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Fields of Research

gender, ageing, labour, microsimulation

Employment

- 2018–now **Research Assistant**, *Warsaw School of Economics (SGH)*, Poland
2012–2025 **Senior Research Economist**, *Centre for Economic Analysis (CenEA)*, Poland
2018, 2019, 2021, 2022 **Short-term Consultant**, *World Bank*, remote
2011–2012 **Junior Consultant**, *Business Consultancy Dariusz Zarzecki*, Poland

Education

- 2012 **M.A. in Economics**, *University of Szczecin*, Poland
2011 **B.A. in International Relationships**, *University of Szczecin*, Poland
2010 **B.A. in Economics**, *University of Szczecin*, Poland

Journal Articles

- 2025 “Income and well-being in old age: the role of local contextual factors.”, *Journal of the Economics of Ageing*, with M. Myck, E. Kulati. [Policy Brief]
2024 “Homeownership and the perception of material security in old age.”, *Applied Economics*, with C. Garten, M. Myck. [IZA DP No. 15495] [Policy Brief]
2024 “Patterns of harassment and violence against women in Central and Eastern Europe. The role of the socio-economic context and gender norms in international comparisons.”, *Baltic Journal of Economics*, with K. Trzciński, M. Myck.
2023 “Home alone: Widows’ well-being and time.”, *Journal of Happiness Studies*, with M. Adena, D. Hamermesh, M. Myck. [IZA DP No. 14881]
2023 “Deaths during the first year of the COVID-19 pandemic: insights from regional patterns in Germany and Poland.”, *BMC Public Health*, with M. Myck, C. Garten, A. Król, M. Brandt. [Policy Brief] [Policy Paper]
2023 “Parental gender preferences in Central and Eastern Europe and differential early life disadvantages.”, *Economics of Transition and Institutional Change*, with M. Myck, I. Wowczko. [IZA DP No. 14244]
2022 “Healthier over time? Period effects in health among older Europeans in a step-wise approach to identification.”, *Social Science & Medicine*, with M. Myck.
2020 “Implications of Social and Material Deprivation for Changes in Health of Older People.”, *Journal of Ageing and Health*, with M. Myck, M. Najsztab.
2018 “Shocked by therapy? Unemployment in the first years of the socio-economic transition in Poland and its long-term consequences.”, *Economics of Transition*, with M. Myck. [IZA DP No. 11342] [Policy Brief]

Work-in-Progress

“Dissatisfied and Gone? Gendered Patterns in Job Satisfaction and Employment Histories.”

“Across-country differences in the prevalence of self-reported Long COVID symptoms among middle-aged and older adults participating in SHARE.”, with S. Cuscheri, M. Kozela, A. Chłoń-Domińczak, P. Wilk.

“Disability benefit regulations and labour market dynamics during the transition in Central and Eastern Europe.”, with M. Myck.

Book Chapters

“Widows’ Time, Time Stress and Happiness: Adjusting to Loss.”, 2023, with D. Hamermesh, M. Myck. In: Polachek, S., Tatsiramos, K. (eds.) *Research in Labor Economics*, 50th Celebratory Volume. [NBER WP 28752]

“Blood collection in the field – results and lessons from the Polish test study.”, 2019, with L. Weiss, M. Börsch-Supan, M. Myck, K. Nocoń, R. Topór-Mądry, K. Andersen-Ranberg, A. Börsch-Supan. In: Börsch-Supan et al. (eds.), *Health and socio-economic status over the life course*. De Gruyter.

“Material deprivation items in SHARE wave 5 data: A contribution to better understanding of differences in material conditions in later life.”, 2015, with M. Adena, M. Myck. In: Börsch-Supan et al. (eds.), *Ageing in Europe – Supporting Policies for an Inclusive Society*.

“Measuring social deprivation and social exclusion.”, 2015, with M. Myck, M. Najsztub. In: Börsch-Supan et al. (eds.), *Ageing in Europe – Supporting Policies for an Inclusive Society*.

Policy Briefs, Policy Papers, Reports

FREE Policy Briefs

“Three Years On – Ukrainians in Poland after Russia’s 2022 Invasion.”, 2025, with M. Myck, A. Król.

“Active parent: Addressing Labor Market Disadvantages of Mothers in Poland.”, 2024, with M. Myck.

“Polish Parliamentary Elections 2023: Social Transfers and the Voters the Government is Counting On.”, 2023, with M. Myck, A. Król, K. Trzeciński.

“Five Years in Operation: the Polish Universal Child Benefit.”, 2021, with M. Myck, K. Trzeciński, A. Król.

“Paid Work after Retirement – Does Quality of Your Main Job in the Past Matter?”, 2017, with L. Morawski, M. Myck.

“Examining Social Exclusion among the 50+ in Europe.”, 2015, with M. Myck.

“Taxes and Benefits in the Polish Parliamentary Election Campaigns.”, 2015, with M. Myck.

“Distribution of the VAT Burden in Poland by Income Group and Demographic Characteristics.”, 2015, with M. Myck.

“Increasing Resources for Families with Children Through the Tax System: Recent Reform Proposals from Poland.”, 2015, with M. Myck.

FREE Policy Papers

“Household exposure to financial risks: the first wave of impact from COVID-19 on the economy.”, 2020, with M. Myck, K. Trzeciński.

“Safety of older people during the COVID-19 pandemic: coresidence of people aged 65+ in Poland compared to other European countries.”, 2020, with M. Myck, K. Trzeciński.

“School lockdown: distance learning environment during the COVID-19 outbreak.”, 2020, with M. Myck, K. Trzeciński.

FROGEE Policy Briefs

“Closing the Gender Data Gap.”, 2024, with P. Campa, M. Myck, M. Perrotta Berlin, J. Roine.

