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CONTACT

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FIELDS OF INTEREST

Income inequality and redistribution; tax-benefit microsimulation

PRESENT POSITION

Researcher, Institute of Public Finance, Zagreb

ACADEMIC EDUCATION

2010 Faculty of Economics, University of Ljubljana – Ph.D.
2006 Faculty of Economics, University of Zagreb – M.Sc.
2002 Faculty of Economics, University of Zagreb – B.A.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Since 2002 Researcher at the Institute of Public Finance

EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

2021 Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis: 'Beyond OLS: Categorical, Choice and Count Models', University of Essex
2017 Labour Supply Modelling Based on the Theory of Discrete Choice, Institute of Public Finance, Zagreb
2016 Utrecht Summer School course: 'Applied Multivariate Analysis', Utrecht University
2009 Frontiers of Economic Inequality, University of Verona
2007 40th Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis and Collection: 'Multi-Country Tax-Benefit Microsimulation using EUROMOD', University of Essex
2004 Reform of Personal Income Taxation, Center of Excellence in Finance, Ljubljana
2003 Financial Programming and Policies, Center of Excellence in Finance, Ljubljana
2003 Government Finance Statistics, Center of Excellence in Finance, Ljubljana

LANGUAGES

English

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Member of the working group for the review of the law on child benefit (2023)
Member of the working group for the review of the Croatian system of social benefits (2014 – 2017)

Member of the working group for the review of the Croatian tax system (2016, 2018)

Conference organiser „Social Protection Policies and Microsimulation”, Zagreb (2017)

Round table organiser „Reforme socijalnih naknada i poreza: austrijska i slovenska iskustva u primjeni mikrosimulacijskih modela”, Zagreb (2016)

Round table organiser „Application of Microsimulation Models in the Analysis of Taxes and Social Benefits in Croatia”, Zagreb (2016)

Conference program committee member „Public Sector Economics”, Zagreb (2016)

Conference program committee member „Tax Reforms: Experiences and Perspectives”, Zagreb (2014)

Round table organiser „Izvori podataka za mikrosimulacije poreza i socijalnih naknada”, Zagreb (2010)

Conference organiser „Welfare State Performance and Design”, Zagreb (2008)

Peer reviews in academic journals: Bulletin of Economic Research, Contemporary Economic Policy, Eastern European Economics, Ekonomska istraživanja, Ekonomski pregled, Ensayos Revista de Economía, Financial Theory and Practice, Finanzarchiv / Public Finance Analysis, Informatica, Journal of Economic Inequality, Journal of European Social Policy, Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Public Economic Theory, Public Finance Review, Public Sector Economics, Review of Income and Wealth, Social Indicators Research

RESEARCH PROJECTS

Impact of taxes and benefits on income distribution and economic efficiency (2020 – 2024)

Simulations of the effects of reform proposals on the social insurance contributions and personal income tax revenues using a microsimulation model (2023)

EUROMOD Croatia (2021 – 2024)

Permanent research of the tax system program (since 2020)

Analysis of maternity and parental benefits in the period 2016-2021 and assessment of the new law proposals (2022 – 2023)

Methodology for the tax wedge calculation and tax wedge report in the period 2014-18 (2019 – 2020)

Application of Microsimulation Models in the Analysis of Taxes and Social Benefits in Croatia (2015 – 2018)

Open Budget Survey (2006 – 2015)

Synergistic social system (2014 – 2015)

Analysis of the effects of changes in the provisions of the Law on Value Added Tax concerning the assessment and time of payment of VAT for small businesses (2014)

The Study on cost and benefits of vocational rehabilitation for persons with disabilities in Croatia (2002)

Financing sport activities in Croatia (2011)

How to make work pay in Croatia (2011)

Croatian public pension system and income redistribution (2011)

Pension system analysis (2011)

Measuring Local Governments' Transparency and Accountability: The Croatian Open Local Budget Index (2011)

Decomposing redistributive effect and reranking to reveal contributions of taxes and benefits (2009)

Croatian households' debt: current situation, problems and measures (2008)

Analysis of the effects of a change in the threshold for VAT (2007)
Does work pay in Croatia? (2007)
Analysis of the effects of abolishing the zero rate of VAT (2006)
Redistributive Effects of Personal Income Tax in Croatia (2005)
Tax Expenditures in Croatia (2005)
Monetary Measures of the Growth of Underground (Unrecorded) Economies in Twenty Five Transition Countries during the Decade of Transition: Causes, Consequences and Implications for Economic Performance, Public Policy and the Effects of (2003)
A Decade of Transition: A Reexamination of Performance and Public Policy Bases on Total Economic Activity (2002)

PRESENTATIONS AT CONFERENCES, SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS

2021 9th meeting of the Society for the Study of Economic Inequality (ECINEQ), London (online)
2018 Prva EIZ mini radionica, Institute of Economics, Zagreb
2017 XXIX Annual Conference of the Italian Society of Public Economics, Catania
2017 Social Protection Policies and Microsimulation, Zagreb
2016 EUROMOD conference & 2016 annual project meeting, University of Essex
2015 OFS Seminar at Statistics Norway
2015 6th meeting of the Society for the Study of Economic Inequality (ECINEQ), Luxembourg
2013 EUROMOD Annual Meeting and Research Workshop, Lisboa
2012 2nd Microsimulation research workshop, Bucharest
2012 11th journées Louis-André Gérard-Varet, Marseille
2011 4th meeting of the Society for the Study of Economic Inequality (ECINEQ), Catania
2008 The Fourteenth Dubrovnik Economic Conference, Dubrovnik
2007 2nd meeting of the Society for the Study of Economic Inequality (ECINEQ), Berlin
2007 Znamo li dovoljno o državnim financijama? Predstavljanje međunarodnog indeksa otvorenosti proračuna (round table on Open Budget Index and results for Croatia), Zagreb
2006 International Symposium on Economic Theory, Policy and Applications, Athens
2005 98th Annual Conference on Taxation, Miami
2004 Siromaštvo i mogućnosti njegovog ublažavanja u Hrvatskoj, Zagreb