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International economics and finance, economic geography, microeconomic data

**EDUCATION**2002-2007 **Central European University, Budapest, Ph.D. in Economics**

- *Dissertation*: "FDI Location and productivity : Evidence from Hungary"
- *PhD Committee*: Gianmarco Ottaviano (U. Bocconi), Laszlo Halpern (IEHAS/CEU), Carlo Altomonte (U. Bocconi), Gabor Kezdi (CEU)

1999-2000 **London School of Economics, MSc Economics**

- *Thesis*: "Financial market contagion and the treasury yields: the case of Hungary"

1996-1999 **Budapest University of Economic Sciences, MSc Finance and Economics**

- *Thesis*: "Theoretical aspects of capital flows and development" in Hungarian

1992-1996 **Budapest University of Economic Sciences, BSc Economics****WORK EXPERIENCE**

2005-present	Institute of Economics, Hungarian Academy of Sciences	Research fellow
2004-present	Various	Consultant
2004	CEU, Dept. of Economics	Teaching assistant in Macroeconomics, International Economics
2000-2002	Lehman Brothers (investment bank)	CEE Economist (London)
1998-1999	Pénzügykutató Rt. Budapest	Junior researcher (part time)
1998	Budapest U. of Economic Sciences	Teaching assistant in Economic Policy

**VISITING RESEARCHER**

2006	University Paris I. / TEAM	CEU doctoral research grant
2005	Università di Bologna, Department of Economic Sciences	CEU doctoral research grant
2004-2005	Magyar Nemzeti Bank, Department of Economic Research	visiting researcher, 6 months

**LANGUAGES**Hungarian – *mother tongue*, English – *fluent*, French – *good***IT - computing**

Stata (good), Gauss (basic), E-views (good)

## AWARDS, GRANTS

- OeNB *Olga Radzyner Award* for Scientific Work on European Economic Integration, bestowed on young economists from Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe (2008)
- CEU Department of Economics, *Best PhD dissertation* (2007/2008)
- GDN Regional *Research Competition Grant* –IE-Cerge (2006-2007), “Factors determining the benefit of spillovers from multinational to domestic firms in Hungary”
- OTKA *Research Grant* (2008) “Pricing behaviour at Hungarian petrol market”

## PRESENTATIONS

Micro-Dyn workshop 2007, 2008, 2009 European Economic Association – 2006, 2007, 2009  
European Trade Study Group – 2005, 2006, 2008, 2009; Bocconi University, FEEM, Central European University; Magyar Nemzeti Bank; University of Stockholm; HWWA Institute, Hamburg; Warsaw University, UN Innovation expert panel, Geneva

## MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANISATION:

European Economic Association, Magyar Közgazdaságtudományi Egyesület

## REFEREE

European Economic Review

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS AND WORK IN PROGRESS

### Journal articles, Book chapters

- Productivity Linkages among Heterogeneous Firms: Evidence from Hungarian firms (with Jörn Kleinert and Farid Toubal), *The World Economy* Vol. 32. No. 10. 2009. 1408-1433.
- Optimális valutaövezetek, gazdasági integráltság és hasonlatosság: az Európai Unió példája (Optimum currency areas, economic integration and similarity: the case of the EU) in Hungarian in [Közgazdasági Szemle](#) (1998. (Vol 45.) 7-8. . 709p)
- Motives of corporate location choice ([in Hungarian](#), [in English](#)), Chapter 2.1 in *The Hungarian labour market, 2004 : Review and analysis* / ed. by K. Fazekas, J. Koltay and Zs. Cseres-Gergely. - Bp. : MTA KTI, 2004.

### Working papers, submitted papers

- Firms and Products in International Trade: Data and Patterns for Hungary (*with Balázs Muraközy and Péter Harasztosi*), CEFiG DP 2009/9 <http://cefig.eu/view/cfigwp/40/>
- Location of manufacturing FDI in Hungary: How important are inter-company relationships? Magyar Nemzeti Bank Working Paper, 2005 December, [WP 2005/7](#). *new version, available on request*
- Temporary Trade (*with Balázs Muraközy*) IEHAS Discussion Paper, [MT-DP 2009/9](#), *new version, available on request*
- Trade Complexity and Productivity (*with Carlo Altomonte*), FEEM Working Paper, 62.2009 [www.feem.it](http://www.feem.it)

- Fiscal Federalism and Municipalities, Financial Research Ltd – USAID, 1999

### **Work in progress**

- International exposure, innovation and firm performance across Europe: Some policy implications (*with Carlo Altomonte*)
- Agglomeration of firms, trading activity and firm performance (*with Peter Harasztosi*)
- Location of FDI in Hungary: Role of Local Infrastructure

### **Other writings**

- Globális válság: mi várhat Magyarországra? Portfolio.hu (2008-10-08) / Financial crisis: from global to local, Budapest Times, Monday, 13 October 2008
- Káros szenvedélyektől mentes közgazdászt, tartós kapcsolat reményében (with Balázs Muraközy), Magyar Narancs, 2007 január 25.
- Inflációs Célt! (For a proper inflation target,) in Hungarian with Attila Rátfai. Longer version at [ingyenebed.hu](http://ingyenebed.hu) or [here](#), a shorter version was published in [Világgazdaság \(I.\) &\(II.\)](#)
- Miért ugrál a forint árfolyama? (Why is the exchange rate hectic now?) a [Magyar Hírlap](#) article in Hungarian with Duronelly Péter.