

Paul Muller

Resume

Research interests *Empirical labor economics: job search, unemployment, policy evaluation, occupational mobility, disability insurance programs, migration*

Academic Appointments

- 2023 – now **Associate Professor**, *Vrije Universiteit*, Amsterdam.
- 2019 – 2023 **Assistant Professor** (tenured since 2022), *Vrije Universiteit*, Amsterdam.
- 2015 – 2019 **Assistant Professor**, *University of Gothenburg*, Browaldh Research Fellow.

Affiliations

- 2024 – **Research Affiliate**, *Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR)*, Labour Economics Programme and Public Economics Programme.
- 2020 – **Research Affiliate**, *IZA*, Bonn.
- 2019 – **Research Fellow**, *Tinbergen Institute*, Amsterdam.

Education

- 2011 – 2015 **Ph.D in Economics**, *Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam and Tinbergen Institute*.
- 2009 – 2011 **Mphil. in Economics**, *Tinbergen Institute Amsterdam*.
- 2005 – 2008 **Bsc. in Economics**, *University of Amsterdam*.

Publications and working papers

Refereed Journal Publications

- [Eliciting Time Preferences When Income and Consumption Vary: Theory, Validation and Application to Job Search](#). With Michèle Belot and Philipp Kircher, IZA Discussion Paper 14091. Conditionally Accepted at *American Economic Journal: Microeconomics*
- [How wage announcements affect job search - a field experiment](#). With Michèle Belot and Philipp Kircher, *American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics*, 14(4), 2022
- [Do Disability Benefits Hinder Work Resumption After Recovery?](#). With Pierre Koning and Roger Prudon, *Journal of Health Economics*, Vol 82, March 2022
- [Experimental evidence of limited attention at the gym](#). With Wolfgang Habla, *Experimental Economics* 24, 2021
- [Comparing econometric methods to empirically evaluate activation program for job seekers](#). With Bas van der Klaauw and Arjan Heyma, *Journal of Applied Econometrics*, Vol. 35, Issue 5, August 2020
- [Providing advice to job seekers at low cost: An experimental study on online advice](#). With Michèle Belot and Philipp Kircher, *The Review of Economic Studies*, Vol. 86, Issue 4, July 2019

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- o [Estimating equilibrium effects of job search assistance](#). With Pieter Gautier, Bas van der Klaauw, Michael Rosholm and Michael Svarer, *Journal of Labor Economics*, Vol. 36:4, October 2018
- o [Childcare subsidies and labour supply: Evidence from a large Dutch reform](#). With Leon Bettendorf and Egbert Jongen, *Labour Economics*, Vol. 36, October 2015

Discussion papers

- o [Why do temporary workers have higher disability insurance risks?](#). With Pierre Koning and Roger Prudon, IZA Discussion Paper 15173. *R&R at Labour Economics*
- o [Do the Long-term Unemployed Benefit from Automated Occupational Advice during Online Job Search?](#) With Michèle Belot and Philipp Kircher, IZA Discussion Paper 15452. *R&R at Economic Journal*
- o [Tax incentives for high skilled immigrants: evidence from a preferential tax scheme in the Netherlands](#). With Massimo Giuliodori and Lisa Timm, IZA Discussion Paper 15582. *R&R at American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*

Work in progress

- o [Stimulating Occupational Mobility among Unemployed Job Seekers](#). With Michèle Belot, Bart K. de Koning, Didier Fouarge, Philipp Kircher and Sandra Phlippen
- o [Can buddy support overcome motivational challenges to occupational transition?](#). With Michèle Belot, Bart K. de Koning, Didier Fouarge, Philipp Kircher and Sandra Phlippen

Publications in Dutch

- o [Hervorming expatregeling heeft tot aanzienlijke toename migranten geleid](#). With Massimo Giuliodori and Lisa Timm. *Economisch Statistische Berichten*, forthcoming
- o [Werkgeversverplichtingen bij ziekte ook effectief bij tijdelijke werknemers](#). With Pierre Koning and Roger Prudon, *Economisch Statistische Berichten*, 107 (4810), June 2022
- o [Arbeidsmarkts effect verandering kinderopvang-subsidie op arbeidsparticipatie](#). With Leon Bettendorf and Egbert Jongen, *Economisch Statistische Berichten*, 97(4647), 678
- o [Helpt arbeidsmarkt informatie bij vinden werk?](#) *Loopbaan Visie*, April 2016

Presentations and academic visits

Invited seminars

- 2024 Maastricht University, CREST ENSAE Paris, Halle Institute for Economic Research (*scheduled*)
- 2023 Tilburg University, University of Mannheim/ZEW, Leiden University, UWV (Dutch Employment Office)
- 2022 KOF-ETH-UZH Zürich; Paris School of Economics; University of Edinburgh
- 2021 UWV (Dutch Employment Office)
- 2020 Gothenburg University; Sabanci University Istanbul
- 2019 Aalto University Helsinki; IZA Bonn
- 2017 IFAU (Uppsala); Swedish Public Employment Service (Stockholm)

