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## **CURRENT POSITIONS**

- 2023 - Associate Professor (with tenure), The Eitan Berglas School of Economics, Tel Aviv University
- 2019 - Associate Editor, *Journal of Labor Economics*
- 2019 - Director of Graduate Studies, The Eitan Berglas School of Economics, Tel Aviv University

## **PREVIOUS POSITIONS**

- 2019 - 2022 Senior Lecturer (with tenure, equivalent of Associate Professor), The Eitan Berglas School of Economics, Tel Aviv University
- 2014 - 2018 Lecturer, The Eitan Berglas School of Economics, Tel Aviv University
- 2014 - 2019 Research Associate, Department of Economics, University College London

## **OTHER ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS**

- 2017 - IZA Research Affiliate
- 2019 - CEPR Research Affiliate
- 2018 - 2020 Visiting Scholar at Stanford University (IRiSS)

## **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. in Economics, Stanford University, 2008-2014

Thesis committee: Nicholas Bloom (co-Chair), Luigi Pistaferri (co-Chair), Monika Piazzesi.

DISSERTATION: "*Essays in Labor Economics*"

M.A. in Economics, Tel Aviv University (Israel), 2006-2008

B.A. in Economics (Summa cum Laude), Music (Magna cum Laude), Tel Aviv University (Israel), 2000-2005.

## **RESEARCH AND TEACHING FIELDS**

Labor Economics, Macroeconomics

## **PUBLICATIONS**

"The Macroeconomics of Automation: Data, Theory, and Policy Analysis" with Nir Jaimovich, Henry Siu, and Yaniv Yedid-Levi. *Journal of Monetary Economics* 122, pp. 1-16, 2021.

"Social Security and the Labor Supply of Older Workers: Quasi Experimental Evidence from a Large Reform" with Ity Shurtz and Sarit Weisburd. *Journal of the European Economic Association* 19.4, pp. 2168-2208, 2021.

"What Drives Differences in Management?" with Nick Bloom, Erik Brynjolfsson, Lucia Foster, Ron Jarmin, Megha Patnaik and John Van Reenen. *American Economic Review* 109(5), pp.1648-1683, 2019

"Children, Time Allocation and Consumption Insurance" with Richard Blundell and Luigi Pistaferri. *Journal of Political Economy*, 126(S1), pp. S73-S115, 2018

"Really Uncertain Business Cycles" with Nick Bloom, Max Floetotto, Nir Jaimovich and Stephen J. Terry. *Econometrica*, 86(3), pp. 1031-1065, 2018

"Consumption Inequality and Family Labor Supply" with Richard Blundell and Luigi Pistaferri. *American Economic Review*, 106(2), pp. 387-435, 2016

"The (Un)importance of Geographical Mobility in the Great Recession" with Siddharth Kothari and Edison Yu, *Review of Economic Dynamics*, 16(3), pp. 553-563, 2013

"Consumption and the Great Recession: Analysis of Trends, Perceptions, and Distributional Effects." with Ivaylo Petev and Luigi Pistaferri, In *The Great Recession*, David B. Grusky, Bruce Western, and Christopher Wimer (eds.), Russell Sage Foundation, New York: pp. 161-95, 2011

## **WORKING PAPERS AND RESEARCH IN PROGRESS**

"The Distributional Impact of Sectoral Technical Change" with Nittai Bergman and Nir Jaimovich.

"Job Search Assistance for Older Unemployed in The Digital Era: Evidence from A Large Scale RCT" with Ari Kutai and Analia Schlosser. Draft coming soon.

"Investment and Subjective Uncertainty" with Nick Bloom, Steve Davis, Lucia Foster and Scott Ohlmacher. Revision requested for the *International Economic Review*.

"Universal Basic Income: Inspecting the Mechanisms" with Nir Jaimovich, Ofer Setty, and Yaniv Yedid-Levi. Revision requested for the *Review of Economics and Statistics*.

"Business-Level Expectations and Uncertainty" with Nick Bloom, Steve Davis, Lucia Foster, Brian Lucking and Scott Ohlmacher.

"Short-Term Shocks and Long-Term Investment" with Stephen J. Terry.

## **OLDER WORKING PAPERS**

"Job Loss, Consumption and Unemployment Insurance".

"Management in America" with Nick Bloom, Erik Brynjolfsson, Lucia Foster, Ron Jarmin and John Van Reenen.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

2015-23 Undergraduate Macroeconomics, Graduate Econometrics.

## **SCHOLARSHIPS, HONORS AND AWARDS**

2023-26 Israeli Science Foundation, "Welfare analysis with sectoral skill heterogeneity and non-homothetic preferences", with Nittai Bergman. NIS 750,000, grant no. 1874/23  
2023-25 Tel Aviv University Data Science Center, "Generalized regression discontinuity design with multiple time periods and comparison groups for causal inference: theory and practice", with Daniel Nevo and Analia Schlosser, NIS 200,000.  
2021 Winner of the Young Economist Prize from the France-Israel Foundation  
2020-23 Israeli Science Foundation, "Understanding Challenges Faced by the Older Unemployed: Evidence from Innovative Training Programs", NIS 669,000, grant no. 1679/20  
2018 AER Excellence in Refereeing Award  
2017-20 Israeli Science Foundation, "Taxes, Transfers and Labor Supply of the Elderly", with Ity Shurtz, NIS 420,000, grant no. 1304/17  
2014-17 The Pinhas Sapir Center for Development, Tel Aviv University  
2013-14 E.S. Shaw and B.F. Haley Fellowship through SIEPR  
2008-09 Stanford University Economics Department Fellowship  
2006-08 Tel-Aviv University, School of Economics Fellowship (M.A.)  
2002-03 Dean's list for academic achievements in Economics  
2001-03 Rector's list for academic achievements in Music

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

### **Refereeing**

*American Economic Journal: Macroeconomic, American Economic Journal: Applied, American Economic Review, American Economic Review: Insights, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Econometrica, The Economic Journal, European Economic Review, International Economics Review, Israel Economic Review, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Public Economics, Labour Economics, Quantitative Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Review of Economic Dynamics, Review of Economic Studies.*

### **Presentations and discussions**

2020- Erasmus, e61, Monash University, Oxford University (scheduled), University of British Columbia, University of Copenhagen (Center for Economic Behavior and Inequality),

University of Groningen, University of Haifa, University of Geneva, UNSW.  
2018-19 AlpMacro Conference (UZH), Bank of Italy–CEPR-EIEF conference, Hebrew University, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, University of Cyprus.  
2016-17 Bar Ilan, Berlin's Applied Micro Seminar, EEA meetings, Society of Economic Dynamics, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid.  
2014-15 Cornell, COSME gender economic workshop (Madrid, discussant), CSEF, Duke, EIEF, Northwestern, Quantitative Society for Pensions and Saving Summer Workshop, Logan, Utah, University of Minnesota, Yale.  
2013 Bar-Ilán University, Ben-Gurion University, IDC, Tel Aviv University, University of Haifa  
2012 Stanford Institute for Theoretical Economics, Stanford  
2011 Society for Economics Dynamics (Ghent), stabilization policy workshop (Copenhagen)