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Current positions:

2025– Associate Professor (*Docent*), Senior Lecturer, Department of Economics and Statistics, Linnaeus University.

2022– Research Fellow, Research Institute of Industrial Economics (IFN).

Education:

2017 PhD in Economics, Institute for International Economic Studies (IIES), Stockholm University. *Supervisors: Jakob Svensson (chair) and Torsten Persson.*

2009 MSc (*Filosofie magisterexamen*), Economics, Stockholm University.

2007 BSc (*Filosofie kandidatexamen*), Economics, Stockholm University.

Previous employment:

2022–25 Senior Lecturer, Department of Economics and Statistics, Linnaeus University.

2021–22 Research Fellow (with tenure), Research Institute of Industrial Economics (IFN).

2017–21 Research Fellow (on tenure-track), Research Institute of Industrial Economics (IFN).

2009–11 Research Assistant, Institute for International Economic Studies (IIES), Stockholm University.

Research visits:

2011–12 Visiting Student (PhD), Department of Economics, UC Berkeley.

Career breaks:

Parental leave for three children (born 2014, 2018, and 2026) amounting to about 15 months in total.

Publications:

Peer reviewed:

6. Ejermo, O., K. Enflo, B. Eriksson, and E. Prawitz. "Home, Sweet Home: Returns to Returning in the Age of Mass Migration", *AEJ: Applied Economics*, 17(4): 29–59, 2025.
5. Berger, T. and E. Prawitz (2024). "Inventors among the 'Impoverished Sophisticate'", *The Journal of Economic History*, 84(4), 1175–1207.
4. Berger, T. and E. Prawitz (2024). "Collaboration and Connectivity: Historical Evidence from Patent Records", *Journal of Urban Economics*, 139, 103629.
3. Andersson, D., T. Berger, and E. Prawitz (2023). "Making a Market: Infrastructure, Integration and the Rise of Innovation", *The Review of Economics and Statistics*, 105(2): 258–274.

2. Andersson, D., M. Karadja, and E. Prawitz (2022). "Mass Migration and Technological Change", *Journal of the European Economic Association*, 20(5), 1859–1896.
1. Karadja, M. and E. Prawitz (2019). "Exit, Voice and Political Change: Evidence from Swedish Mass Migration to the United States", *Journal of Political Economy*, 127(4), 1864–1925.

Other:

3. Persson, L, K. Edmark, P-J. Norbäck, E. Prawitz (2024). "Konjunkturrådets rapport 2024: Näringslivets produktivitetsutveckling", SNS Förlag.
2. Prawitz, E. (2019). "On the Move: Essays on the Economic and Political Development of Sweden", *The Journal of Economic History*, 79(2), 534–538 [Thesis summary].
1. Karadja, M. and E. Prawitz (2018). "Emigrationen och den svenska arbetarrörelsen", *Ekonomisk Debatt*, 46(8), 19–29.

Teaching experience:

Courses:

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| 2025– | Equality of Opportunity (PhD), lecturer, Linnaeus University. |
| 2025– | Macroeconomics (BSc), lecturer, Linnaeus University. |
| 2025 | Microeconomics (BSc), lecturer, Linnaeus University. |
| 2024– | Econometrics (PhD), lecturer, Linnaeus University. |
| 2023– | Economics of Migration (BSc), lecturer, Linnaeus University. |
| 2022– | Advanced Econometrics (MSc), lecturer & course coordinator, Linnaeus University. |
| 2020–21 | Economics of Development (BSc), lecturer, Uppsala University. |
| 2018–20 | Econometric Theory (MSc), lecturer & course coordinator, Uppsala University. |
| 2019 | Political Economics (MSc), guest lecturer, Uppsala University. |
| 2019 | Global Challenges – Knowing, <i>Long Run Consequences of International Migration</i> , guest lecturer, Stockholm School of Economics. |

Supervision:

PhD:

- Marcos Demetry (expected 2027), Department of Economics and Statistics, Linnaeus University, *supervisor*
- Sara Värn (expected 2026), Department of Economics and Statistics, Linnaeus University, *co-supervisor*.
- Fanni Forslind (expected 2030), Department of Economics and Statistics, Linnaeus University, *supervisor*.

MSc:

- Four students 2023–26 at the Department of Economics and Statistics, Linnaeus University.

Pedagogical training:

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| 2022–23 | Supervision in postgraduate programmes, Linnaeus University. |
| 2022–23 | Compulsory higher education training – Teaching and learning processes, Linnaeus University, 7 credits. |

- 2022 Compulsory higher education training – Juridical, norm critical and ethical aspects of teaching, Linnaeus University, 3 credits.

