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| RESEARCH INTERESTS | Empirical Microeconomics, Economics of Health and Wellbeing, Applied Econometrics, Machine Learning |
| EMPLOYMENT | London School of Economics Research Economist, Centre for Economic Performance (CEP) Since 2020 Research Assistant, Centre for Economic Performance (CEP) 2019/20 University of Essex 2021 Research Assistant to Dr Abhimanyu Gupta for paper “Structural Stability of Infinite-Order Regression” |
| AFFILIATIONS | University of Oxford Since 2021 Research Associate, Wellbeing Research Centre |
| EDUCATION | University of Surrey 2016/20 PhD in Economics. Thesis Title: “Econometric analysis of subjective wellbeing data” Higher School of Economics, Russia 2009/11 MSc in Management Higher School of Economics, Russia 2005/09 BSc in Economics |
| PUBLICATIONS | Analyzing Subjective Wellbeing Data with Misclassification (with S. Srisuma), <i>Journal of Business & Economic Statistics</i> , 40:2, 730-743, DOI: 10.1080/07350015.2020.1865169 |
| WORKING PAPERS | Robust Ranking of Happiness Outcomes: A Median Regression Perspective (with L.Y. Chen, N. Powdthavee, and S. Srisuma), conditionally accepted at <i>Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization</i> Human Wellbeing and Machine Learning (joint with N. Gentile, C. Kaiser, A. Tkatchenko, A. Clark, J-E. De Neve, and C. D'Ambrosio) An Analysis of Female Happiness Change: Revisiting the Paradox of Declining Female Happiness (with S. Srisuma) Mind the Snowflakes: A Misclassification Analysis of Wellbeing across the Lifespan |
| SELECTED WORK IN PROGRESS | Analysing Heterogeneous Effects of the Improving Access to Psychological Therapies (IAPT) Programme (with C. Krekel and S. Srisuma) Estimating the Causal Effects of Social Prescribing on Health Outcomes (with M. Cotofan, A. Jani, C. Krekel, R. Layard, and S. de Lusignan) Wellbeing Effects of Combining Sports and Volunteering (with M. Cotofan and C. Krekel) Revisiting the Relationships between Income and Wellbeing (with A. Clark and R. Layard) |
| GRANTS | ESRC SDAI grant Analysing Heterogeneous Effects of the Improving Access to Psychological Therapies (IAPT) Programme , co-Investigator, with C. Krekel and S. Srisuma (2022), £240,000 |

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| MEDIA COVERAGE | Focus on the median, not the mean: A simple solution to the recent critiques on econometric analyses of subjective wellbeing data (with L.Y. Chen, N. Powdthavee, and S. Srisuma), VoxEU. | |
| POLICY REPORTS | Living Long and Living Well: The WELLBY Approach (with R. Layard), in: Helliwell, J., Layard, R., Sachs, J., and J-E De Neve (eds.), <i>World Happiness Report</i> , 2021. | |
| TEACHING | London School of Economics Guest Lecturer in PB421: Happiness, Department of Psychological and Behavioural Science | 2022 |
| | University of Surrey Teaching Assistant (teaching evaluations in parentheses): | 2017/20 |
| | Intermediate Econometrics (4.5/5, 4.6/5) | 2018/19/20 |
| | Principles of Microeconomics (4.2/5) | 2017/18 |
| | Introductory Economics (3.9/5) | 2017/18 |
| PRESENTATIONS | LSE Wellbeing Seminar (CEP and Department of Psychological and Behavioural Science, LSE) | 2022 |
| | Higher School of Economics, Russia (Neighbors in Research Conference, invited keynote speaker), Global Wellbeing Summit, co-organised by Gallup (invited roundtable participant) | 2021 |
| | CEP Wellbeing Seminar (LSE), European Meeting of the Econometric Society, Annual Conference of the International Association for Applied Econometrics, Royal Economic Society Symposium of Junior Researchers, University of Surrey Faculty of Arts and Social Science Festival of Research (panel speaker) | 2019 |
| PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES | Refereeing: <i>Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization</i> , <i>Review of Income and Wealth</i> , <i>Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics</i> | |
| | Co-organizer of LSE Wellbeing Seminar, since 2021 | |
| | UK Office for National Statistics Accredited Researcher, since 2020 | |
| | Fellow of the Higher Education Academy, since 2019 | |
| IT SKILLS | MATLAB, Stata, R, Python, EViews, Microsoft Office, LATEX | |
| LANGUAGES | Russian (native), English (fluent), German (elementary), Italian (elementary) | |
| PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENTS | Higher School of Economics , Russia | |
| | Research Fellow, Centre for Public Private Interactions | 2015/16 |
| | Manager, Deputy Head, Centre for Applied Economics | 2011/16 |
| | Interpreter for Perm Economic Forum and Russia Innovation Collaborative | 2008/11 |
| | Translator for the book " Overcoming Corruption: The Essentials " by Bertrand de Speville, ISBN: 978-967-5942-03-7. | |
| OTHER PUBLICATIONS | Empirical analysis of civil servants' wage and maintenance setting: evidence from Perm region (with A. Panenko, and A. Kalinina), <i>International Journal of Economic Policy in Emerging Economies</i> , 2018, 11:6, 596-609 | |
| OTHER ACTIVITIES | Volunteer translator for Khan Academy | |