

Detailed Curriculum Vitae, Last updated in January 2018

Personal record

Full name: Ralitza Dimova

Education and Qualifications

09/2001-09/2004: Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium: Ph.D. in Economics, awarded in January 2005

09/1996-06/1997: College of Europe, Bruges, Belgium: MA in European Economic Studies, awarded in June 1997

09/1991-06/1996: Economics University of Varna, Bulgaria: BA in International Economic Relations, awarded in June 1996

Present appointments:

09/2010-present: Senior Lecturer in Development Economics, University of Manchester

12/2017-present: Research Director, Global Development Institute, University of Manchester

09/2017-present: Research Fellow, Global Labor Organization

09/2006-present: Research Fellow, IZA (Institute for the Study of Labor), Bonn, Germany

Previous employment and appointments held:

09/2005-08/2010: Brunel University, London: Lecturer in Economics

04/2005-12/2005: Caisse Nationale d'Assurance Vieillesse, Paris, France: Marie Curie Research Fellow

10/2004-03/2005: Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research, Rostock, Germany: Marie Curie Research Fellow

11/2001-09/2004: Centre for Institutions and Economic Performance, Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium: Research Assistant

09/2000-05/2001: Economics Department, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, USA: Teaching Assistant

11/1998-06/1999: ICRA Limited, Associate of Moody's Investors Services in India: Consultant with an Independent Project

Visiting appointments/secondments:

Université Félix Houphouët-Boigny, Côte d'Ivoire, Summer, 2015 – developed a research programme on intrahousehold relations and child labour; Summer 2016 completed behavioural field experiments and household data collection as part of this research programme

Cornell University, Dyson School of Applied Economics and Management, Ithaca, USA, April, 2015
Visiting researcher; developed a research programme on intrahousehold relations and child labour in Francophone West Africa

Université Cheikh Anta Diop of Dakar and National Agency of Demographics and Statistics of Senegal, June 2009: developed a research programme on labour markets in Francophone Africa

Rutgers University, Economics Department, New Jersey, USA, Summer 2008: Visiting Lecturer: delivered a module in Labour Economics

IZA-Institute for the Study of Labour, Bonn, Germany, Summer 2006: Visiting researcher: developed a research programmes on labour markets in Malawi and on child labour.

Rutgers University, Economics and Nutritional Science Departments, New Jersey, USA, Summers of 2004 and 2006: developed a research agenda on labour markets and the links between economics and nutritional science. The latter resulted in a Leverhulme funded project. Both continue to be part of ongoing research.

The World Bank, Washington D.C. USA, Summer 2002: Summer Intern, Africa Department

Memberships of academic and professional bodies

Royal Economic Society
Western Economic Association
IZA-Institute for the Study of Labour, Bonn, Germany
Society of Household Economics

Research and academic/professional standing

Peer reviewed publications:

Authored Books

Bhaumik, S. and Dimova, R. **2014**. *How Family Firms Differ. Structure, Strategy, Governance and Performance*. Palgrave Macmillan, United Kingdom.

Academic Journal Articles

Adebowale, O. and Dimova, R. **2017**. Does access to finance matter for welfare and inequality? Micro level evidence from Nigeria, *Journal of Development Studies*, DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1080/00220388.2017.1371293>

Dimova, R. and Pela, K. **2017**. Entrepreneurship: structural transformation, skills and constraints. *Small Business Economics*, DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s11187-017-9916-0>

