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CURRENT APPOINTMENT

Researcher at the Economics Institute of the Czech Academy of Sciences (a part of CERGE-EI, a joint workplace of Charles University and the Economics Institute of the Czech Academy of Sciences)

October 2007 – present

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Labor Economics, Applied Microeconometrics, Consumer Credit

PUBLICATIONS

- Bicakova, A. (2016) "Gender Unemployment Gaps: Blame the Family", *IZA Journal of European Labor Studies* 5(22) 1-31.
- Bicakova, A. and Kaliskova, K. (2016) "Výskyt a vznik nezaměstnanosti u žen s předškolními dětmi: případ České republiky" (Occurrence and Rise of Unemployment of Women with Pre-School Children: the Case of the Czech Republic), *Politická ekonomie*, 64(6) 695-712.
- Bicakova, A. and Jurajda, S. (2015) "Gender composition of college graduates by field of study and early fertility", *Review of Economics of the Household*, DOI 10.1007/s11150-015-9309-6
- Bicakova, A. (2014) "The Trade-off between Unemployment and Wage Inequality Revisited", *Oxford Economic Papers*, 66 (4) 891-915.
- Bicakova, A., Slacalek, J. and Slavik, M. (2011) "Labor Supply after Transition: Evidence from the Czech Republic", *Czech Journal of Economics and Finance* (Finance a uver), 61(4) 327-347.
- Bicakova, A. (2008) "Unemployment vs. Inactivity: Why Do We Care about One But Not the

- Other?" in Neumaier, O. et al. (eds.) Perspectives on Work, LIT Verlag, Wien, 295-300.
- Bicakova, A. (2007) "Does the Good Matter? Evidence on Moral Hazard and Adverse Selection from Consumer Credit Market", *Italian Economic Journal* (formerly: Giornale degli Economisti e Annali di Economia), 120 (66) 29–66.
- Bicakova, A. (2001) "The Concept of Knowledge in Economics and the New Economics of Science", *Věda, technika a společnost* (Prague), 10 (23) 69–88

POLICY BRIEFS

Bicakova, A., Jurajda, S., Zapletalova, L. (2017) Vrána k vráně sedá aneb důležitost oboru studia při výběru partnera, IDEA studie 7/2017

Bicakova A., Jurajda S. (2016) *Field-of-study homogamy: Evidence from the EU*, VoxEU.org, CEPR, London (http://voxeu.org/article/field-study-homogamy-evidence-eu)

Bicakova, A., Kaliskova, K. (2015) *Od mateřství k nezaměstnanosti: Postavení žen s malými dětmi na trhu práce*, IDEA studie 10/2015

WORKING PAPERS

Bicakova, A. and Kaliskova, K. (2016) *Career Breaks after Childbirth: The Impact of Family Leave Reforms in the Czech Republic*, IZA Discussion Papers 10149, Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA) [also as CERGE-EI Working Paper No. 568]

Bicakova, A. and Jurajda, S. (2016) *Field-of-Study Homogamy*, IZA Discussion Papers 9844, Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA) [also as a CERGE-EI Working Paper No. 561]

- Bicakova, A. (2014) Selection into Labor Force and Gender Unemployment Gaps, CERGE-EI Working Paper Series No. 513.
- Bicakova, A. and Jurajda, S. (2014) *The Quiet Revolution and the Family: Gender Composition of Tertiary Education and Early Fertility Patterns*, IZA Discussion Papers 7965, Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA) [also as CERGE-EI WP No. 504]
- Bicakova, A. (2012) *Gender Unemployment Gaps: Blame the Family*, CERGE-EI Working Paper Series No. 475.
- Bicakova, A., Prelcova Z. and Pasalicova, R. (2010) *Who Borrows and Who May Not Repay?*, Working Papers 2010/10, Czech National Bank, Research Department. [also as a WP in CERGE-EI Working Paper Series No. 443]
- Ata Nurcan, N. and Bicakova, A. (2010) *Self-control and debt: evidence from data on credit counselling*, Economics Series Working Papers 504, University of Oxford.
- Bicakova, A. (2010) Gender Unemployment Gaps: Evidence from the New EU Member States, CERGE-EI Working Paper Series wp410.

- Bicakova, A. and Sierminska, E. (2008) *Mortgage Market Maturity and Homeownership Inequality among Young Households : A Five-Country Perspective*, SOEPpapers No. 90/2008, DIW Berlin, The German Socio-Economic Panel.
- Bicakova, A., Slacalek, J. and Slavik, M. (2008) *Labor Supply after Transition: Evidence from the Czech Republic*, CERGE-EI Working Papers wp351, The Center for Economic Research and Graduate Education Economic Institute, Prague.

