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Year of birth and civil status: 1980, married, one child.

Current position

Senior Lecturer of Economics with orientation towards Industrial Economics (Docent), Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, January 2020–present.

Affiliation

Centre for Entrepreneurship and Spatial Economics (CEnSE), Jönköping International Business School, Jönköping University.

Previous employments and research visits

- Assistant Professor of Economics (Docent), Jönköping International Business School, Centre for Entrepreneurship and Spatial Economics (CEnSE), Jönköping University. September 2017–December 2020.
- Academic Director of International Development Collaboration, Jönköping International Business School, Jönköping University, October 2018–December 2020.
- Postdoctoral researcher, Jönköping International Business School, Jönköping University. April 2013–August 2017.
- Visiting scholar, Department of Economics, School of Business, Economics and Law, University of Gothenburg (invited by Måns Söderbom), January–June 2016.
- Policy analyst, The Swedish Board of Agriculture, September 2012–October 2014.
- PhD Candidate in Economics, Jönköping International Business School. January 2007–March 2013.
- Research assistant, Jönköping International Business School. September 2006–January 2007.

Educational background

- Associate Professor of Economics (Docent), Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, June 2020.
- Associate Professor of Economics (Docent), Jönköping University, January 2019.
- Ph.D. in Economics. Jönköping University, 2013.
- Master of Science in Economics, Umeå University, 2006.

PhD thesis

Price Formation in Real Estate Markets. JIBS Dissertation Series, 2013, No. 088. Jönköping University. Supervisor: Professor Åke E Andersson. Assistant supervisor: Professor Börje Johansson. Discussant: Professor Nancy Bockstael, University of Maryland. Examination committee: Professor Maureen Kilkenny, University of Nevada, Professor Björn Hårsman, KTH Royal Institute of Technology and Professor Pär Sjölander, Jönköping University.

Research profile and short description of ongoing projects

My research interests lie at the intersection of urban and regional economics, industrial economics and agricultural and natural resource economics. I am specifically interested in place-bound natural resources, industrial variety, innovation and transition towards more resource efficient firms and production processes. In a recent line of research, I have explored industrial variety and restructuring towards diversified production through evolutionary economic geography (EEG) and ecological perspectives. This involves firm- and industry-level analyses where I work with colleagues from ecology, economics and sociology. We develop ecological-economical approaches to quantify firms' transition towards functionally diverse and circular production and provide a deeper understanding of the build-up of ecosystem services, resource efficiencies and production- and market risk-reductions on firms. I am engaged in several interdisciplinary projects that focus on different dimensions of society's sustainability transformation where we examine how industrial variety can assist firms to adapt to climate change and develop production processes and industrial structures that are resilient to climatic and economic disruptions. I also collaborate with researchers from KTH, University of Cambridge and CeFEO (Jönköping University) to investigate changing patterns in labour mobility and remote work in a post-pandemic setting.

Publications

Publications in peer-reviewed journals

Schaak, H., Bommarco, R., Hansson, H., Kuns, B., & Nilsson, P. (2023). Long-term trends in functional crop diversity across Swedish farms. *Agriculture, Ecosystems & Environment*, 343, 108269. doi.org/10.1016/j.agee.2022.108269.

Wixe, S., Nilsson, P., Naldi, L., & Westlund, H. (2023). The role of collaboration and external knowledge for innovation in small food firms. *The Annals of Regional Science*, 1-21. doi.org/10.1007/s00168-021-01087-6.

Nilsson, P., Bommarco, R., Hansson, H., Kuns, B., & Schaak, H. (2022). Farm performance and input self-sufficiency increases with functional crop diversity on Swedish farms. *Ecological Economics*, 198, 107465. doi.org/10.1016/j.ecolecon.2022.107465.

Nilsson, P., & Wixe, S. (2022). Assessing long-term effects of CAP investment support on indicators of farm performance. *European Review of Agricultural Economics*, 49(4), 760-795. doi.org/10.1093/erae/jbab038.