- Dimova, R. and Savoia, A. **2016**. Institutions: Evolution, path dependency, anachronisms and impact *Journal of Development Studies*, 52(2), 161-165. (Editorial to a Special Issue).
- Bhaumik, S., Dimova, R. and Gang, I. **2016**. Is women's ownership of land a panacea in developing countries? Evidence from land owning households in Malawi. *Journal of Development Studies*, 52(2), 242-253.
- Campos, N., Dimova, R. and Saleh, A. **2016**. Corruption and economic growth. An econometric survey of evidence. *Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics*, 172, 521-543.
- Dimova, R. Gangopadhyay, S, Michaelowa, K. and Weber, A. **2015**. Off-farm labor supply and correlated shocks. New theoretical insights and evidence from Malawi. *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, 63(2), 361-391.
- Dimova, R., Gang, I. and Epstein, G. **2015**. Migration, transfers and child labor (with Ira Gang and Gil Epstein), *Review of Development Economics*, 19(3), 735-747.
- Dimova, R. and Wolff, FC. **2015**. Remittances and chain migration: longitudinal evidence from Bosnia and Herzegovina. *Journal of Development Studies*, 5(5), 554-568.
- Dimova, R., Gang, I., Hoffman, D. and Gbakou, M. **2015**. The impact of food and economic crises on diet and nutrition. *Journal of Development Studies*, 50(12), 1687-1699.
- Dimova, R. and Nordman, C. **2014**. Understanding the links between labour and development. *European Journal of Development Research*, 25(4), 387-396. (Editorial to a Special Issue).
- Dimova, R. and Gbakou, M. **2013**. The global food crisis: Disaster, opportunity or non-event. *World Development*, 46, 86-95.
- Bhaumik, S. and Dimova, R. **2013**. Good and bad institutions- is the debate over? Cross-country firm-level evidence from the textile industry. *Cambridge Journal of Economics*, 38(1), 109-126.
- Bhaumik, S. and Dimova, R. **2013**. Does human capital endowment of FDI recipient countries really matter? Evidence from cross-country firm level data. *Review of Development Economics*, 17(3), 559-570.
- Dimova, R. and Wolff, FC. **2011**. Do downward private transfers enhance maternal labor supply? Evidence from around Europe. *Journal of Population Economics*, 24(3), 911-923.
- Bhaumik, S., Dimova, R. and Nugent, J. **2011**. Off-farm labor supply and labor markets in rapidly changing circumstances: Bulgaria during transition. *Economic Systems*, 35(3), 358-389.
- Dimova, R. and Donfut, C. **2011** Social mobility sans frontières? Evidence from a sample of immigrants in France. *European Societies*, 13(1), 51-68.
- Dimova, R., Nordman, C. and Roubaud, F. **2010**. Allocation of labor in urban West Africa. Insights from the pattern of labor supply and skill premiums. *Review of Development Economics*, 14(1), 74-92.

Dimova, R. and Wolff, FC. **2009**. Upstream transfers and the donor's labour supply. Evidence from migrants living in France. *The Manchester School*, 77(2), 204-224.

Bhaumik, S. and Dimova, R. **2009**. Economic reforms as a tool to attract foreign direct investment: Is it a chimera? *Applied Economics Letters*, 1–7.

Dimova, R. and Wolff, FC. **2008**. Are private transfers poverty and inequality reducing? Household level evidence from Bulgaria. *Journal of Comparative Economics*, 36(4), 584-598.

Dimova, R. and Wolff, FC. **2008**. Grandchild care transfers by ageing immigrants in France: Intra-household allocations and labour market implications. *European Journal of Population*, 24(3), 315-340.

Dimova, R. **2008**. The impact of labour reallocation and competitive pressure on TFP growth: Firm level evidence from Bulgaria. *International Review of Applied Economics*, 22(3), 321-338.

Dimova, R. and Gang, I. **2007** Self-selection and wages during volatile transition. *Journal of Comparative Economics*, 35(3), 612-619.

Dimova, R. **2006**. Monopolistic wages or efficient contracts: what determined the wage-employment bargain in post-privatization Bulgaria? *Economics of Transition*, 14(2), 321-47. *Leading transitions journal*.

Dimova, R. and Wolff, FC. **2006**. How do migrants care for their elderly parents: Time, money and location. *Swiss Journal of Economics and Statistics*, Special Issue from the First Conference on Long-Term Care, 142, 123-130.

Bhaumik, S. and Dimova, R. **2004**. How important is ownership in a market with a level playing field. The Indian banking industry revisited. *Journal of Comparative Economics*, 32(1), 165-180.

