

Agathe Simon

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Labour economics, public economics, inequality and poverty

CURRENT POSITION AND AFFILIATIONS

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

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

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

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., Sádorová, 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

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

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

Teaching Assistant (Tutorials)

Faculty of Economics and Management, Strasbourg
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)

Lecturer (CM)

DHBW Karlsruhe
Introduction to Economics (20h)

SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES

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

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

RESEARCH VISITS

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

ISER - University of Essex (December 2019)

EDITORIAL RESPONSIBILITIES

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

REFEREEING ACTIVITY

International economics, International Journal of Microsimulation, Applied economics letters

OTHER SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES

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

Statistical software	Stata, R
Microsimulation	EUROMOD, UKMOD, SWITCH
Word processing	LATEX, MS Office
Languages	French (Native), English (Fluent)

REFERENCES

Mathieu Lefebvre

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Economic and Social Research Institute
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London School of Economics
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