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Appointments Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics, New York University Abu Dhabi, 2024-present

Assistant Professor of Economics, Pennsylvania State University, 2015-present Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Pennsylvania, 2018-19 Postdoc, Faculty of Economics & St. John's College, Uni of Cambridge, 2014-15 Economist, Office of Chief Economic Advisor, Govt. of India, 2012-13, 2014-16

Education

Ph.D., Economics, Princeton University, 2008-2014

Commitee: Stephen Morris (advisor), Dilip Abreu, Marco Battaglini, Sylvain Chassang

M.A., Economics, Delhi School of Economics, 2006-2008

B.A.(H), Mathematics, St. Stephen's College, University of Delhi, 2003-2006

**Book** 

Breaking the Mould: Reimagining India's Economic Future, w/ Raghuram Rajan, December 2023, Penguin Random House (in India)

Media: The Economist, Financial Times

Book talks: The Quorum, Bangalore International Center

Breaking the Mould: India's Untraveled Path to Prosperity, w/Raghuram Rajan, May 2024, *Princeton* Univesity Press (Global edition)

### forthcoming papers

- **Published and** I. On dynamic pricing, w/ Ilia Krasikov, February 2023, accepted *American Economic Journal*: Microeconomics
  - 2. Implications of unequal discounting in dynamic contracting, w/ Ilia Krasikov & Thomas Mettral, February 2023, American Economic Journal: Microeconomics, 15(1): 638-692
  - 3. A theory of dynamic contracting with financial constraints, w/ Ilia Krasikov, April 2021, Journal of Economic Theory, 193, 105196
  - 4. Dynamism with incommensurate development: The distinctive Indian model, w/ Arvind Subramanian, February 2020, *Journal of Economic Perspectives* (lead article), 34(1), 3–30
  - 5. Optimal dynamic contracting: The first-order approach and beyond, w/ Marco Battaglini, December 2019, Theoretical Economics, 14(4), 1435-1482
  - 6. An economic partnership for twenty first-century Asia, w/ Devesh Kapur, 2016, In edited volume Poised for partnership: deepening India-Japan relations in the Asian century, OUP
  - 7. The coal saga: the imminent and the feasible, w/ Pranjul Bhandari, July 2013, Economic and Political Weekly, 48(28), 19–21

#### Papers under revision

- 8. Uncertain repeated games, w/ Ilia Krasikov, Sep 2023, r& r, Econometrica
- 9. Rationalizing dynamic choices, w/ Henrique de Oliveira, Sep 2023, r&r, Journal of Political Economy

10. The role of farm subsidies in changing India's water footprint, w/ Shoumitro Chatterjee & Esha Zaveri, February 2023, r& r, Nature: Communications

#### Submitted papers

11. Inverse selection, w/ Markus Brunnermeier & Carlos Segura-Rodriguez, November 2023

#### Working papers and work in progress

- 12. Pricing with algorithms, w/ Sergey Zhuk, September 2023, working paper close to submission
- 13. Treasury auctions during a crisis, w/ Seher Gupta, April 2023, working paper close to submission
- 14. Hard information design, w/ Sulagna Dasgupta & Ilia Krasikov, February 2023, working paper close to submission
- 15. Dynamic information design via deviation rules, w/ Henrique de Oliveira, Oct 2023, working paper
- 16. Uncertain repeated games with fixed discounting, w/ Ilia Krasikov, Oct 2023, working paper
- 17. Efficiency with(out) intermediation in repeated trade, September 2022, updated draft soon
- 18. Behavioral epidemiology: An economic model to evaluate optimal policy in the midst of a pandemic, w/ Shomak Chakraborty & Ilia Krasikov, February 2022, updated draft soon
- 19. On dynamic contracting without transfers, w/ Ilia Krasikov & Yunan Li, in progress
- 20. Monopolistic screening with endogenous hard information, w/ Sulagna Dasgupta & Ilia Krasikov, in progress
- 21. Job ladder and optimal taxation, w/ Mikhail Golosov & Ilia Krasikov, in progress
- 22. Perverse consequences of conditional incentives with low state capacity, w/ Dean Spears, Nov 2013

## Policy and

- 1. On the development model for India: Services will serve the nation well, w/ Raghuram Rajan, other writings December 2023, TOI
  - 2. How services can create next wave of India's globalisation, w/ Raghuram Rajan, April 2023, TOI
  - 3. High growth, but do more: on the struggling low-income in India, w/ Rahul Chauhan and Raghuram Rajan, January 2023, TOI
  - 4. The great job hunt in India, w/ Rahul Chauhan and Raghuram Rajan, December 2022, TOI
  - 5. On electoral bonds: cleaning up political funding, w/ Raghuram Rajan, October 2022, TOI
  - 6. India's nationalism should be about's it economy, w/ Raghuram Rajan, June 2022, TOI
  - 7. The missing 'I' In India w/ Raghuram Rajan, April 2022, TOI
  - 8. Mind, body and growth, w/ Raghuram Rajan, March 2022, TOI
  - 9. On services led growth: India's economic model, w/ Raghuram Rajan, March 2022, TOI
  - 10. The case for liberal democracy, w/ Raghuram Rajan, Jan 2022, TOI
  - 11. Lessons from Nirala's ballad for our battle with Covid, November 2020, Mint Lounge
  - 12. Arvind Subramanian's inspirational legacy, w/ TeamCea, July 2018, Mint

