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Biography

Chris maintains primary research interests in various areas of international economics and international business. The broad theme of his research revolves around international financial flows such as foreign direct investment (FDI), international trade, foreign aid and migrant remittances. More specifically however, he has undertaken projects that look at FDI in controversial locations such as conflict zones and controversial industry sectors such as tobacco. Recently, his research focus has moved towards an analysis of the profit shifting activities of multinational enterprises (MNEs) and how MNEs utilise tax havens. This area has received significant media attention given the state of the OECDs public finances and various scandals such as the Panama Papers and the Paradise Papers. Chris has published two papers on this topic and has a future pipeline of research in this area. Furthermore, he has just been awarded Leverhulme Project Grant for £121,590 over the course of two years where he will be the Principle Investigator. This research will analyse tax haven use by emerging market MNEs. Chris has published articles in leading journals such as the Journal of World Business, British Journal of Management and World Development. In addition to obtaining grant income from the British Academy. He has also presented his research at many leading conferences across the world. In terms of impact, Chris has undertaken collaborative work with the Tax Justice Network that has looked in to the role of the Big 4 Accountancy Firms and tax avoidance and an analysis of the EU proposals for a common consolidated corporate tax base. In addition to research, Chris also takes very seriously the importance of learning and teaching. He holds a Masters degree in Higher Education and is a Senior Fellow of the Higher Education Academy. He has also published pedagogic research in journals such as Studies in Higher Education. Chris has won numerous teaching awards. In 2011 Chris won the Economics Network's Student Nominated Award and in 2012 Chris won the Aston Excellence Award as Outstanding Teacher of the Year. Chris is also a Public Governor of Birmingham Women's and Children's NHS Foundation Trust.

Areas of Expertise

MNEs, Foreign Aid, Tax Havens, FDI, International Trade

Affiliations

Higher Education Academy : Senior Fellow, Academy of International Business

Education

University of Leicester
BA Economics

University of Leicester
MSc Financial Economics

University of Nottingham
PhD Economics

Aston University
MEd Higher Education

Accomplishments

Aston Excellence Award: Outstanding Teacher of the Year
2012

Economics Network Outstanding Lecturer of the Year
2011

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