MONICA BEEDER Curriculum Vitae

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Position

Jan 2025– present — Lecturer (Assistant Professor), University of Southampton, UK

Research Affiliations & Networks

2026– Faculty Affiliate, CLEAN, Bocconi University (INSPIRE), Italy
2026– Member, Development Economics Research Connect (Dev-Connect)
2026– Fellow of the Higher Education Academy
2024– Member, Institute for Replication (I4R)

Education

Oct 2024 Ph.D. in Economics, NHH - FAIR The Choice Lab
Jun 2020 Master in Economics, University of Bergen
Jan 2016 Bachelor in Political Economy, University of Bergen

Research Fields

Primary: Development Economics, Economics of Conflict, Economics of Crime
Secondary: Political Economy, Behavioral Economics, Experimental Economics

Visiting Research Positions

2024 Visiting researcher at BECC at Max Planck Institute for the Study of Crime, Security and Law, Germany
2023 Visiting PhD Student at CLEAN and LEAP Università Bocconi, Italy
2022 Visiting (short) Universidad de los Andes, Colombia
2017 Master Student Universidade Catolica Portugesa, Portugal
2015-2016 Erasmus Exchange Student Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Spain

Publications

AI-assisted teams outperform AI-led teams but not human-only teams in assessing research reproducibility in quantitative social science (with Abel Brodeur et al.)
Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS), 2026.

Reproducibility and robustness of economics and political science research (with Abel Brodeur et al.)
Nature, 2026.

Effects of jobs on ethnic switching: evidence from a field experiment in Ethiopia (with Lovise Aalen, Andreas Kotsadam, and Espen Villanger)
Journal of Development Studies, 2025.

Working Papers

Throwing gasoline on the cocaine production: the effect of a supply shock on violence (Job Market Paper)

I exploit an exogenous shock to smuggled gasoline supplies from Venezuela, an input to cocaine production, using a difference-in-differences design in Colombia. The shock increased coca cultivation and homicide rates in affected areas by approximately 22–31 deaths per 100,000 inhabitants (40–50%). The findings highlight how input-cost shocks in illicit markets can increase violence.

Replication Report: Checking and Sharing Alt-Facts (Together with Erik Ø Sørensen NHH/FAIR)

I4R Discussion Paper Series 34, The Institute for Replication (I4R)

Rights and Wrongs: A Workplace Rights Information Experiment among Temporary Migrants (Together with Julia Teufel, Max Planck)

Maastricht University, Graduate School of Business and Economics. GSBE Research Memoranda No. 003

Work in Progress

Interpersonal and ethnic bias in Ethiopia
R&R decision at Journal of Development Studies

Using two randomized vignette experiments with approximately 1,200 women in Ethiopia, I examine ethnic bias toward politicians and local villagers, including differences between women and their partners. The results suggest that ethnic bias varies by context and respondent gender.

Exploitation
Justification of exploitation (Together with Hannes Rusch and Julia Teufel, Max Planck)
Exploitation of workers (Together with Hannes Rusch and Lennart Reddmann, Max Planck, Till Vater and Thomas Meissner, Maastricht University)
Conflict
Spillover of violence in Venezuela (Together with Ramon Rey, Freiburg)
Military drones and radicalization in an African context
Khat bans in Europe and spillovers in Kenya and Ethiopia (Together with Songyan Zhu and Dominic Thorpe at University of Southampton and Han Lin at Exeter)
Replication
AI-assisted teams in replication (With Abel Brodeur et al.)
Using AI- tools in replication (With Abel Brodeur et al.)

Teaching Experience

2026	C-BEAR SUMMER SCHOOL, Soton
2025-2027	Dissertation: Research Topics, Soton (Undergraduate)
2025-2026	Exploring the Social World, Soton (Undergraduate)
2025	Statistics for Economics, Soton (Undergraduate)
2021-2024	Business Cycle Analysis, NHH (Graduate), TA
2022-2023	Personnel Economics, NHH (Graduate), TA
2022	Competitive Strategy, NHH (Graduate), TA
2021-2022	Krakk og kriser (Economic History of crises), NHH (Graduate), TA
2019	Political Economy, UiB (Undergraduate), TA

Guest Lectures

2025	Development Economics: Gender, University of Southampton
2025	Development Economics: Crime, University of Southampton
2024	Economics of Crime, Hertie School in Berlin

