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EDUCATION

2013-Present	Ph.D., Public Policy, George Mason University
2012	MA in Economics, University of Houston
2012	MA in Economic Analysis, Kyiv School of Economics
2010	BA with honors in International Economics, Lviv National University
2009	Certificate in European Studies, University of Vienna, Austria

FIELDS

Primary: Applied Microeconomics, Firm dynamics, Political Economy
Secondary: Labor Economics

DISSERTATION

Essays on FDI, Oligarchs and Firm Behavior

Committee: Prof. John S. Earle (Chair), Prof. Sita Slavov, Prof. Anh Pham

EMPLOYMENT

2019	Assistant Director, Center for Micro-Economic Policy Research, George Mason University, Arlington, VA
2013- present	Graduate Research Assistant, Schar School of Policy and Government, George Mason University, Arlington, VA
2016	Consultant, Social Protection and Labor Global Practice, The World Bank, Washington, DC
2015	Consultant, Poverty and Equity Global Practice, The World Bank, Washington, DC
2013	Research Assistant, International Food Policy Research Institute, Washington, DC

JOB MARKET PAPER

“Employment and Productivity Effects of Tax Haven FDI”

Using longitudinal data on more than 300,000 Ukrainian firms over period of 1999-2013 representing more than 10,000 acquisitions by foreign investors, this study estimates the extent to which tax haven ownership affects employment and firm productivity in the post-acquisition period. Controlling for a rich set of fixed effects and employing propensity score matching, I find that firms acquired by foreign investors experience boost in employment of 8-30%, labor productivity of 10-16% and total factor productivity of 9-11% relative to firms that stay domestic. The gap is much lower for firms acquired by investors from tax haven countries: focusing on the most conservative specification that controls for firm specific fixed effects and growth trajectories, my results suggest that employment of tax haven acquired firms does not change in the post-acquisition period, while productivity improvement ranges from 4 to 5 percent. My findings suggest that the implications of tax havens go beyond the loss of tax revenue and might also include stunted growth of the domestic companies receiving FDI from tax havens.

PUBLICATIONS

“Impact of Privatization on Employment and Earnings,” (with John S. Earle). *IZA World of Labor*, June 2019.

“Is Privatization Working in Ukraine?” (with Brown, J. David, John S. Earle, and Volodymyr Vakhitov). *Comparative Economic Studies* 61, no. 1 (2019): 1-35.

“The Motherhood Wage Penalty in Times of Transition,” (with Olena Nizalova and Tamara Sliusarenko). *Journal of Comparative Economics* 44, no. 1 (2016): 56-75.

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

“Obfuscating Ownership” (with John S. Earle, Scott Gehlbach and Anton Shirikov)

INVITED CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

2019	American Economic Association Annual Meetings, Comparative Analysis of Enterprise Data Conference, EALE
2018	American Economic Association Annual Meetings, International APPAM, Asian and Australasian Society of Labour Economics Conference
2017	Comparative Analysis of Enterprise Data Conference, OSCE Academy Conference, North American Networks Conference

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2018	Macroeconomics (with Maurice Kugler)
2014	Mathematics Boot Camp

AWARDS AND GRANTS

2019	Summer Dissertation Writing Fellowship, George Mason University
2013-2019	Graduate Research Assistantship, George Mason University
2011-2012	Full Scholarship, Kyiv School of Economics
2008	Award for Outstanding Academic and Research Performance, Ivan Franko National University

EXPERIENCES IN FUNDED RESEARCH

2016-2019	The National Science Foundation Grant No. 1559197 on “Political Connections and Firm Behavior” (Scott Gehlbach, Principal Investigator), \$140,439
2016	GMU Provost Grant for Multidisciplinary Research

LANGUAGES

English - fluent; Russian - fluent; German - basic; Ukrainian - native

COMPUTATION SKILLS

STATA, R, LaTeX, Tableau, advanced MS Office

REFERENCES

Professor John S. Earle	George Mason University	earle@gmu.edu
Professor Scott Gehlbach	University of Chicago	gehlbach@uchicago.edu
Professor Sita N. Slavov	George Mason University	sslavov@gmu.edu