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Academic Positions

2005- Tenured Researcher, French National Scientific Research Centre (CNRS - LATTs).
2004-05 Lecturer, Geography, University Paris-1.

Education

2001-04 PhD, Geography, University Paris-1 Panthéon-Sorbonne.
1997-00 B.A. and M.A. in Planning, Urban and Economic Geography, University Paris-1.
1997-01 Graduate Student, École Normale Supérieure (Fontenay-Saint Cloud, France).

Institutional responsibilities

2026- Director of LATTs
2007-2019 Founder of the Fit In research team (*Finance, Infrastructures & Territories*), LATTs, Univ. Paris-Est.
2016- Member of scientific Committee IHEDATE (Institute for Planning)
2024-25 Member of Scientific Board (*Conseil de laboratoire*), LATTs, University Paris-Est.
2013-2020 Member of Scientific Board (*Conseil de laboratoire*), LATTs, University Paris-Est.

Editorial responsibilities

Editorial Board Member

2023- *Progress in Economic Geography*
2009- *Métropoles*

Regular Journal Reviewer:

English : *Urban Studies, Regional Studies, International Journal of Urban and Regional Research, Environment & Planning A and C, Territory, Politics, Governance, Housing Studies, ...*

French : *Métropoles, Cybergéo, Belgeo, Annales de Géographie, Revue française de socio-économie, L'Espace géographique*

Memberships of Scientific Societies (past and present)

Association of American Geographers; Regional Studies Association; The FinGeo network, RC 21.

Visiting Researcher

July 2016 Visiting researcher, Dept. of Geography, Fluminense Federal Univ., Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
July 2015 Visiting researcher, French Institute of Pondicherry, India.

Publications (selection)

Books and journal special issues

Halbert, L., Shimbo, L., Socoloff, I., (2026) *Handbook on Financialisation and Space*. Cheltenham: Edward Elgar Publishing.
Halbert, L., Adisson, F., Artioli, F. & Maisetti, N. (2026). *La ville verte au pied du mur. Quand l'austérité ordonne les politiques environnementales*. Paris : Presses de Sciences Po.
Halbert, L. Guironnet, A. (2023) *L'empire urbain de la finance*. Paris, Éditions Amsterdam.
Halbert, L., Pinson, G., Sala-Pala, V., (2021) Contester les métropoles. *Métropoles*, Dossier thématique, [28](#).
Drozd, M., Guironnet, A. Halbert, L., (2020) Les villes à l'ère de la financiarisation, *Métropolitiques*.
Halbert, L., Attuyer, K., (2016) The financialization of urban production. *Urban Studies*, [SI](#), 53(7).
Halbert, L., et al. (2014) Finance, business property and regional development. *Regional Studies*, [SI](#), 48(3).
Halbert, L., et al., (2006), "Reflections on the Polycentric Metropolis", *Built Environment*, [SI](#), 32(2).
Halbert, L., 2010, *L'avantage métropolitain*, Paris : Presses Universitaires de France.

Journal articles

Gimat, M., Guironnet, A., & Halbert, L. (2025). A pyrrhic victory? The contested and peripheral financialisation of social housing in France. *International Journal of Housing Policy*.
Magnani, M., Sanfelici, D., Adisson, F., & Halbert, L. (2024). Assetising Brazilian logistics: power, spaces and scales under asset management capitalism. *Finance and Space*, 1(1), 240-258.

- Halbert, L. (2024) Financial infrastructure and the production of the built environment. In Coutard, O., Florentin, D. *Handbook of Infrastructures and Cities*, E. Elgar Pub., 144-157
- Grandclement, A., Halbert, L., Adisson, F., Lasserre-Bigorry, V., & Navarre, F., (2024) The geographies of local austerity policies: a quantitative analysis of local budgets in France. *Regional Studies*, [Online version](#)
- Adisson, F., Halbert, L., & Maisetti, N. (2023) « L'austérité urbaine en banlieue ». In Artioli, F. & Le Galès, P. (eds). *La métropole parisienne, une anarchie organisée*, Paris, Presses de Sciences Po, pp. 249-272
- Adisson, F., Halbert, L., (2022) State financialization: Permanent austerity, financialized real estate and the politics of public assets in Italy, *Economy and Society*, 51(03), [489-513](#).
- Halbert, L., Pinson, G., Sala-Pala, V., (2021) Contester les métropoles. *Métropoles*, Dossier thématique, [28](#).
- Sanfelici, D., Halbert, L., (2019) Financial market actors as urban policy-makers : the case of real estate investment trusts in Brazil, *Urban Geography*. 40(1), [83-103](#).
- Halbert, L., (2018) Infrastructures financières et production urbaine, *Espaces et Sociétés*, 3(174), [71-86](#).
- Sanfelici, D., Halbert, L. (2016) Financial market, developers and housing in Brazil, *Urban Studies*. 53(7):[1465-85](#).
- Halbert, L., Rouanet, H. (2014) Filtering risk away: global finance capital, transcalar territorial networks and the (un)making of city-regions: property developments in Bangalore. *Regional Studies* 48 (3):[471-84](#).

