

# Christian Bjørnskov

Curriculum Vita (as of 21 May, 2026)

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## Personal information and education

Born 27 August, 1970, in Haderslev, Denmark  
High school, Haderslev Katedralskole, 1986-1989  
MSc (Economics), Aarhus University, 2001“Aspects of Microcredit”, thesis advisor: Martin Paldam  
PhD (Economics), Aarhus School of Business, 2005“Investigations in the Economics of Social Capital”, thesis advisors: Gert Tinggaard Svendsen and Martin Paldam

## Primary research areas

Public Choice / Political Economy  
Social Trust and Informal Institutions  
Subjective Well-Being and Life Satisfaction

## Job experience (academic)

Researcher, Agricultural Policy Research Division, the Danish Research Institute of Food Economics, 2001-2002  
Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Aarhus School of Business, 2005-2007  
Associate Professor, Department of Economics and Business, Aarhus University, 2007-2013  
Professor, Department of Economics, Aarhus University, 2013-present  
External lecturer, School of Economics and Management, Aarhus University, 2006  
External lecturer, Department of Political Science, Aarhus University, 2006-2010  
External consultant, Copenhagen Consensus, 2009  
Visiting Professor, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, April-August 2010  
Visiting Professor, University of Heidelberg, 2016-2019  
Affiliated researcher, Research Institute of Industrial Economics (IFN), Stockholm, January 2015-present

## Teaching experience (academic)

Courses: International Economics, Development Economics, Political Economy / Public Choice, Public Economics, General Economics, Institutional Economics  
Current PhD students: Thomas Skaaning Weile (February 2026-), Hubert Kwiatkowski (from September 2026)

Previous PhD students: Philipp Meinen (April 2010 - July 2013), Sylvanus Afesorgbor (August 2012 – November 2015), Viktoria Obolevich (second advisor, August 2014-December 2017), Yohannes Ayele (February 2015-June 2018), Andrea Páramo Florencio (September 2016-August 2019), Ruby Elorm Agbenyega (October 2015-September 2019), Andrea Sáenz de Viteri (at Universidad de Navarra, September 2016-September 2020), Mugdha Vaidya (second advisor, June 2019-December 2020), Martin Štrobl (September 2019-September 2021)

## Languages

Fluent in Danish (native) and English; good knowledge of German, Swedish and Norwegian; some knowledge of French

## Publications

Journals with peer review

1. Capitalism and Femicide: An Empirical Inquiry. Forthcoming in *Kyklos*. (With Martin Rode)
2. Repression after Coups: The Role of Deposed Leader Partisanship. Forthcoming in *Journal of Peace Research*. (With Lasse Aaskoven)
3. Economic Globalization and Income Shares. Forthcoming in *Journal of Comparative Economics*. (With Andreas Bergh and Justin Callais)
4. Government Intervention and Long-Run Growth: An Ideologically Moderated Association? Forthcoming in *Public Finance Review*.
5. The Rule of Law Predicts Trust in Journalists. *Journal of Law and Economics*, vol. 69 (2), 361-385. (With Niclas Berggren and Alexandra Sandström)
6. Does the Electoral Process Cause Less Terrorism? Forthcoming in *Constitutional Political Economy*. (With Lasse Skjoldager Eskildsen)
7. Coups and Constitutional Change. *Public Choice*, vol. 207 (2026), 67-95. (With Stefan Voigt)
8. Covid and the Constitution: Unlawful States of Emergency during the Pandemic. *European Journal of Law and Economics*, vol. 61 (2026), 95-111. (With Stefan Voigt)
9. Globalisation and Political Trust: Evidence of a Nuanced Relationship. *European Journal of Political Economy*, vol 93 (2026), 102847. (With Jacek Lewkowicz and Jan Falkowski)
10. Legislative Populism, Ideological Alignment, and Human Freedom. *European Journal of Political Economy*, vol. 93 (2026), 102846. (With Niclas Berggren)
11. Do Blasphemy Restrictions Restrict Terrorism? *Terrorism and Political Violence*, vol. 37 (2025), 857-869. (With Lasse Skjoldager Eskildsen)
12. The Growth Consequences of Socialism. *Journal of Comparative Economics*, vol. 53 (2025), 609-626. (With Andreas Bergh and Luděk Kouba)
13. Much Ado about Nothing? Counterterrorist Legislation has Few Effects. *Eastern Economic Journal*, vol. 51 (2025), 50-73. (With Stefan Voigt)
14. What's Ideological about Limited Government? *Economic Affairs*, vol. 45 (2025), 2-16.
15. The Political Economy of Academic Freedom. *The Economists' Voice*, vol. 21 (2024), 311-326.
16. Does Capitalism Disfavor Women? Evidence from Life Satisfaction. *Southern Economic Journal*, vol. 91 (2024), 436-464. (With Niclas Berggren)
17. Economic Freedom and Academic Freedom across Nations. *Journal of Institutional Economics*, vol. 20 (2024), e26. (With Niclas Berggren)
18. Geography, Development, and Power: Parliament Leaders and Local Clientelism. *World Development*, vol. 182 (2024), 106706. (With John Cruzatti, Christian Cruzatti and Andrea Sáenz de Viteri)
19. Institutions as Predictors of Government Discrimination. *Kyklos*, vol. 77 (2024), 642-663. (With Niclas Berggren)