- Westlund, H., & Nilsson, P. (2022). Agriculture's transformation and land-use change in a post-urban world: A case study of the Stockholm region. *Journal of Rural Studies*, 93, 345-358. doi.org/10.1016/j.jrurstud.2019.07.002.
- Naldi, L., Nilsson, P., Westlund, H., & Wixe, S. (2021). Amenities and new firm formation in rural areas. *Journal of Rural Studies*, 85, 32-42. doi.org/10.1016/j.jrurstud.2021.05.023.
- Nilsson, P. (2019). The role of land use consolidation in improving crop yields among farm households in Rwanda. *The Journal of Development Studies*, 55(8), 1726-1740. doi.org/10.1080/00220388.2018.1520217.
- Nilsson, P., Backman, M., Bjerke, L., & Maniriho, A. (2019). One cow per poor family: effects on the growth of consumption and crop production, *World Development*, 114:1-12. doi.org/10.1016/j.worlddev.2018.09.024.
- Nilsson, P. (2018). Spatial spillovers and households' involvement in the non-farm sector: evidence from rural Rwanda. *Regional Studies*, 53(5), 731-740. doi.org/10.1080/00343404.2018.1482415.
- Backman, M., & Nilsson, P. (2018). The role of cultural heritage in attracting skilled individuals. *Journal of Cultural Economics*, 42(1), 111-138. doi.org/10.1007/s10824-016-9289-2.
- Nilsson, P. (2017). Productivity effects of CAP investment support: Evidence from Sweden using matched panel data. *Land Use Policy*, 66, 172-182. doi.org/10.1016/j.landusepol.2017.04.043.
- Nilsson, P. (2017). Empirical Assessment of the Smart Specialization Concept on Firm Performance in European Urban and Rural Regions. *Review of Regional Studies*, 47(2), 153-174. <https://rrs.scholasticahq.com/article/8021.pdf>.
- Nilsson, P. (2017). Are valuations of place-based Amenities driven by Scale? *Housing Studies*, 32(4), 449-469. doi.org/10.1080/02673037.2016.1219330.
- Nilsson, P. (2016). The Influence of Related and Unrelated Industry Diversity on Retail Firm Failure. *Journal of Retailing and Consumer Services*, 28, 219-227. doi.org/10.1016/j.jretconser.2015.09.006.
- Naldi, L., Nilsson, P., Westlund, H., & Wixe, S. (2015). What is Smart Rural Development? *Journal of Rural Studies*. 40, 90-101. doi.org/10.1016/j.jrurstud.2015.06.006.
- Nilsson, P. (2015). The influence of Urban and Natural Amenities on Second Home Prices. *Journal of Housing and the Built Environment*, 30(3), 427-450. doi.org/10.1007/s10901-014-9421-6. In PhD thesis.
- Nilsson, P. (2014). Natural Amenities in Urban Space – a Geographically Weighted Regression Approach. *Landscape and Urban Planning*, 121, 45-54. doi.org/10.1016/j.landurbplan.2013.08.017. In PhD thesis.

Karlsson, J., & Nilsson, P. (2014). Capitalisation of Single Farm Payment on Farm Price: An Analysis of Swedish Farm Prices using Farm-level data. *European Review of Agricultural Economics*, 41(2), 279-300. doi.org/10.1093/erae/jbt021. In PhD thesis.

Nilsson, P., & Johansson, S. (2013). Location determinants of agricultural land prices. *Jahrbuch für Regional wissenschaft*, 33(1), 1-21. doi.org/10.1007/s10037-012-0071-4. In PhD thesis.

Refereed books and chapters of refereed books

Nilsson, P., & Heshmati, A (2019), (Eds.). Efficiency, Equity and Well-Being in Selected African Countries. In: Economic Studies in Inequality, Social Exclusion and Well-Being. Berlin. Springer-Verlag. doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-11419-0.

