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Family: married to Ruben Enikolopov, four children

**EDUCATION:**

2004 - 2008 PhD, Political Economy and Government, Harvard University  
2002 - 2004 M.A., Economics, New Economic School  
1996 - 2002 B.S./M.S., Applied Mathematics, Moscow State University

**EMPLOYMENT:**

Since Nov. 2023 Full Professor of Economics, Universitat Pompeu Fabra  
Since Nov. 2013 ICREA Research Professor at Universitat Pompeu Fabra  
Since Sep. 2013 Researcher, Barcelona Institute for Political Economy and Government (IPEG)  
Since Sep. 2013 Affiliate Professor, Barcelona School of Economics  
  
2016 - 2023 Associate Professor of Economics, Universitat Pompeu Fabra (with tenure)  
2012 - 2013 Visiting Associate Research Scholar, Center for the Study of Democratic Politics, Princeton University  
  
2012 - 2013 Research Director, Center for New Media and Society, New Economic School  
2008 - 2022 Assistant/Associate Professor of Economics, New Economic School

**OTHER PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Since Oct. 2024 Fellow, *Econometric Society*  
Since Jan. 2022 Board of Directors, *Review of Economic Studies*  
2019 - 2023 European Economic Association Council Member  
2016 - 2023 Co-Editor, *Journal of Public Economics*  
Since Jan. 2016 Editorial Board, *Review of Economic Studies*  
Since Jul. 2016 Research Fellow, CEPR  
Since Jan. 2014 Research Affiliate, CESifo  
Since Jan. 2013 Associate Editor, *Review of Behavioral Economics*

**CITATIONS:** 5850 (Google Scholar, 11/24)

**PUBLICATIONS:**

1. "Inequality and Media Capture," *Journal of Public Economics*, February 2008, 92 (1-2), pp. 183-212
2. "Newspapers and Parties: How Advertising Revenue Created an Independent Press," *American Political Science Review*, November 2011, 105(4), pp.790-808.
3. "Media and Political Persuasion: Evidence from Russia" (with Ruben Enikolopov and Ekaterina Zhuravskaya), *American Economic Review*, December 2011, 111(7): 3253-85.

4. "Mass Media and Special Interest Groups", *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, September 2012, 84(1), pp. 17-38
5. "Evolution of Risk and Political Regimes" (with Robert H. Bates), *Economics and Politics*, July 2012, 24(2), pp.200-225
6. "Field Experiment Estimate of Electoral Fraud in Russian Parliamentary Elections" (with Vasily Korovkin, Ruben Enikolopov, Konstantin Sonin, and Alexei Zakharov), *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, January 2013, 110(2): 448-452.
7. "Firm Value in Crisis: Effects of Firm-Level Transparency and Country-Level Institutions" (with Ruben Enikolopov and Sergey Stepanov), *Journal of Banking and Finance*, 2014, 46: 72-84
8. "Cross-border media and nationalism: Evidence from Serbian radio in Croatia," (with Stefano DellaVigna, Ruben Enikolopov, Vera Mironova, and Ekaterina Zhuravskaya), *American Economic Journals: Applied Economics*, 2014, 6(3): 103–132
9. "Politics, Instability, and International Equity Flows" (with Art Durnev, Ruben Enikolopov, and Veronica Santarosa), *Journal of Corporate Finance*, 2015, 30: 299-324
10. "Radio and the Rise of Nazis in Pre-War Germany " (with Maja Adena, Ruben Enikolopov, Veronica Santarosa, and Ekaterina Zhuravskaya), *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 2015, 130: 1885-1939
11. "Social Media and Corruption" (with Ruben Enikolopov and Konstantin Sonin), *American Economic Journals: Applied Economics*, 2018, 10 (1): 150-74.
12. "Social Media and Protest Participation: Evidence from Russia" (with Ruben Enikolopov and Alexey Makarin), *Econometrica*, July 2020, 88 (4): 1479–1514
13. "Political Effects of the Internet and Social Media" (with Ruben Enikolopov and Katia Zhuravskaya), *Annual Review of Economics*, August 2020, 12: 415-438
14. "Divided We Stay Home: Social Distancing and Ethnic Diversity" (with Georgy Egorov, Ruben Enikolopov, and Alexey Makarin), *Journal of Public Economics*, February 2021, 194(C), 104328
15. "Social Media and Political Donations: New Technology and Incumbency Advantage in the United States" (with Ananya Sen and Pinar Yildirim), *Management Science*, May 2021, 67(5), pp. 2657-3320, iii-iv.
16. "Are Political and Charitable Giving Substitutes? Evidence from the United States" (with Ricardo Perez Truglia, Andrei Simonov, and Pinar Yildirim), forthcoming in *Management Science*

