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## *Curriculum Vitae*

### Personal

Born: 1980, Austria  
Married: 2002, Siripanth Nippita, M.D.  
Children: 2011, Annan Nippita; 2013, Sonja Nippita  
Citizenship: Austria and United States

### Employment

New York University	New York, NY
<i>Clinical Associate Professor, Department of Environmental Studies</i>	<i>2019 – present</i>
<i>Associated Clinical Professor, NYU Wagner School of Public Service</i>	<i>2019 – present</i>
Harvard University	Cambridge, MA
<i>Executive Director, Harvard’s Solar Geoengineering Research Program</i>	<i>2017 – 2019</i>
<i>Research Associate and Lecturer</i>	<i>2016 – 2019</i>
Co-founded and co-lead, with David Keith, Harvard’s Solar Geoengineering Research Program. Helped raise \$12 million in research funds.	
Environmental Defense Fund	New York, NY and Boston, MA
<i>Consultant</i>	<i>2016 – 2019</i>
<i>Lead Senior Economist</i>	<i>2014 – 2016</i>
<i>Senior Economist</i>	<i>2013 – 2014</i>
<i>Economist</i>	<i>2008 – 2013</i>
Co-led Office of Economic Policy and Analysis, spearheading economic analysis and thought leadership throughout organization. Member of EDF Leadership Council (2015 – 2016).	
Columbia University	New York, NY
<i>Adjunct Associate Professor</i>	<i>2012 – 2016</i>
<i>Adjunct Assistant Professor</i>	<i>2011 – 2012</i>
Taught Economics of Energy to 65+ Masters students at School of International and Public Affairs.	
The Boston Consulting Group	New York, NY
<i>Consultant</i>	<i>2007-2008</i>
Advised utility and financial-sector clients on energy and environmental issues in United States, Europe, and Asia.	
Financial Times	London, UK
<i>Peter Martin Fellow, Leader Writer Team</i>	<i>2007</i>
Wrote editorials on energy, environment, and economics.	

## Education

Harvard University <i>Ph.D. in Political Economy and Government</i>	Cambridge, MA 2007
Harvard University <i>M.A. in Political Economy and Government</i>	Cambridge, MA 2006
Stanford University <i>M.A. in Economics</i>	Stanford, CA 2003
Harvard University <i>Joint A.B. magna cum laude with highest honors in Environmental Science and Public Policy, and Economics</i>	Cambridge, MA 2002

## Work in progress/under review

“Carbon prices, preferences, and the timing of uncertainty” (with William W. Hogan; presented at: Harvard Kennedy School [Energy Policy Research seminar](#), 6 March 2017; [University of Washington](#), 13 September 2018, [Harvard Environmental Economics Program](#); 19 September 2019; NYU Stern’s [Quantitative Finance and Econometrics Seminar](#), 7 December 2020)

“[Green Moral Hazards](#)” (with Daniel Zizzamia; NYU Wagner Research Paper, latest version: 8 July 2020; [C2G blog](#), 9 January 2020)

“[Economic impacts of tipping points in the climate system](#)” (with Simon Dietz, James Rising, and Thomas Stoerk)

“Heat, Labor, and Equity” (with A. Patrick Behrer, R. Jisung Park, Colleen M. Golja, and David W. Keith; draft available upon request)

“[An Economic Anatomy of Optimal Climate Policy](#)” (with Juan B. Moreno-Cruz and David W. Keith; HKS Faculty Research Working Paper Series RWP17-028, latest version: 11 September 2018)

“Geoengineering Bandits” (with Lassi Ahlvik)

*Geoengineering: the Gamble* (under contract with Polity Press)

*Stadt, Land, Klima* (German: “City, Country, Climate”, under contract with Chr. Brandstätter Verlag)

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Wagner, Gernot. [But Will the Planet Notice? How Smart Economics Can Save the World](#) (Hill & Wang/Farrar Strauss & Giroux, 2011; paperback, 2012).

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## Teaching and Advising

PADM-GP 2442 [Economic Policy Analysis](#), NYU Wagner (Spring 2020 [teaching evaluation for instructor, where available: [4.7/5](#)])

PADM-GP 2472 [Climate Economics](#), NYU Wagner (Spring 2020)

ENVST-UA 450.005 [Introduction to Policy Analysis: Environmental Case Studies](#), NYU Department of Environmental Studies (Fall 2019).

ENVST-UA 450.006 [Climate Politics: When Policy meets Reality](#), NYU Department of Environmental Studies (Fall 2019 [[4.6/5](#)]).

[Climate Policy—Past, Present, and Future](#), Harvard University Environmental Science and Public Policy Junior Seminar, lecturer (Fall 2016 [[4.6/5](#)], 2017 [[4.5/5](#)], 2018 [[4.9/5](#)]; Harvard University Certificate of Teaching Excellence all three years).

Energy and Environment, NYU Stern School of Business; adjunct associate professor (Spring 2016 [[5.9/7](#)]).

U6065 The Economics of Energy, Columbia University, School of International and Public Affairs; adjunct assistant professor (Spring 2011 [3.7/5]; Fall 2011), adjunct associate professor (Fall 2012 [4.0/5], 2013 [[3.9/5](#)], 2014 [[3.3/5](#)], 2015 [[3.6/5](#)]).

