Yao Thibaut KPEGLI

PhD in Economics

Research Interests

- Behavioral and Experimental Economics
- Economics of Risk, Uncertainty, and Beliefs
- Behavioral Finance
- Applied Econometrics
- Health Economics
- Poverty and Inequality

Current position

Sep. 2023 - Temporary Lecturer and researcher (ATER), Ecole Normale Supérieure Paris-Saclay

Now O Bootcamp in Stata, R, and Latex (graduate) — Decision Theory and Game theory (graduate)— International Trade (graduate) — Macroeconomics (undergraduate)— Advanced Econometrics (graduate)

Education

- 2019-2023 PhD in Economics, Université Lumière Lyon 2 & GATE LSE France
 - **Title of thesis**: Cumulative Prospect Theory for Risk and Uncertainty: New Measurement Methods and Applications
 - \odot Supervisors: Brice Corgnet Adam Zylbersztejn
 - \odot Jury: Mohammed Abdellaoui Dorothea Kübler Olivier L'Haridon Béatrice Rey-Fournier
- 2018-2019 M2 (Msc) in Economics and Finance, Université Lumière Lyon 2 France
 - Master's thesis: Parameter-free and semi-parametric methods to elicit probability or event weights in cumulative prospect theory
 Rank: 1st
- 2015-2016 M2 (Msc) in Quantitative and Economic Analysis, Université Gaston Berger (UGB) Senegal • Rank: 1st
- 2013–2014 L3 (Bachelor) in Applied Economic, Université Gaston Berger (UGB) Senegal • Rank: 1st

IT skills and Languages

Statistics Stata, R, Python, SAS, Matlab, Power BI

- Writing Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint), Latex
- Languages English (Excellent), French (Excellent)

Professional experience

Sep. 2022 - Lecturer and researcher, École normale supérieure de Lyon (among top universities in France in Aug. 2023 economics)

- Advanced Econometrics: data analysis and modeling (graduate)
- Advanced Statistics (undergraduate)
- International Macroeconomics (undergraduate)
- Jan. 2023 The World Bank, Health, Nutrition and Population Global Practice

June 2023 O Consultant: Africa fellowship Program - I was one of 36 individuals who were selected out of over 3200 applicants

- Country office: Guinea (Conakry)
 - Analytical work: research on poverty, inequality, health financial risks, and human capital
 - **Operations**: drafting of "aide-memoire" of implementation support missions of projects, evaluation of ToRs, etc...
 - Quality Control: controlling the quality of documents (ToRs, reports, etc...)

- April. 2023 Lecturer, Université Catholique De L'Afrique De L'Ouest (UCAO) Guinea (Conakry) May. 2023 ○ Micro-economics of risk, uncertainty, and insurance (graduate)
- Nov. 2020 Teaching Assistant, Université Lumière Lyon 2 & Université Jean Moulin Lyon 3
- June. 2022 O Data analysis, Modeling, and Econometrics (graduate) Market and competition (undergraduate) Macroeconomics (undergraduate)
- Aug. 2019 Consultant, Consortium pour la Recherche Economique et Sociale (CRES) Senegal

Aug. 2020 o Analytical work

- Developing a technical tool to simulate the effects of alternative tobacco fiscal policies in ECOWAS countries
- Feb. 2017 Research Assistant, Consortium pour la Recherche Economique et Sociale (CRES) Senegal

Aug. 2018 \odot Analytical work and policy notes

- Developing a macroeconomic tool to evaluate the costs of noncommunicable diseases in Senegal
- Analysis of the tobacco control data of the World Health Organization (WHO) in order to evaluate the inefficiency of tobacco product taxation systems of ECOWAS countries with respect to the public health objective of reducing tobacco consumption
- Data analysis and assessment of the levels of illicit trade of tobacco products in the ECOWAS countries

• Operations

- Workshop to disseminate results to ECOWAS authorities and international partners
- Staff meeting report

Nov 2016 - Jan Research Assistant, Action Contre la Faim (ACF) and World Bank

2017 Analytical work

- Cleaning and arranging data in a good format that was used to compare two methods of targeting vulnerable households in Senegal
 - The World Bank related report "Diagne M. F.(2017). Etude des synergies possibles entre les méthodologies de ciblage HEA et le Registre National Unique (RNU)"

Distinctions, awards, and grants

- 2019-2022 Ministry of Higher Education's full Research Grant to finance the best PhD projects in Economics in Lyon and Saint-Etienne
- 2020-2021 GATE-Lab funding program to finance the two best experimental designs of PhD students
- 2018-2019 IDEXLYON Scholarship to reward the best international students who wish to enter the social science masters programs of universities of Lyon and Saint-Etienne (France)
- 2012-2016 Scholarship from municipalities of Grand-Popo (Benin) & Saint-Louis (Senegal) to reward the fact that I had the highest grade in the municipality of Grand-Popo at the baccalaureate of Benin-2011

