

CONTACT INFORMATION

Economic and Social Research Institute *Phone:* +353 (0)1 863 2120
Whitaker Square *Email:* barra.roantree@esri.ie
Dublin D02 K138 *Web:* <http://barra.roantree.ie>
Ireland *Citizenship:* Irish

EMPLOYMENT

Economic and Social Research Institute, Dublin, Ireland

Research Officer. August 2018–present.

Institute for Fiscal Studies, London, UK

Research Economist. September 2012–July 2018.

EDUCATION

University College London, UK (September 2018)

Ph.D., Economics. “Essays in Public Economics”.

Advisor: Prof. Richard Blundell

Examiners: Orazio Attanasio and James Ziliak

Trinity College Dublin, Ireland (August 2012)

MSc, Economics (Distinction).

Trinity College Dublin, Ireland (June 2011)

BA, Economics (First Class Honours).

Awarded Scholarship in 2009 for performance in Foundation Scholarship exams.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

“Mobility and the lifetime distributional impact of tax and transfer reforms”, *International Tax and Public Finance*, 28(4):751–793 (2021). With Peter Levell and Jonathan Shaw.

“Frictions and the elasticity of taxable income: evidence from bunching at tax thresholds”, *International Tax and Public Finance*, 28(3):612–653 (2021). With Stuart Adam, James Browne, and David Phillips.

“Understanding Income Inequality in Ireland”, *Journal of the Statistical and Social Inquiry Society of Ireland* (2020). 130th winner of the Barrington Medal.

“35 Years of Reforms: a panel analysis of the incidence of, and employee and employer responses to, social security contributions in the UK”, *Journal of Public Economics*, 171: 29–50 (2019). With Stuart Adam and David Phillips.

“What a difference a day makes: inequality and the tax and benefit system from a lifetime perspective”, *Journal of Economic Inequality*, 16(1):23–40. (2018). With Jonathan Shaw.

“Contribution Ceilings and the Incidence of Payroll Taxes”, *De Economist*, 165(2):129–140. (2017). With Facundo Alvaredo, Thomas Breda and Emmanuel Saez.

“The Incidence of Social Security Contributions in the United Kingdom: Evidence from Discontinuities at Contribution Ceilings”, *De Economist*, 165(2):181–203. (2017). With Stuart Adam and David Phillips.

“UK Tax Policy 2010?15: An Assessment”, *Fiscal Studies*, 36(3):349–373 (2015). With Stuart Adam.

“Taxing an independent Scotland”, *Oxford Review of Economic Policy*, 30(2):325–345. (2014). With Stuart Adam and Paul Johnson.

WORKING PAPERS

“How has the gender earnings gap in Ireland changed in thirty years?”. Minor revisions at *Social Sciences*. With Michelle Barrett, Karina Doorley and Paul Redmond.

“Income tax and the careers of women”. Latest version September 2022.

“Born under a bad sign: the impact of finishing school when labour markets are weak”. *IFS Working Paper* W21/28. 2021. With Mark Regan

“Does Statutory Incidence Matter? Earnings Responses to Social Security Contributions. 2020. With Enda Hargaden.

SELECTED POLICY REPORTS

“Future trends in housing tenure and the adequacy of retirement income”, ESRI Research Series RS143. July 2022. With Rachel Slaymaker, Anne Nolan and Conor O’Toole

“Energy poverty and deprivation in Ireland”, ESRI Research Series 144. June 2022. With Michelle Barrett and Niall Farrell.

“Earnings-related benefits in Ireland: rationale, costs and work incentives”, ESRI Budget Perspectives Series 2023-02. June 2022. With Michael Doolan and Theano Kakoulidou.

“Low income renters and housing supports”, ESRI Research Series 141. May 2022. With Michael Doolan and Rachel Slaymaker.

“Budget 2022 analysis”, ESRI QEC Special Article. October 2021. With Barra Roantree, Karina Doorley, Theano Kakoulidou and Seamus O’Malley.

“Options for raising tax revenue in Ireland”, ESRI Budget Perspectives Series 2022-01. May 2021. With Theano Kakoulidou.

“Poverty, income inequality and living standards in Ireland”, ESRI/Community Foundation for Ireland Joint Report. May 2021. With Bertrand Maitre, Alyvia McTague, Ivan Privalko.

