

# Agathe Simon

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Labour economics, public economics, inequality and poverty

## CURRENT POSITION AND AFFILIATIONS

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**Postdoctoral Researcher**  
Economic and Social Research Institute (ESRI), Dublin, Ireland *since June 2023*  
**Research Fellow**  
Trinity College Dublin, Ireland *since June 2023*  
**Research Fellow**  
Center for Microsimulation and Policy Analysis (CeMPA), University of Essex *since November 2022*

## PREVIOUS POSITIONS

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**Teaching and Research Fellow (ATER)** University of Strasbourg *2021 - 2023*  
**External Consultant** - OECD *April - November 2022*  
**Consultant** - ISER, University of Essex *November 2022 - June 2023*  
**Teaching Assistant (PhD Candidate)** - University of Strasbourg *2018-2021*

## EDUCATION

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**PhD in Economics** *2018-2022*  
*BETA - University of Strasbourg*  
**Title** : Essays on unemployment benefits systems and poverty in Europe  
**Supervisors** : Amélie Barbier-Gauchard (Strasbourg) and Mathieu Lefebvre (AMSE)  
**Jury** : Alain Jousten (University of Liège), Elena Stancanelli (Paris School of Economics), Mathias Dolls (Ifo Institute), Bertrand Koebel (University of Strasbourg)  
  
**Master in Analysis and Policy in Economics** *with honors* *2018*  
Faculty of Economics and Management, University of Strasbourg  
Exchange semester at the University of Oulu, Finland  
  
**Magistere in Economic** *with honors* *2018*  
Faculty of Economics and Management, University of Strasbourg  
  
**Bachelor in Economics** *2016*  
Faculty of Economics and Management, University of Strasbourg

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Peer-reviewed in English

Lefebvre, M., Simon, A. (2024). The impact of a European unemployment benefit scheme on labour supply and income distribution. **International Tax and Public Finance**, 1-71. ([link](#))

Jara, H. X., Simon, A. (2024). A European Unemployment Benefit to Protect Atypical Workers?. **Social Indicators Research**, 171(3), 967-986. ([link](#))

### Peer-reviewed in French

Barbier-Gauchard, A., Simon, A. (2022) The EU put to the test by economic crises. How was the 2021-2027 community budget able to adapt? **Revue Francaise d'Administration Publique** ([link](#))

### Book Chapters:

Barbier-Gauchard, A., Simon, A. (2024). The European Union at the Test of Economic Crisis: How Has the EU Budget 2021–2027 Adapted?. In *The Changing Topography of EU Administration: Organisations, Actors, and Policy Processes* (pp. 313-324). Cham: Springer Nature Switzerland. ([link](#))

The EU's Government of Worker Mobility: An Interdisciplinary Discussion (1st ed.). Routledge. ([link](#))

### Reports:

Doorley, K., Kakoulidou, T., and Simon, A. (2025). Adjusting estimates of poverty for the cost of disability, Jointly-published Reports 8, Dublin: ESRI and Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission (IHREC), ([link](#))

*Media coverage: The Irish Times, RTE News, The Irish Legal*

Doorley, K., Dunne, S., Keane, C., Sándorová, S., and Simon, A. (2024). Distributional impact of tax and welfare policies: Budget 2025, QEC Special Article, Dublin: ESRI ([link](#))

*Media coverage: RTE News, The Irish Independent, Breakingnews.ie*

Doorley, K., Duggan, L., Simon, A., Tuda, D. (2023). Distributional impact of tax and welfare policies: Budget 2024. ([link](#))

*Media coverage: The Irish Times, RTE News, The Irish Independent*

### Other publications:

Barbier-Gauchard, A., Simon, A. (2019). Which budgetary instrument for the Eurozone?. *Bulletin de l'Observatoire des Politiques Economiques en Europe*, 40(1), 45-50.

Simon, A., Terraz, I. (2017). Should collective bargaining be decentralized?. *Bulletin de l'Observatoire des Politiques Economiques en Europe*, 37(1), 41-47.