#### **WORKING PAPERS:**

- "Socializing Alone: How Online Homophily Has Undermined Social Cohesion in the US" (with David Yanagizawa-Drott, Gianluca Russo, and Ruben Enikolopov), September 2024
- "Automation, Career Values, and Political Preferences" (with Gregor Schubert, Bledi Taska, and Pinar Yildirim), June 2024
- "Bombs, Broadcasts and Resistance: Allied Intervention and Domestic Opposition to the Nazi Regime during World War II" (with Maja Adena, Ruben Enikolopov, and Hans-Joachim Voth), March 2022

“Social Media and Xenophobia: Evidence from Russia” (with Leonardo Bursztyn, Georgy Egorov, and Ruben Enikolopov), June 2021

“Social image, Networks, and Protest Participation,” (with Ruben Enikolopov, Alexey Makarin, and Leonid Polishchuk), April 2020

“Information and Communication Technologies, Protests, and Censorship,” (with Maxim Ananyev, Dimitrios Xefteris, and Galina Zudenkova), August 2019

"The Effect of Citizen United on U.S. State and Federal Elections" (with Andrei Simonov and Jim Snyder), February 2019

### **WORK IN PROGRESS**

“Long-Run Effects of Disciplining Policies in Schools” (with Gautam Rao and Brian Wheaton)

“Homophily and the Formation of Online Social Networks” (with Ruben Enikolopov and Adam Szeidl)

### **NON-REFEREED PUBLICATIONS:**

“Political Economy of Media Capture,” in *Information and Public Choice: From Media Markets to Policy Making*, ed. by Roumeen Islam, World Bank, 2008. pp. 121-138

“Media Capture: Empirical Evidence” (with Ruben Enikolopov), in *Handbook of Media Economics*, eds. Anderson, Simon, Joel Waldfogel, and David Strömberg, 2016, North-Holland, pp. 687-700

“Media Persuasion, Ethnic Hatred, and Mass Violence: A Brief Overview of Recent Research Advances” (with David Yanagizawa-Drott), in *Economics of Genocide, Mass Killing, and Their Prevention*, eds. Anderton, Charles, and Jurgen Brauer, 2016, Oxford University Press

### **HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS:**

2021	<i>AEJ: Applied Economics</i> Best Paper Award (2018-2020)
2021	Wiley Certificate of Achievement for being among top cited and downloaded articles in <i>Econometrica</i>
2021	<i>AEJ: Applied Economics</i> Excellence in Reviewing Award
2019 - 2024	ERC Starting Grant, Principal Investigator (€1467700)
2018 - 2019	BBVA Digital Economics Grant, as a part of the research team (€100000)
2014, 2018	Barcelona GSE Seed Grant (€5000 each)
2012 - 2014	UniCredit Post-Doc Research Grant (€20000)
2013	Gaidar Prize for Best Russian Economists under 40
2012	Diploma of the Russia’s National Award for Work in Applied Economics
2010	Professor of the Year, New Economic School

### **KEYNOTE SPEAKER INVITATIONS**

ZEW Conference on ICT, Mannheim, 2024; Swiss Society for Economics and Statistics, Lucerne, 2024; CEPR Workshop on Media, Technology, Politics, and Society, Rome 2022; Lisbon Meeting in Economics and Political Science, Lisbon 2022; German Economic Association meeting, Leipzig 2019; Social Media and Social Movements, St Petersburg 2014.

**SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED TALKS (2017-)**

Bergamo (2024); Tilburg (2024); Bolzano (2024); Milan Cattolica (2024); Copenhagen (2024); Berlin Applied Micro Seminar (2024); UCL (2023); Padua (2023); European Central Bank (2023); Mannheim (2023); Bologna (2023); Trinity College, Dublin (2023); Carlos III, Madrid (2023); Hamburg (2022); Stanford Business School (2022); Princeton (2022); Nottingham (2022); VIDE Seminar 2021; LISER 2021; WZB Berlin, 2021; Western Australia 2021; Aarhus 2021; Bocconi 2021; Dortmund 2021; Collegio Carlo Alberto 2021; Ben-Gurion University, 2021; Universitat Autònoma Barcelona, 2021; University of Linz, 2021; Indian Statistical Institute, 2021; LSE, 2021; NYC Media Economics Seminar, 2021; George Mason, 2021; NYU, 2020; CEPR Webinar in Political Economy, 2020; PEPES Seminar, Paris, 2020; Edinburgh, 2020; Oxford, 2020; Warwick, 2020; University of Houston, 2020; Columbia, 2020; Stockholm, 2020; Washington Political Economy Webinar, 2020; BI Norwegian Business School, 2020; Uppsala University, 2020; University of Amsterdam 2019; AMSE Marseille 2018; Maryland 2017; Chicago Harris 2017; Rice 2017; Berkeley 2017; Harvard, 2017; Hebrew University, 2017

