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EDUCATION

- 2014 Ph.D. in Economics, Virginia Tech.
Field: Development Economics, Econometrics.
Dissertation title: “Three Essays on Poverty in Sub-Saharan Africa: Multidimensional Poverty Change in Zimbabwe; Targeting Efficiency of Social Protection Programs in Cameroon; and Long-Term Impact of Cash Transfers in Niger”.
- 2009 M.A. in Development Economics, Sciences-Po Paris.
- 2007 B.A. in Geography, Paris-1 University (Panthéon-Sorbonne), with honors.
- 2006 B.A. in Literature, Paris-10 University (Nanterre) and Lycée Lakanal (*classe préparatoire*).

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2016-present **Assistant Professor**, Department of Economics, Istanbul Technical University.
Teaching: Development Economics, Statistics II, Income distribution and poverty (undergraduate); Development Economics (graduate).
- 2014-2016 **Post-Doctoral Scholar**, Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, University of California, Davis. Global Action Network on Index-Based Insurance project funded by USAID and ILO. PI: Michael Carter.
Conducted conceptual and applied research on index insurance to inform a global network of research and policy partners. Led ex-ante and ex-post assessments of insurance programs in Burkina Faso and Kenya and wrote policy briefs and academic articles. Started independent, collaborative research projects in Burkina Faso and India.
- 2011-present World Bank **Consultant**, Social Protection Unit of the Africa Region. As part of a team, conducted the impact evaluations of the Cameroon Social Safety Nets pilot projects and of the Niger Social Safety Nets pilot and scale-up projects: evaluation design, survey implementation, data analysis and writing & dissemination of results through workshops and conferences. Conducted targeting ex-ante and/or ex-post assessments in Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Senegal, Guinea and DR Congo. Assisted local teams in the design and implementation of these projects.
- 2010-2011 **Teaching Assistant**, Agricultural and Applied Economics, Virginia Tech. Courses: “Introduction to macro-economics” and “Environmental and sustainable economics”.
- 2009-2010 **Language Lecturer**, French Department, University of St-Andrews, Scotland. Taught French and History classes to 150 undergraduate students each semester.
- 2008-2009 **Research Intern**, IRD: Six month fieldwork with the Development Research Institute (IRD) and Centre de Recherche en Santé de Nouna (CRSN). Conducted research on agricultural production and trade in Nouna, Burkina Faso. Designed and administered quantitative survey, organized focus groups and qualitative fieldwork.

ORIGINAL WORK AND PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed Publications

Jensen, N., Q. **Stoeffler**, M. Carter, C. Atzberger, M. Meroni, A. Mude, A. Vrieling, F. Fava. "Does the design matter? Comparing satellite-based indices for insuring pastoralists against drought". *Ecological Economics* (2019).

Stoeffler, Q., B. Mills, and P. Premand. "Poor Households' Productive Investments of Cash Transfers: Quasi-experimental evidence from Niger." *Journal of African Economies* (2019).

Carter, M., S. Janzen, Q. **Stoeffler**. "Can Insurance Help Manage Climate Risk and Food Insecurity? Evidence from the Pastoral Regions of East Africa" in *Climate Smart Agriculture - Building Resilience to Climate Change*, edited by L. Lipper, N. McCarthy, D. Zilberman, S. Asfaw and G. Branca New York: Springer, 2018.

Ouédraogo, S., V. Ridde, N. Atchessi, A. Souares, J-L.Koulidiati, Q. **Stoeffler**, M-V. Zunzunegui. "Characterization of the rural indigent population in Burkina Faso: a screening tool for setting priority health care services in sub-Saharan Africa." *BMJ Open* (2017).

Stoeffler, Q., B. Mills, and C. del Ninno. "Reaching the Poor: Cash Transfer Program Targeting in Cameroon." *World Development* (2016).

Stoeffler, Q. "Crop portfolio choices in Burkina Faso." *Journal of Developing Areas* (2016).

Stoeffler, Q., J. Alwang, B. Mills, and N. Taruvinga. "Multidimensional Poverty in Crisis: Lessons from Zimbabwe." *Journal of Development Studies* (2015).

