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Curriculum Vitae

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Research Interests

Macroeconomics, Public Economics, Income Distribution, Economic Growth

Education

2013–2016 **PhD in Economics**, *University of Greenwich*, London, Supervisor: Ozlem Onaran.
Thesis title: The interaction of income distribution, aggregate demand and economic growth in the context of European imbalances.

2011–2013 **Master of Arts in International Economics**, *Berlin School of Economics and Law*, Berlin, *ECTS-Grade A**.
Thesis title: Income Inequality and the Welfare State - how redistributive is the public sector?

2007–2011 **Bachelor of Arts with Honours in International Business**, *Berlin School of Economics and Law and Anglia Ruskin University*, Berlin and Cambridge, *ECTS-Grade B**.
Thesis title: Microfinance and its implications for development.

Current Employment

2016–present **Research Fellow**, *Europa Universität Viadrina*, Chair of Economics, in particular Macroeconomics, Frankfurt(Oder).

Past Employment

Research

2016 **Research Assistant**, *University of Greenwich*, International Business and Economics Department, London.

Project title: The role of public investment in an equality-led recovery strategy for Europe.

2015 **Research Assistant**, *University of Greenwich*, International Business and Economics Department, London.

Project title: Wage-led Growth in Europe? Demand effects of changes in functional income distribution in financialised open economies.

2011–2013 **Student Research Assistant**, *Berlin School of Economics and Law*, Department of Business and Economics, Berlin.

Teaching

2016–present **Lecturer**, *Europa Universität Viadrina*, Chair of Economics, in particular Macroeconomics, Frankfurt(Oder).

- 2015–2016 **Visiting Lecturer**, *University of Greenwich*, International Business and Economics Department, London.
- 2015 **Visiting Lecturer**, *University of Greenwich*, Accounting and Finance Department, London.
- 2015 **Teaching Assistant**, *Berlin School of Economics and Law*, IMB Institute Berlin, Berlin.
- Professional**
- 2000–2003 **Apprentice**, *Bayerische Hypo- und Vereinsbank AG*, Berlin.

Publications

Articles

Obst, T., Onaran, O. and Nikolaidi, M. (2018): The effects of income distribution and fiscal policy on growth, investment and the budget balance: the case of Europe (under revise and resubmit).

Stadtman, G., Obst, T. (2017): Fiskalpolitik und Fiskalmultiplikator. In: *Das Wirtschaftsstudium* 46 (8-9), 979–983.

Onaran, O., Obst, T. (2016): Wage-led growth in the EU15 member-states. The effects of income distribution on growth, investment, trade balance and inflation. In: *Cambridge Journal of economics* 40 (6), 1517–1551.

Discussion Papers

Obst, T., Onaran, O. and Nikolaidi, M. (2017): The effect of income distribution and fiscal policy on growth, investment, and budget balance: the case of Europe, Working Paper GPERC No. 43 [Online] Available at: <http://gala.gre.ac.uk/16088/>.

Obst, T. (2015): Long-term Trends in Income Distribution - A Global Perspective, GLU Working Paper No. 29/2015 [Online] Available at: <http://www.global-labour-university.org/244.html>.

Obst, T. (2013): Income Inequality and the Welfare State – How redistributive is the Public Sector?, IPE Working No. Paper 29/2013 [Online] Available at: <http://www.ipe-berlin.org/index.php?id=veroeffentlichungen>.

Other publications

Obst, T., Stadtman, G. and Stadtman, T. (2017): When one size does not fit all - Monetary policy für a heterogeneous group of countries. In: *The Case Centre* (217-0089-1).

Onaran, O., Nikolaidi, M. and Obst, T. (2017): The role of public spending and incomes policies for investment and equality-led development in the UK, GPERC Policy Briefs [Online] Available at: <http://gala.gre.ac.uk/id/eprint/16194>.

Onaran, O., Nikolaidi, M. and Obst, T. (2017): A coordinated mix of public investment and incomes policies for sustainable development in Europe, GPERC Policy Briefs [Online] Available at: <http://gala.gre.ac.uk/16105/>.

Onaran, O. and Obst, T. (2015): The empirical case for a wage-led recovery, Policy Viewpoint [Online] Available at: <http://www.feps-europe.eu/en/publications/details/315>.

Onaran, O. and Obst, T (2015): Wage-led growth in the EU15 Member States. The effects of income distribution on growth, investment, trade balance, and inflation, Report, [Online] Available at: <http://www.feps-europe.eu/en/publications/details/313>.

Summer Schools and Seminars

- 2017 Postgraduate Course of Econometrics *Panel Data Econometrics: theory and applications*, Italian Econometric Association, University Residential Centre of Bertinoro, Bertinoro, Italy
Postgraduate Course of Econometrics *Introductory Time Series and Financial Econometrics*, Italian Econometric Association, University Residential Centre of Bertinoro, Bertinoro, Italy
Postgraduate Course of Econometrics *Introductory Econometrics*, Italian Econometric Association, University Residential Centre of Bertinoro, Bertinoro, Italy
- 2015 Postgraduate Research Teaching, Learning and Assessment Course, University of Greenwich, London, United Kingdom
- 2014 5th Hyman Minsky Summer Seminar, Levy Economics Institute of Bard College, New York, United States
- 2013 4th International Summer School *Keynesian Macroeconomics and European Economic Policies*, IGM-education centre, Berlin, Germany

Selected Conference Presentations

- 2016 20th Conference of the Research Network Macroeconomics and Macroeconomic Policies (FMM), Berlin, Germany
7th Annual Conference for the International Initiative for the Promotion of Political Economy (IIPPE), Lisbon, Portugal
17th Annual Conference Association for Heterodox Economics, Glasgow, Scotland
- 2015 19th Conference of the Research Network Macroeconomics and Macroeconomic Policies (FMM), Berlin, Germany
6th Annual Initiative for the Promotion of Political Economy (IIPPE) Conference, Leeds, England
- 2014 18th Conference of the Research Network Macroeconomics and Macroeconomic Policies (FMM), Berlin, Germany
- 2014 9th Global Labour University Conference, Berlin, Germany

Grants and Awards

- MPhil/PhD Studentship, University of Greenwich, 2014-2016
- Winning entry in essay contest about the Euro crisis "10 Jahre Euro – Was nun" (10 years Euro – What now?)

Refereeing

- Cambridge Journal of Economics

Additional Information

Languages	German(native), English(fluent),Spanish(basic)
Programming Skills	Eviews(advanced),Stata(basic), Matlab(basic), LaTeX(advanced), Microsoft Office (advanced)
University Service	Student Representative of PhD students, Business School, University of Greenwich, 2014-2015 Organising Committee, Post-Keynesian Study Group PhD Conference Day, University of Greenwich, 2015-2016