 [also as a WP in Working Paper Series 887, European Central Bank.]
- Bicakova, A. and Sierminska, E. (2008) "Homeownership Inequality and the Access to Credit Market" in Jonung, L. and and Kontulainen, J. (eds.) *Growth and income distribution in an integrated Europe: Does EMU make a difference?*, European Economy, Economic Papers **325**, June, European Commission, Brussels.
- Bicakova, A. (2006) *Market vs. Institutions: The Trade-off Between Unemployment and Wage Inequality Revisited*, Economics Working Papers ECO 2006/31, European University Institute.
- Bicakova, A., Slacalek. J. and Slavik, M. (2006) Fiscal Implications of Personal Tax Adjustments in the Czech Republic, Working Papers 2006/6, Czech National Bank, Research Department
- Bicakova, A. (2005) Unemployment Versus Inactivity: An Analysis of the Earnings and Labor Force Status of Prime Age Men in France, the UK, and the US at the End of the 20th Century, Luxembourg Income Study WP No. 412
- Turner, M.D., Bicakova, A. (2003) *The Effects of Higher Minimum Wages on Welfare Recipiency: Another Look*, Joint Center for Poverty Research WP No. 328

EDUCATION

PhD in Economics, Johns Hopkins University, September 2005

Dissertation: "On the Distribution of Earnings and Labor Force Status: The Case of France, the UK and the US at the End of the 20th Century" (Principal Advisor: Robert Moffitt)

M. A. in Economics, CERGE-EI, New York, USA, August 2001

M. Phil. in Economics, University of Cambridge, UK, July 2000

Mgr. in Economics, Charles University, Prague, May 1998

Postgraduate Certificate in International Business, ESC de Rennes, France, June 1996

Bc. in Economics, Charles University, Prague, June 1995

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Visiting Scholar Grant, Luxembourg Income Study, Luxembourg, July 2004, April 2007 Eugenio and Patricia Castillo Award, Johns Hopkins University, May 2003 T. Rowe Price Fellowship, the Ph.D. program in Economics at JHU, USA 2001–2005 COT/Citibank Scholarship, the M.Phil. program in Economics, Cambridge, UK 1999–2000 Dean's Honors for Outstanding Master's Thesis, Charles University, May 1998 TEMPUS Scholarship, one-semester stay, ESC, Rennes, France, Spring 1996

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Quantitative Methods II, graduate MAE level one-semester course, CERGE-EI (2012- 2017) Labor and Public Economics II, graduate one-semester course, CERGE-EI (2009) Labor Economics II, graduate one-semester course, CERGE-EI (2008) Econometrics II, graduate one-semester course, CERGE-EI (2008-2013)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor at CERGE, Charles University, Prague (October 2007 – December 2016)

Research Fellow at Finance and Consumption Program, European University Institute, Florence (November 2005 – September 2007)

Organizer of the joint Finance and Consumption Program and CFS Workshop on "Behavioral Approaches to Consumption, Credit, and Asset Allocation", 25-26 May 2007, Florence, Italy

Organizer of the Finance and Consumption Program Workshop on "Consumption and Credit in Countries with Developing Credit Markets", 16–17 May 2007, Florence, Italy

Teaching Assistant to Prof. Serena Ng, graduate course in Econometrics, JHU, Spring 2003

Research Assistant

to Prof. Robert Moffitt, JHU, June 2002 - August 2005

Urban Institute, Washington, DC, USA, May-June 2002

to Dr. Mark Turner, Institute for Policy Studies, JHU, Sept. 2001 - May 2002

to Dr. Štepán Jurajda at CERGE-EI, Prague, Sept. 2000 – July 2001

to Dr. Pavel Mertlík, Charles University, Prague, July 1998 – May 1999

JOURNAL REFEREE

Economics of Transition, Czech Journal of Economics and Finance, Oxford Economic Papers, Emerging Markets Finance and Trade, Journal of Family and Economic Issues, Empirical Economics

SERVICE ON BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Grant Agency of Academy of Science of the Czech Republic

RESEARCH GRANTS

Czech National Bank, grant no. C3/2009 (2009-2010)

Project: Who Borrows and Who May Not Repay: Changes in the Distribution of Credit and Creditworthiness across Households in the Czech Republic since 2000