20. Economic Freedom and the Greenhouse Gas Kuznets Curve. *European Journal of Political Economy*, vol. 82 (2024), 102530.
21. Does Globalization Suppress Social Trust? *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, vol. 214 (2023), 443-458. (With Niclas Berggren)
22. Populism and Inequality: Does Reality Match the Populist Rhetoric? *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, vol. 207 (2023), 1-17. (With Andrea Sàenz de Viteri, Martin Štrobl, and Martin Rode)
23. Press Freedom, Market Information, and International Trade. *European Journal of Political Economy*, vol. 76 (2023), 102236. (With Philipp Schröder)
24. Does Legal Freedom Satisfy? *European Journal of Law and Economics*, vol. 55 (2023), 1-28. (With Niclas Berggren)
25. Unconstitutional States of Emergency. *Journal of Legal Studies*, vol. 51 (2022), 455-481. (With Stefan Voigt and Mahdi Khesali)
26. Coups and the Dynamics of Media Freedom. *Economic Modelling*, vol. 116, (2022), 106025. (With Andreas Freytag and Jerg Gutmann)
27. A Time to Plot, a Time to Reap: Coups, Regime Changes and Inequality. *Defence and Peace Economics*, vol. 33 (2022), 912-937. (With Bodo Knoll and Martin Rode)
28. This Time is Different? - On the Use of Emergency Measures during the Corona Pandemic. *European Journal of Law and Economics*, vol. 54 (2022), 63-81. (With Stefan Voigt)
29. The Role of Institutions in the Early Entrepreneurial Process. *Industrial and Corporate Change*, vol. 31 (2022), 905-933. (With Chloe Xu and Nicolai Foss)
30. Social Trust and Patterns of Growth. *Southern Economic Journal*, vol. 89 (2022), 216-237.
31. Late Colonial Antecedents of Modern Democracy. *Journal of Institutional Economics*, vol. 18 (2022), 569-586. (With Martin Rode)
32. The Economics of Change and Stability in Social Trust: Evidence from (and for) Catalan secession. *Economics & Politics*, vol. 34 (2022), 275-297. (With Miguel Ángel Borrella Mas and Martin Rode)
33. Terrorism and Autocrats: How Effective are Emergency Constitutions in the Muslim World? *Journal of Peace Research*, vol. 59 (2022), 305-318. (With Stefan Voigt)
34. Academic Freedom, Institutions and Productivity. *Southern Economic Journal*, vol. 88 (2022), 1313-1342. (With Niclas Berggren)
35. Emergencies: On the Misuse of Government Powers. *Public Choice*, vol. 190 (2022), 1-32. (With Stefan Voigt)
36. Political Institutions and Academic Freedom: Evidence from Across the World. *Public Choice*, vol. 190 (2022), 205-228. (With Niclas Berggren)
37. Does Freedom of Expression Cause Less Terrorism? *Political Studies*, vol. 70 (2022), 131-152. (With Lasse Skjoldager Eskildsen)
38. Did Lockdown Work? An Economist's Cross-Country Comparison. *CESIfo Economic Studies*, vol. 67 (2021), 318-331.
39. Differences Matter: The Effect of Coup Types on Physical Integrity Rights. *European Journal of Political Economy*, vol. 69 (2021), art. 102027. (With Katharina Pfaff)
40. Trust us to Repay: Social Trust, Long-Term Interest Rates and Sovereign Credit Ratings. *Journal of Money, Credit and Banking*, vol. 53 (2021), 1151-1174. (With Andreas Bergh)
41. Is Constitutionalized Media Freedom Only Window Dressing? Evidence from Terrorist Attacks. *Public Choice*, vol. 187 (2021), 321-348. (With Stefan Voigt)
42. Civic Honesty and Cultures of Trust. *Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics*, vol. 92 (2021), art. 101693.
43. Coups, Regime Transitions, and Institutional Quality. *Journal of Comparative Economics*, vol. 49 (2021), 627-643. (With Daniel L. Bennett and Stephan F. Gohmann)
44. Does Economic Freedom Boost Growth for Everyone? *Kyklos*, vol. 74 (2021), 170-186. (With Andreas Bergh)