Johansson, M., Nilsson, P., & Westlund, H. (2018). Migration and Ageing in Expanding and Shrinking European Regions. In: R. Stough, R., Kourtit, K., Nijkamp, P., Blien, U. (Eds) Modelling Aging and Migration Effects on Spatial Labor Markets. Advances in Spatial Science. Springer, Cham. doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-68563-2.7.

Hansson, H., & Nilsson, P. (2021). Foundations of Agricultural Market Analysis and Agricultural Policy, *European Review of Agricultural Economics*, 48(5), 1252–1254. Book review. doi.org/10.1093/erae/jbab021.

Wixe, S., Naldi, L., Nilsson, P., Steiner, M., Westlund, H., Filippi, M., Galliano, D., Mossböck, J & Steiner, M. (2020). On smart business in rural areas. Entrepreneurship, innovation and their determinants. In: Torre, A., Corsi, S., Steiner, M., Wallet, F, & Westlund, H. (Eds) *Smart Development for Rural Areas*. Routledge. doi.org/10.4324/9780429354670-3.

Westlund, H., Nilsson, P., Wixe, S., & Naldi, L. (2020). Case studies on innovation and entrepreneurship in rural areas from Sweden. In: Torre, A., Corsi, S., Steiner, M., Wallet, F, & Westlund, H. (Eds) *Smart Development for Rural Areas*. Routledge. doi.org/10.4324/9780429354670-9.

Heshmati, A., Rashidghalam, M., & Nilsson P. (2019). Measurement and analysis of multidimensional well-being in Rwanda, pp. 291-325. In: Nilsson, P., & Heshmati, A (Eds.). *Efficiency, Equity and Well-Being in Selected African Countries*. In: Economic Studies in Inequality, Social Exclusion and Well-Being. Berlin. Springer-Verlag. doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-11419-0.3.

Maniriho, A., & Nilsson, P. (2018). Determinants of Livelihood Diversification among Households in Rwanda: the Role of Education, ICT and Urbanization. In: Heshmati, A. (Ed.). Rwanda Handbook of Economic and Social Policy (Vol. 1). JIBS Research Reports (ISBN: 978-91-86345-78-5). <https://portal.issn.org/resource/ISSN/1403-0462>.

Johansson, M., Nilsson, P., & Westlund, H. (2015). Demographic and Rural Trends in Europe. In: Friedrich, M., Westlund, H., & Kobayashi, K. (Eds.). *Social Capital and Development Trends in Rural Areas*, pp. 129-158. Vol. 10. ISBN: 978-91-86345-64-8 (printed).

Policy oriented reports and working papers

Backman, M., Nilsson, H., & Nilsson, P. (2021). Karriärvägar inom partihandeln. Handelsrådet 2021:1. ISBN: 9789186508715.

Nilsson, P., & Wixe, S. (2020). Förväntade effekter av investeringsstöd inom landsbygdsprogrammet. Jordbruksverket, UTV2020:3.

Nilsson, P. (2018). Hur kan en nationalpark bidra till lokal och regional utveckling? En litteraturöversikt. 2018. Del av: Fördjupad förstudie nationalpark Bästeträsk, Naturvårdsverket Rapport 6843. ISBN 978-91-620-6843-1.

Backman, M., Holgersson, T., Klaesson, J., Nilsson, P., Rickardsson, J., Wassén, L., & Westlund, H. (2016). Slututvärdering av det svenska landsbygdsprogrammet 2007–2013 DELRAPPORT I: Utvärdering av åtgärder för ökad konkurrenskraft. Jordbruksverket UTV16:2.

Hellerstedt, K., Jenkins, A., & Nilsson, P. (2016). Företagsnedläggning inom handeln: Erfarenheter, välbefinnande och motivation att starta igen. Forskningsrapport Handelsrådet, 2016:7.

