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Biography

Ibrahim Gunay is a Consultant at Vega Economics. Ibrahim Gunay specializes in international trade and finance. He has experience with quantitative methods and large datasets to investigate the economic impact of international trade agreements.

Dr. Gunay's recent case experience includes developing quantitative event study models for a securities litigation case that investigated insider trading allegations of executives of a large international company. He was also involved with developing statistical and econometric models for loss causation and loss severity in a class action matter involving an RMBS trustee.

Prior to joining Vega Economics, Dr. Gunay was an Assistant Professor at the University at Albany, SUNY where he taught courses in macroeconomics, finance, and international trade at the undergraduate and graduate levels.

Dr. Gunay received his Ph.D. degree in Economics from the University of Michigan and his master's degree in Economics from Toulouse School of Economics. He is fluent in English, French, Turkish, and Arabic.

Education

Ph.D. Economics, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, 2016
Specialization in international economics and macroeconomics.

M.A. Economics, Toulouse School of Economics, Toulouse, 2009

B.A. Economics, Koç University, Istanbul, 2008

Professional Experience

Vega Economics, Consultant, 2018-present

Department of Economics, State University of New York at Albany, Assistant Professor, 2016-2018

University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, Graduate Student Instructor, 2010-2016

University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, Research Assistant, 2010-2012

Working Papers

Local Impact of Trade Liberalization: Trans-Pacific Partnership and U.S. States

Investigation of the impact of the Trans-Pacific partnership agreement on local labor markets using a multidimensional general equilibrium model with regional and sectoral trade data.

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International Trade and Independence: Evidence from Catalonia

Impact of trade openness and diversity of trade partners on political independence opinions in Catalonia using local level trade statistics, opinion surveys, and election results.

Global Shocks, Occupational Mobility, and Inequality

Impact of trade on occupational earnings using a general equilibrium model with trade data by region, sector, and occupation.

Referee Experience

European Economic Review, Singapore Economic Review

Selected Presentations

University at Albany, SUNY, San Diego State University, University at Arkansas, American University of Beirut, Western Washington University, Midwest Economic Theory and International Trade Meetings, Penn State University, International Economics Seminar, University of Michigan, Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Political Economy Workshop, University of Michigan, Trade, Development, and Political Economy Workshop, Syracuse University.

Fellowships and Awards

Rackham Travel Grant, MITRE Travel Award, University of Michigan (2015)

Regents Fellowship, Department of Economics, University of Michigan (2009-2010)

Eiffel Excellence Scholarship, French Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Development, Toulouse School of Economics (2008-2009)

Dean's Honor Roll and VKS Scholar awards, Placement Scholarship, Koç University (2004-2008)

Technical Skills

Programming & Software: Python, R, Matlab, Stata, SQL, SAS, Scala, Spark, Stata, E-views, PHP, MS Office, ArcGIS, Bloomberg, Datastream, Latex.

Methods: Econometrics, Statistics, Machine Learning, Computation, Optimization, Big Data, Clustering.