45. Democratic Transitions and Monetary Policy: Are Democratic Central Banks Different? *Journal of Public Finance and Public Choice*, vol. 35 (2020), 163-180. (With Martin Rode)
46. Constitutional Power Concentration and Corruption: Evidence from Latin America and the Caribbean. *Constitutional Political Economy*, vol. 31 (2020), 509-536. (With Andrea Sáenz de Viteri)
47. Does Big Government Hurt Growth Less in High-Trust Countries? *Contemporary Economic Policy*, vol. 38 (2020), 643-658. (With Andreas Bergh)
48. Why do Military Dictatorships Become Presidential Democracies? Mapping the Democratic Interests of Autocratic Regimes. *Public Choice*, vol. 185 (2020), 21-43.
49. Migrants and Life Satisfaction: The Role of the Country of Origin and the Country of Residence. *Kyklos*, vol. 73 (2020), 436-463. (With Niclas Berggren, Andreas Bergh, and Shiori Tanaka)
50. Regime Types and Regime Change: A New Dataset on Democracy, Coups, and Political Institutions. *Review of International Organizations*, vol. 15 (2020), 531-551. (With Martin Rode)
51. When Does Terror induce a State of Emergency? And what are the Effects? *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, vol. 64 (2020), 579-613. (With Stefan Voigt)
52. Corruption, Judicial Accountability and Inequality: Unfair Procedures may Benefit the Worst-Off. *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, vol. 170 (2020), 341-354. (With Niclas Berggren)
53. Wellbeing and Entrepreneurship: Using Establishment Size to Identify Treatment Effects and Transmission Mechanisms. *PLOS One*, vol. 15 (2020), e0226008. (With Nicolai J. Foss)
54. Do Social Rights Affect Social Outcomes? *American Journal of Political Science*, vol. 63 (2019), 452-466. (With Jacob Mchangama)
55. Crisis, Ideology, and Interventionist Policy Ratchets. *Political Studies*, vol. 67 (2019), 815–833. (With Martin Rode)
56. Do Voters Dislike Liberalizing Reforms? New Evidence Using Data on Satisfaction with Democracy. *Journal of Institutional Economics*, vol. 15 (2019), 631-648. (With Niclas Berggren)
57. Regulation and Government Debt. *Public Choice*, vol. 178 (2019), 153-178. (With Niclas Berggren)
58. The Context of Entrepreneurial Judgment: Organizations, Markets, and Institutions. *Journal of Management Studies*, vol. 56 (2019), 1197-1213. (With Nicolai J. Foss and Peter G. Klein)
59. The Architecture of Emergency Constitutions. *International Journal of Constitutional Law*, vol. 16 (2018), 101–127. (With Stefan Voigt)
60. Do Equal Rights for a Minority Affect General Life Satisfaction? *Journal of Happiness Studies*, vol. 19 (2018), 1465-1483. (with Niclas Berggren and Therese Nilsson)
61. Do Liberalising Reforms Harm the Environment? Evidence from the Post-Communist Transition. *Economic Affairs*, vol. 38, (2018), 22-37.
62. The Hayek-Friedman Hypothesis on the Press: Is there an Association between Economic Freedom and Press Freedom? *Journal of Institutional Economics*, vol. 14 (2018), 617-638.
63. Why Do Governments Call a State of Emergency? On the Determinants of Using Emergency Constitutions. *European Journal of Political Economy*, vol. 54 (2018), 110-123. (With Stefan Voigt)
64. Dealing with Disaster: Analyzing the Emergency Constitutions of the U.S. States. *Arizona State Law Journal*, vol. 49 (2017), 883-906. (With Stefan Voigt)
65. Economic Freedom and Veto Players Jointly Affect Entrepreneurship. *Journal of Entrepreneurship and Public Policy*, vol. 6 (2017), 340-358. (With Jacob Lihn)
66. Growth, Inequality and Economic Freedom: Evidence from the US States. *Contemporary Economic Policy*, vol. 35 (2017), 518-531.
67. The Market-Promoting and Market-Preserving Role of Social Trust in Reforms of Policies and Institutions. *Southern Economic Journal*, vol. 84 (2017), 3-25. (With Niclas Berggren)
68. Trust and Delegation: Theory and Evidence. *Journal of Comparative Economics*, vol. 45 (2017), 644-657. (With Nurullah Gür)