Professional Service

Referee	
Journals:	*Review of Economics of the Household, Journal of Contemporary African Studies, Economic Development and Cultural Change, National Identities*
Grants:	External ESRC proposal reviewer
Conference:	EAYE Annual Meeting reviewer

Awards & Professional Recognition

2026	Fellow of the Higher Education Academy (Advance HE Fellowship)
2026	Nominee, Best Pastoral Support, University of Southampton Student Awards

Research & Professional Experience

2022-	International Election Observer for Norway (Kazakhstan, Guatemala, Guyana)
2019-2020	Research assistant for Eirik André Strømland and Amanda Kvarven, UiB
2019-2020	Research assistant for Prof. Espen Villanger, CMI
2017-2018	Museum Guide for The Hanseatic Museum
2017	Trainee at The Royal Norwegian Embassy in Brazil
2015-2016	Project coordinator for European Students Union (ESU) Board Meeting
2008-2012	Newspaper columnist for Bergens Tidende

Conference & Seminar Presentations

* Invited speaker

2026	Workshop on the Economics of gender*, University of Sheffield, UK; ESA Asia/Pacific Meeting, The University of Melbourne, Australia; External Seminar*, University of Portsmouth, UK; LASA2026: Republic and Revolution, France; Organised Crime workshop*, Queen Mary University London, UK; AI in teaching quantitative disciplines*, University of Southampton, UK
2025	Economic Seminar, University of Southampton, UK; Portsmouth-Southampton Behavioural and Experimental Economics Workshop, UK; Nordic Development Conference, Oslomet, Norway; 9th Workshop on the Economics of Organised Crime, UK: CEPR Workshop on "Ethnicity, Identity and Conflict", joint with IDnomics and UCLouvain, Belgium ; Sixth World Labor Conference hosted by Society of Labor Economists (SOLE), Canada; Gender issues and development workshop, University of Reading, UK
2024	Bergen Global*, CMI/UIB, Norway; Pacific Conference for Development Economics, Stanford, USA; CSAE Economic Development in Africa, Oxford, UK; Al Capone, Harvard, USA; 3rd Workshop on the Econ of Crime for Junior Scholars, LSE, UK; Experimental Economics workshop, Universidad de Piura, Peru; Max Planck Institute lab meeting criminology, Germany; Transatlantic Workshop on the Economics of Crime, ETH Zurich, Switzerland; Hertie School Berlin, Germany; Southern Economic Association, USA; Female Factory Workers and the Impact of Jobs Workshop, Ethiopia
2023	Latin America Peace Science 4th Annual Conference, EAFIT, Colombia; Frischseminar, Frisch Centre, Norway; Akademisk aften* (public dissemination about research), Bergen Public Library, Norway; Redd Barna Bergen* (local Save the Children Meeting), Norway; University of Bergen PhD workshop, Norway; Nordic Conference in Development Economics, University of Gothenburg, Sweden; Symposium on Economic Experiments in Developing Countries, National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies, Japan; Internal seminar CLEAN, University Bocconi, Italy; LEAP coffee meeting, University Bocconi, Italy
2022	FAIR Development Workshop, NHH, Norway; Bergen Seminar in Development Economics, CMI, Norway; Symposium on Economic Experiments in Developing Countries, La Universidad Nacional de Rosario, Colombia; Workshop on the Political Economy of Conflict, Royal Holloway and Queen Mary, UK; Summer School on The Economics Crime over Time and Space, University of Southampton, UK; FORSKER GRAND PRIX 2022 (Norwegian Research presentation competition), Bergen, Norway; 44th Meeting of the Norwegian Association of Economists, University of Stavanger, Norway
2021	Econometric Game, the University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Public Engagement and Media Appearances

2026	"Ethiopian women and safety" Op-Ed, *The Conversation*, Jan
2024	"Cocaine chaos: Ecuador's drug war" Panelist , *Bergen Global*, Jan
2023	"Cost of cocaine" podcast, *VG (biggest newspaper in Norway)*, June
2023	"Analysis cocaine and violence in Colombia" podcast, *Bergen Public Library*, Feb
2022	"Addressed social harms from cocaine" Op-Ed , *Bergens Tidende*, Oct
2022	"Forsker Grand Prix" Interview , *Khrono*, Sep

Other

Coding:	R, Stata, LaTeX, Git, QGIS, Matlab, VBA, Python
Language:	Norwegian: Mother tongue. English, Spanish, French, and Portuguese: Professional proficiency. Danish and Swedish: Conversational proficiency. Italian: Basic
Citizenship:	Norwegian

References

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