Backman, M., Klaesson, J., Nilsson, P., & Strömberg, C., (2015). Jämställdhet, integration och konkurrenskraft. Jordbruksverket OVR368.
<https://webbutiken.jordbruksverket.se/sv/artiklar/ovr368.html>

Johansson, M, Nilsson, P., & Westlund, H. (2014). Demographic and economic trends in a rural Europe in transition, 54th Congress of the European Regional Science Association: "Regional development & globalisation: Best practices", 26-29 August 2014, St. Petersburg, Russia, European Regional Science Association (ERSA), Louvain-laNeuve.

Nilsson, P. (2010). Ängs- och betesmarkers betydelse för fastighetsvärden. Jordbruksverket, RA10:5.

Johansson, S., & Nilsson, P. (2012). Vilka faktorer bestämmer priset på jordbruksmark? Jordbruksverket RA12:17.

Johansson, B., Karlsson, C., Backman, M., & Nilsson (Juusola). (2007). The Lisbon agenda from 2000 to 2010. Centre of Excellence for Science and Innovation Studies CESIS. Working Paper.

Papers in progress under review

Mellon, Bedi, S., Nilsson, P., & Hansson, H. (2023). Adaptation to Drought Conditions and Firm Performance: Evidence from Sweden. SSRN:<http://dx.doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.4527872>.

Mellon, Bedi, S., Nilsson, P., & Hansson, H. (2023). Neighbourhood Interaction Effects and Industrial Diversity in times of severe climatic and economic risks.

Nilsson, P., & Andersson, H. "Why so Few Female Among so Many Men: New Perspectives of Intergenerational Knowledge Transmission in Swedish Family Farms".

Grants

Research councils

"Towards sustainable preparedness in Swedish agriculture", The Swedish Research Council Formas (grant 2022-02393), SEK 5 993 962. PI: Helena Hansson. Co-applicants: Nicklas Bengtsson, Georg Carlsson, Camilla Eriksson, Pia Nilsson and Elin Röö. Period: 2022–2025.

"Dairy farming in extreme weather events: farm response and resilience", The Swedish Research Council Formas (grant 2022–01578), SEK 2 641 065. PI: Enoch Owuse Sekyere. Co-applicants: Helena Hansson, Pia Nilsson, Mikaela Lindberg, Birhanu Adamie. Period: 2022–2025.

"Transforming the food value chain based on ecologically and economically sustainable crop production (TRANSECO)", The Swedish Research Council Formas (grant 2021-02330), SEK 7 998 108. PI: Riccardo Bommarco. Co-applicants: Göran Bergkvist, Helena Hansson, Ola Lundin, Pia Nilsson, Giulia Vico. Period: 2022–2025.

"Teleworking and rural development after the pandemic", The Swedish Research Council Formas (grant 2021-02223), SEK 7 972 427. PI: Hans Westlund. Co-applicants: Johan P Larsson, Lucia Naldi, Pia Nilsson. Period: 2021–2027.

"Economic effects of adoption to agroecological farming practices in conventional and organic farming", The Swedish Research Council Formas (grant 2020-01072), SEK 3 987 164. PI: Pia Nilsson. Co-applicants: Riccardo Bommarco, Pierre Chopin, Helena Hansson, Brian Kuns. Period: 2021–2024.

"SustAinimal", The Swedish Research Council Formas, SEK 48 000 000. PI: Sigrid Agenäs. Co-applicants: researchers from SLU and RISE. Leader of one WP with Pernilla Tidåker and Serina Ahlgren. Period: 2020–2024.

"Career paths in wholesale", The Swedish Retail and Wholesale Development Council, SEK 1 924 000. PI: Mikaela Backman. Co-applicants: Pia Nilsson, Helena Nilsson, Özge Öner. Period: 2018–2020.

"Short and long-term impacts of business failure in the retail sector", The Swedish Retail and Wholesale Development Council, SEK 1 866 000. PI: Karin Hellerstedt. Co-applicants: Anna Jenkins, Pia Nilsson. Period: 2013–2015.

