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Employment

Harvard University, Nathaniel Ropes Professor of Political Economy	07/2021 –
Harvard University, Professor of Economics	05/2018 – 06/2021
Harvard University, Associate Professor of Economics	07/2017 – 04/2018
Harvard University, Assistant Professor of Economics	07/2016 – 06/2017
Harvard Society of Fellows, Junior Fellow	07/2014 – 06/2016

Education

Ph.D., Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology	2014
M.S., Economics, ENSAE and Paris School of Economics (Master APE)	2009
M.S., Economics and Finance, Ecole Polytechnique de Paris	2008
B.A., Economics, University of Cambridge	2007

Professional Activities

Founder and Director of the Social Economics Lab : socialeconomiclab.org	01/2018 –
Editor <i>Quarterly Journal of Economics</i>	01/2020 –
Member of the Economic Council of the French Prime Minister (CAE)	06/2018 –
Research Associate, National Bureau of Economic Research	09/2018 –
Faculty Research Fellow, Center for Economic Policy Research	06/2018 –
Associate Editor <i>Quarterly Journal of Economics</i>	08/2018 – 12/2019
Associate Editor <i>American Economic Review</i>	08/2018 – 12/2019
Foreign Editor <i>Review of Economic Studies</i>	10/2017 – 12/2019
Associate Editor <i>Journal of Political Economy</i>	05/2017 – 12/2019
Faculty Research Fellow, National Bureau of Economic Research	06/2014 – 08/2018

Fellowships, Honors and Awards

John Bates Clark Medal	2025
A.SK Bright Mind Awards	2023
Henrik Enderlein Prize.	2022
John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Fellow.	2022
Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.	2021
Fellow of the Econometric Society.	2021
2021 Calvo-Armengol Research Prize in Economics.	2021
Maurice Allais Economics Prize.	2021
2021 Carnegie Fellow.	2021
Elaine Bennett Research Prize.	2020
Best Young French Economist 2019.	2019
2018 Sloan Research Fellow.	2018 – 2020
NSF CAREER Award.	2017 – 2022
Furer Fellow, Harvard University.	2017 – 2020
Excellence in Refereeing Award, American Economic Review.	2016, 2017
Junior Fellow, Harvard Society of Fellows.	2014 – 2016
Review of Economic Studies Tour.	2014
Bradley Foundation Fellowship in Public Finance.	2010 – 2014
James Berkovec Memorial Fund Scholarship, MIT.	2009
Ida Green Institute Fellowship, MIT.	2009
Chair of Business Economics, Ecole Polytechnique	
Prize for the Best Master Dissertation.	2008
Scholarship for Academic Excellence.	2007 – 2008
University of Cambridge	
Gladstone Memorial Prize for Best Undergraduate Dissertation.	2007
Adam Smith Prize for Best Undergraduate Dissertation in Economics.	2007
Adam Smith Prize for Best Undergraduate Student in Economics.	2007
Bursary for Academic Excellence, Cambridge European Trust.	2004

Publications

“Understanding Economic Behavior Using Open-ended Survey Data” (joint with Ingar Haaland, Christopher Roth, and Johannes Wohlfart). Forthcoming. *Journal of Economic Literature*, [also *NBER Working Paper* 32421. An earlier version of this paper was circulated under the title “Measuring What is Top of Mind”].

“Perceptions, Mindsets and Beliefs Shaping Policy Views (2024 *Economica*-Coase Lecture).” Forthcoming. *Economica*.

“Fighting Climate Change : International Attitudes Toward Climate Policies,” (joint with Antoine Dechezlepretre, Ana Sanchez Chico, Adrien Fabre, Tobias Kruse, and Bluebery Planterose). 2025. *American Economic Review*, 115(4) : 1258-1300, [also *NBER Working Paper* 30265].

"People's Understanding of Inflation" (joint with Alberto Binetti and Francesco Nuzzi). 2024. *Journal of Monetary Economics*, 148 : 103652, [also *NBER Working Paper 32497*].

"Why do We Dislike Inflation?" 2024. Spring 2024 *Brookings Papers on Economic Activity (BPEA)* issue.

"Immigration and Redistribution," (joint with Alberto Alesina and Armando Miano). 2023. *The Review of Economic Studies*, 90(1) : 1-39, [also *NBER Working Paper 24733*].

"Social Position and Fairness Views on Inequality," (joint with Claus Thustrup Kreiner and Kristoffer Balle Hvidberg). 2023. *The Review of Economic Studies*, 90(6) : 3083-3118, [also *NBER Working Paper 28099*].

"Civil Liberties in Times of Crisis," (joint with Marcella Alsan, Luca Braghieri, Sarah Eichmeyer, Minjeong Joyce Kim, and David Y. Yang). 2023. *American Economic Journal : Applied Economics*, 15 (4) : 389-421.

