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Maria is pursuing a PhD to become a professor and researcher in the history of economic thought and development economics. Maria has teaching, research and administrative experience, including at King's College London, the School of Oriental and African Studies and the OECD.

EDUCATION

PhD, International Political Economy and History of Economic Thought

Sept. 2014 - present

King's College, London

Fully funded by the London Arts and Humanities Partnership (LAHP) (supported by the AHRC).

Thesis: What shaped the idea of development within Indian Political Economy, 1870-1905

MSc, Development Economics

Sept. 2011 - Sept. 2012

The School of Oriental and African Studies, SOAS

Grade: Distinction

Thesis: The Influence of the Other – India in Classical Political Economy

BA, Honours in International Economics and Applied Mathematics

Aug. 2008 – May 2011

The American University of Paris, AUP

Grade: Summa Cum Laude with GPA: 3.78/4.0

Thesis (empirical): Helping or Hindering? To what extent does micro-credit empower women.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

London School of Economics and Political Science, LSE - Graduate Teaching Assistant

Aug. 2016 – present

Teaching tutorials on the 'Internationalization of Economic Growth, 1870 to the present day'. Includes marking.

Institute for New Economic Thinking, INET - Working Group Coordinator

May 2016 - present

- Coordinator of Working Group on History of Economic Thought.
- Helped organise YSI Plenary 2016. Invited and organised four sessions with young and senior scholars.
- Organise and chair webinar series, and workshops.

King's College London - Graduate Teaching Assistant

Sep. 2015 – June 2016

- Teaching seminars on principles of economics to first year undergraduates following the **CORE** curriculum.
- Moderating seminars on International Political Economy under Drs. Alex Callinicos and Lucia Prudella.
- Position also includes marking essays and exams.

King's College London - Research Assistant

Dec. 2014 - Apr. 2015

Search of newspaper archives to identify relevant stories, then noting specified details to an Excel database, coding the stories and identifying the cited research articles on the Web of Science. Newspaper in Denmark.

The Brilliant Club - Teacher in the History of Economic Thought

Dec. 2014 – May 2015

Design and deliver a university style course on how Karl Marx's writings on India were influenced by Orientalism to sixth form students. The initiative aims to widen access to highly selective universities by placing PhD students in schools serving low participation communities to deliver university style teaching to high-performing students.

Econ+ - Blog Contributor and Academic Liaison

May 2013 – Aug. 2016

- Regular blog contributor to the Econ+ article section: e.g. Time for Outrage, and author of the Policy Fact Series: e.g. Flexible norms, Balanced Lifestyles.
- Networking in academic circles to pursue our goal of getting more young people involved in policy making.

The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, OECD - Consultant

Jan. 2013 – Aug. 2014

- Part of the New Approaches to Economic Challenges Initiative in the Secretary General's Office, and Environment and Economy Integration Division in the Environment Directorate.
- Contributed to the drafting and revision of project documents, annual reports, briefing notes and webpage, including research papers on the 2008 crisis, economic history and heterodox approaches as well as proposals that outlined the work programme.
- Supported public relations with various international organisations, think tanks and universities, including the Council of Europe, the Institute for New Economic Thinking (INET), Harvard and Oxford.
- Organised high-level expert conference on the effects of environmental changes on GDP growth and global forum on the advantages of implementing Extended Producer Responsibility regulation. Participants included high level ministers, delegates and experts from OECD countries (140 in total).

The School of Oriental and African Studies, SOAS - Private Economics Teacher

Sept. 2011 – May 2012

Taught blind postgraduate student econometrics, micro- and macro-economics, and financial systems. Supported her through exam preparation and course work assignments.

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The American University of Paris, AUP – Teaching Assistant in International Economics Sept. 2010 – July 2011

- Planned and taught review lectures in Microeconomics, Int. Economic Relations, and Public Finance.
- Compiled and marked homework and provided one-to-one tutoring, 6 hours/week.

CONFERENCES AND PUBLICATIONS

Conferences:

- European Society for the History of Economic Thought (ESHET) XX Annual Conference 25-28 May 2016 Presented 'A Western Idea of Development – What shaped the idea of development in Indian Political Economy, 1870-1905'
- Young Scholar's Initiative, Institute for New Economic Thinking (INET), History of Economic Thought Workshop
 at the European Society of the History of Economic Thought (ESHET) XIX Annual Conference
 11-13 May 2015
 Presented 'A Eurocentric Idea of Development How Classical Economics shaped Indian Economics'
- 46th Annual Conference on the History of Economic Thought, Westminster University
 3-5 Sept. 2014
 New Pathways in the History of Political Economy, The University of Cambridge
 23 Jan. 2015

 Presented 'The Influence of the Other: India in Classical Political Economy' An historical analysis of 19th century classical economists' perceptions of India and ensuing repercussions. This paper finds a connection between Western antistate-intervention and Indian pre-colonial sovereignty.

Publication:

'Helping or Hindering? To what Extent does Micro-credit Empower Women'

Published in Scripta Politica et Economica

May 2012

By compiling a Women Empowerment Index, this paper observes a positive correlation between women empowerment and microfinance. (Undergraduate thesis supervised by Dr. M. Dorsch.)

FUNDING

- Awarded a full scholarship to fund my doctoral thesis from the London Arts and Humanities Partnership (LAHP) (supported by the Arts and Humanities Research Council, AHRC), 2015-2017.
- Awarded funding for my first year of doctoral training from Swedish foundations: <u>Sixten Gemzéus and Gålöstiftelsen</u>, and <u>Helge Ax:son Johnsons Stiftelse</u>, 2015.
- Awarded funding to attend the annual European Society of History Economic Thought (ESHET) conference by the Institute for New Economic Thinking (INET), May 2016.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Founder and President of AUP Student Ambassadors

Sept. 2008 – May 2011

• Founded a group of students who volunteered for open houses, campus tours and prospective student support.

President of AUP Running Club

Jan. 2009 – May 2011

- Initiated and organised an annual 7km run to raise money for charity.
- Participated in regular 10-20km races.

Sept. 2010 – May 2011

• Assisted new students with housing and general guidance on moving to a new country.

Acting

Played Alice in a production of Alice in Wonderland at Marymount International School

Jan. – May 2005

• Actress with the Barnes Theatre Company, London

Jan. 2000 – July 2004

SKILLS

Languages: English (Mother Tongue), Swedish (Mother Tongue) and French (Fluent)

Statistics: Theoretical/practical experience with cross sectional and time series data as well as with

compiling indexes.

Software: STATA, Eviews, Lindo, MS Office

ACADEMIC AND PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

- Dean's list (2008-2011), academic excellence and involvement certificate at AUP (2009), and the award for outstanding Social Service at Marymount International School, London (2006).
- Cycled from Paris to Marseilles.

INTERESTS

Long distance biking, swimming, rowing, sewing, travelling, reading and acting.