“Taste – Towards A SmarT rural Europe”, The Swedish Research Council Formas (grant 2013-276), SEK 3 136 500. PI: Hans Westlund. Co-applicants: Lucia Naldi, Pia Nilsson, Sofia Wixe. Project within EU-RURAGRI coordinated by André Torre (INRA). Period: 2013–2016.

Foundations

“Career paths in retailing”, Hakon Swenson Stiftelse, SEK 2 300 000. PI: Mikaela Backman. Co-applicants: Pia Nilsson, Helena Nilsson, Özge Öner. Period: 2018–2020.

EU and other funding bodies

“An Interdisciplinary Research Network on the Role of Place-Bound Resources for Rural Development”, Uppdrag Landsbygd (grant 2020-8), SEK 120 000. PI: Pia Nilsson. Co-applicants: Lucia Naldi, Solmaria Milargos Halleck Vega, André Torre, Frederic Wallet, Hans Westlund and Sofia Wixe. Period 2020–2022.

“Economic Policy Evaluations of the Swedish Rural Development Programme period 2014-2020”, European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (grant 3.1.11-07142/2018), SEK 2 600 000. PI: Pia Nilsson. Co applicants: Mikaela Backman, Johan Klaesson. Period: 2018–2019.

”Ex-post Evaluation of the Swedish Rural Development Programme 2007-2013; measures aimed at strengthening competitiveness”. European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (grant 2.1.11-07142/2015), SEK 1 200 000. PI: Pia Nilsson. Co-applicants: Mikaela Backman, Johan Klaesson, Hans Westlund. Period 2015–2016.

“The role of cultural heritage for development in urban and rural regions”, The Swedish National Heritage Board (grant 3.2.2-3435-2014), SEK 2 056 708. PI: Pia Nilsson. Period: 2014–2016.

“The Economic Value of Cultural Heritage”, SEK 1 138 000. The Swedish National Heritage Board (grant 3.2.2-3876-2006). PI: Åke E Andersson. Co applicant: Pia Nilsson. Scholarship for my doctoral studies. Period: 2007–2011.

Assessment of Swedish and foreign research applications

- Member of review panel for the Swedish Research Council Formas. Call: Designed living environment – architecture, form, design, art and cultural heritage in public spaces. Sustainable cities and communities, 2020.
- Member of review panel at the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences with the task of making a recommendation on which candidates should be nominated as Wallenberg Academy Fellows (WAF), 2020.

Review, editorial and advisory experience

- Member of examination committee for doctoral thesis defense, Ivan Ridderstedt, KTH Royal Institute of Technology, September 2023.
- External pre-examiner of doctoral thesis, Juho Valtiala, University of Helsinki, April 2023.
- External evaluator of six applications to the position as Senior Lecturer in Urban Studies, Malmö University, May 2021.
- Member of examination committee for doctoral thesis defense, Yvonne Umulisa, Jönköping University, April 2020.
- Reserve member for the examination committee of the doctoral defense of Julian Eduardo Lozano Galindez January 2021, Laura Andreea Bolos February 2021 and Polina Karpaty June 2023. Chairperson for the doctoral defense of Tsegaye Ginbo Gatiso May 2021 and Georgious Miaris, June 2023.
- Member of the monitoring committee of the Swedish Rural Development Programme, 2022–present.
- Advisor to the Evaluation Helpdesk and European Commission on good practice methods for policy impact evaluation, 2016-2017.
- Editorial assistant, *The Annals of Regional Science*, 2011–2014.

Referee assignments. *Regional Science*, *The Scandinavian Journal of Economics*, *Land Use Policy*, *European Review of Agricultural Economics*, *Agricultural Economics*, *Journal of Cultural Economics*, *The Annals of Regional Science*, *Journal of Regional Science*, *Landscape and Urban Planning*, *Regional Studies*, *Journal of Rural Studies*, *Journal of Development Studies*.

