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Summary

I am a fourth year PhD student in Economics in University of Warwick and a Junior Fellow at the Centre for Advantage in the Global Economy (CAGE).

I am an applied microeconomist with interest in political economy and data science. My research uses unconventional data and natural language processing techniques to study how norms, institutions and narratives impact economic outcomes.

My academic advisors are Thiemo Fetzer, Mirko Draca and Sascha Becker.

Education

2023 - Present | **University of Warwick**, Coventry, UK
Ph.D. in Economics

2021 - 2023 | **University of Warwick**, Coventry, UK
M.Res. in Economics (with distinction)

2018 - 2020 | **New Economic School**, Moscow, Russia
M.A. in Finance (cum laude)

2014 - 2018 | **Moscow State University of International Relations**, Moscow, Russia
B.A. in Journalism

Working Papers

1. **Can hate speech be banned online? The effects of shutting down toxic forums on Reddit** (job market paper) *with Adam Di Lizia* [latest] [CAGE Working Paper]
2. **Regulatory barriers to climate action: Evidence from conservation areas in England** with Thiemo Fetzer, *R&R American Economic Journal: Economic Policy* [CESifo Discussion Paper]
3. **Institutional memory: Empirical evidence from UK Parliament debates**
4. **Folklore as data** [latest]
5. **Evolution of social media** *with Adam Di Lizia and Mirko Draca*

Teaching Experience

2025 - 2026 | **Data Science for Economists**, University of Warwick
Professor: Deborah Kim
Teaching assistant for ungraduate-level course (B.A. in Economics).

2025 - 2026 | **Foundations of Data Science**, University of Warwick
Professors: Mirko Draca and Mateusz Stalinski
Teaching assistant for graduate-level course (M.Sc. in Economics and Data Science).

2019 - 2021 | **Machine Learning**, New Economic School
Teaching assistant for graduate-level courses Machine Learning I&II (M.A. in Finance).

2020 - 2021 | **Data Analysis in Python**, New Economic School
Teaching assistant for graduate-level course (M.A. in Finance).

2020 - 2021 | **Economics of Exhaustible Resources**, New Economic School
Teaching assistant for undergraduate and graduate-level versions of course (B.A. in Economics, M.A. in Finance).

Conferences & Workshops

2026 |
RES Annual Conference (University of Newcastle)
CESifo Workshop on Digital Platforms: Methods, Policy and Politics (University of Warwick)
POLECONUK Annual Conference (University of Birmingham)
South West Economics PhD Conference (University of Exeter)
QPE Early Career Workshop (King's College London)
Natural Language in Economics Seminar (UPF-PSE)
Applied Young Economist Webinar (Monash-Warwick)

2025 |
NICEP Conference (University of Nottingham)
Warwick-LSE Student Political Economy Workshop (University of Warwick)

Organizer |
Political Economy and Public Economics Student Workshop (University of Warwick, 2025-26)

Professional Experience

01/2022 - 08/2026 | **University of Warwick**
Research assistant

06/2019 - 09/2021 | **New Economic School**
Research assistant

02/2020 - 09/2021 | **Centre for Research in Financial Technologies and Digital Economy SKOLKOVO-NES**
Analyst working on financial data and academic market research

07/2019 - 11/2019 | **Yandex**
Intern in consumer analytics (predictive modeling)

Skills & Languages

Programming: Python, R, SQL, Bash.

Software: Stata, QGIS, Qualtrics, Reuters, Bloomberg, ClickHouse, Apache Airflow, Slurm.

Languages: Russian (native), English (fluent), German (intermediate).