

# LEVAN BEZHANISHVILI

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## Personal Details

Date of Birth: 13 May 1985

Nationality: Georgian

## Education / Qualifications

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| 2018 – Present | IES (Institute of Economic Studies) - Charles University in Prague. Prague, Czech Republic<br><b><i>PhD in Economics</i></b>   |
| 2016 – 2018    | CERGE-EI (Center for Economic Research and Graduate Education – Economics institute) – Charles University in Prague. Prague, Czech Republic<br><b><i>MSc in Economics (2-year programme)</i></b>   |
| 2010 – 2012    | Central European University, Budapest, Hungary<br><b><i>MSc in Mathematics and Its Applications (2-year programme)</i></b>   |
| 2007 – 2009    | Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Tbilisi, Georgia<br><b><i>MSc in Mathematics (2-year programme)</i></b><br><br><i>Teaching experience:</i> lecturing on a departmental conference for around 70 participants in the field of numerical analysis. |
| 2002 – 2006    | Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Tbilisi, Georgia<br><b><i>BSc in Mathematics</i></b><br>Specialization: Computational Mathematics and Informatics<br>Cumulative Grade Point Average: 4.0/4.0 (with highest honors)                               |
| 1997 – 2002    | Ilia Vekua Mathematics and Physics Secondary School, Tbilisi, Georgia  |

## Employment

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- 2018 – 2019 OGRResearch, s.r.o., Prague, Czech Republic  
**Part Time Data Unit Analyst**  
 Duties and responsibilities: Analyze finance and other macro-economic data; conduct research; collect and compile databases of macro-economic information.
- 2013 – 2016 Integration Point, Inc., Tbilisi, Georgia  
**Global Trade Software Analyst**  
 Duties and responsibilities: develop, configure and test solutions for global trade management; analyse data to support global trade operations, map clients' business processes to the capabilities of the specialized software and apply the capabilities of the software to satisfy the needs of the client, assist clients with daily application use.
- 04/2014-06/2014 All Data Processing Ltd. Sofia, Bulgaria  
**Part Time Business Analyst**  
 Duties and responsibilities: Analyze financial and industry-specific data; conduct research; collect and compile databases of financial information.
- 2006 - 2010 Saguramo, Tbilisi, Georgia  
**Algorithmic Trading Programmer**  
 Duties and responsibilities: develop and test algorithmic trading strategies; development and enhancement of a framework to analyze trade data; program strategies in C++, MATLAB and VBA

## Professional and Academic Certificates

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- 09/2012 – 11/2012 University of Washington, online course  
**Introduction to Computational Finance and Financial Econometrics**  
 Topics covered include: Value at Risk, Time Series Concepts, Autoregressive Processes and Portfolio Theory
- 01/07/2019 – 05/07/2019 Barcelona Graduate School of Economics, summer school  
**Bayesian Methods for DSGE Models**  
 Course Outline: Macro models as data generating processes, State Space Models and Likelihood based estimation, Bayesian Estimation of DSGE models, and Structural empirical models of news, noise and imperfect information

## Awards and Scholarships

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- 2016 – Present Charles University full Fellowship for PhD's Students  
 2010 – 2012 Central European University Full Fellowship for Master's Students

## Talks and Presentations

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- 11/2021 – 23rd International Conference on Environmental Economics, Policy and International Environmental Relations
- 06/2021 – 1st IAEE Online Conference 2021 on Energy, Covid, an Climate Change
- 05/2020 – Spring School on Environmental Economics and Consumer Choice, Nový Šaldorf, Czech Republic
- 11/2019 – 21rd International Conference on Environmental Economics, Policy and

## Published Working Papers

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Alberini, A., Bezhanishvili, L., & Scasny, M. (2021). " Wild" Tariff Schemes: Evidence from the Republic of Georgia (No. 2021/34). Charles University Prague, Faculty of Social Sciences, Institute of Economic Studies.

Available at: <https://ies.fsv.cuni.cz/sci/publication/show/id/6551/lang/en>

Bezhanishvili, L., Appleman, W., & Abramishvili, Z. (2020). Was the Georgian policy shifting public sector working hours by one hour" family friendly" and did it increase female labor participation? (No. 30/2020). IES Working Paper.

Available at: <https://ies.fsv.cuni.cz/sci/publication/show/id/6282/lang/en>

## Teaching Assistantship

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WS 2021/2022: Energy Markets & Economics

WS 2021/2022: Statistics

SS 2020/2021: Microeconomics I

SS 2020/2021: Introductory Statistics

WS 2020/2021: Energy Markets & Economics

WS 2020/2021: Statistics

SS 2019/2020: Introductory Statistics

WS 2019/2020: Statistics

SS 2018/2019: International Finance

## Relevant Skills

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Computing: SQL, Matlab, VBA, Delphi, Pascal, C/C++, Microsoft Office Programs

Languages: English (fluent)  
Russian (fluent)  
German (basic)  
Georgian (mother tongue)