“Budget 2021 analysis”, ESRI QEC Special Article, October 2020. With Claire Keane, Karina Doorley, Alyvia McTague, Seamus O’Malley, Dora Tuda and Mark Regan.

“Carbon taxes, poverty and compensation options”, ESRI Survey and Statistical Report Series 98. October 2020. With Seamus O’Malley and John Curtis.

“Income adequacy in retirement: Evidence from the Irish longitudinal study on ageing”, ESRI Research Series 107. July 2020. With Keelan Beirne and Anne Nolan.

“Differences in risk of severe outcomes from COVID-19 across occupations in Ireland”, ESRI Survey and Statistical Report Series 93, July 2020. With Brendan Walsh and Paul Redmond.

“The effect of the COVID-19 pandemic on consumption and indirect tax in Ireland”, ESRI Budget Perspectives Series. May 2020. With Cathal Coffey, Karina Doorley and Conor O’Toole.

“The potential costs and distributional effect of COVID-19 related unemployment in Ireland, ESRI Budget Perspectives Series. April 2020. With Keelan Beirne, Karina Doorley, Mark Regan and Dora Tuda.

“The characteristics and incomes of the top 1% in the UK”, IFS BN 254. August 2019. With Robert Joyce and Thomas Pope.

“Carbon taxes and compensation options”, ESRI Budget Perspectives 2020. June 2019. With Maxime Bercholz.

“Budget 2019: tax and welfare changes”, ESRI QEC Special Article. December 2018. With

Maxime Bercholz, Karina Doorley, Claire Keane and Mark Regan.

“The rise and rise of women’s employment in the UK”, IFS Briefing Note BN234. April 2018. With Kartik Vira.

“Tax revenues: where does the money come from and what are the next government’s challenges?”, IFS BN. May 2017. With Helen Miller.

“The goose’s golden egg: taxes, benefits and redistribution in the UK”, in *Plucking the Goose: a century of taxation from the Great War to the Digital Age*, London: LexisNexis, July 2016. With Paul Johnson.

“Financial Incentives to Work: Comparing Ireland and the UK”. ESRI Budget Perspectives Series. June 2016. With Tim Callan, Cormac O’Dea and Michael Savage.

“The coalition government’s record on tax”. IFS Briefing Note (BN167). March 2015. With Stuart Adam.

“Options for increasing tax”, IFS Green Budget 2015. February 2015. With Stuart Adam. In Emmerson, C., Johnson, P., and Joyce, R. (eds).

“Universal Credit in Northern Ireland: what will its impact be, and what are the challenges?”, IFS Report no. 77. March 2013. With James Browne.

“Broad shoulders and tight belts: options for taxing the better-off”, IFS Green Budget 2013. February 2013. With Stuart Adam. In Emmerson, C., Johnson, P., and Miller, H. (eds).

REFEREEING

Journal of Public Economics; Journal of Macroeconomics; Labour Economics; Fiscal Studies; Economic and Social Review.

INVITED SEMINARS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2022: Irish Economics Association annual conference, Limerick; Journees Louis-Andre Gerard-Varet, Marseilles; Workshop of Labour and Family Economics (WOLFE), York; Irish Quantitative History seminar, online; Statistical and Social Inquiry Society of Ireland symposium, Dublin.

2021:

2020: Barrington Lecture, Statistical and Social Inquiry Society of Ireland

2019: International Institute of Public Finance annual congress, Glasgow; European Economic Association annual congress, Manchester; International Microsimulation Association world congress, Galway.

2018: Congressional Budget Office, Washington D.C.; DIW, Berlin; Trinity College, Dublin; National University of Ireland, Maynooth; Royal Economics Society, Brighton.

2017: Understanding Society Scientific Conference, Essex; Economic and Social Research Institute, Dublin; DEW economic policy conference, Wexford

2016: University College London; Royal Economics Society, Brighton; IFS workshop on social security contributions, London; Nevin Economic Research Institute, Dublin; Economic and Social Research Institute, Dublin; Budget Perspectives, Dublin; Irish Economic Association, Galway;

2015: Institute for International and Public Finance, Dublin; Public Economics UK, Exter; Royal Economics Society annual conference, Manchester.

2014: Irish Society for New Economists, Galway