## WORKING PAPERS

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Public services provision and women time-use in Europe, with Romane Frecheville (LEDa) ([BETA working paper](#)) (*under review*)

From joint to individual: The distributional and labour supply effect of tax individualisation in Ireland, with Karina Doorley (ESRI) and Dora Tuda (ESRI) ([IZA discussion paper](#)) (*under review*)

## WORK IN PROGRESS

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Escaping in-work poverty: Assessing the impact of additional working hours on poverty alleviation, with H. Xavier Jara (LSE)

Assessing the cost of disability: New equivalence scales from UK expenditure data, with Claire Keane (ESRI) and Iris Wohnsiedler (ESRI)

Is Finland the European Champion regarding Housing-Benefits Effectiveness: Evidence from Microsimulation with Guillaume Berard (LISER) and Alain Trannoy (AMSE)

When parents get sick: The impact of parental health shocks on adult children's well-being, with M. Lefebvre (BETA)

## TEACHING ACTIVITIES

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<b>Teaching Assistant (Tutorials)</b>	<b>Faculty of Economics and Management, Strasbourg</b> Probability and Statistics - 1st year (205h) Macroeconomics - 1st year (30h) Macroeconomics - 2nd year (276h) Econometrics - 3d year (96h) Supervision of research projects (Master) Supervision of interns (Master)
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<b>Lecturer (CM)</b>	<b>DHBW Karlsruhe</b> Introduction to Economics (20h)
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## SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES

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### Seminars and invited presentations:

#### 2025:

YIESS Seminar, Trinity College Dublin

Strategic Policy Discussion, Department of Public Expenditure, Dublin

GATE-LSE Research Seminar, Saint-Etienne

#### 2024:

Welfare States and Public Finance Workshop, ZEW Mannheim

UCD Tax and Inequality Workshop, University College Dublin

World Bank Conference: Pension and Social Insurance, Dilijan

#### 2022:

Invited seminar Center for Applied Public Economics CEREC Brussels

#### 2019:

Policy, Income and Welfare Research Group Seminar, ISER, Essex

## **Conferences:**

### **2025:**

Conférence Évaluation des Politiques Publiques, AFSE-Trésor, Paris  
AFEPOP, Marseille  
LIS/LSE Comparative Economic Inequality Conference, Luxembourg  
ADRES Conference, Strasbourg

### **2024:**

EUROMOD Annual Meeting, AMSE, Marseille  
Journée Louis-André Gérard-Varet (LAGV), AMSE, Marseille  
Irish Economic Association (IAE) Conference, Galway  
ESRI Lunchtime seminar (Internal Seminar)

### **2023:**

Workshop on Labour Economics - IAAEU, Trier University  
Applied Microeconomics Day (JMA), Strasbourg

### **2022:**

Journée Louis-André Gérard-Varet, AMSE, Marseille  
French Stata Conference 2022, Marseille  
Workshop on Applied Econometrics - University of Konstanz and Strasbourg  
ERMEES Seminar (Internal Seminar), Strasbourg

### **2021:**

IAB-FAU Ph.D. workshop ‘Perspectives on (Un-)Employment”, IAB Nuremberg  
Public Policy Study Day, Le Havre  
GESIS Conference: 7th European User Conference for EU-Microdata  
INGRID 2 and CEPS Winter school: Data for monitoring poverty and vulnerabilities in Europe  
77th Annual Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance (IIPF)  
BETA Doctoral Seminar, Strasbourg

### **2020:**

ERMEES Seminar (Internal Seminar), Strasbourg  
Labor Market Transitions IAB EU-Conference, IAB Nuremberg  
Workshop on Job Security and Employment Protection, IAAEU Trier

### **2019:**

ERMEES Seminar (Internal Seminar), Strasbourg  
Augustin Cournot Doctoral Days, Strasbourg

## **AWARDS AND GRANTS**

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2019: InGRID-2 Mobility Grant (European Commission) at ISER, University of Essex  
2019: Best Poster Award, ACDD Conference Strasbourg

## **RESEARCH VISITS**

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University of Konstanz, Department of Economics (June - July 2019; July 2021)  
ISER - University of Essex (December 2019)

## EDITORIAL RESPONSIBILITIES

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Since 2023: Member of the editorial board *International Journal of Microsimulation*

## REFEREEING ACTIVITY

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*International economics, International Journal of Microsimulation, Applied economics letters*

## OTHER SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES

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**Hearings:** Parliament Committee (Ireland), Minister of Social Protection (Ireland), Minister of Expenditure (Ireland), Disability Advisory Committee (Ireland)

Since 2025: Member the French association for Population Economics AFÉPOP (since 2025)

Since 2023: Member of the national EUROMOD team – Ireland (since 2023)

2019-2021: Elected member of the Faculty Council, University of Strasbourg

2020-2023: Member of the interdisciplinary research group ITI Makers

2017-2021: Member of the interdisciplinary research group on social actions in Europe (IDEX CAPSE)

## LANGUAGES AND SKILLS

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<b>Statistical software</b>	Stata, R
<b>Microsimulation</b>	EUROMOD, UKMOD, SWITCH
<b>Word processing</b>	L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X, MS Office
<b>Languages</b>	French (Native), English (Fluent)

## REFERENCES

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University of Strasbourg  
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**Xavier Jara Tamayo**  
Senior Research Officer  
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