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At school, I was good at maths but had a practical streak that made me realise that I didn't want to be a mathematician. Economics covered interesting real life issues and its analytical focus meant I continued to use my maths skills. My research area is measuring and explaining international comparisons of growth and productivity. I'm part of a large network of researchers in Europe, the US and in emerging economies who generate internationally comparable data. I paint as a hobby, and when I paint I switch off from work completely.