Czech Science Foundation (GAČR), grant no. 402/08/P466 (2008-2009)

Project: Gender (Un)Employment Gaps in Post-Transition Countries

European Commission, DG ECFIN, grant no. 163/2007/SI2.469639 (2007) Project: Homeownership Inequality and the Access to Credit Markets

Czech National Bank, grant no. D1/2005 (2005-2006)
Project: Fiscal Implications of Personal Tax Adjustments in the Czech Republic

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

11th GDN Regional Research Competition Workshop, August 2011 (invited as a discussant)

Prague Economic Meeting, Prague, Czech Republic, June 2011 (paper: Gender Unemployment Gaps across EU: Blame the Family (Culture))

23rd European Society for Population Economics Annual Conference, Sevilla, Spain, June 2009 (paper: Do Women Face Less Jobs and Lower Pay, or Is There a Trade-off? Evidence on Gender Gaps in the European Labor Markets)

1st European User Conference for EU-LFS and EU-SILC, Mannheim, Germany, March 2009 (paper: Gender Unemployment Gaps: Evidence from the New EU Member States)

The 5th Conference of the Czech Economics Society, Prague, Czech Republic, November 2008 (paper: Gender Unemployment Gaps)

Finance and Consumption Program Workshop on "Workshop on Payment System and Consumer Credit Market Innovations", 26 September 2008, Florence, Italy (invited as a discussant)

Annual Conference of the European Association of Labor Economics, Amsterdam, the Netherlands, September 2008 (paper: Self-control and Debt)

23rd Annual Congress of the European Economic Association, Milano, Italy, August 2008 (paper: Unemployment and Inactivity)

The 2007 DG ECFIN Annual Research Conference on Growth and Income Distribution in an Integrated Europe: Does EMU Make a Difference?, Brussels, October 2007 (paper: Homeownership Inequality and the Access to Credit Markets)

2nd Meeting of the Society for the Study of Economic Inequality (ECINEQ), Berlin, July 2007 (paper: Homeownership Inequality and the Access to Credit Markets)

The Luxembourg Wealth Study: Enhancing Comparative Research on Household Finance, final "Beta phase" LWS conference, organized by Banca d'Italia, Rome, July 2007 (paper: Homeownership Inequality and the Access to Credit Markets)

Finance and Consumption Program and CFS Workshop on "Behavioral Approaches to Consumption, Credit, and Asset Allocation", 25-26 May 2007, Florence, Italy (paper: Self-control and Debt)

Impulses from Salzburg 2007 - Perspectives on Work, Salzburg, Center for Ethics and Poverty Research, University of Salzburg, May 2007

(essay: "Unemployment vs. inactivity: Why do we care about one but not the other?")

Second Italian Congress of Econometrics and Empirical Economics, Rimini, Italy, January 2007 (paper: Does the Good Matter?)

The 4th Conference of the Czech Economics Society, Prague, Czech Republic, November 2006 (paper: Fiscal Implications of Personal Tax Adjustments in the Czech Republic)

Annual Conference of the European Association of Labor Economics, Prague, Czech Republic, September 2006 (paper: Market vs. Institutions)

Credit and Counselling Symposium, Magdalene College, Cambridge, September 2006 (paper: Can Consumer Credit Counselling Help Overcome the Self-Control Problems?)

20th Annual Congress of the European Economic Association, Amsterdam, the Netherlands, August 2005 (paper: Unemployment and Inactivity)

IZA European Summer School in Labor Economics, Buch am Ammersee, Germany, April 2005 (paper: Unemployment and Inactivity)

Eastern Economic Association Annual Conference, New York City, US, March 2005 (paper: Income and the Effect of Health on Elderly Employment in Taiwan)

Luxembourg Income Study Summer Workshop, LIS, Luxembourg City, June–July 2004 PACO Workshop: Training in Cross-National Research with Longitudinal Household Panels, CEPS/INSTEAD, Differdange, Luxembourg, June 2002

INVITED SEMINARS

CERGE-EI, Prague, Czech Republic, March 2007 (paper: Market vs. Institutions)

IZA, Bonn, Germany, April 2006 (paper: Market vs. Institutions)

European University Institute, Florence, Italy, March 2006 (paper: Market vs. Institutions)

CEU-MNB, Budapest, Hungary, March 2005 (paper: Unemployment and Inactivity)

European University Institute, Florence, Italy, March 2005 (paper: Unemployment and Inactivity)