- 2015 University of Vienna; Collegio Carlo Alberto (Turin); DIW Berlin; IZA (Bonn); University of Copenhagen; University of Gothenburg; The Netherlands Bureau for Economic Policy Evaluation (The Hague); University of St. Gallen
- 2014 Leibniz Seminar of Berlin Network of Labour Market Researchers (Berlin); University of Edinburgh
- 2012 Dutch Ministry of Social Affairs
- Conferences and workshops**
- 2024 ESPE (Rotterdam, scheduled)
- 2023 Workshop on Disability Economics (Barcelona), 4th Economics and Sociology Workshop (Amsterdam), KVS New Paper Sessions (Leiden), EALE (Prague)
- 2022 KVS New Paper Sessions (Leiden), EALE (Padua)
- 2021 ESPE (Barcelona, virtual), EALE (Padua, virtual)
- 2020 EEA Congress (Rotterdam, virtual)
- 2019 EALE (Uppsala), 3rd Economics and Sociology Workshop (Amsterdam)
- 2017 Workshop on Economic Policy Interventions and Behaviour (Bristol)
- 2016 SOLE (Seattle), ESPE (Berlin), EALE (Ghent), IZA/IFAU Conference on Labor Market Policy Evaluation (Bonn), International TASKS conference (ZEW, Mannheim)
- 2015 Annual Search and Matching Conference (Aix-en-Provence)
- 2014 ESPE (Braga); Annual Search and Matching Conference (Edinburgh)
- 2013 Spring Meeting of Young Economists (Aarhus); Workshop ‘Consumption and Labor Supply’ (Rennes); EALE (Turin)
- 2012 EALE (Bonn); Annual Search and Matching Conference (Cyprus); IAB workshop on sanctions, monitoring and job search assistance (Nurnberg); Search and Matching workshop, Crest-Insee (Paris); The Netherlands Bureau for Economic Policy Evaluation (The Hague)
- 2012 Workshop Centre for Research in Active Labour Market Policy Effects (Børkop, Denmark)

Academic visits

- 2013 University of Edinburgh (June, September - January)
- 2012 University of Edinburgh (November)
- 2011 Netherlands Bureau for Economic Policy Evaluation (CPB) (October - February)

Courses and summer schools

- 2013 16th IZA European Summer School in Labor Economics (Munich)
- 2012 First IZA@DC Young Scholar program (Washington DC)
- 2011 Tinbergen Lectures, by David Card (on Structural Discrete Choice Models in Labor Economics)

Grants and service

Grants

- [NWO Vidi Grant \(2023\)](#)
- OCW Starters grant (2023)
- Diligentia Foundation Grant (2021)

- [ODISSEI Microdata Access Grant \(MAG\) \(2020\)](#)
- Browaldh Research Fellowship (2015 -2021) (6 years fully funded)
- Tinbergen Institute full scholarship (2010-2011)
- Tinbergen Institute tuition fee scholarship (2009-2010)

Referee

- *Quarterly Journal of Economics; American Economic Review; American Economic Review: Insights; American Economic Journal: Economic Policy; Journal of European Economic Association; Journal of Labor Economics; Economic Journal; Journal of Human Resources; Journal of Public Economics; Journal of Applied Econometrics; European Economic Review; Experimental Economics; Scandinavian Journal of Economics; Journal of Health Economics; Journal of Environmental Economics and Management; Labour Economics; Economic Inquiry; Journal of Population Economics; Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization; Empirical Economics; Journal of Law, Economics and Organization; IZA Journal of Labor Economics; Economics of Transition and Institutional Change, Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics, Economica, Swiss Journal of Economics and Statistics*

Other

- 2019 – now Organization of labor seminar series (Tinbergen Institute Amsterdam)
- 2017 Organization of general interest seminar economics department (University of Gothenburg)

Teaching

Courses

- 2019 – now Microeconomics and Methods (VU) lectures
- 2019 – now Quantitative Research Skills III (VU) lectures and tutorials
- 2019 – now Supervision Bsc and Msc theses (VU)
- 2019 – 2021 Introduction to Econometrics (Amsterdam University College) lectures and tutorials
- 2016 – 2018 Bsc Thesis writing course (GU) lectures and tutorials
- 2015 – 2017 Graduate Econometrics (GU), lab tutorials
- 2009 – 2015 Tutorials for: Macroeconomics (undergraduate, VU), Microeconomics (undergraduate level, VU), Microeconomics (graduate level, Tinbergen Institute), Statistics (graduate level, Tinbergen Institute), Academic Skills (undergraduate level, University of Amsterdam)

Phd supervision

- Roger Prudon (2019 -) (*First placement: Postdoc at NBER and Lecturer at Lancaster University*)
- Lisa Timm (2021 -)

Other

- MPhil Thesis committee member (Stefanos Tyros, Ibrahim Cikrikcioglu); Discussant final PhD seminar (Stefano Lombardi)

Other

- Software STATA, LaTeX
- Programming R, Matlab, Python (basic)

Languages Dutch (Native), English (Fluent), Swedish (Basic)

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