Research grants and scholarships:

- 2026–29 *Ragnar Söderbergs stiftelse*; "The Swedish Model: New data and methods to understand the impact of collective bargaining on workers, firms, and innovation"; co-investigator (PI: M. Karadja); 5,580,000 SEK
- 2022–25 *Jan Wallander och Tom Hedelius Stiftelse (Program)*; "Ideas, innovation, and institutional change: Evidence from historical microdata"; principal investigator; 2,000,000 SEK.
- 2022–24 *Johan och Jakob Söderbergs stiftelse*; "Returnees and Entrepreneurship in the Age of Mass Migration"; principal investigator; 460,000 SEK (2022) and 305,000 SEK (2023, prolongment).
- 2020–22 *Riksbankens Jubileumsfond*; "City of My Dreams: Social Mobility and Growth in Stockholm since the Industrial Revolution"; co-investigator (PI: M. Karadja); 4,967,000 SEK.
- 2019–21 *Jan Wallander och Tom Hedelius Stiftelse (Program)*; "Infrastruktur, institutioner och innovation: ett mikroperspektiv på Sveriges industrialisering"; co-investigator (PI: D. Andersson); 1,631,000 SEK.
- 2019–21 *Lundbergsstiftelserna*; "Humankapital och Innovation: Den tekniska utbildningens betydelse för svenska företags och regioners innovationskraft"; co-investigator (PI: D. Andersson); 2,231,000 SEK.
- 2015 *Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences*; (with M. Karadja); 55,000 SEK.
- 2013 *Torsten Söderbergs Stiftelse*; co-investigator (PI: D. Strömberg); 650,000 SEK.
- 2013 *Ekon. dr Peter Wallenbergs Stiftelse*; co-investigator (PI: D. Strömberg); 500,000 SEK.
- 2013 *Kocks, Karin och Hugo Lindbergs resestipendier*; 14,000 SEK.
- 2011 *Jan Wallander och Tom Hedelius Stiftelse (Hedelius scholarship)*; 505,000 SEK.

Awards:

- 2019 Myrdal Award for best article in Ekonomisk Debatt during 2018.
- 2018 Alexander Gerschenkron Prize of the Economic History Association.
- 2016 Oliver E. Williamson Best Conference Paper Award, SIOE.

Academic seminar and conference presentations (including scheduled):

Lund University, 2026; Jönköping University, 2025; Trinity College Dublin, 2024; NOVAFRICA (Lisbon), 2024; EEA-ESEM (Barcelona), 2023; Linnaeus University, 2022; EHS Annual Conference (Cambridge, UK), 2022; WEHC (Paris), 2022; SNEE Conference (Lund), 2021; Lund University (Dept. of Economic History), 2019; University of Bonn, 2019; University of Southern Denmark, 2018; Economic History Association Annual Meeting (Montreal), 2018; IFN Stockholm Conference (Waxholm), 2018; Uppsala University, 2017; Economic History Association Annual Meeting (San José), 2017; Lund University, 2017; Copenhagen Business School, 2017; EUDN PhD Workshop (Brussels), 2016; ASWEDE Workshop (Stockholm), 2016; SITE, Stockholm School of Economics, 2016; Spanish Economic Association Meeting (Bilbao), 2016; Annual Meeting of the Danish Society for Economic and Social History (Copenhagen), 2016; KU Leuven, 2015; Harvard (Economic History Tea), 2013.

Policy seminars and other presentations:

SNS Konjunkturråd, Swedish Center for Business and Policy Studies, Stockholm, 2024; The City Archive (Stockholm), “Den stora utvandringen”, 2020; Swedish Public Employment Service Research Seminar, 2016.

Organized conferences and workshops:

- 2026 Nordic Conference in Development Economics (NCDE), Växjö. Keynotes: Jonas Hjorth and Rohini Somanathan.
- 2026 Linnaeus Inequality Summit, Växjö. Keynote: Nico Voigtländer.
- 2023- Workshop in Economic History (annual: 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026), Uppsala. Keynotes: Joacim Voigt, Jeanet S Bentzen, Elias Papaioannou, Sascha Becker.
- 2018 IFN Stockholm Conference, *Entrepreneurship and Innovation: Past, Present and Future*, Waxholm.

Organized seminar series:

- 2023–26 Departmental seminar series, Linnaeus University.
- 2019–22 Brown Bag series, Research Institute of Industrial Economics (IFN).
- 2019–20 Stockholm Economic History Lab, Research Institute of Industrial Economics (IFN).

Referee service:

American Economic Review, the Economics of Transition, European History Review, European Review of Economic History, Explorations in Economic History, International Journal of Manpower, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economic History, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Political Economy: Micro, Labour Economics, Quarterly Journal of Economics.

Other services:

- 2026 Opponent at final seminar of Henning Ottmer, Uppsala University.
- 2025 PhD admission committee, Linnaeus University
- 2025– Member of the steering group for the *Linnaeus University Centre for Equality of Opportunity and Big Data Policy Analysis*
- 2024– Nominating committee to the University Board, Linnaeus University
- 2024– Nominating committee to the Faculty Board, School of Business and Economics, Linnaeus University
- 2024 Member of SNS Konjunkturråd (together with Lars Persson (chair), Karin Edmark, and Per-Johan Norbäck, Swedish Center for Business and Policy Studies (SNS).
- 2020 Junior faculty recruitment committee, Research Institute of Industrial Economics (IFN).