

# Curriculum Vitae

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## Employment

Since 2023 Assistant Professor, Department of Macro, International and Labour Economics (MILE), Maastricht University

2022–2024 New Map of Life Fellow, Stanford Center on Longevity, Stanford University, USA

2021–2023 Postdoctoral Researcher, Department of Economics, London Business School, UK

### *Other appointments and affiliations*

Since 2024 Research Fellow, Ellison Institute of Technology, Oxford, UK

Since 2025 Assistant RPN Leader, CEPR Research Policy Network on the Economics of Ageing and Longevity

2021–2025 Academic Consultant, Development Research Group, World Bank, Washington DC

## Education

2017–2022 DPhil in Economics, University of Oxford (Nuffield College)

Supervisors: M. Ellison (Oxford) and S. Hansen (Imperial College London)

2015–2017 MPhil in Economics (Distinction), University of Oxford (Nuffield College)

2012–2015 BA in Philosophy, Politics and Economics (First Class), University of Oxford (Hertford College)

## Publications

2026 **Ashwin, J.**, Bloom, D., Lee, N., Piot, P., and Scott, A. *Reframing the Epidemiological Transition — Increasing Returns to Tackling Ageing-Related Diseases*. *Nature Aging* (conditionally accepted).

**Ashwin, J.**, Rao, V., Biradavolu, M., Chhabra, A., Haque, A., Khan, A., and Krishnan, N. *Qualitative Analysis with Large-N: A New Method with an Application to Aspirations in Bangladesh*. *The Economic Journal*. doi:10.1093/ej/ueag005

**Ashwin, J.**, Canning, D., and Wallenius, J. *Introduction to the Special Issue: The Economics of Ageing and Longevity*. *Journal of the Economics of Ageing*. doi:10.1016/j.jeoa.2026.100642

2025 **Ashwin, J.**, Beaudry, P., and Ellison, M. *Neural Network Learning for Nonlinear Economies*. *Journal of Monetary Economics*. doi:10.1016/j.jmoneco.2024.103723

**Ashwin, J.**, Chhabra, A., and Rao, V. *Using Large Language Models for Qualitative Analysis Can Introduce Serious Bias*. *Sociological Methods and Research*. doi:10.1177/00491241251338246

**Ashwin, J.** and Scott, A. *A Bayesian Model of Later Life Mortality Trends and Implications for Longevity*. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series A*. doi:10.1093/jrssa/qnaf026

2024 **Ashwin, J.**, Kalamara, E., and Saiz, L. *Nowcasting Euro Area GDP with News Sentiment: A Tale of Two Crises*. *Journal of Applied Econometrics*. doi:10.1002/jae.3057

**Ashwin, J.** *Financial News Media and Volatility: Is There More to Newspapers than News?* *Journal of Financial Markets*. doi:10.1016/j.finmar.2024.100896

- 2023 Scott, A., **Ashwin, J.**, Ellison, M., and Sinclair, D. *International Gains to Achieving Healthy Longevity. Cold Spring Harbor Perspectives in Medicine.* doi:10.1101/cshperspect.a041202
- 2022 Smug, D., **Ashwin, J.**, Ashwin, P., and Sornette, D. *An Adaptive Dynamical Model of Default Contagion. Quantitative Finance.* doi:10.1080/14697688.2022.2039755
- 2021 Ahrens, M., **Ashwin, J.**, Calliess, J.-P., and Nguyen, V. *Bayesian Topic Regression for Causal Inference. Proceedings of EMNLP*, pp. 8162–8188. doi:10.18653/v1/2021.emnlp-main.644

### Working Papers

- Ashwin, J.**, Ellison, M., and Scott, A. *The Value of Healthy Longevity and Increasing Returns to Tackling Ageing.*
- 2022 **Ashwin, J.** *Multi-dimensional Uncertainty and Central Bank Communication: What Do Central Bankers Talk About and Why?* Winner of the Peter Sinclair Prize (1st place), 9th MMF Society PhD Conference.

### Policy Publications

- 2022 **Ashwin, J.**, Trivedi, K., and Crosilla, D. *Central Bank Hawkishness in EM — Tracking and Trading the Shifts. Global Markets Analyst*, Goldman Sachs.
- 2021 **Ashwin, J.**, Dossche, M., Forster van Aerssen, K., Gomez-Salvador, R., Kalamara, E., and Pierluigi, B. *The ECB's Communication on the Economic Outlook: A Comparative Analysis. ECB Economic Bulletin*, Issue 8.
- 2014 **Ashwin, J.** *Summary of Proceedings: 2nd Stranded Assets Forum.* Smith School for Enterprise and the Environment, University of Oxford.

