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Main contributions

Yann Algan is the Dean of Pre-experience Programs and Professor of Economics at HEC. His main contributions focus on the role of trust and well-being within organizations and societies, with seminal papers showing the causal impact of trust on economic growth, institutions, populism, and management and organizations. He also focuses on the evaluation of public policy with particular attention to the role of education, management, and employment policies. His work incorporates methods from economics, management, social sciences, psychology, and big data. His work has been published in various top 5 (American Economic Review, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Journal of Political economy), generalist inter-disciplinary reviews (PNAS, Lancet, Organization science...) and, as one of the main specialist of his field, in different handbooks. In 2010 he was awarded an ERC Starting Grant for his project “Trust”. In 2015, he received a second ERC grant, a consolidator one, for the project “Sowell” on Social Preferences, Well-Being, and Policy”. He was the former Dean and founder of the School of Public Affairs at Sciences Po

He is a member of the OECD High Level Expert Group on Well-Being, and is affiliated with CEPR and IZA. His awards include the Best French Young Economist (2009), and his books on trust and French society have been awarded Best French Economics Book and French Essay (2009) and Best French Economics Book, Prix Lycéen (2013). He is one of the main contributor of the international project for a new curriculum in economy (CORE) and senior editor of the review Economic Policy. He is a senior editor of the review Economic Policy, and a member of the Economic Advisory Board for the Prime Minister

Personal Details

Born: 3 April 1974, Paris
Citizenship: French

Main jobs

- Dean Pre-Experience Programs, HEC: 2021-
- Professor of Economics, HEC: 2021-
- Professor of Economics, Sciences Po Paris : 2008 – 2021 (on leave)
- Dean School of Public Affairs Sciences Po, 2015- 2021

Academic affiliations

- OECD High Level Expert Group on Well-Being
- Member of the Economic Advisory Board for the Prime-Minister (CAE)
- Member of the Digital Advisory Board for the Prime-Minister
- Research fellow at CEPR and IZA: 2010-present: Labor, Public Policy and Macroeconomic Economics Program

Visits

- Visiting professor, Harvard University, 2008
- Visiting scholar: Massachusetts Institute of Technology MIT, 2007
- Post-PhD: University of California San Diego UCSD, 2002

Impact factor

- Google citation index: h-index: 32
- Citations: 8700

Grants:

- European Commission, Consolidator Grant ERC, 2015-2020, “Trust, Well Being and Public Policy”, 1,000,000 euros
- European Commission, Starting Grant ERC, 2010-2014, “Trust”, 1,000,000 euros

Main publications

Books

- Les Origines du Populisme », avec Elizabeth Beasley, Daniel Cohen et Martial Foucault, La République des idées, 2019.
- « Econofides », Ebooks interactifs et Plateformes de Microlearning pour enseigner l’Economie au lycée.
- « Les Français, le Bonheur et l’Argent », avec Claudia Sénik et Elizabeth Beasley, Editions de la rue d’Ulm, Prix Lycéen du meilleur livre d’économie 2018
- L’Economie, CORE – Eyrolles 2018 (Initiative internationale pour renouveler l’enseignement de l’économie à l’Université).
- L’Etat en Mode Start-Up, avec Thomas Cazenave, Eyrolles, 2016 (Préface Emmanuel Macron).
- Cultural integration of immigrants in Europe, Oxford University Press, 2012, with Alberto Bisin, Alan Manning and Thierry Verdier.
- La Fabrique de la défiance, avec Pierre Cahuc et André Zylberberg, Albin Michel, 2012. Prix Lycéen Meilleur Livre d’Economie.
- La société de défiance: comment le modèle social s’autodétruit, avec Pierre Cahuc, Editions de la Rue d’Ulm, collection CEPREMAP, 2007. Prix du meilleur Essai et du meilleur livre d’économie français en 2008.

Reports

- « Les Professeurs du XXIème siècle », Rapport scientifique Grenelle de l’Education pour le Ministre Jean-Michel Blanquer, 2021.
- « Les Français au temps de la Covid : Economie et société face au risque sanitaire », Rapport Conseil d’analyse économique 2021

- « Territoires et Bien-être », Rapport Conseil d'analyse économique 2018
- « Pour une Ecole du XXIeme siecle », Rapport Conseil d'analyse économique 2018
- « Action Publique 3.0 », avec Maya Baccache et Anne Perrot, Rapport du Conseil d'analyse économique, 2016.
- “Mindset Change and Employment: Evidence from a Randomized Experiment with Young Disadvantaged People”, 2016
- "The Impact of Violence at School on Educational Performances", 2016
- “The Impact of a Large-Scale Mindset Intervention on School Outcomes and Dropouts: Experimental Evidence from France”, 2016