“Reforming Financial Support in Widowhood: The Current System in Poland and Potential Reforms.”, 2024, with M. Myck, A. Król. [Policy Paper]

“Gender Gap in Life Expectancy in Poland.”, 2024.

“Women in Polish parliamentary elections after 1989.”, 2023, with M. Myck, K. Trzeciński.

“Rebuilding Ukraine: The Gender Dimension of the Reconstruction Process.”, 2023, with M. Perrotta Berlin, P. Campa, et al.

“Understanding the Economic and Social Context of Gender-based and Domestic Violence in Central and Eastern Europe.”, 2022, with M. Myck, M. Perrotta Berlin, et al.

“The double burden of paid and unpaid work on women in Poland.”, 2021, with M. Myck, A. Król.

“Inequalities between men and women in Poland 30 years after the transition.”, 2020, with M. Myck.

“Family policies in Poland – addressing one of the lowest fertility rates in Europe.”, 2019, with M. Myck, I. Wowczko.

CenEA Microsimulation Reports

Co-author of 25+ CenEA microsimulation reports on tax-benefit policy in Poland (2013–2025), in Polish. A full list is available at monikaoczkowska.github.io.

■ Seminars & Conferences

Research Seminars: TU Dortmund (2024); HEC Liège (2024); University of Galway (2024); Université Paris Dauphine-PSL (2024); CEAPP Jagiellonian University (2024); SSE Riga (2024); Universidade do Minho Braga (2023); Instituto Politécnico de Viana do Castelo (2023).

Conferences & Workshops: Workshop on Labour Economics, Trier (2026); BeWell 7th Annual Meeting, Halle (2026); International Workshop on the Socio-Economics of Ageing IWSEA, Lisbon (2025, 2023, 2019); Closing Gender Gaps, Yerevan (2025); FROGEE Workshop, Szczecin (2025); Wellbeing, Public Policies and Sustainable Development Conference, Paris (2024); Economic Policy Seminar on Gender Inequality at Old Age, Vilnius (2024); Policy Conference at SGH, Warsaw (2024); Gerontological Society of America Annual Meeting, Tampa (2023); SHARE User Conference (Bled 2022, Budapest 2019); Well-Being, Luxembourg (2022); Warsaw International Economic Meeting WIEM (2022, 2016, 2015, 2014); 16th World Conference of the Spatial Econometrics Association, Warsaw (2022); Economic and Social Context of Domestic Violence, Stockholm (2022); 3rd Baltic Economic Conference, online (2021); European Association of Labour Economists Congress, Lyon (2018); Augustin Cournot Doctoral Days, Strasbourg (2018); SHARE Project Meeting, Riga (2018); SITE Academic Conference, Stockholm (2016); Annual EUROMOD Project Meeting (Athens 2015, Lisbon 2013). Annual Retreat of the FREE Network (Chişinău 2024, Visby 2023, Warsaw 2022, online 2021, Gdańsk 2019, Minsk 2018, Riga 2017, Kiev 2016, Vilnius 2015, Tbilisi 2014, Sigtuna 2013).

■ Participation in Grants and Projects

Research Grant by the Regional Excellence Initiative Programme at SGH “Gender disparities at work over the life course”, 7K EUR, principal investigator (2026)

Survey of Health Ageing and Retirement in Europe (SHARE), member of the country team in Poland & co-coordinator (procurement, software preparation, translations, trainings, running fieldwork, monitoring, data cleaning) (2012–present)

Gender and Generations Survey, member of the country team in Poland (trainings, teaching materials, summer school organisation) (2025–present)

FREE Network Forum for Research on Gender Economics (FROGEE), team member (organising workshops, administrating brief publication, running a CATI survey in 8 countries) (2019–2024)

Team member in the grants completed in CenEA: funding from the Polish National Science Centre “Labour market policy and pre-retirement employment dynamics,” 2019–2024; “Material Conditions and Older Age Wellbeing in Germany and Poland,” 2018–2024; “A quarter century later: long term consequences of the shock therapy at individual level,” 2016–2019; funding from the EEA “Pledges and reality: taxes and transfers in the year of parliamentary elections,” 2014; funding from the Stefan Batory Foundation “Commentaries on the effect of tax and benefit policy on incomes of Polish households,” 2013.

■ Service

Referee: Ageing & Society; Austrian Journal of Statistics; BMC Health Services Research; Housing Studies; Journal of the Economics of Ageing; Plos ONE; Research in Labor Economics; SSM: Population Health; The Gerontologist.

Member of the scientific committee for paper selection, Spring Meeting of Young Economists SMYE (2023, 2024).

Editor, FROGEE Policy Briefs Series (2020–2024).

Teaching: European Social Citizenship Summer School Warsaw 2023 (Practice session with SHARE data); VIU Summer School, Venice Institute on Ageing 2018 (Hands-on with the SHARE data).

Co-organiser of conferences/workshops: “The playing field in academia: Why are women still underrepresented?” Warsaw 2023; “Policy lessons after 30 years of research on transition,” Gdańsk 2019; “Expressions and measures of economic exclusion in old age,” Szczecin 2018; “Optimizing Over the Lifetime – work, consumption and savings,” Warsaw 2014. Annual (Ce)² workshop with the Keynote Lecture Series in Honour of Leonid Hurwicz Warsaw (2012–2019, 2022); Series of FROGEE research and training workshops (Szczecin: 2025, 2024, 2023, 2020, 2019; online: 2021); Local policy conferences with the Regional Center for Social Policy Szczecin (2024, 2023); FREE Network Retreat (Szczecin 2012, Gdańsk 2019, Warsaw 2022).

— Languages

Polish (native) · English (fluent) · German (basic) · Spanish (basic)

— References

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