API-109 Advanced Microeconomic Analysis I, Kennedy School of Government; teaching fellow for Nolan H. Miller (Fall 2003, 2004, 2005 [4.9/5] and 2006 [[4.9/5](#); Harvard Kennedy School Dean's Award for Excellence in Student Teaching]).

Ec 1025 Theory of Capital and Income, Harvard University; teaching fellow for Martin L. Weitzman (Fall 2004 and 2005 [[4.7/5](#)]).

Ec 1661/ENR-201 Environmental and Resource Economics and Policy, Harvard University; teaching fellow for Robert N. Stavins (Spring 2004 and 2006 [[4.6/5](#); Harvard Kennedy School Dean's Award for Excellence in Student Teaching]), guest lecturer (Spring 2005 and 2006).

Non-resident tutor in Political Economy and Government, Quincy House, Harvard University (2004 to 2007).

## **Awards, Honors, Grants, and Professional Affiliations**

[New York City Panel on Climate Change](#) (NPCC; 2020 – present)

Associate Editor, *Humanities & Social Sciences Communications* (2020 – present)

[Bloomberg Green Columnist](#) (2020 – present)

Wallace E. Oates Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award committee, Association of Environmental and Resource Economists, AERE (Fall 2019 – present)

Harvard University Certificate of Teaching Excellence (Fall 2016, 2017, and 2018)

Co-Chair, Scientific Program Committee, 6th World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists, Gothenburg, Sweden (2018)

Associate, Science, Technology, and Public Policy Program (STPP), Robert and Renée Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Harvard Kennedy School (2017 – 2019)

Consultant, Environmental Defense Fund (2016 – 2019)

Associate, Harvard University Center for the Environment (2016 – 2019)

Visiting Research Associate, University of Oxford's Smith School of Enterprise and the Environment (2015 – 2016)

Research Associate, Harvard Kennedy School of Government (2013 – 2016)

Conservation research panel, WWF's Luc Hoffmann Institute (2013 – 2015)

Term member, Council on Foreign Relations (2012 – 2017)

DOC-Stipend of the Austrian Academy of Sciences (2005 – 2007)

Humane Studies Fellowship (2006 – 2007)

Pre-Doctoral Repsol YPF-Harvard Kennedy School Fellowship in energy policy (2005 – 2006)

Harvard Kennedy School Dean's Award for Excellence in Student Teaching (2006)

Harvard University Presidential Scholars Grant (Fall 2005)

Harvard University Certificate of Distinction in Teaching (Spring 2004 and 2006)

Harvard University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences fellowship (2003 – 2007)

Stanford University Department of Economics graduate fellowship (2002 – 2003)

Thomas T. Hoopes Prize for senior thesis, Harvard University (2002)

Joint A.B. *magna cum laude* with highest honors in field (2002)

## **Presentations, Talks, Media**

*Academic presentations:* Arizona State University, Beloit, Bristol, Caltech, Columbia, Duke, East Carolina University, ETH Zürich, Harvard, London School of Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, MIT Media Lab, North Carolina State University, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), New York University, NYU Abu Dhabi, Norwegian School of Economics, Oxford, Pennsylvania State University, Princeton, Stanford, Trinity College Dublin, Tufts, University of Bergen, University of British Columbia, University of California Santa Barbara, University of Gothenburg, University of Graz, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, University of Konstanz, University of Minnesota, University of Pennsylvania, University of Pittsburgh, University of Vienna, University of Virginia, University of Washington, Yale; American Economic Association, Association of Environmental and Resource Economists, European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists, Gordon Research Conference, World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists, among others.

*Keynote talks, panels, debates:* Aquarium of the Pacific, Aspen Institute, Atlantic Monthly, Behavior, Energy & Climate Change (BECC), Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Climate One, Climate Ride, Columbia University Earth Summit, Council on Foreign Relations, European Forum Alpbach, Festival of Economics (Trento, Italy), Garrison Institute, Global ARC Boston, Global Risk Institute, Gratitude Railroad Annual Investor Retreat, Institute for New Economic Thinking, KentPresents, Manhattan Institute, Middlebury College, MIT Media Lab, National Academy of Sciences, National Institute of Health, New York Academy of Sciences, Nova Scotia Pension Services Corporation, TEDx, UNICEF, United Nations, U.S. Department of State, Transparency International, World Affairs Council, World Bank, World Wildlife Fund; Audubon Society board meeting, Environmental Defense Fund board meeting, Fund for the Environment and Urban Life board meeting, BP executive team meeting; Annapolis Book Festival, Harvard Book Store, Harvard Coop, Politics & Prose, among others.

*Media:* *The Atlantic, Bloomberg, European Financial Review, Financial Times, Forbes, Foreign Affairs, Foreign Policy, New York Times, Salon, TIME, Vox, Wall Street Journal, Washington Post, Yale Environment 360;* BBC Business Matters, CNBC, C-Span BookTV, Fox Business News, NPR (Living on Earth, Leonard Lopate show, Kathleen Dunn show, Marketplace), PBS NewsHour, Wake Up with Al, Yahoo! Business News, How to Fix It podcast, among others.

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