International Research Collaborations (selection, non-exhaustive list of partners)

- 2026-30 DC_Risk_City (co-PI, 386 k€), Data centers, multifactor risks and urban resilience, PEPR VDBI
- 2025-30 FINPLANET (co-PI, 450 k€), Planetary financialization, French National Research Agency - FAPESP
- 2019-26 INVEST (PI, 365k€), Public Investment and Territorial Systems, French National Research Agency.
- 2019-22 FIL (PI, 25k€), Local public finance, Fil Network.
- 2017-20 IPL (co-PI, 130k€), Local Public Investment, Caisse des Dépôts, Lab'Urba
- 2012-16 FINURBASIA (co-PI, 260k€), Property and capital markets in Asia, French National Research Agency.
- 2010-12 ACME (PI, 150k€) Comparative analysis of European metropolises. French Prime Min.'s Office.
- 2008-09 CURE (National Partner, NA). Cultural industries and urban resilience. EU URBAN-NET.
- 2007-08 Creative Metropolis (PI, 145k€). Clusters and cultural industries. French Min. of Planning & Culture.
- 2006-07 ESPON 1.4.3. (National Partner, 100k€). Study on urban functions in Europe. ESPON Programme.
- 2003-05 POLYNET. (National Partner, 180k€). European city-regions. Europ. Regional Development Funds.

Organization of international scientific events (selection, co-organizer)

- 2026 FinPlanet seminar, 28 May-1 June, Champs-sur-marne, FR.
- 2025 FinPlanet kick-off, 9-10 February, Champs-sur-marne, FR. 15 contributions.
Planetary Financialization Workshop, 5-7 February, Paris, FR. 15 contributions.
- 2024 Planetary Financialization Workshop, 27-28 May, Rio de Janeiro, BR. 25 contributions.
Financial Infrastructures Workshop, 21-25 May, Niteroi, BR. 15 contributions.
- 2019 "Frontiers of financialization" International Seminar, 20-24 May, Lyon, FR. 15 contributions.
- 2015 AAG conference, 4-8 April, Chicago, US. Co-organizer: 5 sessions, 24 contributions, 110 attendants.
FinUrbasia International Workshop, 17-18 July, Pondicherry, IND. 18 contributions, 40 attendants.
- 2014 3rd EURA-UAA World conference "City Futures", 17-9 June, FR. Organizing Committee: 400 attend.
ASRDLF Annual conference, 7-9 July, FR. Organizing Committee: 300 attendants.
Local Finance Annual conference, 20 Nov, FR. Scientific Committee Member: 100 attendants.
- 2013 AAG conference, 24-28 April, New York, US. Co-organizer: 4 sessions, 16 contributions, 70 attendants.
Urban Futures conference, Paris-Est University, 16-18 Jan, FR. Organizing Committee, 150 attendants.

Supervision of Graduate Students and Postdoctoral Fellows

9 Postdoctoral fellows (Arg., Br., Ch., Fr.) / 7 supervised PhDs. / 50+ Masters students / 5 research staff
External Examiner (PhD): UCL; Neuchâtel Univ., Castilla La Mancha Univ., Paris-1 Univ., ENS Lyon.

Teaching (current)

"Cities in Globalization", École des Ponts ParisTech, M.S.-level, 26h/yr.

Languages and Skills

Methods Multivariate statistics (SAS); GIS (Mapinfo, ArcGIS); Interviews; On-site observation; Film-making.
Languages French (first language), English (bilingual), bases in Italian, Spanish and Portuguese.