Articles

1. “The long-term impact of social training at school entry: a randomized trial”, with Elizabeth Beasley, Richard Tremblay and Frank Vitaro, *Revise and Resubmit American Economic Review (forthcoming)*
2. “Trust in Scientist in times of pandemic : Panel evidence from 12 countries”, with Daniel Cohen, Eva Davoine, Martial Foucault et Stephanie Stantcheva, *PNAS (forthcoming)*.
3. “Cooperation in Open source software economy”, avec Yochai Benkler, Emeric Henry et Jérôme Hergueux, *Organisation Science (forthcoming)*
4. “The economic incentives of cultural transmission: spatial evidence from naming patterns across”, avec Clément Malgouyres, Thierry Mayer et Mathias Thoenig, *Economic Journal (forthcoming)*
5. “Association Between Childhood Behaviors and Adult Employment Earnings”, avec Vergunst F Tremblay RE, Nagin D Beasley E, Park J, Galera C, Vitaro F, [Côté SM](#), forthcoming *JAMA Psychiatry* 2019
6. “Childhood environmental harshness predicts coordinated health and reproductive strategies: A cross-sectional study of a nationally representative sample from France,” avec Hugo Mell, Lou Safra, Nicolas Baumard et Coralie Chevallier, *Evolution and Human Behavior* 2018
7. “Well-Being through the lens of Big Data”, avec E. Beasley, Fabrice Murtin, Claudia Senik, *Plos-One*, 2018
8. “Trust and Social Progress”, *Handbook of Well Being, Eds Deaton and Stiglitz*, 2018
9. “The European Trust Crisis and the Rise of Populism” , *Brookings Paper for Economic Activity*, 2018
10. « Childhood harshness induces long-lasting preference for authoritarian leaders », , with Safra, L., Grèzes, J., Tecu, T., Baumard, N. & Chevallier, C. , *Evolution and Human Behavior* 2018
11. “The social impact of ethnic diversity: A randomized trial”, with Camille Hémet and David Laitin, 2016. *Journal of Political Economy*

12. “The superiority of economists”, with Marion Fourcade and Etienne Ollion *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 2015 (featured in *The Economist*, *The New York Times*....)
13. “Family values and Labor Regulation”, with Alberto Alesina, Paola Guiliano and Pierre Cahuc, 2015, *Journal of the European Economic Association*
14. “Efficient and Inefficient States”, with Pierre Cahuc and Marc Sangnier, Sciences Po 2014 (IZA top 5), *Economic Journal*
15. “Trust, Well-Being and Growth: New Evidence and Policy Implications”, with Pierre Cahuc, *Handbook of Economic Growth*, Eds Aghion and Durlauf, 2014
16. “Trust and Growth”, with Pierre Cahuc, *Annual Review of Economics*, 2014
17. “Teaching practices and Social Capital”, with Pierre Cahuc and Andrei Shleifer, *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 5, no. 3: 189-210. 2013
18. “The State and the Civil Society in the making of Social Capital”, with Philippe Aghion and Pierre Cahuc, *Journal of European Economic Association*, vol. 9(1), p. 3-42, 2011
19. “Regulation and Distrust”, with Philippe Aghion, Pierre Cahuc and Andrei Shleifer, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, vol. 125(3), pages 1015-1049, 2010
20. “Inherited Trust and Growth”, with Pierre Cahuc, *American Economic Review*, vol. 100(5), pages 2060-92, 2010
21. “The economic situation of Immigrants and their Children in France, Germany, and the UK”, with Cristian Dustman, Albert Glitz and Alan Manning, *Economic Journal*, 2010
22. “Civic Culture and Labor Market Institutions”, with Pierre Cahuc, *American Economic Journal*, 2009: 1-55 (IZA Top 10 most reading paper 2007).
23. “The roots of low European employment: family culture?”, with Pierre Cahuc, *NBER Macroeconomic Annual*, Pissarides, C. and Frenkel, J., eds, 2007.
24. “Job protection: the Macho Hypothesis?”, with Pierre Cahuc, *Oxford Review of Economic Policy*, 2006.
25. “Public employment and Labor market performances”, with Pierre Cahuc and André Zylberberg, *Economic Policy*, vol. 17, pp. 6-60, 2002.
26. “Heterogeneity in Macroeconomics”, with Olivier Allais and Wouter Den Haan, *Handbook of Computational Economics*, , Editors: Ken Judd and John Rust, 2014.
27. “Short-run effect of monetary policy under incomplete markets”, with Edouard Challe and Xavier Ragot, *Economic Theory* 2011

28. ‘Macroeconomic implication of Financial policy with heterogeneous agents’, with Olivier Allais and Eva Carceles-Podeva, *Review of Economic Dynamics*, 2011
29. ‘Monetary Policy with Heterogeneous Agents and Borrowing Constraints’, with Xavier Ragot, *Review of Economic Dynamics* 2011.
30. ‘Heterogeneity, Inequalities and Macroeconomics’, with Olivier Allais and Wouter Den Haan, *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control*, 2011.
31. ‘Solving heterogeneous-agent models with parameterized cross-sectional distributions’, with Olivier Allais and Wouter Den Haan, *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control*, 2008.
32. ‘Self-insurance and Inequality’, with Arnaud Chéron, Jean-Olivier Hairault and François Langot, *Economic Letters*, 2004.
33. ‘Wealth effect and Labor Market Transitions’, with A. Chéron, J.O Hairault and F. Langot, *Review of Economic Dynamics*, vol.1, pp. 112-140, 2003.
34. ‘Incomplete Unemployment Insurance under Aggregate Fluctuations’, with Olivier Allais, *Economics Bulletin*, 2004.
35. ‘How well does the Aggregate Demand - Aggregate Supply framework explain unemployment fluctuations? ’, *Economic Modelling*, vol. 19, pp. 153-177, 2002.