69. What Aspects of Society Matter for the Quality of Life of a Minority? Global Evidence from the New Gay Happiness Index. *Social Indicators Research*, vol. 132 (2017), 1163-1192. (With Niclas Berggren and Therese Nilsson)
70. An Offer You Can't Refuse: Murdering Journalists as an Enforcement Mechanism of Corrupt Deals. *Public Choice*, vol. 167 (2016), 221-243. (With Andreas Freytag)
71. Economic Freedom and Economic Crises. *European Journal of Political Economy*, vol. 45 (2016), 11-23.
72. Institutions, Entrepreneurship, and Economic Growth: What Do We Know? And What Do We Still Need to Know? *Academy of Management Perspectives*, vol. 30 (2016), 292-315. (With Nicolai J. Foss)
73. Economic Shocks and Subjective Well-Being: Evidence from a Quasi-Experiment. *World Bank Economic Review*, vol. 30 (2016), 55-77. (With Jacob Gerner Hariri and Mogens Kamp Justesen)
74. Social Trust Fosters an Ability to Help Those in Need: Jewish Refugees in the Nazi Era. *Political Studies*, vol. 63 (2015), 951-974.
75. How do Institutions Affect Happiness and Misery? A Tale of Two Tails. *Comparative Sociology*, vol. 14 (2015), 353-385. (With Ming-Chang Tsai)
76. Constitutional Property Rights Protection and Economic Growth: Evidence from the Post-Communist Transition. *Constitutional Political Economy*, vol. 26 (2015), 247-280.
77. The Productivity of Trust. *World Development*, vol. 70 (2015), 317-331. (With Pierre-Guillaume Méon)
78. Legitimacy and the Cost of Government. *Public Choice*, vol. 162 (2015), 307-328. (With Niclas Berggren and David Lipka)
79. What Matters for Growth in Europe: Institutions versus Policies, Quality versus Stability. *Journal of Economic Policy Reform*, vol. 18 (2015), 69-88. (With Niclas Berggren and Andreas Bergh)
80. Does Economic Freedom Really Kill? On the Association between 'Neoliberal Policies' and Homicide Rates. *European Journal of Political Economy*, vol. 37 (2015), 207-219.
81. Constitutional Verbosity and Social Trust. *Public Choice*, vol. 161 (2014), 91-112. (With Stefan Voigt, WP-version available)
82. Trust, Welfare States and Inequality: Sorting out the Causality. *European Journal of Political Economy*, vol. 35 (2014), 183-199. (With Andreas Bergh)
83. Economic Growth and Institutional Reform in Modern Monarchies and Republics: A Historical Cross-Country Perspective 1820-2000. *Journal of Theoretical and Institutional Economics*, vol. 170 (2014), 453-481. (With Peter Kurrild-Klitgaard)
84. Exploiting the Poor: Bureaucratic Corruption and Poverty in Africa. *World Development*, vol. 58 (2014), 106-115. (With Mogens Kamp Justesen)
85. Do Economic Reforms Alleviate Subjective Well-Being Losses of Economic Crises? *Journal of Happiness Studies*, vol. 15 (2014), 163-182.
86. Public Choice, Political Economy and Development: An Introduction to the Life, Times and Themes of Martin Paldam. *Public Choice*, vol. 157 (2013), 357-365. (With Toke Aidt, Peter Kurrild-Klitgaard and Gert T. Svendsen)
87. Is Trust the Missing Root of Institutions, Education, and Development? *Public Choice*, vol. 157 (2013), 641-669. (With Pierre-Guillaume Méon)
88. Is Social Capital a Good Concept? *Social Indicators Research*, vol. 114 (2013), 1225-1242. (With Kim Sønderskov)
89. Are Debt Repayment Incentives Undermined by Foreign Aid? *Journal of Comparative Economics*, vol. 41 (2013), 1073-1091. (With Philipp Schröder)
90. Does Social Trust Determine the Size of the Welfare State? Evidence Using Historical Identification. *Public Choice*, vol. 157 (2013), 269-286. (With Gert T. Svendsen)
91. The Size and Scope of Government in the US States. Does Political Ideology Matter? *International Tax and Public Finance*, vol. 20 (2013), 687-714. (With Niklas Potrafke)