"The Health of Democracies during the Pandemic : Results from a Randomized Survey Experiment," (joint with Marcella Alsan, Luca Braghieri, Sarah Eichmeyer, Minjeong Joyce Kim, and David Yang). 2023. *AEA Papers and Proceedings* 113 : 572-576.

"How to Run Surveys : A guide to creating your identifying variation and revealing the invisible". 2022. *Annual Review of Economics* 15(1) : 205-234.

Akcigit, Ufuk, Douglas Hanley, and Stefanie Stantcheva. 2022. "Optimal Taxation and R&D Policies," *Econometrica* 90(2), 645-684, [also *NBER Working Paper 22908*].

"Eliciting People's First-Order Concerns : Text Analysis of Open-Ended Survey Questions," (joint with Beatrice Ferrario). 2022. *American Economic Review : Papers and Proceedings* 112 : 163-169, [also *NBER Working Paper 29686*].

Akcigit, Ufuk, John Grigsby, Tom Nicholas, and Stefanie Stantcheva. 2022. "Taxation and Innovation in the Twentieth Century," *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 137(1), 329-385, [also *NBER Working Paper 24982*].

Algan, Yann, Daniel Cohen, Eva Davoine, Martial Foucault, and Stefanie Stantcheva. 2021. "Trust in Scientists in Times of Pandemic : Panel Evidence from 12 Countries," *PNAS*, 118(40).

Stantcheva, Stefanie. 2021. "Understanding Tax Policy : How do People Reason?" *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 136(4) : 2309-2369, [also *NBER Working Paper 27699*].

Al-Karablieh, Yazan, Evangelos Koumanakos, and Stefanie Stantcheva. 2021. "Clearing the Bar : Improving Tax Compliance for Small Firms through Target Setting," *Journal of International Economics*, 130 : 103452, [also *NBER Working Paper 27770*].

Stantcheva, Stefanie, Alberto Alesina, and Armando Miano. 2020. "Diversity, Immigration, and Redistribution." *American Economic Review : Papers and Proceedings*, 110 : 329-334, [also *NBER Working Paper 26620*].

Stantcheva, Stefanie. 2020. "Dynamic Taxation." *Annual Review of Economics*, Volume 12 : 801-831.

Stantcheva, Stefanie, Henrik Kleven, Camille Landais, and Mathilde Munoz. Spring 2020. "Taxation and Migration : Evidence and Policy Implications." *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 34(2) : 119-142, [also *NBER Working Paper* 25740].

Alesina, Alberto, Stefanie Stantcheva, and Armando Miano. 2020. "The Polarization of Reality." *American Economic Review : Papers and Proceedings*, 110 : 324-328, [also *NBER Working Paper* 26675].

Alsan, Marcella, Stefanie Stantcheva, David Yang, and David Cutler. 2020. "Disparities in Coronavirus 2019 Reported Incidence, Knowledge, and Behavior Among US Adults." *JAMA Network Open*.

Stantcheva, Stefanie and Emmanuel Saez. 2018. "A Simpler Theory of Optimal Capital Taxation." *Journal of Public Economics*, 162 : 120-142, [also *NBER Working Paper* 22664].

Alesina, Alberto, Stefanie Stantcheva, and Edoardo Teso. 2018. "Intergenerational Mobility and Support for Redistribution." *American Economic Review*, 108(2), 521-554, [also *NBER Working Paper* 23027].

Stantcheva, Stefanie. 2017. "Optimal Taxation and Human Capital Policies over the Life Cycle." [Lead Article], *Journal of Political Economy*, 125(6) : 1931-1990, [also *NBER Working Paper* 21207].

Saez, Emmanuel and Stefanie Stantcheva. 2016. "Generalized Social Welfare Weights for Optimal Tax Theory." *American Economic Review*, 106(1), 24-45, [also *NBER Working Paper* 18835].

Akcigit, Ufuk, Salome Baslandze and Stefanie Stantcheva. 2016. "Taxation and the International Mobility of Inventors." *American Economic Review*, 106(10) : 2930-2981, [also *NBER Working Paper* 21024].

Kuziemko, Ilyana, Michael Norton, Emmanuel Saez and Stefanie Stantcheva. 2015. "How Elastic are Preferences for Redistribution : Evidence from Randomized Survey Experiments." *American Economic Review*, 105(4), 1478-1508, [also *NBER Working Paper* 18865].

Piketty, Thomas, Emmanuel Saez and Stefanie Stantcheva. 2014. "Optimal Taxation of Top Labor Incomes : A Tale of Three Elasticities." *American Economic Journal : Economic Policy*, 6(1), 230-271, [also *NBER Working Paper* 17616].

Stantcheva, Stefanie. 2014. "Optimal Income Taxation with Adverse Selection in the Labor Market." *The Review of Economic Studies*, 81, 1296-1329.

