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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Structural Change, Productivity Growth, Regional Development, Trade, Industrial Dynamics, Income Inequality

REFERENCES

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EDUCATION

Université Paris Dauphine - PSL — Oct. 2018 — Oct. 2024 (expected)
Ph.D. in Economics
Supervisors: Gilles Saint-Paul & Lise Patureau

Université Paris Dauphine - PSL — Sep. 2017 — Jun. 2018
Master (M2) in International Economics and Development

Université Paris 1 Panthéon - Sorbonne — Sep. 2016 — Jun. 2017
Magistère (M1) in Applied Economics

Peking University — Sep. 2012 — Jun. 2016
Bachelor in Economics & Bachelor in French Literature

Université de Lausanne — Feb. 2015 — Jun. 2015
International Exchange Program

PUBLICATION

"Structural Change, Labour Reallocation and Productivity Growth in Post-reform China" (2024), *Oxford Economic Papers*, https://doi.org/10.1093/oep/gpae008

WORKING PAPERS

[1] "Comparative Advantage, Endowment Structure and Regional Specialization in China" (submitted to *China Economic Review*)

This paper quantifies the roles of the classical trade determinants in driving the industrial specialization pattern across Chinese provinces. The paper constructs an original database at the province-sector level, tracing the industrial dynamics across 25 industrial sectors and 31 provinces from 1990 to 2016. Empirical measures of specialization and trade determinants are explicitly grounded on a theoretical framework of partial equilibrium model, allowing to explain the provincial specialization across multi-sectors by both Ricardian and Heckscher-Ohlin (HO) predictions. The empirical results show that the provincial specialization is jointly determined by Ricardian comparative advantage revealed in TFP and HO endowment condition, with determinants of new trade theories being controlled for. The Ricardian determinant is more powerful and persistent than HO determinant. Besides, industrial dynamics is more impacted by classical trade determinants than by its own inertia, implying that China's regional specialization is self-adjusting rather than path-dependent.

[2] "Structural Change and Regional Income Inequality: Evidence from China" (in progress, with Lise Patureau)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2024   Workshop "Innovation and Productivity Growth in China" (Manchester China Institute)

2023   European Trades Studies Group Conference (ETSG); Chinese Economists Society North America Conference (CES)

2022   Asian Economic Development Conference (ADB); French Association on Economic Science Congress (AFSE)

2021   Globalization and Development Conference (GlaD)

2020   European Economic Association Congress (EEA)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Université Paris Dauphine - PSL

Open-Economy Macroeconomics (432h as lecturer)	Spring 2018 — Spring 2024
Introduction to Microeconomics (6h as teaching assistant)	Fall 2019
Economics of Uncertainty (36h as teaching assistant)	Fall 2018

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Université Paris Dauphine - PSL

Temporary Teaching and Research Fellow (ATER)	2021 — 2023

China Center for Economic Research (CCER), Beijing

Research Assistant (Intern)	2016

NON-ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

UNESCO, Paris

External Language Specialist	2016 — 2021

LANGUAGES AND SKILLS

English (proficient), French (proficient), Chinese (native)

STATA, SAS, GAMS, LATEX, Python, C++ Programming