Stoeffler, Q., P. Nguetse-Tegoum, and B. Mills. "Generating a System for Targeting Unconditional Cash Transfers in Cameroun." In *Effective Targeting Mechanisms for the Poor and Vulnerable in Africa*, edited by Carlo del Ninno and Bradford Mills. Washington, DC: World Bank, 2015.

Leite, P., Q. **Stoeffler**, and A. Kryeziu. "Targeting Effectiveness of Social Safety Net Programs in Senegal." In *Effective Targeting Mechanisms for the Poor and Vulnerable in Africa*, edited by Carlo del Ninno and Bradford Mills. Washington, DC: World Bank, 2015.

Stoeffler, Q. "The Impact of Unconditional Cash Transfer Programs on Farmers: Evidence from Ex-Ante Simulations." *Public Knowledge Journal* 4, no. 2 (2013).

Working Papers

Stoeffler, Q., B. Mills, and P. Premand. "Households' investments in durable and productive assets in Niger: quasi-experimental evidence from a cash transfer project." Policy Research Working Paper Series, World Bank (2016).

Stoeffler, Q., T. Barré. "Assessing Index Insurance". Working Paper.

Stoeffler, Q., W. Gelade, C. Guirkinge, and M.R. Carter, "Indirect protection: the impact of cotton insurance on farmers' income portfolio in Burkina Faso". Working Paper.

Stoeffler, Q., F. Fontshi, and A. Lungela. "Targeting in practice: a review of existing mechanisms for beneficiary selection in Democratic Republic of Congo". (Submitted)

Cheung D., S. Wang Sonne, and Q. **Stoeffler**. "From safety to productive net? Unconditional Cash Transfer and agricultural outcomes in Cameroon". Working Paper.

Stoeffler, Q., F. Gedeon Achi, C. Delavallade, R. Thornton. "Just a game? Understanding mechanisms and impacts of a gender empowerment program in rural Indian schools". Working Paper.

Work in Progress

- “Economic impact of artisanal gold mining in Burkina Faso” with C. Guirkingner
- “Impact of cash transfers on economic activities and resilience in Niger” with P. Premand
- “Targeting in theory and in practice: a review of experiences from the Sahel region” with P. Schnitzer.
- “Female Labor Force participation in Turkey” with R. Benotsmane & A. Kayaoglu.
- “Targeting efficiency of PMT and CBT to reach poor and health-deprived households in Burkina Faso” with B. Cubukcu.
- “Subjective well-being in Turkey” with S. Calisir.
- “Demand for cotton index insurance in Burkina Faso” with G. Opuz.

Dissertation and thesis

- Stoeffler, Q.** “Three Essays on Poverty in Sub-Saharan Africa: Multidimensional Poverty Change in Zimbabwe; Long-Term Impact of Cash Transfers in Niger; and Targeting Efficiency of Social Protection Programs in Cameroon”, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, 2014
- Stoeffler, Q.** "In the Land of Failing Markets: How Farmers React to Price Signals." Master's thesis, Sciences-Po, Paris, 2009.

Technical and Press Publications

- Stoeffler, Q., "What happens when cash transfers end? Sustained impacts on productive investments in Niger." Web blog post. *Economics That Really Matters Blog*, 01/20/2016.
- Stoeffler, Q., T. Barré, and M. Carter. "Measuring index insurance quality." I4 Brief 2015-01.
- Stoeffler, Q. “Le commerce des produits agricoles au Burkina Faso: au-delà des prix”, *Grain de sel* n°46-47, pp 7-8, March-August 2009.
- Stoeffler, Q. “The Cotonou Agreement: across-the-board reform of ACP-EU cooperation”, *Grain de sel* n°39, pp 15-16, June-August 2007

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 Departmental seminar, **Ibn Haldun University**, Turkey.
- 2018 National Workshop on Targeting, **Kinshasa, DRC**. AAEA annual meeting in **Washington, DC**.
- 2017 Departmental seminar, **BETAM** and **Bahçeşehir University**, Turkey. Departmental seminar, **Boğaziçi University**, Turkey. National Forum on Social Protection, **Conakry, Guinea**.
- 2016 Departmental seminar, **Istanbul Technical University**, Turkey. AAEA annual meeting in **Boston, MA**. Postdoc symposium, **UC Davis**. African studies research cluster seminar, **UC Davis**. Centre for the Study of African Economies (**CSAE**) Conference, Oxford, UK. International Meeting on Social Safety Nets, **Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso**.
- 2015 Global Index Insurance Conference, **Paris, France**. ICAE, **Milan, Italy**. AAEA annual meeting in **San Francisco, CA**. Postdoc symposium, **UC Davis**.
- 2014 Development workshop, **UC Davis**. CRED workshop, University of **Namur, Belgium**.

