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Areas of Expertise

International Trade, Foreign Direct Investment, Spatial Economics, E-Commerce, and Digital Payment

Biography

Jingting Fan is an Associate Professor of Economics at Cheung Kong Graduate School of Business. Before joining CKGSB, he taught and earned tenure in the Department of Economics at Pennsylvania State University. He received his Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Maryland (UMD) in 2017 and holds bachelor's degrees in economics and in mathematics from Tsinghua University. His research combines structural theoretical models with firm-level data, patent records, and e-commerce platform transaction and payment data to analyze the decision mechanisms and economic impacts of multinational firms' offshore R&D and production, talent mobility, and infrastructure investment; he also studies how e-commerce and digital payments can narrow urban-rural consumption and development gaps. His work has appeared in top journals such as the *Review of Economic Studies*, *Review of Economics and Statistics*, and *Journal of International Economics*. He has been invited to deliver talks at leading academic and policy institutions including Yale University, Stanford University, New York University, the Federal Reserve, and the World Bank. Since 2024, he has served as an Associate Editor of *Review of World Economics*.

Achievements

- Best paper award, China International Conference in Macroeconomics, 2024
- WTO Essay Award for Young Economists, Honorable mention, 2017
- Anna Wyllie Dissertation Fellowship, 2016-2017

Publications

Selected Publications

"Skill-Biased Imports, Skill Acquisition, and Migration," *Journal of International Economics*, 2025, with Lei Li,

"Talent, Geography, and Offshore R&D," Review of Economic Studies, April, 2024

"Valuing Domestic Transport Infrastructure: A View from the Route Choice of Exporters," *Review of Economics and Statistics*, Vol. 105, Issue 6, November 2023, with Yi Lu and Wenlan Luo

"Industrializing from Scratch: The Persistent Effects of China's 'Third Front' Movement," *Journal of Development Economics* 152 (2021): 102698, with Ben Zou

"Internal Geography, Labor Mobility, and the Distributional Impacts of Trade," *American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics*, Vol. 11 No. 3 July 2019

"The Alibaba Effect: Spatial Consumption Inequality and the Welfare Gains from e-Commerce," *Journal of International Economics*, 114, 203-220, 2018, with Lixin Tang, Weiming Zhu, and Ben Zou

"Emergence of Asia: Reforms, Corporate Savings, and Global Imbalances," *IMF Economic Review*, 64(2), 239-267, 2016, with Şebnem Kalemli-Özcan

"Foreign Direct Investment and Development." *VoxDevLit* CEPR. February 2025. Senior Editors: Stefania Garetto, Nina Pavcnik, and Natalia Ramondo.

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Working Papers

"Trade and Technology Compatibility in General Equilibrium," with Weili Chen and Wenlan Luo

"Learning and Expectations in Dynamic Spatial Economies," with Sungwan Hong and Fernando Parro

"Financing Multinationals," with Wenlan Luo

"Offshore R&D, High-skilled Immigration, and Firm Dynamics," with Eunhee Lee and Valerie Smeets

"The Dual Local Markets: Family, Jobs, and the Spatial Distribution of Skills," with Ben Zou

"Global Production Networks with Global Uncertainty," with Wenlan Luo