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (2017-)**

Regional Inequalities workshop, UCL, London, 2023; Behavioral Political Economy, LSE, London, 2023; CEPR Political Economy Symposium, Rome, 2023; CEPR Paris Symposium, 2022; Political Economy of Social Media, Lyon, 2022; “Studying Critical Junctures” workshop, Munich, 2022; Munich Lectures 2021 Workshop on Social Media and Democracy; CEPR RPN on Preventing Conflicts Workshop, 2020; European Economic Association, 2020; European Economic Association invited session, Manchester 2019; The Digital Economy: Information, Innovation, and Organization, 2017; POLECONUK Conference, London 2017; SMaPP Conference, NYU Abu Dhabi 2017

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Universitat Pompeu Fabra	2013-2024
Political Economics, Topics in Applied Economics	
New Economic School, Moscow	2008-2024
Graduate Microeconomics, Politics and Finance, Inequality and Redistribution, Political Economy, Development Economics	

**PHD SUPERVISION**

Yining Geng (2019) (Principal Advisor) – University of Liverpool, Assistant Professor  
 Erqi Ge (2020) (Principal Advisor) – Sun Yat-sen University, Assistant Professor  
 Sebastian Ellingsen (2021) (Co-Advisor) – Dartmouth, Post-Doc  
 Milena Djourelouva (2021) (Committee Member) – Chicago, Post-Doc  
 Dante Donati (2022) (Principal Advisor) – Columbia Business School, Assistant Professor  
 Feng Zhou (2023) (Co-Advisor) – Toulouse Business School, Assistant Professor  
 Milan Quentel (2024) (Co-Advisor) – Stanford Hoover Fellow

**External Committee Member**

Mounir Karadja (IIES, 2016)  
 Camille Urvoy (Sciences Po, 2021)  
 Elisa Mougín (Sciences Po, 2021)  
 Etienne Madinier (PSE, 2023)

Alessandra Moresi (Carlo Alberto, 2024)

## **OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

Conference organization: “Political Economy” workshops, as a part of Barcelona School of Economics Summer Forum, 2014-2023; CEPR Conference Political Economy of Populism, London, 2023; CEPR Political Economy and CEPR Research and Policy Network on Populism Joint Symposium 2022, Stockholm, 2022; CREI-IPEG Workshop on Political Economy, 2021; 15<sup>th</sup> Workshop on Media Economics, Barcelona, 2017; 9<sup>th</sup> Workshop on Media Economics, Moscow, 2011; “Political Impact of Media” conference, Princeton, 2013; “Social media and political participation” conference, Florence, 2013,

Program committees: 2023 SSRC Workshop on the Economics of Social Media, New York, 2023; CEPR Workshop on Media, Technology, Politics, and Society, Rome 2023; EEA Annual Meeting, Manchester, 2019; EEA Annual Meeting, Cologne, 2018; SIOE Annual Meeting, Paris, 2016; SAEE Annual Meeting, Girona, 2015; ISNIE Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, 2012; 7<sup>th</sup> Workshop on Media Economics, Sienna, 2009; XII Spring Meeting of Young Economists, Hamburg, 2007; Student Political Economics Conference, NBER, Cambridge, 2006.

Referee: *American Economic Review, Journal of Political Economy, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economic Studies, Econometrica, American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, Journal of Politics, Quarterly Journal of Political Science, AEJ: Applied Economics, AEJ: Microeconomics, AEJ: Economic Policy, Journal of European Economic Association, Economic Journal, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Development Economics, Economic Theory, Journal of Law, Economics, and Organizations, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organizations, British Journal of Political Science, Journal of Theoretical Politics, Political Communication, World Development, European Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Comparative Economics, Journal of Economics, Journal of Media Economics, Political Behavior, Politics and Policy, Public Choice, Scandinavian Journal of Economics*

SIOE Best Dissertation Award Committee: Chair (2016), Member (2015)