

# Raisa Sherif

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## Academic appointment

Senior Research Fellow (Post-Doc), since 2021

Max Planck Institute for Tax Law and Public Finance, Munich  
Department of Public Economics

Invited Researcher, J-PAL, since 2024

Affiliate, GAP (Global Action for Policy) Initiative, Northeastern University, since 2023

## Education

Ph.D. Economics, 2021

Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität Munich

Integrated Masters in Economics, 2009-2014

Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IIT Madras)

## Research

### *Working papers*

[Impact, Inspiration, or Image: On the Trade-Offs in Pro-Environmental Behaviors](#), with Sven Simon  
**Revise & Resubmit, Journal of Environmental Economics and Management**

[Shaping Minds: The Transformative Effects of Theatre-Based Learning](#), with Ritam Chaurey, Sara Constantino, Shantanu Khanna, Abhiroop Mukhopadhyay, Nishith Prakash  
**Conditionally accepted via pre-results review, Journal of Development Economics**

[Are pro-environment behaviours substitutes or complements? Evidence from the field](#)  
(Under review)

[Sorting it Out: Intention-Action Gap in Waste Segregation in Urban India](#)  
with Ahana Basistha, Nishith Prakash  
(Under review)

### *Works in progress*

[Intergenerational Transmission of Pro-Environmental Attitudes and Behaviors](#)  
with Shubhro Bhattacharya, Sara Constantino, Nirajana Mishra, Nishith Prakash, Shwetlena Sabarwal and Dighbijoy Samaddar  
Collaboration with Education Global Practice, World Bank  
(Draft available upon request)

[Bridging the Business-Home Decisions Gap: Effects of an Entrepreneurship Skills Experiment in India](#)  
with Sofia Amaral, Isis Gaddis, Alreena Pinto, Jayati Sethi  
Collaboration with South Asia Region Gender Innovation Lab, World Bank  
(Intervention completed, midline ongoing)

[Information Campaigns, Environment Norms, and Behaviour: Evidence from the Field](#)  
(Pilot completed)

[Misperceptions in Air Quality](#)  
with Matt Goldberg, Shariq Mohammed (Data collection complete)

[Ignoring Environmental Impact: Strategic Ignorance to be Seen as Green](#)  
with Paul Meißner and Sven Simon (Data collection complete)

## Publications

[Sanctioning, Selection, and Pivotality in voting: Theory and Experimental Results](#), with Kai A Konrad, *Constitutional Political Economy*, 2019, 30(3), 330-357

## Grants and Awards

2023 JPAL Learning for All Initiative (USD 106,000)  
 2023 World Bank (USD 350,000)  
 2023 World Bank (USD 85,000)  
 2023 Max Planck Society (EUR 20,000)  
 2022 Max Planck Society (EUR 30,000)  
 2022 Invitee to the 7th Lindau Nobel Laureate Meeting in Economic Sciences

## Teaching

Behavioural Environmental Economics, Bachelor  
 Winter Semester 2023-24, Summer Semester 2024, Rating: 4.9/5  
 Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität Munich

International Public Economics, TA - Graduate class  
 Winter Semester 2017, Rating: 4.8/5  
 Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität Munich

## Professional Activities

### Service

Co-founder at [Lindau Mentor Hub](#), a digital platform that connects mentors and mentees in science and academia. Developed in collaboration with the Lindau Nobel Laureate Meetings (since 2021)

Equal Opportunities Officer, MPI for Tax Law and Public Finance (since Oct 2020)

Research Consultant, Green Kerala Mission, Govt of Kerala, India (2018-2020)

### Supervision

2024-25 Marie Cramer, Daniel Froeschl, Christian Haider, Paul Meissner, Khang Nguyen

2024 Maximilian Marrero

### Employment

Business Analyst, Investment Banking Division, Barclays (2014-2015)

### Media and outreach

Co-host of [Max Planck Economics Podcast](#), conversations with economists and political scientists

Contributor, *Malayala Manorama* (daily newspaper in Malayalam language), *Financial Express*

## Languages

**Programming** STATA, R, zTree, OTree, Qualtrics

**Human** English (fluent), Malayalam (native), German (B2), Hindi (intermediate), Tamil (intermediate)

## Conferences and seminar presentations

**2025** Seminar at European University Institute (Invited, scheduled), World Bank (Invited, scheduled), University of Innsbruck (Invited, scheduled)

**2024** European Economic Association Annual Meeting, Mannheim Conference on Energy and the Environment, Experimental Economics for the Environment, Household Economics in Developing Countries Workshop (Invited), NEUDC, KDI School-World Bank DIME - 5th Development Impact Conference, Stanford University (Invited)

**2023** European Economic Association Annual Meeting, International Meeting on Experimental and Behavioural Social Sciences (IMEBESS), Northeastern University (Invited Seminar), Symposium on Economic Experiments in Developing Countries

**2022** Experimental Sciences Association World Meeting, Boston, Lindau Nobel Laureate Meeting in Economics, 17th Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development, Delhi

**2021** German Economic Association, Virtual Annual Meeting, Experimental Sciences Association Global Online Meetings, Center for Rationality and Competition Summer School 2021: Science-Based Policy Advice, 9th Mannheim Conference on Energy and the Environment

**2020** Micro Workshop, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich, Behavioral Research in Economics Workshop, India

**2018** ESA World Meeting, Berlin, IIPF Annual Congress, Tampere , Public Economic Theory Conference, Hanoi, International Meeting on Experimental and Behavioral Social Sciences (IMEBESS), Florence, European Public Choice Society conference, Rome, Micro Workshop, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich

**2017** Workshop - Public Finance and Political Economy V, Berlin, Development Economics Workshop, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich, Summer School in Experimental Economics, Tinbergen Institute, Amsterdam

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