and F. Horky
Energy Economics [CNU A], vol. 121, 106640.

Other publications

- 2025 **Beyond the Buzz: Electric Cars and the German Health Public Budget** corresponding author
Journal of Transport & Health, vol. 43, 102076. with M. Mutascu
- 2024 **Demand for electric cars and oil prices: a wavelet approach** with M. Mutascu and A. Sokic
International Journal of Green Energy, vol. 21(15), pp. 3498–3520.

Submitted articles (under review)

- 2025 **Digitalisation of public services and corruption in the EU** sole author
(Under revision) Czech Journal of Economics and Finance [CNU C].
- Rich or Poor: Who Leads Political Stability?** with M. Mutascu
(Under revision) Kyklos [CNU A].
- 2024 **Green but corrupt? Evidence of bribery in the renewable energy sector** corresponding author
(2nd revision) Natural Resources Forum [CNU B]. with M. Mutascu and L. Roy

Work in progress

- 2025 **Do Populist Posts Change Voter Sentiment?** sole author
- 2024 **Corruption in the Digital Age: Insights from Renewable Energy in the G7** with S. W. Hegerty
- Artificial Intelligence and Corruption: A European NUTS 2 Regional Approach** with C. Turcu

TEACHING ACTIVITIES (in English and French)

- 2025 **Lecture International Economics (24H)**
Tutorials International Economics (15H)
Bachelor's Degree in Economics and Management, School of Law, Economics and Management, University of Orléans
- Lecture Markets, Industrial Organization, Competition Policy and Compliance Law (12H)**
Bachelor's Degree in Law-Economics, School of Law, Economics and Management, University of Orléans
- Lecture Financial and Monetary Institutions (24H)**
Bachelor's Degree in Economics and Management, School of Law, Economics and Management, University of Orléans
- Lecture Organizational Theory and Labour Relations (15H)**
Master's Degree in Applied Foreign Languages (LEA), tracks Languages, Business and International Trade (LACI) and Languages and International Management (LAMI), Faculty of Humanities, University of Orléans
- Lecture European Economic Environment (15H)**
Master's Degree in Applied Foreign Languages (LEA), tracks LACI & LAMI, Faculty of Humanities, University of Orléans
- Case Studies by Professionals (4H)**
Master's Degree in International Economics, School of Law, Economics and Management, University of Orléans
- Personal and Professional Development (6H)**
Bachelor's Degree in Economics and Management, School of Law, Economics and Management, University of Orléans

- 2022–2025 **Tutorials Public Finance (140H)**
 Bachelor’s Degree in Finance and Banking, Faculty of Economics and Business Administration,
 West University of Timișoara
- 2024 **Lecture Economics (20H)**
Tutorials Economics (10H)
 Bachelor’s Degree – Grande École Programme, ESCE International Business School, Paris

SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES

Conferences

- 2025 **Digitalisation and Economic Synchronization in the EU: A Note**
 27th INFER Annual Conference, Rome, Italy (Sept.)
 41st International Symposium on Money, Banking and Finance (GdRE), Nice, France (July)
- Public Corruption in the Digital Age: Insights from Renewable Energy in the G7**
 8th International Conference “Current Economic Trends in Emerging and Developing Countries”
 (TIMTED), Timișoara, Romania (May)
 62nd Annual Meetings of the Public Choice Society, Louisville, Kentucky, United States (March)
- Irregular Immigration and Smuggling at the Serbian–Romanian Border: A Wavelet Approach**
 8th International Conference “Current Economic Trends in Emerging and Developing Countries”
 (TIMTED), Timișoara, Romania (May)
 Polish Academy of Sciences Scientific Centre in Paris, France (April)
- 2024 **Corruption in the Digital Age: Insights from Renewable Energy in the G7**
 Conference “Crises and Globalisation”, University of Orléans, France (Dec.)
 Research Seminar, Department of Finance, Faculty of Economics and Business Administration,
 West University of Timișoara, Romania (April)
- Green but corrupt? Evidence of bribery in the renewable energy sector**
 ERMAS, Cluj-Napoca, Romania (July)
 29th International Panel Data Conference (IPDC), Orléans, France (July)
 26th INFER Annual Conference, Chania, Crete, Greece (June)
 61st Annual Meetings of the Public Choice Society, Dallas/Plano, Texas, United States (March)
- Online Social Media and Populism in Europe**
 61st Annual Meetings of the Public Choice Society, Dallas/Plano, Texas, United States (March)
- 2023 **Online Social Media and Populism in Europe**
 Doctoral Students’ Seminar, Laboratory of Economics of Orléans (LÉO), University of Orléans,
 France (Dec.)
 25th INFER Annual Conference, Valencia, Spain (Sept.)
 International Conference on Empirical Economics, Pennsylvania State University at Altoona, United
 States (Aug.)
 12th International Research Meeting in Business and Management (IRMBAM), Nice, France (July)
 11th UECE Conference on Economic and Financial Adjustments, Lisbon, Portugal (July)
 ERMAS, Bucharest, Romania (July)
 7th International Conference “Current Economic Trends in Emerging and Developing Countries”
 (TIMTED), Timișoara, Romania (June)
 FSEG Conference, Hôtel Dupanloup, Orléans, France (May)
- Demand for electric cars and oil prices: a wavelet approach**
 Smart Diaspora, Timișoara, Romania (April)
- Digitalisation of public services and corruption in the EU**
 60th Annual Meetings of the Public Choice Society, Seattle, Washington, United States (March)