92. Inequality and Happiness: When Perceived Social Mobility and Economic Reality Do Not Match. *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, vol. 91 (2013), 75-92, (With Axel Dreher, Justina Fischer, Kai Gehring and Jan Schnellenbach)
93. Does Religiosity Promote Property Rights and the Rule of Law? *Journal of Institutional Economics*, vol. 9 (2013), 161-185. (With Niclas Berggren)
94. How Strategic Entrepreneurship and the Institutional Context Drive Economic Growth. *Strategic Entrepreneurship Journal*, vol. 7 (2013), 50-69. (With Nicolai J. Foss)
95. Can Bribes Buy Protection Against International Competition? *Review of World Economics*, vol. 148 (2012), 751-775.
96. On the Determinants of Honesty Perceptions in the United States. *Rationality and Society*, vol. 24 (2012), 257-294.
97. The Growth Effects of Institutional Instability. *Journal of Institutional Economics*, vol. 8 (2012), 187-224. (With Niclas Berggren and Andreas Bergh)
98. How Does Social Trust Affect Economic Growth? *Southern Economic Journal*, vol. 78 (2012), 1346-1368.
99. Political Ideology and Economic Freedom across Canadian Provinces. *Eastern Economic Journal*, vol. 38 (2012), 143-166. (With Niklas Potrafke, WP-version available)
100. The Spirit of Capitalism and Socialism: A Cross-Country Study of Ideology. *Public Choice*, vol. 150 (2012), 469-498. (With Martin Paldam)
101. Is the Importance of Religion in Daily Life Related to Social Trust? Cross-Country and Cross-State Comparisons. *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, vol. 80 (2011), 459-480. (With Niclas Berggren)
102. Social Trust and Human Development. *Journal of Socio-Economics*, vol. 40 (2011), 753-762. (With Burcu Özcan)
103. Combating Corruption: On the Interplay between Institutional Quality and Social Trust. *Journal of Law and Economics*, vol. 54 (2011), 135-159.
104. Social Diversity, Institutions, and Trust: A Cross-National Analysis. *Social Indicators Research*, vol. 101 (2011), 305-322. (With Ming-Chang Tsai and Leslie Laczko)
105. Growth, Debt Burdens and Alleviating Effects of Foreign Aid in Least Developed Countries. *European Journal of Political Economy*, vol. 27 (2011), 143-153. (With Christina Bjerg and Anne Holm)
106. Politics and Privatization in Central and Eastern Europe: A Panel Data Analysis. *Economics of Transition*, vol. 19 (2011), 201-230. (With Niklas Potrafke)
107. A Different Rationale for Redistribution: A Comment. *Journal of Happiness Studies*, vol. 12 (2011), 343-347.
108. Historical Trust Levels Predict the Current Size of the Welfare State. *Kyklos*, vol. 64 (2011), 1-19. (With Andreas Bergh)
109. Formal Institutions and Subjective Wellbeing: Revisiting the Cross-Country Evidence. *European Journal of Political Economy*, vol. 26 (2010), 419-430. (With Axel Dreher and Justina Fischer)
110. How does Social Trust lead to Better Governance? An Attempt to Separate Electoral and Bureaucratic Mechanisms. *Public Choice*, vol. 144 (2010), 323-346.
111. Do Elites Benefit from Democracy and Foreign Aid in Developing Countries? *Journal of Development Economics*, vol. 92 (2010), 115-124.
112. How Comparable are the Gallup World Poll Life Satisfaction Data? *Journal of Happiness Studies*, vol. 11 (2010), 41-60.
113. Social Trust and the Growth of Schooling. *Economics of Education Review*, vol. 28 (2009), 249-257.
114. Social Capital and Happiness in the United States. *Applied Research in Quality of Life*, vol. 3 (2008), 43-62.
115. The Growth-Inequality Association: Government Ideology Matters. *Journal of Development Economics*, vol. 87 (2008), 300-308.