Other referee assignments. *Economic transformation for poverty reduction in Africa: A multidimensional approach*. Heshmati, A. (Ed.). (2017). Routledge studies in development economics. Reviewer of book chapters (doi.org/10.4324/9780429268939). *Geography of Growth, Innovation, Networks and Collaborations*, Karlsson, C., & Bjerke, L. (Eds). (2016). Edward Elgar Publishing. Reviewer of book chapters (doi.org/10.4337/9781785360602).

Pedagogical qualifications – teaching

I have taught the following courses in different roles (course leader, examiner, lecturer.)

- Economic Perspectives on Agriculture and the Environment (NA0188), first-cycle level, 7.5hp. Examiner and course leader. Taught in Swedish. Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, 2020–present.
- Sustainability Perspectives (HU0001), first-cycle level, 7.5hp. Lecturer and shared course responsibility with Brian Kuns (examiner). Taught in Swedish. Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, 2020–present.

- Production Economics (FÖ0476), second-cycle level, 15hp. Examiner and course leader. Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, 2020–present.
- Microeconomics III (NA0194), second-cycle level, 7.5hp. Responsible for teaching one module on research methods and applications. Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, 2020–2022.
- Macroeconomics I, third-cycle level, 7.5hp. Lecturer and shared course leadership with Scott Hacker. Jönköping University, 2018–2019 and SWEGPEC (the network for Swedish Graduate Programmes in Economics).
- Advanced Macroeconomics and Growth (ECWR23), second-cycle level, 15hp. Examiner and course leader. Jönköping University and University of Rwanda, 2017–2019.
- Development Economics (JDEK17), first-cycle level, 7.5hp. Examiner and course leader. Jönköping University, 2017–2019.
- Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory (JIMK14), first-cycle level, 7.5hp. Lecturer and teaching assistant during 2008–2013, examiner and course leader during 2014–2015. Jönköping University, 2008–2015.
- Critical Analysis and Academic Writing (ECOR23), second-cycle level, 7.5hp. Guest lecturer. Jönköping University, 2016–2017.
- Research Methods and Analytical Perspectives, second-cycle level. Guest lecturer. Taught in Swedish. University of Gothenburg, 2016.
- Introductory Analysis of the Experience Industries, second-cycle level, 7.5hp. Lecturer and teaching assistant, Jönköping University, 2008–2013.
- Experience, Entertainment, Arts and Economics, second-cycle level, 7.5hp. Lecturer and teaching assistant. Jönköping University, 2008–2013.

Teaching experience (2008–2023) amounts to around 3 years of full-time teaching equivalent of about 4 500 clock hours.

Supervision experience

Supervision of PhD students

Oluwaseun Adedeji (2023–present), Ph.D. Candidate in Economics, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, principal supervisor.

Anne Dietrich (2022–present), Ph.D. Candidate in Economics, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, assistant supervisor.

Eleanor Johansson (2021–present), Ph.D. Candidate in Economics, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, principal supervisor.

Gutu Gutema (2017–present), Ph.D. Candidate in Economics, Addis Ababa University and Jönköping University, assistant supervisor.

Miquel Correa (2019–2020), Ph.D. Candidate in Economics, Jönköping University. Principal supervisor.*

Alexandar Petreski (2018–2020), Ph.D. Candidate in Economics, Jönköping University. Assistant supervisor.*

Jonse Bane Boka (2017–2020), Ph.D. Candidate in Economics, Addis Ababa University and Jönköping University, principal supervisor.

* I resigned as supervisor for Miquel Correa and Alexandar Petreski in January 2020 when I resigned from Jönköping University to start my position at the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, following rules for supervision at Jönköping University.

Mentorship of postdocs

Thomas Slijper (2023–present), postdoctoral researcher in Economics, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences.

Shaibu Mellon Bedi (2022–present), postdoctoral researcher in Economics, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences.