Book chapters

Dimova, R. and Gang, I. **2017**. Female engagement in commercial agriculture, interventions and welfare in Malawi. In: Lawson, D., Ado-Kofie, L. and Hulme, D. (ed.) *What works for the poorest in Africa?* Practical Action Publishing Limited, UK.

Dimova, R. **2017**. Migrant remittances and beyond. The development implications of human capital mobility and accompanying financial flows. In Giorgioni, G. (ed). *Development Finance: Opportunities and Challenges*. Palgrave Macmillan, UK.

Dimova, R., Gang, I. and Landon-Lane, J. **2006**. The informal sector during crisis and transition . In Guha-Khasnobis, Basudeb and Ravi Kanbur (ed). *Informal Labour Markets in Development*. Palgrave Macmillan.

Official Reports

Dimova, R., Elder, S. and Stephan, K. **2016** Labour market transitions of young women and men in the Middle East and North Africa. *International Labour Office, Publication Series No44*, Youth Employment Programme, Employment Policy Department.

Dimova, R. **2016**. Addressing skill mismatch and youth unemployment in Jordan through TVET programmes. Background paper for an **OECD report on Labour Markets in Jordan**.

Dimova, R. and Gang, I. **2013**. The productivity and welfare implications of female empowerment through high value agriculture: what role can interventions play? Background paper for the **UN Foundation's report on "Building a Roadmap for Female's Economic Empowerment"**

Other Publications: Research Equivalent

2016 Sit down for breakfast-stand for the farmers. Contribution to **Fairtrade fortnight at Policy@Manchester**

2016 Contribution to a policy debate, led by the **Guardian, on "How to Finance the SDGs"** My idea was one of the 7 selected for Guardian's article.

2015 The welfare impact of rising food prices. **IZA World of Labour**.

2014 Trading with China. How good is it for Africa? At **IDEAS for Africa, International Growth Centre, London**.

2012 Corruption does sand the wheels of growth (with Nauro Campos) at VoxEU.

2012 Rice market risk: Evidence from Côte d'Ivoire: at **Forum for Agricultural Risk Management for Development of the World Bank**.

Multiple contributions to Development@Manchester

Other audio-visual Media (e.g. composition, film, curated exhibitions etc.): Research:

2015 Food security in Less Developed countries: Crop Choice, Rain and Gender: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S0GUUQr1R00>

- Documentary, authored by me, highlighting my ongoing research in Francophone West Africa and stakeholders' testimonies thereof as part of the Research and Impact Stimulation Fund of the University of Manchester

Editorships: Academic Journal

Co-editor of European Journal of Development Research: 04/2012-present

Co-editor of Special Issues of Journals

- Dimova, R. and Savoia, A. **2016**: Special Issue on Institutions and Development at *Journal of Development Studies*. I am leading author and organizer.
- Dimova, R. and Nordman, C. **2015**: Special Issue on Labour and Development at *European Journal of Development Research*. I am joint author and organizer.

Research grants:

Award start and finish date	Role PI/joint PI/Co-I/RA etc.	Project title	Funder	Amount awarded (and amount attributable to UoM)
Since October 2017	Co-I for project led by David Hulme and Julien Harou	Dams 2.0. Design and assessment of resilient and sustainable interventions in water-energy-food environment mega systems	Research Councils UK as part of the Global Development Challenges Research Framework	£7.5 million
2015-2016	PI	Household preferences and child Labour. Field experiment from Ivory Coast	British Academy-Leverhulme	£10k
2016	PI	Labour market transitions of young women and men	International Labour Office	\$10k
2016	PI	Skill mismatch and labour markets in Jordan	OECD	Euro 5k
2016	PI	Female empowerment in Egypt	UNU-WIDER	Declined due to heavy teaching load
2014	PI	Environmental change, rising food prices and agricultural choices	Impact stimulation fund of Manchester University	£ 5k
2012	Co-PI	Female empowerment through high value agriculture	UN Foundation	\$20k
2009-2011	PI	The impact of macroeconomic policies and exogenous shocks on employment and poverty in Africa	UK-Africa Network Grant	£29k
2008-2009	PI	Nutritional science insights into the economics of food consumption in Bulgaria	Leverhulme Trust, F/00 275/L	£38k

Supervision of research students.