116. Social Trust and Fractionalization: A Possible Reinterpretation. *European Sociological Review*, vol. 24 (2008), 271-283.
117. Analyzing Trends in Subjective Well-Being in 15 European Countries, 1973-2002. *Journal of Happiness Studies*, vol. 9 (2008), 317-330. (With Nabanita Datta Gupta and Peder Pedersen)
118. On Decentralization and Life Satisfaction. *Economics Letters*, vol. 99 (2008), 147-151. (With Axel Dreher and Justina Fischer)
119. Healthy and Happy in Europe? On the Association between Happiness and Life Expectancy over Time. *Social Science & Medicine*, vol. 66 (2008), 1750-1759.
120. Economic Freedom and Activity: Some Cross-Country Evidence. *Public Choice*, vol. 134 (2008), 307-328. (With Nicolai J. Foss). Also published as chapter 16 in Nicolai J. Foss (ed.), *Knowledge, Economic Organization, and Property Rights*. London: Edward Elgar (2009); and chapter 10 in Andreas Freytag and Roy Thurik (eds.), *Entrepreneurship and Culture*. Dordrecht: Springer (2009).
121. Cross-Country Determinants of Life Satisfaction: Exploring Different Determinants across Groups in Society. *Social Choice and Welfare*, vol. 30 (2008), 119-173. (With Axel Dreher and Justina Fischer)
122. How to Construct a Robust Measure of Social Capital: Two Contributions. *Journal of Comparative Policy Analysis*, vol. 9 (2007), 275-292. (With Gert T. Svendsen)
123. The Bigger the Better? Evidence of the Effect of Government Size on Life Satisfaction around the World. *Public Choice*, vol. 130 (2007), 267-292. (With Axel Dreher and Justina Fischer)
124. Determinants of Generalized Trust. A Cross-Country Comparison. *Public Choice*, vol. 130 (2007), 1-21.
125. The Multiple Facets of Social Capital. *European Journal of Political Economy*, vol. 22 (2006), 22-40.
126. Underlying Policies in the WTO, the Harbinson Proposal and the Modalities Agreement. *Revue Economique*, vol. 56 (2005), 1385-1412. (With Kim Martin Lind)
127. Does Political Ideology Affect Economic Growth? *Public Choice*, vol. 123 (2005), 133-146.
128. Hvem kan U-landene samarbejde med i den nye WTO-runde? *Nationaløkonomisk Tidsskrift*, vol. 141 (2003), 112-129. (With Kim Martin Lind)
129. The Happy Few. Cross-Country Evidence on Social Capital and Life Satisfaction. *Kyklos*, vol. 56 (2003), 3-16.
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#### Contributions to books, reports, proceedings and journals without peer-review

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2. *State of Emergency: An Economic Analysis*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press (2024). (With Stefan Voigt)
3. Economic Growth and the Size of Government: Do the Drivers Differ in Democracies vs. Authoritarian States? Chapter 9 in Juan Castaneda (ed.), *Government and Economic Growth in the 21st Century: A Classical Liberal Response*. London: Routledge (2024), 143-160.
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5. Energy Policy for the Future? Government or Markets? Chapter 1 in Syed Kamall (ed.), *Powering Britain: The UK's Future Energy Mix*. London: Politeia (2023), 8-12.
6. Notstandsverfassungen: Wortfülle kulturell tradiert. In Gernot Pehnelt (ed.), *Fragen unserer Zeit: Festschrift für Andreas Freytag zum 60. Geburtstag*. Berlin: Logos Verlag (2022), 33-44. (With Stefan Voigt)