Henning Schaak (2020–2022), postdoctoral researcher in Agricultural Economics, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences.

Supervision of master and bachelor students

Since 2008, I have regularly supervised master and bachelor theses, on average 2–3 each semester.

Courses in supervision and teaching in higher education

- Teaching and learning in higher education 1 (HPE101), University of Gothenburg, 5hp (equivalent of 3.5 weeks of full-time studies), 2016.
- Teaching and learning in higher education 2 (HPE102), University of Gothenburg, 5hp (equivalent of 3.5 weeks of full-time studies), 2016.
- Supervision postgraduate studies (LFDS28), Docent course, Jönköping University, 7.5hp (equivalent of 5 weeks of full-time studies), 2018.
- Introduction to research-oriented teaching, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (equivalent of two days of full-time studies), 2020.

- Academic leadership, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (equivalent of two days of full-time studies), 2021. The course provided valuable tools applicable in the management of research, teaching and supervision.

Boards, committees and international conferences

- Member of faculty board for associate professorships (Docentnämnd), Faculty for Natural Resources and Agricultural Sciences, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, substitute member, 2022–present.
- Member of the Disciplinary and Expulsion Committee at Jönköping University (DAN), 2018-2019.
- The 6th International Conference on Nonlinear Economic Dynamics (NED09), Jönköping, 31 May–2 June 2009. Member of organizing committee.
- The 50th Congress of the European Regional Science Association (ERSA), Jönköping, August 19–23 2010. Member of organizing committee.
- The XVII European Association of Agricultural Economics (EAAE) congress, Rennes, August 29–September 1 2023. Member of programme committee.
- The 1st International Conference on Recent trends in Economic Development, Finance and Management Research in East Africa (EABEW), Kigali, May 2015. Session organizer and chair.
- The 2nd International Conference on Recent trends in Economic Development, Finance and Management Research in East Africa (EABEW), Kigali, June 2016. Session organizer and chair.
- Addis Ababa International Conference on Business and Economics (AAICBE), Addis Ababa, December 2017. Session organizer.
- The 14th Workshop on Social Capital and Development Trends, Nuku'alofa, June 2017. Presenter.
- Annual meeting of the Western Regional Science Association (WRSA), San Diego, February 2014. Presenter.
- Annual North American Meeting of the Regional Science Association International (NARSC), Washington DC, November 2014. Presenter.
- International Workshop on Social Capital and Development trends, Östersund, August 2014. Presenter.

Recent research communication

Rural Research <https://ruralresearch.se/>

“This is smart growth (part 1)” <http://vertikals.se/guestblog/2016/10/14/horizon-2020>

”Mångfald av grödor ger bättre ekonomi på svenska gårdar”

<https://www.slu.se/ew-nyheter/2022/6/mangfald-av-grodor-ger-battre-ekonomi-pa-svenskagardar/>

“The role played by cultural heritage in influencing the location choices of skilled individuals”

<https://culturaleconomics.org/the-role-played-by-cultural-heritage-in-influencing-the-locationchoices-of-skilled-individuals/>

”Mångfalden av grödor skiljer sig mellan konventionella och ekologiska gårdar”

<https://internt.slu.se/nyheter-originalen/2022/12/mangfalden-av-grodor-skiljer-sig-mellankonventionella-och-ekologiska-gardar/>

”Elitidrott har en viktig betydelse för regional tillväxt och utveckling”

<http://vertikals.se/backman-nilsson/2015/03/08/hv71/>

”Kulturarv i fokus 2016”

<http://vertikals.se/guestblog/2016/05/21/kulturarv/>

”Productivity Effects of CAP Investment Support: Evidence from Sweden using Matched Panel Data”, European Network for Rural Development. Belgium (CID: 20.500.12592/6j437b).

”Ängs- och betesmarker höjer värdet på sommarstugan”

<https://www.atl.nu/angs-och-betesmarker-hojer-vardet-pa-sommarstugan>