



# Alexandru Nichifor

## Affiliation

Sept. 2011 – Assistant Professor, University of St. Andrews, United Kingdom

## Education

- 2007–2011 **PhD in Economics**, *Maastricht University*, Netherlands,  
Thesis: Essays in matching markets with transferable utility.  
Advisor: Prof. Bettina Klaus
- 2005–2007 **M.S. in Financial Markets and Derivative Products**, *University of Toulouse*, France,  
Thesis: Economics of payments cards: theory, facts and antitrust analysis.  
Advisor: Prof. Jean-Charles Rochet
- 2000–2005 **B.A. in Cybernetics, Statistics and Informatics for Economists**, *Academy of Economic Studies*, Romania,  
Thesis: Country Risk: the Case of Romania.  
Advisor: Prof. Ion Dobre

## Grants, Scholarships and Awards

- 2007-2011 PhD financially supported by the Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO) under grant VIDI-452-06-013.
- 2011 International Travel Grant from Maastricht Research School of Economics of Technology and Organizations (to support a 4 months research visit to Harvard Business School).
- 2008 Travel Grant from Maastricht Research School of Economics of Technology and Organizations.
- 2004 Second place at the Cybernetics Research Symposium.

## Research

### Published Papers

- + *Consistency in One-Sided Assignment Problems*, with Bettina Klaus (University of Lausanne); *Social Choice and Welfare*, 2010, Volume 35, Issue 3, 415-435.

### Working Papers

- o *Stability and Competitive Equilibrium in Trading Networks*, with John Hatfield (Stanford Graduate School of Business), Scott Kominers (Harvard Business School), Michael Ostrovsky (Stanford Graduate School of Business), and Alexander Westkamp (University of Bonn).

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- o *Intellectual influence: Quality versus Quantity*, with Laszlo Koczy (Hungarian Academy of Sciences).

### Visits

March–June 2010 Harvard Business School, hosted by Professor Alvin Roth.

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## Conferences

### Invited Talks / Conferences

- 2011 *Social Choice Colloquium*, Tilburg, Netherlands,  
*Bilkent University*, Ankara, Turkey,  
*Oslo University*, Oslo, Norway,  
*Universitat de Barcelona*, Barcelona, Spain,  
*University of St. Andrews*, St.-Andrews, Scotland,
- 2010 *Social Choice Colloquium*, Tilburg, Netherlands,  
*Economic Research Initiatives at Duke*, Durham, U.S.A..
- 2009 *Social Choice Colloquium*, Tilburg, Netherlands.

### Conference Presentations

- 2011 *BIC Workshop in Microeconomic Theory*, St. Andrews, UK  
*Meeting of the Royal Economic Society*, London, UK  
*Coalition Theory Network (CTN)*, Barcelona, Spain
- 2010 *Spanish Economic Association Meeting (SAEe)*, Madrid, Spain,  
*UECE Lisbon Meetings*, Lisbon, Portugal,  
*Social Choice and Welfare*, Moscow, Russia,  
*Association of Southern European Economic Theorists*, Alicante, Spain,  
*UECE Lisbon Meetings*, Lisbon, Portugal.
- 2009 *Society for Economic Design*, Maastricht, Netherlands,  
*Association of Southern European Economic Theorists*, Istanbul, Turkey,  
*Coalition Theory Network*, Maastricht, Netherlands.
- 2008 *Social Choice and Welfare*, Montreal, Canada.

### Attended Conferences

- 2011 *American Economic Association (ASSA)*, Denver, U.S.A..
- 2010 *11th ACM Conference on Electronic Commerce*, Boston, U.S.A..
- 2008 *Workshop on Social Decisions*, Girona, Spain.

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## Professional Activities

### Referee for Journals

- o *Econometrica*, *Games and Economic Behavior*, *Mathematical Social Sciences*, the *Southern Economic Journal*.

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## Memberships

- Social Choice and Welfare Society, Student member of: the Econometric Society, the American Economic Association

## Service

- Co-organizer with Bram Drisen, Maastricht Lecture Series in Economics, Maastricht University (Fall 2008–2009).

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## Teaching Experience

- 2011 *European Studies II*, Teaching Assistant for Norman Dytianquin, Maastricht University.
- 2008,2009,2010 *Microeconomics*, Teaching Assistant for Christian Kerckhoffs, Maastricht University.
- 2007,2008,2009 *Economics and Business*, Teaching Assistant for Philipp Reiss, Maastricht University.
- 2006 *Microeconomics*, Teaching Assistant for Arnold Chassagnaud and Francois Cochard, University of Toulouse.

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## Languages

Romanian	<b>Native</b>
English	<b>Fluent</b>
French	<b>Fluent</b>

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## Non-Academic Employment

- 2005–present **Research/Consultancy Services**, *Calipso*, Bucharest.
- 2004–2005 **Programmer/Coder**, *Pentalog*, Bucharest.
- 2003–2004 **Consultant**, *eNsight Management and IT Consulting*, Bucharest.

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## Miscellaneous

- My Erdos number is 2.
- Computer skills: PHP, Linux Admin, Matlab, Mathematica, Stata, SAS, SQL, Latex, CS5.
- Tax Exemption in the Netherlands for Highly Skilled Immigrants: 30 % rule.
- Citizenship: E.U. citizen (Romanian).

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## References

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