

## ELISABETH KEMPTER

University of Luxembourg, Campus Kirchberg  
6, rue Richard Coudenhove-Kalergi, 1359 Luxembourg

✉ elisabeth.kempter@uni.lu

### RESEARCH AREA

---

Development Economics, Economic History, Education, Gender Inequality, Health, Migration

### EDUCATION

---

- April 2019 – July 2022      Ph.D. at the chair of Economic History  
Eberhard Karls University Tübingen (Germany)  
Thesis: *“The underlying role of Gender Inequality, Education and Health in Economic Development: sub-Saharan Africa, 1920-2013” (with honors)*  
Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Jörg Baten
- Oct. 2017 – June 2018      Master of Science (2) in Development Economics and Project Management  
Paris XII University (France) / Carlos III University (Spain), degree obtained with *mention bien*  
Thesis: *“The impact of environmental regulation on comparative advantage within the EU”*  
Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Julie Lochard
- Oct. 2016 – June 2017      Master of Science (1) in International Economics  
Paris XII University (France)  
Thesis: *“Microfinance and its influence on Economic growth – An empirical analysis and a case study of Bangladesh regarding the success factors of Microfinance”*  
Supervisor: Victor M. Gomez Blanco
- Oct. 2013 – June 2016      Bachelor of Science in Economics and Management  
Versailles University (France) / James Madison University (USA), degree obtained with *mention bien*

### ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

---

- Oct. 2022 – present      Postdoctoral Researcher in Development Economics at the Department of Economics and Management, under the supervision of Michel Beine, Luisito Bertinelli and Arnaud Bourgain, University of Luxembourg
- Dec. 2018 – May 2022      Research Assistant at the chair of Economic History, Prof. Dr. Jörg Baten  
Eberhard Karls University Tübingen (Germany)
  - and teaching of courses and seminars
  - Supervision and mentoring of internship students at the chair
  - Organization of workshops, internal seminars and other events
- April – Oct. 2018      Research Assistant at ÉRUIDITE (Équipe de Recherche sur l’Utilisation des Données Individuelles en lien avec la Théorie Économique), Director Prof. Dr. Thomas Barnay  
Paris XII University (France)  
Participation in the research project: *“Innovation in climate change mitigation technologies and environmental regulation”*, Prof. Dr. Julie Lochard
  - Literature review
  - Data management
  - Study design and analysis
- June – Aug. 2017      Student Assistant at the chair of Economic History, Prof. Dr. Jörg Baten  
Eberhard Karls University Tübingen (Germany)
  - Collected data on cash crops as well as census data in various Spanish archives

## REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

---

Baten, J., De Haas, M., Kempter, E., & Meier zu Selhausen, F. (2021). Educational Gender Inequality in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Long-Term Perspective. *Population and Development Review*, 47(3), 813-849.

## WORKING PAPERS AND RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

---

Kempter, Elisabeth, and Neha Bhardwaj Upadhayay. *Uncovering the role of education in the uptake of preventive measures against Malaria in the African population*. University of Tübingen Working Papers in Business and Economics, 2022.

Kempter, Elisabeth. "Educated Girls, a Force for Development? - Gender Inequality in Education and Economic Performance in sub-Saharan Africa: A path-dependency analysis." ICEA Working Paper, 2021.

*From fields to frontiers - Unveiling the dynamics of cash crop price shocks and migration intentions in sub-Saharan Africa* (with L. Bertinelli and A. Bourgain)

*Counting Prosperity: The Impact of Numerical Skills on Regional Economic Development in Africa* (with J. Baten)

*Education and disability – Access to schools and learning outcomes for children with disabilities in sub-Saharan Africa* (with NB. Upadhayay)

*Women legislators and children welfare: Evidence from close-elections in sub-Saharan Africa* (with D. Argyros and D. Gavresi)

## TEACHING

---

Oct. 2019 – present      Development Economics and Demography (BA)  
STATA Course: Regression Analysis with Historical Data (BA)  
Seminars on Long-Run Economic Development (BA)  
Applied Research in Development Economics and Economic History (BA, MA)

## CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS

---

26 – 27 Sept. 2024      17<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the African Economic History Network “Changes and Continuities in African Economic History: Mobilities, Environment and Development”

01 – 04 July 2024      13<sup>th</sup> Workshop on Institutions, Individual Behavior and Economic Outcomes (IBEO), Education Economics, University of Sassari

19 – 21 Dec. 2023      17<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development, Indian Statistical Institute

20 April 2023      External Research Seminar at the University Paris XII

17 – 19 March 2023      International Conference in Education and Development, University of Hilo

07 March 2023      Research Seminar at the University of Luxembourg

13 – 14 Oct. 2022      15<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting of the African Economic History Network, University of Las Palmas

09 Dec. 2021      Gender Inequality Conference, International Centre for Economic Analysis

21 – 22 Oct. 2021      Regional Meeting of the African Economic History Network, Lund University

01 – 02 July 2021      Baden-Württemberg Workshop, Eberhard Karls University Tübingen (organizer)

26 May 2021      Online Graduate Seminar in Economic History, London School of Economics

09 March 2021      Online Seminar – The Rise of Education in Historical Perspective, Siena University

18 – 19 Oct. 2019      14<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting of the African Economic History Network “Global Dimensions of African Economic History”, Barcelona University

## REFEREEING

---

Journal of Economics and Human Biology (4), World Development Perspectives (2)

## SKILLS

---

Informatics      STATA, R, QGIS, LaTeX, MS Office (Word, Excel, PPT, Project)

Languages      German (Native)  
English C1 (fluent in reading, speaking and writing)  
French C1 (fluent in reading, speaking and writing)  
Spanish B2 (intermediate in reading and speaking, basic writing skills)

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

---

- Oct. 2017 – April 2018      Project Coordinator of the project “Go green, help clean” in Douala (Cameroon), funded by BNP Paribas:  
Awareness raising campaign on reducing, sorting and recycling waste at the Lycée Polyvalent de Bonabéri targeting 500 school children
- Established and maintained contact to stakeholders
  - Developed a risk and opportunity analysis
  - Responsible for budgetary planning and control
  - Involved in coordination and scheduling of activities on site
- June – Sept. 2017            Intern in Project Management at Cives Mundi, Soria (Spain)
- Formulated and developed project proposals for donor funding
  - Monitored and controlled project budgets
  - Managed the in-house software for the monitoring and evaluation of projects
- Oct. 2016 – Feb. 2017      Project Assistant at SIAD (Service International d’Appui au Développement), Montreuil (France)
- Provided support and assistance to African diaspora entrepreneurs
  - Guided and assisted in the preparation of entrepreneurial as well as development projects in France and Africa (i.e., project proposals, budgeting, etc.)