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## Academic Positions

05/2018–	<b>Postdoctoral Researcher</b> ERC-Project “Legacy of Colonialism” University of Bremen, Germany
07/2017–06/2018	<b>Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow</b> Bard College Berlin (BCB), Germany

## Professional Experience

2011–12	Researcher, German Development Institute (DIE), Bonn, Germany
2008–09	Research Fellow, German Technical Cooperation (GTZ), Philippines

## Education

2017	<b>Ph.D. in Political Science</b> (summa cum laude) <b>Central European University (CEU)</b> , Budapest, Hungary Major: Political Economy Minor: Research Methodology Dissertation: <i>Opportunity Matters: Economic Inequality and Redistribution across Western Democracies</i> Committee: Thilo Bodenstein (supervisor), Achim Kemmerling, Levente Littvay, David Rueda (University of Oxford)
2011	Master in Public Policy (first in class) University of Erfurt, Germany
2008	University Diploma in Business Economics Saarland University, Germany
<i>Non-degree</i>	
2015	Visiting Doctoral Student GESS, University of Mannheim, Germany
2013 & 2014	ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods for Social Science Research University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, U.S.A.
2010	Spring School on Transformation Policy Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia

## Teaching

Summer 2019	Experimental Methods for Social Science Research (MA), University of Bremen
Spring 2018	Introduction to Statistics (BA), BCB Public Policy Analysis from an Economic Perspective (BA), BCB
Fall 2017	Introduction to Statistics (BA), BCB Experimental Methods for Social Science Research (BA), BCB

Spring 2017	Introduction to Statistics using SPSS (PhD), Andrassy University, Budapest
Summer 2016	Advanced Bayesian Statistics, TA, ECPR Summer School, Budapest
	Introduction to SPSS, ECPR Summer School, Budapest
Fall 2014	Introduction to Quantitative Methods (MA), TA, CEU
Fall 2013	Political Economy II (MA), TA, CEU

## Publications

### *Articles*

forthcoming	Mind The Income Gaps? Experimental Evidence of Information's Lasting Effect on Redistributive Preferences, <i>Social Justice Research</i> . <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/s11211-019-00343-7">https://doi.org/10.1007/s11211-019-00343-7</a>
2018	Behind the Curve and Beyond: Calculating Representative Predicted Probability Changes and Treatment Effects for Non-Linear Models, <i>Advances in Methodology and Statistics</i> , 15(1), 43–58.
2013	(with Doris Fischer) Promoting Renewable Electricity Generation in Emerging Economies. <i>Energy Policy</i> , 56, 446–55. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1016/j.enpol.2013.01.004">https://doi.org/10.1016/j.enpol.2013.01.004</a> .

### *Book chapters*

forthcoming	Colonial Legacies in International Aid: Policy Priorities and Actor Constellations.
2014	(with Anna Pegels) Implementing Green Industrial Policy, in A.Pegels (ed.), <i>Green Industrial Policy in Emerging Economies</i> , Routledge: London.

### *Working papers*

2019	Introducing COLDAT: The Colonial Dates Dataset, <i>SOCIUM SFB 1342 Working-Papers</i> , 2019(2). <a href="https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/T9SDEW">https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/T9SDEW</a>
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### *Book reviews*

2017	Philipp Rhem, Risk Inequality and Welfare States: Social Policy Preferences, Development, and Dynamics. <i>The Journal of Politics</i> , 79(1), e13-e14. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1086/689943">https://doi.org/10.1086/689943</a> .
2013	Morten Jerven, Poor Numbers: How We Are Misled by African Development Statistics and What to Do about It. <i>Society &amp; Economy</i> , 35(2), 268-71. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1556/SocEc.35.2013.2.8">https://doi.org/10.1556/SocEc.35.2013.2.8</a> . Atul Kohli, Poverty Amid of Plenty in the New India. <i>Acta Oeconomica</i> , 63(4), 228–33. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1556/AOecon.63.2013.4.7">https://doi.org/10.1556/AOecon.63.2013.4.7</a> .

## Project Involvement

2015-2016	Project coordinator, CEU <i>Innovations in political science research</i> (Budget: €5,350)
2013–15	Research Assistant, CEU <i>EU development aid and regional public support in Sub-Saharan Africa</i>
2012	Research Consultant, Institute for Development Studies (IDS), U.K. <i>Who are the poor?</i>

## Academic Service

Reviewer for	American Journal of Political Science, International Journal of Public Opinion Research, PS: Political Science & Politics, Societies, Social Justice Research, The Journal of Economic Inequality
2013–14	Student chair, Political Economy Research Group (PERG) CEU, Budapest, Hungary
2010–11	Student representative, Faculty council University of Erfurt, Germany
<b>Conferences</b>	APSA General Conference ( <b>P</b> , 2016, Philadelphia), BAGSS Conference ( <b>P</b> , 2015, Bamberg), CEU-PERG Doctoral Workshop CEU ( <b>OP</b> , 2014, Budapest), CRC Global Dynamics of Social Policy Conference ( <b>P</b> , 2018, Bremen), EPCS Annual Meeting ( <b>DP</b> , 2017, Budapest), EPSA Annual Meeting ( <b>DP</b> , 2018, Vienna; <b>P</b> , 2016, Brussels; <b>P</b> , 2015, Vienna), ECPR Annual Conference ( <b>P</b> , 2016, Prague), Graduate Network Conference ( <b>P</b> , 2015, Florence), MPSA Annual Meeting ( <b>DP</b> , 2018; <b>P</b> , 2015, Chicago), SASE Annual Meeting ( <b>P</b> , 2015, London; <b>CP</b> , 2017, Lyon), SFB Political Economy of Reforms Conference ( <b>P</b> , 2016, Mannheim), SPSA Annual Conference ( <b>DP</b> , 2019, Zürich). [Role: <b>P</b> resenter, <b>D</b> iscussant, <b>C</b> hair, <b>O</b> rganizer]
<b>Invited talks</b>	“Mind The Income Gaps? Experimental Evidence of Information’s Lasting Effect on Redistributive Preferences” <i>Paris School of Economics/University Paris 1 Pantheon-Sorbonne, Political Economy Seminar, 2017</i> “Conducting Online Survey Experiments Using mTurk” <i>CEU Summer School, Political Psychology course, 2015; Experimental Political Science course (CEU, MA), 2016, 2017</i>

## Awards

2017	Early-Career Workshop Award, Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics
2016	Award for Advanced Doctoral Students, CEU (€ 800)

## Scholarships

2017	Dissertation Write-Up Grant, CEU
2015	Doctoral Research Support Grant, CEU
2014–15	Annual Doctoral Stipend, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)
2013	Summer School Grant, CEU
2013	Clifford C. Clogg Scholarship, ICPSR, University of Michigan
2013 & 2014	Summer Research Grant, PERG, CEU
2011–2016	CEU Doctoral Fellowship, CEU (paused in 2014–15)
Travel grants	APSA Annual Meeting Travel Grant (2016), BAGSS Travel Grant (2015), CEU Political Science Departmental Travel Grant, CEU Travel and Research Grant (2x).

## Other skills

Languages	German (fluent), English (fluent), French (basic).
Methods training	OLS, MLE, Hierarchical models, Causal inference, Experimental research design, Bayesian statistics, Missing data, Game theory, Survey Design.
Analytical software	ArcGIS/QGIS, BUGS/JAGS/STAN, MS Office, R, SPSS.
Technical software	Latex, MS Office, mTurk, Qualtrics.