- AAEA annual meeting in **Minneapolis**, MN.
- 2013 Human Development and Capability Approach Conference in **Managua**, Nicaragua. CIREQ Graduate Students Research Workshop, **Montreal**, QC, Canada.
- 2012 Interdisciplinary Research Symposium, **Virginia Tech**. Poster presentation.
- 2011 Social Safety Nets Workshop, World Bank, **Dakar**. Graduate Student Association Research Symposium, **Virginia Tech**.
- 2010 McGill University section of Engineers Without Borders Canada, in **Montreal**: presentation on “Perspectives on Burkina Faso’s Agriculture: Producers and Markets“.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- January 2019 Galatasaray Egitim Vakfi award.
- April 2018 BAP pilot project grant, Istanbul Technical University
- September 2017 BAP research project grant, Istanbul Technical University.
- August 2016 BAP start-up grant, Istanbul Technical University.
- May 2015 Best Presentation award, postdoc symposium, UC Davis.
- July 2014 Conference travel award, department of Agricultural and Applied Economics, Virginia Tech.
- April 2014 Virginia Tech GSA Travel Fund Program award.
- 2010 – 2014 Virginia Tech, Graduate Research Assistantship, Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics.
- June 2008 Fondation de France’s Scholarship for Research and Mobility, awarded to conduct a five-month fieldwork in Burkina Faso.

LANGUAGES AND SKILLS

- Languages - **French**, native. **English**, fluent. **German**: proficient. **Spanish**: intermediate. **Turkish**: intermediate. **Dioula** (West-Africa): beginner.
- Computer skills - Software: **Stata**, **R**, **GAMS**.
 - Data collection tools: **ODK**, **SurveyCTO**, **CSPro**.
 - Perfect command of **Microsoft Office**; **Latex**.

SUPERVISION

- Ongoing Aizhan Salimzhanova (PhD), Jules Bisilwala (PhD), Betul Cubukcu (MA), Mehmet Yavuz (MA), Rofaida Benotsmane (MA), Beyza Unal (UG), Izel Cetiner (UG), Nursena Sagir (UG).
- 2018 Merve Yaldiz (UG).
- 2017 Seda Çalışır (MA), Turkish Economic Association Best MA Thesis Award.

SERVICE

- 2012-present **Reviewer**: *PLOS ONE*, *Journal of Development Studies*, *Journal of Public Economics*, *World Development*, *Revista Cuadernos De Economia*, *Journal of Developing Areas*, *Public Knowledge Journal*, BAP fund (ITU), AAEA meeting, World Bank internal

- technical review, Virginia Tech GSA Research Symposium, Virginia Tech Graduate Research Development Fund.
- 2018 **Core organizing committee** member, **Conference on Child labor** in the context of conflict and migration: economic and cultural perspectives, ITU.
- 2015-2016 **Core organizing committee** member, annual **postdoc symposium**, UC Davis.
- 2012-2013 **Volunteer for the Standby Task Force**, a Non-governmental organization which intervenes through online deployments in time of crisis, using the Ushahidi crisis mapping platform.
- 2010-2011 **Photographer** for the *Collegiate times*, Student Publication Photo Staff (SPPS), Virginia Tech. Won first and second place prizes in Virginia Tech Graduate School **photography contests** for pictures from Mali on the theme “Food.”
- 2009-2010 **Member of the French Society**, University of St Andrews, Scotland. Organized a weekly French screening event; wrote articles in the *Globetrotter* magazine.
- 2006-2007 **Red Cross Volunteer**: Taught weekly French courses for illiterate immigrants at the French Red Cross in Paris.
- Summer 2006 **International Volunteer**, Jordan. Helped renovate an orphanage and organized outdoor activities for the children at an international work camp near Amman.

REFERENCES

Available upon request.