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### Current Appointment

**Leibniz Institute of Freshwater Ecology and Inland Fisheries IGB** ([website](#)), Berlin, Germany  
Postdoctoral Economist 2024-present

#### Job Description:

- Compiling and econometrically analysing vessel-level panel data of the coastal commercial fishery in the Baltic Sea.
- Analysing the impact of fishing quota changes on large-scale fleets using satellite tracking data to inform fisheries management and policy.
- Contributing to reports for stakeholders including the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF).
- Publishing the research results in the international conferences and primary literature.

### Education

**University of Tasmania, Australia**  
Doctor of Philosophy (Economics) 2020-2024

**University of Tasmania, Australia**  
Master of Finance 2018-2019

**University of Tasmania, Australia**  
Bachelor of Business 2015-2017

### Grants and Awards

Co-Principal Investigator of the Australia-Indonesia Knowledge Partnership Project (AUD 500,000) Under Review (expected 12/2024)

Higher Degree by Research Travel Grants (AUD 1,650) 2023

Tasmania Graduate Research Scholarship (AUD 220,500) 2020-2023

Dean's Honour Roll, University of Tasmania 2019

Tasmanian International Scholarship 2017-2019

### Skills

**Languages:** Chinese Mandarin (native); English (proficient); German (elementary)  
**Software:** ArcGIS; Stata; R; Gephi (network analysis); Python  
**Technical:** Registered drone operator - European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA)

### Research Interests

**Topics:** Environmental and Resource Economics, Development Economics, Regional Studies  
**Methodologies:** Causal inference, Natural experiments, Satellite data

## Research Projects (\* indicates co-authored with research students)

### Referred Publications:

1. **Lu, Y.**, and Wang C., 2024. [Can religion explain cross-country differences in financial development? A global perspective](#), *Sociological Inquiry*, 94(2), p.1-24.
2. **Lu, Y.**, Yan, K., and Wang, C., 2024. [Political orientation and education investment: An OECD perspective](#), *Business and Politics*, p.1-16.
3. **Lu, Y.** and Yamazaki, S., 2023. [Fish to fight: Does catching more fish increase conflicts in Indonesia?](#) *World Development*, 170, p.106337.
4. Wang, C. and **Lu, Y.**, 2023. [Institution quality and stock price crash risk: A global perspective](#), *International Journal of Managerial Finance*.
5. Wang, C. and **Lu, Y.**, 2022. [Regional favouritism and education development](#), *Regional Studies, Regional Science*, 9(1), p.302-319.
6. Wang, C. and **Lu, Y.**, 2020. [Can economic structural change and transition explain cross-country differences in innovative activity?](#) *Technological Forecasting and Social Change*, 159, p.120194.

### Working in Progress:

7. “Drivers of entry and exit in the Western Baltic fishery” with Martin Friedrich Quaas (Leipzig University), Robert Arlinghaus (Humboldt University of Berlin), William Arlidge (University of Oxford & IGB), and Carsten Riepe (IGB)
  - Presentations: *MarEEchange project report (2024)*; *BIOECON (2024, accepted)*; *MarEEchange kick-off report (2024)*
8. “[Antarctic sanctuary: Behavioural impact of international marine protected areas](#)” with Satoshi Yamazaki (University of Tasmania)
  - Presentations: *IIFET (2024, by co-author)*; *iDiv (2024)*; *IFishMan (2024)*; *AARES (2024)*; *AAEA (2023)*; *ESAM (2023)*; *AAERE (2023)*; *ACE (2022)*; *MEEW (2023)*
9. “[Interconnected oceans: global fish trade and fishing access agreements](#)” with Satoshi Yamazaki (University of Tasmania)
  - Presentations: *IIFET (2024)*; *ESA (2023)*
10. \* “[The impact of contested exclusive economic zones on fisheries in the South China Sea](#)” with Himaushu Hardikar (Deloitte Access Economics) and Satoshi Yamazaki (University of Tasmania)
  - Presentations: *IIFET (2024)*; *ACE (2022, by co-author)*

## Presentations

### 2024

*XXV Biodiversity and Economics for Conservation (BIOECON) Conference*, King’s College, Cambridge, United Kingdom; *International Institute of Fisheries Economics and Trade (IIFET) Conference*, Penang, Malaysia; *Lab Seminar*, German Centre for Integrative Biodiversity Research

(iDiv), Germany; *marEEchange Kick-off meeting*, Leipzig University, Germany; *Integrative Fisheries Management (IFishMan) Lab Seminar*, Berlin, Germany; *Annual Conference of the Australasian Agricultural and Resource Economics Society (AARES)*, Australian National University, Australian Capital Territory, Australia (by co-author).

### 2023

*Monash Environmental Economics Workshop (MEEW)*, Monash University, Victoria, Australia; *Agricultural & Applied Economics (AAEA) Annual Meeting*, Washington D.C., United States; *Congress of Asian Association of Environmental and Resource Economics (AAERE)*, Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan (session chair & discussant); *Econometric Society Australasian Meeting (ESAM)*, UNSW, New South Wales, Australia; *Economic Society of Australia (ESA) Event*, Tasmania, Australia.

### 2022

*Australian Conference of Economists (ACE)*, Tasmania, Australia.

### 2021

*Annual Conference of the Australasian Agricultural and Resource Economics Society (AARES)*, Virtual (Sydney), Australia

## Services

**Journal peer-review:** *Technovation; Technological Forecasting and Social Change; Review of Regional Research*

## Research Affiliations

Econometric Society (ES); Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA); Australian Agricultural and Resource Economics Society (AARES); Economic Society of Australia (ESA); Asian Association of Environmental and Resource Economics (AAERE); International Institute of Fisheries Economics and Trade (IIFET)

## Teaching and Supervision

### Tasmanian School of Business and Economics, University of Tasmania

#### 1. Data Analysis for Business (Undergraduate)

*Teaching Assistant*

Accelerated Semester 2, 2023

#### 2. Introduction to Econometrics (Undergraduate)

*Guest Lecturer*

Semester 1, 2023

#### 3. Economics Dissertation (Honours)

*Advisor*

March 2021-January 2022

### Australian Institute of Health Service Management, University of Tasmania

#### 4. Health Ethics, Law, and Governance (Postgraduate)

*Teaching Assistant*

Semester 2, 2022

## Other Professional Experiences

Data analyst, UnionPay International, Shanghai, 2017-2018

Intern operation assistant, Bank of China, Shanghai, 2016-2017