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Current Position

2020- Research Economist, London School of Economics, Centre for Economic Performance

Professional Affiliations

2021- Research Associate, University of Oxford, Wellbeing Research Centre

Education

2016-2020 PhD in Economics (including MRes), University of Surrey, UK
Thesis: "Econometric analysis of subjective wellbeing data"
2009-2011 Master of Public Administration, Higher School of Economics, Russia
2005-2009 BSc in Economics, Higher School of Economics, Russia

Research Interests

Microeconomics, Applied Econometrics, Health and Wellbeing, Policy Evaluation, Machine Learning

Publications

Chen, L.-Y., **Oparina, E.**, Powdthavee, N., & Srisuma, S. (2022). Robust Ranking of Happiness Outcomes: A Median Regression Perspective. *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, 200, 672–686.

Covered in VoxEU.

Oparina, E., & Srisuma, S. (2022). Analyzing Subjective Well-Being Data with Misclassification. *Journal of Business & Economic Statistics*, 40(2), 730–743.

Working Papers

Machine Learning in the Prediction of Human Wellbeing (equal lead author* with N. Gentile*, C. Kaiser*, A. Tkatchenko, A. Clark, J-E. De Neve, and C. D'Ambrosio), CEP Discussion paper, 2022.

Is there a W-shape in Wellbeing across the Lifespan? A Misclassification Approach, 2022.

Work in progress

Evaluating the Heterogeneous Impacts of the Improving Access to Psychological Therapies (IAPT) Programme (joint with C. Krekel and S. Srisuma)

Feeling Good by Doing Good: The Effects of Sports and Volunteering on Wellbeing and Social Outcomes (with M. Cotofan and C. Krekel)

Welfare effects of expanding school choice (with D. Bhattacharya)

Understanding the Role of 'Unobservable' Characteristics in the Performance of Police Officers (with C. Krekel and T. Kirchmaier)

The Easterlin Paradox at 50: Revisiting the Relationships between Income and Wellbeing (with A. Clark and R. Layard)

Policy Reports and Book Chapters

Living Long and Living Well: The WELLBY Approach (with R. Layard), in: Helliwell, J., Layard, R., Sachs, J., and J-E De Neve (eds.), *World Happiness Report*, 2021.

Exercises (with R. Layard, J-E. De Neve, and M. Kaats), in: Layard, R., & De Neve, J. (2023). *Wellbeing: Science and Policy*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Previous Positions

2019-2020 Research Assistant, LSE, CEP
2019 Research Assistant to Dr A. Gupta for paper “Robust Inference on Infinite and Growing Dimensional Time Series Regression” (*Econometrica*, forthcoming)
2011-2016 Research Fellow (Centre for Public Private Interactions), Deputy Head (Centre for Applied Economics), Higher School of Economics, Russia
2011 Translator for the book: De Speville, B. (2010). *Overcoming corruption: The essentials*. De Speville & Associates.

Conference Presentations and Invited Seminars

2023 Royal Economic Society and Scottish Economic Society Annual Meeting, Canadian Economic Association, Measuring Progress Annual Workshop (Luxembourg)
2022 LSE Wellbeing Seminar (virtual), Loughborough University (invited speaker), Mental Health and Economic Status Workshop (Warwick),
2021 Global Wellbeing Summit, co-organised by Gallup (roundtable participant, virtual)
2019 LSE Wellbeing Seminar, European Meeting of the Econometric Society, Annual Conference of the International Association for Applied Econometrics (IAAE), Royal Economic Society Symposium of Junior Researchers, University of Surrey.

Teaching experience

2023 *PP424: Happiness and Public Policy*, School of Public Policy, LSE (postgraduate, MPA/MPP)
2023 MSc in Behavioural Science dissertation supervision, Department of Psychological and Behavioural Science (PBS), LSE
2023 Guest lecturer in *PB441: Wellbeing for Policy*, PBS, LSE (postgraduate)
2022 Guest lecturer in *PB421: Happiness*, PBS, LSE (postgraduate)
2019, 2020 Teaching Assistant in *Intermediate Econometrics*, University of Surrey (undergraduate)
2018 Teaching Assistant in *Principles of Microeconomics*, University of Surrey (undergraduate)
2018 Teaching Assistant in *Introductory Economics*, University of Surrey (undergraduate)

Professional Activities

Referee Service: *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, *Review of Income and Wealth*, *Journal of Behavioral & Experimental Economics*, *Journal of Population Economics*, *Journal of Happiness Studies*

2021- Co-organiser of LSE Wellbeing Seminar
2020- UK Office for National Statistics Accredited Researcher
2019- Fellow of the Higher Education Academy

Grants, Awards and Scholarships

2023 LSE Teaching Award
2022 ESRC SDAI grant Analysing Heterogeneous Effects of the Improving Access to Psychological Therapies (IAPT) Programme, Co-Investigator, with C. Krekel and S. Srisuma, £240,000.
2016-2020 University of Surrey Doctoral Scholarship

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