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9. Public Choice. In Brian Degn Mårtensson and Stefan Kirkegaard Sløk-Madsen (Eds.), *Borger & Stat*. Aarhus: Klim (2022), 477-507. (With Stefan Kirkegaard Sløk-Madsen)
10. Institutions and Life Satisfaction. In Klaus F. Zimmermann (Ed.), *Handbook of Labor, Human Resources and Population Economics*. Berlin: Springer (2021). (With Niclas Berggren)
11. Da Handelsteorien Fødte Moderne Økonomi. *Libertas*, March (2021), 22-26. (With Otto Brøns-Petersen)
12. *Happiness in the Nordic World*. Madison: University of Wisconsin Press; and Aarhus: Aarhus University Press (2021).
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16. Populism: Three Approaches to an International Problem. *Economic Affairs*, vol. 39 (2019), 273-281. (Book review)
17. The Political Economy of Trust. Chapter 32 in Roger Congleton, Bernard Grofman and Stefan Voigt (Eds.), *Oxford Handbook of Public Choice*. Oxford: Oxford University Press (2019), 628-648.
18. Social Trust and Economic Growth. Chapter 22 in Eric M. Uslaner (Ed.), *Oxford Handbook of Social and Political Trust*. Oxford: Oxford University Press (2018), 535-555.
19. William Easterly's Challenge to the Development Community. Chapter 4 in William Easterly (Ed.), *The Economics of International Development: Foreign Aid versus Freedom for the World's Poor*. London: Institute of Economic Affairs (2016), 55-72.
20. Tillid og Velfærdsstaten. *Tidsskrift for Professionsstudier*, vol. 22 (2016), 22-28.
21. How Institutions of Liberty Promote Entrepreneurship and Growth. Chapter 6 in James Gwartney, Robert Lawson and Joshua Hall (eds.), *Economic Freedom of the World: Annual Report 2012*. Vancouver: the Fraser Institute, 247-270. (With Nicolai J. Foss)
22. Giver Aktivistisk Forskningspolitik Mening? Chapter 15 in David Budtz Pedersen and Jan Faye (eds.), *Hvordan Styres Videnssamfundet? Demokrati, Ledelse og Organisering*. Copenhagen: Nyt fra Samfundsvidenskaberne (2012), 359-372.
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- Coup d'États, Institutional Change, and Productivity. IFN Working Paper no. 1518. (With Daniel L. Bennett and Stephan F. Gohmann)
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- Populism and Constitutional Reform in Latin America and the Caribbean. Presented at the annual meetings of the Public Choice Society, Charleston, 1-4 March, 2018; the Beyond Basic Questions Workshop, Gengenbach, 27-28 July, 2018; and the annual conference of the Southern Economic Association, Washington DC, 17-20 November, 2018. (With Andrea Sáenz de Viteri) – under review
- Coups and Economic Crises. IFN working paper 1449, December 2022. Presented at the Australasian Public Choice Conference, Melbourne, 5-6 December, 2014, the 2015 IFN Stockholm conference, Vaxholm, 11-12 June, 2015; the Southern Economic Association, New Orleans, 20-23 November, 2015; Ruhr-Universität Bochum, 13 January, 2016; the College of Charleston, 28 February, 2018; and Deakin University, 20 November, 2019. – under review
- Freedom of Expression and Social Conflict. Presented at online seminar on Civil Liberties and Freedom of Expression, 14 December, 2020; and at the Vaxholm conference, 15-17 June, 2022. (With Jacob Mchangama) – under review
- Democracy and Representation in Africa.
- Misuse of Federal Emergency Powers: Lesson's from India's President's Rule. (With Abishek Choutagunta, Shruti Rajagopalan and Stefan Voigt) – under review
- Do Corruption Perceptions Travel across Borders? An Epidemiological Approach. Presented at the annual meetings of the European Public Choice Society, Riga, 3-5 April, 2025. (With Kim Juárez Jensen)
- A Century of Regime Change in Latin American and the Caribbean. Presented at the Danish Public Choice Workshop, Aarhus, 26 January, 2024; and the annual conference of the Association of Private Enterprise Education, Las Vegas, 5-7 April, 2026. (With Andrea Sáenz de Viteri and Martin Rode) – under review
- Was National Sovereignty a Profitable Decision? Exploring Economic Growth after Decolonisation. Presented at the Danish Public Choice Workshop, Malmø, 31 January-1 February 2025; the annual conference of the Southern Economic Association, Tampa, 22-24 November, 2025; and the PEDD conference, Münster, 19-21 February, 2026. – under review
- Seizing the Means of Communication: Nonviolent Uprisings and Press Liberalization. Presented at the annual conference of the Southern Economic Association, Tampa, 22-24 November, 2025. (With Joshua Ammons and Nabamita Dutta) – under review

