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Data & Analytics Executive with 20+ years of experience creating innovative research programs and building multidisciplinary teams that strategically support the organization's mission.

I enjoy finding rigorous yet pragmatic ways to make sense of complex questions. My focus has remained the same throughout my career as an econometrician and professor of economics first, then central banker and think-tanker: finding the best approaches to draw insights from data to inform smart decisions. Nowadays, I rely on machine learning tools, standard econometrics, and analytical reasoning to draw data-driven recommendations.

Coaching and effectual leader

| Results-oriented

| Knowledge-driven

Strategic thinker

| Problem-solver

| Effective communicator

Team-builder

| Public speaker

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Milken Institute | Think Tank, USA | 2014-present

Head, Research Department.

Lead the Institute's data-driven efforts to influence global policy issues in international finance (systemic risk, financial stability, ESG investing, Tech, capital flows, G20 topics), health economics (public health risks, health disparities), and regional economics (regional competitiveness, innovation, labor-market disparities). Main initiatives include:

- Creation of the Research Department (new strategic direction, new research agenda, and new multidisciplinary team)
- Implementation of a data-driven and pragmatic research agenda (using machine learning tools, standard econometrics, and analytical reasoning)
- Design of a new strategy to disseminate the department work, combining interactive dashboards, short communications, policy briefs, and reports
- Integrate the Research Department's activities with the Institute's centers and [Global Conference](#).

Sr. Managing Economist and Director of International Finance and Macroeconomics

Main initiatives included:

- Creation of the International Finance and Macroeconomics research team and agenda (strategy, research agenda, team)
- Design and implementation of the new research agenda on Financial Stability and Capital Flows
- Integrate the group's activities with the Institute's centers, events, and outreach efforts.

T20 | Taskforce on Int'l Financial Architecture | 2018- present

- Lead discussions and policy recommendations on topics related to financial stability (technology in finance, macroprudential policy, digital currency)

Banque de France - Central Bank of France | France | 2010-2014

Division Deputy Head, Structural Economic Analysis

Led a team of economists (Ph.D.) and analysts (MA) to deliver economic analysis, research, and policy recommendations on potential growth-related issues and structural reforms (fiscal and public policies, labor market, goods, and services market...) within the OECD countries. Main responsibilities included:

- Prepare BdF stance on structural reform issues
- Prepare reports and speeches for high-level international meetings (ECB Governing Council, G7, G10, G20, IMF, OECD, etc.)
- Monitor and forecast economic developments in OECD countries
- Strengthen the division research output
- Design and manage research projects

Section Head and Sr. Research Economist, International Finance and Macro

Led a team of economists (Ph.D.) and analysts (MA) to deliver economic analysis, research, and policy recommendations on global policy issues (global imbalances, international trade and financial flows, exchange rates and competitiveness, global liquidity, international policy coordination, cross-border spillovers, and commodities). Main responsibilities included:

- Prepare BdF stance on international finance issues
- Prepare reports and speeches for high-level international meetings (BIS, ECB Governing Council, G7, G10, G20, IMF, etc.)
- Develop and implement analytical models to monitor trends on key global policy and macroeconomic performance issues.
- Lead and participate in cross-institutional/international task forces on banking and IMF external balance assessment

University of Cincinnati | USA | 2003 - 2010

Tenured Professor, Economics

Specialized in international finance and econometric research. Main responsibilities included:

- Conduct high-quality research in international finance, macroeconomics, and econometric modeling (topics on exchange rates, inflation, unemployment, stationarity, etc.) Published in highly ranked academic journals, presented at international conferences, obtained several research grants
- Teach undergraduate and graduate classes in time series econometrics, forecasting, and open macroeconomics. Directed graduate dissertations and projects within the Applied Economics Research Institute, created and managed a tutoring center
- Chair and participate in several committees, including the TAFT Research Center, fundraising, research and student grants, and sponsorship of educational activities. Organized national economics conferences.

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics, University of Houston, 2003

MS, Econometrics, Toulouse School of Economics, France, 1999