Start and finish date (And Full/part-time status)	PhD or MPhil	Student name	Project title	Funder	Planned submission date

2008-2009 (full time)	Post- doctoral fellow	Monnet Benoit Patrick Gbakou	Nutritional science insights into the economics of food consumption in Bulgaria	Leverhulme trust	Placement: associate professor at Université Félix Houphouët-Boigny, Côte d'Ivoire
2009-2011 (full time)	Ph.D.	Josaia Karawalevu	Essays on the economic development of the Pacific	Commonwealth Scholarship Commission	2011; placement: Ministry of Health of Fiji, followed by the Secretariat of the Pacific Community
2012-2015 (full time)	Ph.D.	Lawrence Ado-Kofie	Distributional aspects of educational access and attainment in Ghana	Self-funded	2015; placement: Sheffield University, followed by Manchester University
2013-2016 (full time)	Ph.D.	Juliet Ongwae	Mobile money innovations in Kenya	Self-funded	2016; Musoni, Kenya
2013-2016 (part time)	Ph.D.	Graham Whitham	Child poverty in the UK	CMIST	Placement: Save the Children, followed by Oxfam
2014-2017 (full time)	Ph.D.	Olabimtan Adebawale	Access to finance in Nigeria	Self-funded	Placement: Central Bank of Nigeria
2014-2017 (full time)	Ph.D.	Kevwe Pela	Entrepreneurship in Nigeria	Self-funded	Viva scheduled for January, 2017
2014-2017	Ph.D.	Virgi Sari	Social exclusion in Indonesia	Indonesian government	Estimated submission by the end of 2017
2015-2018	Ph.D.	Peter Agamile	The potential of new African green revolution for food and income security	Commonwealth Scholarship Commission	2018
2015-2018	Ph.D.	Lina Khrais	Labour markets and female empowerment in Jordan	Self-funded	2018

Academic invitations for the presentation of external plenary lectures

Keynote talk on Inequalities and Labour Markets in Transition at the Conference on Youth Unemployment on both sides of the Mediterranean, organized by the Friedrich Ebert Foundation, Casa Arabe, The Workers Commissions and the General Union of Workers of Spain, November 2016.

Invitation to a panel session on youth unemployment at the Work4Youth Global Research Symposium, organized by the International Labour Office, March 2016.

On the Advisory Board of the German Economic Society annual conference in Kiel, June 2015

Invitation to contribute to a Roundtable on Female Empowerment, organized by the Foreign Policy Centre at the Houses of Parliament, March 2015.

Invitation by the International Affairs Society to contribute to a debate on the food crisis together with Fiona Smith of Warwick University, February 2015.

Invited to deliver a public lecture on Migration and Development at the University of Bayreuth, Germany, May 2014.

Invitation as Academic Advisor for the Africa Summit of London School of Economics and Political Science, April 2014.

Presentation of academic conference papers in the UK and internationally

DIAL Development Conference, Paris, France (“Household preferences and child labour”), June 2017.

Annual Meeting of the Society of Household Economics, San Diego, USA (“Household preferences and child labour”), June 2017.

Western Economic Association Annual Meeting, Portland, Oregon, USA (“Inequality of opportunity and unequal opportunities in the youth labour market. How is the Arab world different?”), June 2016

What works for the poorest in Africa workshop, London (“Is female ownership of land a panacea in developing countries”) 2014

German Economic Association Meeting, Passau, Germany (“Preferential market access into the Chinese market: how good is it for Africa?”), June 2014

French Economic Association Meeting, Lyon, France (“Preferential market access into the Chinese market: how good is it for Africa?”), June 2014

Royal Economic Society Meeting, Manchester, UK (“Preferential market access into the Chinese market: how good is it for Africa?”), April 2014

IZA-World Bank Conference on Employment and Development, Cape Town, South Africa (“Off-farm labour supply and correlated shocks: new theoretical insights and evidence from Malawi”), 2010*