- 2022 **Digitalisation of public services and corruption in the EU**
 XIX Workshop on Economic Integration (INTECO), Castellón de la Plana, Spain (Nov.)
 Doctoral Students' Seminar, LÉO, University of Orléans, France (July)
 6th International Conference on Commerce, Management and Economics, Nice, France (June)
 24th Annual INFER Conference, Timișoara, Romania (June)
- Good or bad for economy? Digitalization and green preferences**
 International Conference on Applied Business and Economics, Valletta, Malta (Oct.)
- 2021 **Does digitalisation in public services reduce tax evasion**
 6th International Student Research Conference, Zeppelin University, Germany (April)

Invited Talks

- 2021 **Does digitalisation in public services reduce tax evasion**
 Invited PhD student, Zeppelin University, Germany (Nov.)
- “Publishing an Article Developed Skills”**
 Project Research-based Learning 2.0, Zeppelin University, Germany (Nov.)

Research Visits

- 2024 **Visiting Researcher — 2nd semester**
 Department of Economics, Northeastern Illinois University, Chicago, USA
 Academic supervision: Prof. Scott Hegerty (March)

RESPONSIBILITIES

Associate Editor

- 2023 – **Economic Research Guardian**
 Present Scopus-indexed journal

Reviewer for Scientific Journals

Economic Change and Restructuring
 Economic Research Guardian
 Ekonomický časopis / Journal of Economics
 European Journal of Political Economy
 International Economics
 Journal of Applied Economics
 Journal of Institutional Economics

Scientific Conference Organization

- 2026 **Member of the Scientific Committee, 15th Thematic Workshop of the French Association of Environmental and Resource Economists**
 University of Orléans – LÉO, Orléans, France (June)
- 2024 **Member of the Local Organizing Committee, 29th International Panel Data Conference (IPDC)**
 University of Orléans – LÉO, Orléans, France (July)
- 2023 **Member of the Organizing Committee, International Conference “China in the World Economy”**
 University of Orléans – LÉO, Orléans, France (Nov.)

2022 **BRIDGES Conference**
Embassy of Romania in France, Paris — League of Romanian Students Abroad (LSRS), France
Section (Dec.)

Seminar Organization

2024 – 2025 **Organizer of the Junior Research Seminar**
Department of Finance, Information Systems and Business Modeling,
Faculty of Economics and Business Administration, West University of Timișoara, Romania

Co-supervision

Research internships – **Master 2 International Economics**
LEO, University of Orléans (France)

Bachelor's theses – **Economics**
West University of Timișoara (Romania)

Scholarships and Awards

Scholarships

2021 – 2025 **Merit Scholarship**
Romanian Government
Awarded monthly throughout the entire duration of my studies

2022 – 2025 **French Government Scholarship (BGF)**
Awarded four months per year for three years

2025 **Student Scholarship, Public Choice Society**
Louisville, Kentucky, United States

2024 **Student Scholarship, Public Choice Society**
Dallas/Plano, Texas, United States

2023 – 2024 **Erasmus Scholarship**
European Commission — Student mobility for studies
Sending institution: West University of Timișoara
Host institution: University of Orléans (Sept. – Jan.)

2022 – 2023 **Erasmus Scholarship**
European Commission — Student mobility for internship
Sending institution: West University of Timișoara
Host institution: University of Orléans (Oct. – Jan.)

2023 **Student Scholarship, Public Choice Society**
Seattle, Washington, United States

2019 **Excellence Scholarship**
Awarded by Bosch

Awards

2023 **1st Prize, Category “Socio-economic Sciences for Academic Excellence Abroad”**
LSRS Awards for Academic Excellence Abroad, Romanian Parliament, Bucharest

2021 **1st Prize in Finance – Student Research Competition**
Faculty of Economics and Business Administration, West University of Timișoara
Special Award – National Olympiad of Student Economists (ONEF)

LANGUAGES AND SOFTWARE

Languages Romanian
 native language
 French
 fluent
 English
 fluent
 Spanish
 fluent

Software Matlab, EViews, Stata, SAP System, L^AT_EX

REFERENCES

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