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>TOI=Times of India

- 13. Dilip José Abreu: An elegant and creative economist, May 2018, Mint
- 14. On twenty-five years of economic liberalization, July 2016, w/ Pranjul Bhnadari, Open
- 15. Governor's legacy on Raghuram Rajan, June 2016, Indian Express
- 16. Ideas over methods- on the Nobel for Angus Deaton, Nov 2015, Indian Express
- 17. Tunnel effect and caste reservations, Sep 2015, Mint
- 18. Why should India focus on leverage ratio and not just capital adequacy, May 2015, w/ Arvind Subramanian, *Business Standard*
- 19. Five questions on India's credit, w/ Sutirtha Roy & Arvind Subramanian, April 2015, *Business Standard*
- 20. Making PPPs work again, July 2014, Mint
- 21. Solving India's coal conundrum, w/ Pranjul Bhandari, , June 2013, Mint
- 22. Credit where it is due, w/ Jacob Goldin, Feb 2013, Indian Express

## Awards and scholarships

GRF Grant, Hong Kong Research Grants Council (w/ Ilia Krasikov & Yunan Li), 2023-2025

Department of economics teaching award, Pennsylvania State University, 2015-16

Goldfeld fellowship, Princeton University, 2013

Graduate fellowship, Princeton University, 2008-2014

Visiting research fellowship, Trimester program in mechanism Design, Hausdorff research institute for mathematics, Bonn, Germany, June-August 2009

Prof. Balvir & Ranjana Singh memorial scholarship, Delhi School of Economics, 2007-08

Department of mathematics prize, St. Stephen's College, 2005-06

UFJ foundation scholarship St. Stephen's College, 2005-06

Vikas Dhaka scholarship, St. Stephen's College, 2004-05

# Seminar and conference presentations

2024: Boston College, Cornell University, New York University Abu Dhabi

2023: University of Miami Herbert, Cornell University Johnson, University of Arizona economic theory conference, UC Riverside, Oxford University (mini-course + seminar), LSE, Essex workshop on dynamic incentives, UCL, BSE Summer Forum Workshop on Coordination and Social Interaction, SAET in Paris, Princeton University, University of Toronto, New York University, Virtual Seminar in Economic Theory, New York University Abu Dhabi

2022: University of Maryland, Stanford University, NBER/CEME Decentralization conference, University of Texas Austin, University of Kansas, NYU IO Day, McGill University, Northwestern University, Ashoka University annual economics conference, Delhi School of Economics winter school, ISI Delhi annual conference

2021: NBER Summer Institute, North American Summer meetings, European Econometric Society Summer Meetings, NBER/CEME Decentralization conference, Pennsylvania economic theory conference 2020: Princeton University privacy conference, Berlin-Bonn theory webinar

2019: European summer symposium in economic theory at Gerzensee, Princeton University, Southern Economic Association conference in Florida, NBER/CEME Decentralization conference at UC Berkeley 2018: North American and European Econometric Society summer meetings, Bank of Canada, UPenn theory, UPenn IO, New York University

2017: NSF/CEME Decentralization conference, Society for economic dynamics at Edinburg, North American Econometric Society summer meetings, Yale University, University of Pittsburg, Penn State University IO, Workshop on relational contracts at Northwestern, Reserve Bank of India

2016: Pennsylvania economic theory conference, Midwest economic theory conference, Reserve Bank of India, Vanderbilt University, Northwestern University

2015: PSE Paris, EUI Florence, MPI for research on collective goods, SAET, Review of economic design conference in Istanbul

2014: Yale School of Management, NYU, Washington University Olin, University of Chicago, Penn State University, ISB Hyderabad, University of Cambridge, HEC Paris

2013: Cowles summer conference at Yale University, Princeton University, North American Econometric Society summer meetings and winter meetings

2012: World Congress of Game Theory Society at Istanbul, North American Econometric Society summer meetings at Northwestern, Asian Econometric Society meeting in Delhi

Teaching experience

PhD: Micro 1st year core and 2nd year topics course

Maters': Micro 1st year core course:

Undergrad: Introductory micro, Introductory macro, Intermediate micro, Industrial organization, Advance game theory

PhD students

Ilia Krasikov\*: Tel Aviv University and Higher School of Economics at Moscow

Oleg Muratov: University of Bern Postdoc

Shomak Chakraborty: University of Manchester lecturer Ece Teoman, Darshana Sunoj\*, Kazuyuki Higashi: *in progress* 

Referee

Econometrica, Journal of Political Economy, Quarterly Journal of Economics, American Economic Review, Review of Economic Studies, American Economic Review: Insights, Journal of Economic Theory, Theoretical Economics, American Economic Journal: Microeconomics, Games and Economic Behavior, Journal of European Economic Association, Journal of Public Economics, Review of Financial Studies, International Economics Review, Economic Journal, European Commission Grant, Israel Science Foundation, Economics and Computation conference.

Other skills and interests

Languages: English (fluent), Hindi (native), Urdu (intermediate), German (beginner)

Poetry: Reading, writing, translating and performing

Speech and debate: Vice President, St. Stephen's College debating society, 2005-06

Sports: Cricket, squash, tennis

Himalayan treking: In Kashmir, Ladakh, Himachal, Uttrakhand and Bhutan

References

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