International Association of Review of Income and Wealth, Kathmandu, Nepal (“Revealed Informal Activity”), 2009*

IZA-World Bank Conference on Employment and Development, Rabat, Morocco (“Allocation of Labor in Urban West Africa”), 2008*

Annual Conference of the Centre of Studies of African Economies, Oxford (“Allocation of Labor in Urban West Africa”), 2008

IZA-World Bank Conference on Employment and Development, Bonn, Germany, (“Off-farm labour supply and correlated shocks: new theoretical insights and evidence from Malawi”), 2007*

Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, USA (“The impact of downward private transfers on maternal labor supply”), 2006

European Society of Population Economics Annual Meeting, Verona (“The impact of downward private transfers on maternal labor supply”), 2006

International Federation of Ageing Annual Meeting, Copenhagen (“The impact of downward private transfers on maternal labor supply”), 2006*

European Society of Population Economics Annual Meeting, Paris (“The impact of downward private transfers on maternal labor supply”), 2005

Annual meetings of the European network on grand parenting, (“The impact of downward private transfers on maternal labor supply”), Oxford, UK 2005*; Tallin, Estonia, 2005*

Royal Economic Society Annual Meeting, Nottingham, UK (“Off-farm labor and labor supply in rapidly changing circumstances”), 2005

Annual meeting of the European Association for Evolutionary Political Economy, Maastricht, Netherlands (“Self-selection and earnings during volatile transition”), 2003

8th Spring Meeting of Young Economists, Leuven, Belgium (“Self-selection and earnings during volatile transition”), 2003

Southeast theory and international economics meeting, Houston, USA (“Preferential trade areas and global trade”), 2001

Selected other presentation of note (at departmental seminars at prestigious universities)

Centre d’Etudes sur le Developpement International of the University of Auvergne, France, “Household preferences and child labour”, December 2015

Economics Department, University of Liverpool: “Migration and Remittances”, March 2015

University of Bristol Business School, “Is female ownership of land a panacea in developing countries”, February 2015

Economics Department, Aix-Marseille University, France, “Preferential market access into the Chinese market: how good is it for Africa?”, March 2014

Institute of Social Studies, The Hague, “The global food crisis: disaster, opportunity or non-event”, Spring 2013*

Oxford Institute of Population Ageing, Oxford University, “The impact of downward private transfers on maternal labor supply”, Spring 2005

St Antony’s College, Oxford University, “Labour markets in Bulgaria”, 2005

Political Economy Department, La Sapienza University, Rome, Italy, “Labour markets in Bulgaria”, 2005

University College London, “Self-selection and earnings during volatile transition”, 2003

Major academic visits and collaborations, in the UK and abroad.

Cornell University April 2015- present: I leveraged by Francophone African network and previous work in that context to develop a research programme on behavioural preferences and the labour market

Université Félix Houphouët-Boigny, Côte d’Ivoire; Université Cheikh Anta Diop of Dakar and National Agency of Demographics and Statistics of Senegal: longstanding research programme and visits, 2009-present

Rutgers University (especially the Economics and Nutritional Science departments): longstanding research agenda with multiple visits, starting in the Summer of 2004

I have also collaborated for many years with researchers from the University of Southern California, USA, University of Nebraska at Omaha, USA; Bar-Ilan University, Israel, University of Zurich, Switzerland, DIAL (Institute for Research on Development), Paris, France; University of Nantes, France, Shiv Nadar University, India

Other indicators of research-related academic esteem not covered above

I am a member of the Royal Economic Society and the Western Economic Association of America

I am co-editor of the European Journal of Development Research (since April 2012)

I have been advisor for the World Bank, ILO and OECD

I have been twice recipient of Marie Curie Fellowship of the European Union

Teaching contributions:

Economic Development, University of Manchester, MSc

International Finance for Development, University of Manchester, MSc

Labor Economics, Rutgers University, Undergraduate, Year 4

Mathematical Economics, Brunel University, Undergraduate, Year 1

Microeconomics, Brunel University, Undergraduate, Year 1
Economic Development, Brunel University, Undergraduate, Year 3
Intermediate Macroeconomics, Brunel University, Undergraduate, Year 2
Financial Markets and Corporate Governance, Manchester University, MSc
Introduction to mathematics and statistics, Brunel University, Msc