Working Papers

"The Universal Pursuit of Safety and the Demand for (Lethal, Non-Lethal or No) Guns" (joint with Marcella Alsan and Joshua Schwartzstein). 2025. *Harvard University Working Paper*.

"Emotions and Policy Views (joint with Yann Algan, Eva Davoine, and Thomas Renault). 2025. *Harvard University Working Paper*.

"The How and Why of Household Reactions to Income Shocks," (joint with Roberto Colarieti and Pierfrancesco Mei). 2024. *NBER Working Paper* 32191.

"Zero-Sum Thinking and the Roots of U.S. Political Differences," (joint with Sahil Chinoy, Nathan Nunn, and Sandra Sequeira). 2023. [Conditionally Accepted at the *American Economic Review*], *NBER Working Paper* 31688.

"Tax Design, Information, and Elasticities : Evidence from the French Wealth Tax," (joint with Bertrand Garbinti, Jonathan Goupille-Lebret, Mathilde Munoz, and Gabriel Zucman). 2023. [Revise and Resubmit at *The Review of Economic Studies*], *NBER Working Paper* 31333.

"Wealth and Property Taxation in the United States," (joint with Camille Landais and Sacha Dray). 2023. [Revise and Resubmit at the *Quarterly Journal of Economics*], *NBER Working Paper* 31080.

"Perceptions of Racial Gaps, Their Causes, and Ways to Reduce Them," (joint with Alberto Alesina and Matteo Ferroni). 2021. [Revise and Resubmit at the *Journal of Political Economy*], *NBER Working Paper* 29245.

"Understanding Economic Policies : What do People know and How Can They Learn ?" 2020. *Harvard University Working Paper*.

"Understanding of Trade" 2022. [Revise and Resubmit at *The Review of Economic Studies*], *NBER Working Paper* 30040.

"Reforms and Dynamics of Income : Evidence Using New Panel Data," (joint with Philippe Aghion, Vlad Ciornohuz and Maxime Gravouelle). 2019. *Working Paper*.

"Anatomy of Inequality and Income Dynamics in France," (joint with Philippe Aghion, Vlad Ciornohuz and Maxime Gravouelle). 2019. *Working Paper*.

"Dancing with the Stars : Innovation through Interactions," (joint with Ufuk Akcigit, Santiago Caicedo Soler, Ernest Miguelez, and Valerio Sterzi). 2018. [Revise and Resubmit at *Econometrica*], *NBER Working Paper* 24466.

"Tax Simplicity or Simplicity of Evasion ? Evidence from Self-Employment Taxes in France," (joint with Philippe Aghion, and Matthieu Lequien). 2017. *NBER Working Paper* 24049.

"Learning and (or) Doing : Human Capital Investments and Optimal Taxation" 2015. *NBER Working Paper* 21381.

"Optimal Income, Education and Bequest Taxes in an Intergenerational Model" 2015. *NBER Working Paper* 21177.

Book Chapters, Policy Papers, and Other Publications

Stefanie Stantcheva. 2023. "Comment on "Intermunicipal Cooperation in France and Related Tax Issues,"" *Policy Responses to Tax Competition*.

Stefanie Stantcheva. 2022. "The Effects of Taxes on Innovation : Theory and Empirical Evidence," *The Economics of Creative Destruction, A festschrift symposium in honor of Philippe Aghion and Peter Howitt* [also *NBER Working Paper* 29359].

Stantcheva, Stefanie. 2022. "Inequalities in the Times of a Pandemic," *Economic Policy*.

Stefanie Stantcheva. 2021. "Perceptions and Preferences for Redistribution," *The IFS Deaton Review on Inequality* [also NBER Working Paper 29370].

"A Policy Matrix for Inclusive Prosperity" (joint with Dani Rodrik). 2021. *NBER Working Paper 28736*.
Rodrik, Dani, and Stefanie Stantcheva. 2021. "Fixing Capitalism's Good Jobs Problem," *Oxford Review of Economic Policy*.

"Economic Inequality and Insecurity : Policies for an Inclusive Economy" 2021. (with Dani Rodrik) in Report Prepared for Commission Chaired by Olivier Blanchard and Jean Tirole on Major Future Economic Challenges, France.

Stantcheva, Stefanie. 2021. "Why do we not Support more Redistribution ? New Explanations from Economics Research," In D. Rodrik (Ed.) and O. Blanchard (Ed.). *Combating Inequality : Rethinking Policies to Reduce Inequality in Advanced Economies* Cambridge, MA : MIT University Press.

Akcigit, Ufuk, and Stefanie Stantcheva. 2021. "Taxation and Innovation : What Do We Know?" In eds. Austan Goolsbee and Benjamin Jones *NBER Tax Policy and the Economy*, [also *NBER Working Paper 27109*].

Miscellaneous

Citizenship : France and U.S.

Languages : French (native), Bulgarian (native), German (fluent), Spanish (used to be good..).