### Grants & Fellowships

- 2026–2029 NWO VENI Grant (PI), EUR 320,000
- 2025–2030 NWO Starter Grant / SSB (PI), EUR 336,000
- Since 2025 GSBE Fellowship, Maastricht University, approx. EUR 2,500 p.a.
- 2023–2025 World Bank Research Support Grant (Co-I), USD 100,000
- 2021–2023 World Bank Knowledge for Change Grant (Co-I), USD 200,000
- 2020–2021 David Walton Distinguished Doctoral Scholarship, approx. GBP 40,000
- 2015–2019 ESRC Scholarship (MPhil + DPhil), approx. GBP 150,000
- 2013–2015 Hertford College Academic Scholarship, GBP 1,500

### Prizes & Awards

- 2025 SBE Outstanding Research Award (3rd place), School of Business and Economics, Maastricht University
- 2022 Peter Sinclair Prize (1st place), 9th MMF Society PhD Conference

### Other Employment

- 2020–2021 PhD Trainee, DG Economics (Business Cycle Analysis), European Central Bank, Frankfurt
- 2021 Summer Associate, Goldman Sachs, London
- 2018 Policy Advisor, Open Innovation Team, UK Cabinet Office, London
- 2020–2021 Research Assistant (G. Ascari & S. Mavroeidis), University of Oxford

### Teaching

- Maastricht University* (since 2023); average evaluation: 8.4/10 (coordinator), 9.3/10 (tutor)
- 2025–26 Contending Perspectives in Economics: the Case of Inequality (SSC2010) — coordinator
- 2023–26 History of Economic Thought (EBC2153) — co-coordinator (with K. Bosmans)

- 2023–25 ICT, Labour and Inequality (EBC2130) — coordinator  
 2023–25 Modern Economic Crises: Causes and Solutions (EBC2191) — coordinator  
 2023–25 International Economic Relations: the Case of Europe (SSC3034) — co-coordinator (with M. Sanders)  
 2023–24 Economics for Business Engineering (BENC1005) — coordinator  
*Supervision*: 2 PhD students (1st supervisor, 2025–26 onwards); approx. 22 BSc theses (1st reader, 2023–25, 89% submission rate); 4 MaRBLe theses (2024–25, 1 SBE prize winner); 3 MSc theses (2024–25). EIT: research lead on 5 projects, managing 3 post-docs and 9 pre-docs.  
 2022–23 Teaching Fellow, University College London (MSc Data Science for Public Policy)  
 2022 PhD Course Instructor, Heidelberg University (text analysis methods)  
 2017–21 Junior Lecturer / Tutor, University of Oxford (Macroeconomics; Money and Banking; Mathematics for Economists; Labour Economics)

### Selected Presentations

- 2025 ASSA, Philadelphia; EEA; RES; ECB, Frankfurt; OECD, Paris; CEPR Conferences; NEUDC; CEPR Conference on the Economics of Ageing and Longevity, London Business School (co-organiser)  
 2024 CEPR Economics of Longevity & Ageing Workshop, London; ECB AI in Economics Seminar, Frankfurt; OECD, Paris; NEUDC; MeasureDev; London Longevity Workshop; LBS Economics Alumni Conference (discussant)  
 2023 LSE Inequalities Institute Seminar; CEF, Nice; Conference on Expectations in Dynamic Macroeconomic Models, Vienna; MWZ Text as Data Workshop  
 2022 MMF PhD Conference, Edinburgh; Oxford Economics & ML Jamboree; Behavioural Macroeconomics Workshop, Bamberg; CIFAR BMB Fall Meeting, Berkeley; KOF Swiss Economic Institute, Zurich; CFE, London; Investor Emotions & Asset Pricing Meeting, Lille  
 2021 EEA-ESEM; Barcelona GSE Summer Forum; CEF, Tokyo; RES Symposium of Junior Researchers, Belfast; Methods and Measurement Conference, Philadelphia  
 2020 Econometric Society Winter Meeting, Nottingham; ISCEF, Paris; Young Economist Symposium, Philadelphia; Warsaw International Economics Meeting  
 2019 CEF, Ottawa; EcoMod, Ponta Delgada; RES Junior Researchers Symposium; CFE, London  
 2018 CFE/CMStatistics, Iasi

### Academic Service

#### *Editorial*

- 2026 Guest Editor (with D. Canning & J. Wallenius), Special Issue “Economics of Ageing and Longevity”, *Journal of the Economics of Ageing*  
 Since 2025 Assistant Project Lead, CEPR Research Policy Network on Ageing and Longevity

#### *Conference and seminar organisation*

- 2025 Co-organiser (with D. Canning & J. Wallenius), CEPR Conference on the Economics of Ageing and Longevity, London Business School  
 Since 2024 Co-organiser (with M. Moatsos), MILE Seminar Series, Maastricht University  
 Co-organiser (with G. Piccillo), track at MORSE Conference

#### *Refereeing*

European Economic Review; Journal of Applied Econometrics; Macroeconomic Dynamics; Journal of Business and Economic Statistics; Journal of the Economics of Ageing; Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics; Behavioral Finance and Asset Prices; Sociological Methods and Research; Applied Economics; Empirical Economics. Grant review: Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC).

### *Departmental*

Since 2024 Co-founder, Inequality Dynamics research theme, MILE (with M. Moatsos) — 3  
PhD positions and EUR 70,000+ research fund  
2025 UTQ/BKO (University Teaching Qualification), completed

### **Outreach & Dissemination**

*Podcasts:* CEPR VoxTalks (*The Economic Consequences of Living Longer*); EADi Innovating Methods (*Using AI to Analyse Qualitative Data*); SBE Podcast #26 (*Can we have several careers?*); *The Finance Bro*.

*Video:* CEPR (*Lessons from the CEPR Conference on the Economics of Ageing and Longevity*, 2025).

*Blogs:* *VoxDev*; *World Bank Development Impact Blog*; *SBE Blog*, Maastricht University.

*Software:* *iQual* — Python package for scaling qualitative analysis with NLP/LLMs (World Bank GitHub).

### **Skills**

**Programming:** R, Julia (advanced); Matlab, Python (intermediate). **Languages:** English (native), German (advanced), Dutch (intermediate).