Examination responsibilities

Ph.D. examinations

Stella Njoki Wambugu : Farmers' health and agriculture in less developed countries: Investigating farm households and wider health implications in rural Malawi (SOAS, University of London): External Examiner

Vicente Rivera-Garcia: A comprehensive assessment of vulnerability, poverty and crime risks of Mexican urban households (Economics, SoSS, University of Manchester): Internal Examiner

Antonio Baez: Three empirical essays on labour informality (Economics department, University of Barcelona): External Examiner

Luke Harman: Cross sector insights into the challenges of targeting and crowding out in agricultural and health voucher subsidy schemes: an economic analysis (SOAS, University of London): External Examiner

MD Shafiul Azam: Microfinance in Bangladesh (Economics, SoSS, University of Manchester): Internal Examiner

Marta Guerriero: The labour share of income, globalisation and democracy (IDPM, SEED, University of Manchester): Internal Examiner

Mohammad Ibrahim: Rural off-farm employment in Nigeria (University of Reading): External Examiner

Qiaoyuan Lin: Inequality and social exclusion in China (Middlesex University, London): External Examiner.

MSC Dissertations: I have completed 72 MSc dissertation supervisions since 2010

External Examiner at the University of Leeds; 2012-2015

Academic Enterprise and Knowledge Transfer

Invitations to present external lectures and other contributions to professional conferences and other public events, where the primary audience is not academic (e.g. policy makers, professional practitioners).

International Research Symposium on Youth Unemployment, International Labour Office, Geneva, March 2016

Keynote talk on Inequalities and Labour Markets in Transition, Madrid, November 2016

Panel on female empowerment in agriculture, organized by the Foreign Policy Centre at the Houses of Parliament, Spring 2015

What works for the poorest in Africa seminar, London, 2014.

I have been a regular participant and presenter at the IZA-World Bank annual conference on employment development, which is well attended by both leading academics and policy makers working on labour and development.

As part of my earlier work on intergenerational transfers of time and money and their implications on the labour market, I was also invited to relevant policy fora, such as those organized by the International Federation of Ageing .

External professional advisory, business engagement and consultancy work:

Contribution to the Work4Youth project of the International Labour Office, January- August, 2016.

OECD project on skill mismatch and youth labour markets in Jordan, June-September 2016.

UN Foundation, "Roadmap to Female Economic Empowerment", Summer 2012.

Simon Industrial Fellowship of the University of Manchester, August 2012-July 2013. This involves collaboration with Lead Economist Sam Maimbo from the World Bank.

Service and Leadership

Research Director of the Global Development Institute, January 2017-onwards

Chair of GDI forum, September 2014-December 2016

GDI representative to the School Ethics Committee, September 2013-September 2014.

Convenor of the Enterprise, Technology and Finance research group, September 2012-September 2014:

Cluster convenor of the Development Economics and Public Policy Cluster, September 2011-September 2014:

Director of MSc Development Finance, September 2010-present (since 2013- co-director)

Service as an official at Discipline, School, Faculty or University level, and service on Discipline, School, Faculty or University Committees.

Teaching and Learning Committee of GDI (Since 2010 as Programme Director)

Ethics Committee of the School Of Environment, Education and Development (2012-2015)

Management Committee (since 2015 as Chair of Institute Forum and subsequently as Research Director)

Service as an external examiner or as a referee:

Referee for ESRC, IZA-DFID and British Academy (GCRF) grant applications

Reviewer of book proposals for Routledge

2012-2015: External Examiner at Leeds University

Referee for: Agricultural and Resource Economics Review, Cambridge Journal of Economics, Development Policy Review, Economics Bulletin, European Journal of Development Research, European Journal of Population, Journal of Development Studies, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Population Economics, Journal of Population Ageing, Review of Development Economics, World Development.