Do Coups Create Economic Crises? Evidence from Latin America and the Caribbean. Presented at the annual meetings of the Public Choice Society, San Antonio, 12-14 March, 2026. – under review  
Coup Cascades. Presented at the PEDD conference, Münster, 20-22 February, 2025; and the annual meetings of the Public Choice Society, Louisville, 6-8 March, 2025. (With Martin Rode) – under review  
Does Social Trust Amplify Knowledge Transfers? Evidence from Inventor Networks. (With Gary Wagner) – under review  
How Long is the Economic Legacy of Autocracy? Presented at the PEDD conference, Münster, 22-24 February, 2024; the Prague University of Economics and Business, 23 May, 2024; and the annual conference of the Southern Economic Association, Washington DC, 23-25 November, 2024. (With Martin Rode) – under review  
Populism and Monetary Freedom (With Juan Castañeda and Martin Rode) – under review  
Do Populists Erode Civil Society? (With Ege Asutay and Niclas Berggren) – under review (second round)  
Coups and Economic Freedom. – under review (second round)

### Other professional activities, awards and more

Research project “Human Freedom: Emergence and Payoffs”, joint with Niclas Berggren 2025-2028. Financial support from the John Templeton Foundation.

Research project “Cultures of Trust and Institutions of Freedom”, joint with Niclas Berggren 2021-2024. Financial support from the John Templeton Foundation.

Refereeing for (among others) *American Economic Review*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *American Sociological Review*, *European Journal of Political Research*, *Journal of Business Venturing*, *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, *Journal of Development Economics*, *Journal of Economic Growth*, *Journal of Politics*, *Journal of Public Economics*, *Political Studies*, *Public Choice*, *Review of International Organizations*, *Social Forces*, *The Economic Journal*.

PhD-committee and external examiner, Cambridge University, Massey University, Radboud University Nijmegen, University of Hamburg, University of Heidelberg, University of Cantabria, University of Alicante, University Jaume I (Castellon), University of Rovira i Virgili, Erasmus University Rotterdam, Queensland University of Technology, Charles University, University of Southern Denmark, University of Copenhagen, University of Groningen, Örebro University, University of Navarra.

Associate Editor, *Public Choice*.

Member of the Editorial Board *Economic Affairs*.

Member of the Editorial Advisory Board, *European Journal of Political Economy*, *Journal of Entrepreneurship and Public Policy*.

Fellow, CesIFO, Munich, Associate Fellow, Center for Political Studies, Copenhagen, Affiliated Researcher, Institute for Research in Economic and Fiscal Issues.

Member of the Executive Committee, the Public Choice Society, 2020-2024; President-Elect of the society 2023-2024; President 2024-2025.

Academic Trustee of the Board and Chairman of the Academic Advisory Council, Institute of Economic Affairs, London.

Member of the Board, Center for Political Studies (Cepos), Copenhagen.

Member of the Executive Committee, Association for Private Enterprise Education, 2026-2028.

Member of the Executive Board, the European Public Choice Society, 2007-2010.

Recipient of the 2007 Statoil Prize for research in the social sciences.

Regular economic commentator, *Børsen*, (biweekly columns since 2013).