Publications

KPEGLI.Y.T., Corgnet B., Zylbersztejn A.(2019). All at Once! A Comprehensive and Tractable Semi-parametric Method to Elicit Prospect Theory Components. *Journal of Mathematical Economics* (Rank 1, CNRS)

 $\,\circ\,$ My contribution: modeling, data analysis, and the first draft of the study

MANE. P. Y. B., DIAGNE. A., **KPEGLI.Y.T.** (2019). Modeling the Macroeconomic Effects of Noncommunicable Diseases: Extension and Application to Senegal. Economics Bulletin. Vol. 39 No. 4 pp. 2904-2912. (Rank 3, CNRS)

 \circ My contribution: modeling, data analysis, and the first draft of the study

NDIAYE. A. A., KONTE. M. A., **KPEGLI. Y. T**.(2017). The Solow model augmented with the net capital inflows to-GDP-ratio.Economics Bulletin. Vol 37. No 3 pp. 2020-2029. (Rank 3, CNRS) • **My contribution**: modeling, data analysis, and the first draft of the study

Job Market Paper

Against the Odds! The Tradeoff Between Risk and Incentives is Alive and Well! (with Corgnet B., Hernán-González R. & Zylbersztejn A.).

- My contribution: Modeling, data analysis, and the first draft of the paper
- Abstract: The risk-incentives tradeoff (RIT) is a fundamental result of principal-agent theory. Yet, empirical evidence has been elusive. This could be due to a lack of robustness of the theory outside of the standard expected utility framework (EUT) or to confounding factors in the empirical tests. We first study RIT under alternative theories: Rank-Dependent Utility (RDU) and Mean-Variance-Skewness (MVS). We show that RIT is remarkably robust under RDU, but not under MVS. Second, we use a novel experimental design that eliminates confounding factors and find evidence for RIT even in the case of risk-seeking agents, which is a distinct prediction of RDU. Our results provide support for the risk-incentives tradeoff and suggest that it applies to a broad range of situations including cases in which agents are risk-seeking (e.g., executive compensation).

Working papers

Non-parametric Random Probability Weighting Method for Measuring Prospect Theory. • My contribution: single author paper

Measuring Beliefs and Ambiguity Attitudes for Discrete Sources of Uncertainty (with Erazo D. M. A.).

• My contribution: Modeling, data analysis, and the first draft of the paper

Impact of out-of-pocket health payments on poverty and alignment of public and external health financing with this impact in Guinea (with Porgo T. V. and Kouanda Z. K., World Bank Working paper).

• My contribution: data analysis and the first draft of the paper

Works in progress

• Market asset pricing in the presence of positively skewed assets and probability weighting. (with Brice Corgnet and Jacopo Magnani)

Policy notes

MANE. P. Y. A., DIAGNE. A., KPEGLI.Y.T. (2018). Effectiveness of tobacco product taxation systems in ECOWAS member countries: tax incidence approach. CRES Policy Note • My contribution: data analysis and first draft of the study

MANE. P. Y. A., DIAGNE. A., KPEGLI.Y.T. (2018). Effectiveness of tobacco product taxation systems in ECOWAS member countries: tax frontier approach. CRES Policy Note • My contribution: data analysis and first draft of the study

MANE. P. Y. A., DIAGNE. A., KPEGLI.Y.T. (2018). Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products in ECOWAS Countries. CRES Policy Note

• My contribution: data analysis and first draft of the study

Conferences and Workshops

Nov. 15, 2023 (forthcoming)	ESA Job Market Seminar, hold online
June 2023	ESA World Meetings in Lyon, University Lyon 2, France
May 26, 2023	World Bank Group Africa Fellowship BBL Series, Online, Washington
Sept. 2022	European ESA conference, Bologna, Italy
July 2022	Risk, Uncertainty and Decision (RUD) conference , <i>Paris School of Economics (PSE)</i> , Paris, France

- June 2022 ESA World Meetings in Boston, MIT Sloan, USA
- Aug. 2021 Subjective Probability Utility and Decision making (SPDUM) conference, University of Warwick, hold online
- July 2021 Invitation for presenting, Univ. Perpignan, lab. CEDED, France
- April 2021 **PhD student workshop**, Doctoral School of Economics and Management of Lyon, hold online, France
- Feb. 2020 GATE internal seminar

Supervision of master thesis

- May 2023 Master 2 in Economics, Université de Thies, Senegal
 now O Student: Zéférino Agbahoungba
 Title: Impact of climate change on the poverty of rural women: An application in Benin
- March 2021 Master 1 in Economics, Université Lumière Lyon 2, France
 May 2021 O Student: Abou Bakar Kader Dolle
 O Title: Commodity price variations and economic and social instabilities

Most recent volunteer activities

- 2017-2023 Peer reviewer for journals such as Journal of Economic Theory, Economics Bulletin, Review of Development Economics
- 2021-2022 Elected representative of PhD students, council of the GATE

References

Brice Corgnet (supervisor)

- Position: Professor of Finance at EM-Lyon Business School, GATE, and University of Lyon (France)
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Teegwende Valerie Porgo

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