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Academic Positions

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

Professional Experience

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

Education

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| 2017 | Ph.D. in Political Science (summa cum laude) Central European University (CEU) , 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

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| Summer 2020 | Inequality and Public Opinion (MA), University of Bremen |
| 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

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| 2021 | Temporal Change in Inequality Perceptions and Effects on Political Attitudes, <i>Political Research Exchange</i> . https://doi.org/10.1080/2474736X.2020.1860652 |
| 2020 | Mind The Income Gaps? Experimental Evidence of Information's Lasting Effect on Redistributive Preferences, <i>Social Justice Research</i> . https://doi.org/10.1007/s11211-019-00343-7 |
| 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. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.enpol.2013.01.004 . |

Book chapters

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| 2020 | Colonial Legacies in International Aid: Policy Priorities and Actor Constellations, in Carina Schmitt (ed.), <i>From Colonialism to International Aid</i> , Palgrave Macmillan. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-38200-1_7 Critical Assessment and Outlook” (with Carina Schmitt, Judith Ebeling, and Amanda Shriwise), in Carina Schmitt (ed.), <i>From Colonialism to International Aid</i> , Palgrave Macmillan. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-38200-1_14 |
| 2014 | (with Anna Pegels) Implementing Green Industrial Policy, in A.Pegels (ed.), <i>Green Industrial Policy in Emerging Economies</i> , Routledge: London. |

Working papers

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

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

Project Involvement

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| 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

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| Reviewer for | American Journal of Political Science, East European Politics, International Journal of Public Opinion Research, PS: Political Science & Politics, Societies, Social Justice Research, Sustainability, The Journal of Economic Inequality |
| 2020– | Co-organizer, Virtual Comparative Political Economy Working Group (with André Walter, Cecilia Bruzelius, and Philip Rathgeb) |
| 2019– | Organizer, Political Economy Workshop series University of Bremen, Germany |
| 2013–14 | Student chair, Political Economy Research Group (PERG) CEU, Budapest, Hungary |
| 2010–11 | Student representative, Faculty council University of Erfurt, Germany |

Conferences

APSA General Conference (**P**, 2016, Philadelphia), BAGSS Conference (**P**, 2015, Bamberg), CEU-PERG Doctoral Workshop CEU (**OP**, 2014, Budapest), CRC Global Dynamics of Social Policy Conference (**P**, 2018, Bremen), EPCS Annual Meeting (**DP**, 2017, Budapest), EPSA Annual Meeting (**DP**, 2018, Vienna; **P**, 2016, Brussels; **P**, 2015, Vienna), ECPR Annual Conference (**P**, 2016, Prague), Graduate Network Conference (**P**, 2015, Florence), MPSA Annual Meeting (**DP**, 2018; **P**, 2015, Chicago), Nordwel Summer School (**D**, 2019, Bremen) SASE Annual Meeting (**P**, 2015, London; **CP**, 2017, Lyon), SFB Political Economy of Reforms Conference (**P**, 2016, Mannheim), SPSA Annual Conference (**DP**, 2019, Zürich).

[Role: **P**resenter, **D**iscussant, **C**hair, **O**rganizer]

Invited talks

“Social Policy and Welfare in the Global South: Historical Legacies and Contemporary Challenges”
University of Erfurt, Willy Brandt School of Public Policy, 2020

“Continuity and Change in Social Policy Priorities throughout 20th-century Africa”
(with Carina Schmitt)
University of Heidelberg, IPW Colloquium, 2019

“Group Inequality and Redistributive Preferences in Western Democracies”
University of Geneva, Unequal Democracies Seminar, 2019

“Mind The Income Gaps? Experimental Evidence of Information’s Lasting Effect on Redistributive Preferences”
Paris School of Economics/University Paris 1 Pantheon-Sorbonne, Political Economy Seminar, 2017

“Conducting Online Survey Experiments Using mTurk”
CEU Summer School, Political Psychology course, 2015; Experimental Political Science course (CEU, MA), 2016, 2017

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.