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WORK EXPERIENCE

01.04.2018 – 30.06.2021 – Wuerzburg, Germany

Research Assistant at the Project "Causes of Quality Types and Democracy Profiles" funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG)

Chair of Comparative Politics and German Government, University of Wuerzburg

Complete Project Title: "Causes of Quality Types and Democracy Profiles: Empirical Findings of the Democracy Matrix"

Tasks: Elaboration of theory and hypotheses; methodical implementation (cluster analysis, regression procedure); testing of empirical results

01.10.2013 – CURRENT – Wuerzburg, Germany

Research Assistant at the Chair of Comparative Politics and German Government (Prof. Dr. Lauth)

University of Wuerzburg

01.04.2016 – 31.03.2018 – Wuerzburg, Germany

Research Assistant at the Project "Democracy Matrix" funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG)

Chair of Comparative Politics and German Government, University of Wuerzburg

Complete Project Title: „The Democracy Matrix as an Alternative to the Democracy Indices of Freedom House and Polity: Implementation of the Varieties-of-Democracy-Data by Using the 15-Field-Matrix of Democracy“

Tasks: Conceptual and methodological elaboration (selection of indicators and aggregation rules); preparation of the R-scripts for the calculation of the index; participation in the creation of the homepageHomepage: <https://www.democracymatrix.com/>

R-scripts: <https://github.com/OSchlenkrich/DMX>

01.08.2008 – 01.03.2013 – Wuerzburg, Germany

Student Assistant and Tutor

Chair of Comparative Politics and German Government, University of Wuerzburg

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

01.10.2006 – 30.09.2013 – Würzburg, Germany

Exam for Teaching at Secondary Schools German/Social Studies/Philosophy (1. State Examination)

University of Wuerzburg

01.10.2013 – 17.03.2021

PhD

University of Wuerzburg

PhD thesis in English supervised by Prof. Dr. Hans-Joachim Lauth and Prof. Dr. Christiane Gross with the title "Origin and Performance of Democracy Profiles" at the Graduate School Law, Economics, and Society (University of Wuerzburg)

Completion date: 17.03.2021

Methods: Exploratory Factor Analysis; (Fuzzy) Cluster Analysis; Bayesian Time Series Cross Sectional Within Between Model; Overdispersed Poisson Regression; Multiple Imputation; Dirichlet Regression; Descriptive Statistics

R-scripts and replication data: <https://github.com/OSchlenkrich/PerformanceDemocracies>

summa cum laude

METHOD SCHOOLS

25.03.2019 – 29.03.2019

Bayesian Multilevel Modelling

48th GESIS Spring Seminar, Cologne

18.03.2019 – 22.03.2019

Bayesian Structural Equation Modelling

48th GESIS Spring Seminar, Cologne

07.08.2017 – 11.08.2017

Gentle Introduction to Machine Learning for the Social Sciences

12th ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques, Budapest

31.07.2017 – 04.08.2017

Time Series Analysis

12th ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques, Budapest

13.02.2015 – 20.02.2015

Multilevel Analysis

ECPR Winter School, Bamberg

LANGUAGE SKILLS

MOTHER TONGUE(S): German

OTHER LANGUAGE(S):

English

Listening
C2

Reading
C2

Spoken
production
B2

Spoken
interaction
B2

Writing
C1

French

Listening
A1

Reading
A1

Spoken
production
A1

Spoken
interaction
A1

Writing
A1

Arabic (Würzburger Arabicum)

Listening

Reading
A1

Spoken
production

Spoken
interaction

Writing

DIGITAL SKILLS

Statistical Software

R and RStudio / Python / Mplus / R shiny / IBM SPSS Statistics Software

Bayesian Statistical Software

Stan (Bayesian Statistical Modeling) / Jags (Bayesian Statistical Modeling) / brms

Word Processing


Word / Excel / Power Point / R Markdown

COMMUNICATION AND INTERPERSONAL SKILLS

Soft Skills

- Team work
- Self-initiative, effective working
- Communication skills
- Socio-cultural competence
- Interdisciplinary thinking
- Ability to work under pressure

KEY RESEARCH AREAS

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- **Quality of Democracy**
 - **Democratization**
 - **Statehood**
 - **Political Culture**
 - **Political Participation**
 - **Time-Series Cross-Sectional Analysis**
 - **Multilevel Analysis**
 - **Bayesian Analysis**

PUBLICATIONS

Different types of deficient democracies: Reassessing the relevance of diminished subtypes

2021

Lauth, Hans-Joachim, Schlenkrich, Oliver and Lukas Lemm. (accepted). Different types of deficient democracies: Reassessing the relevance of diminished subtypes. *International Political Science Review*.

Method: Cluster analysis

R-scripts and replication data: https://github.com/OSchlenkrich/DiminishedSubtypes_Cluster

Demokratie unter populistischer Herrschaft

2021

Lauth, Hans-Joachim and Oliver Schlenkrich. (forthcoming). Demokratie unter populistischer Herrschaft: Verändert sich die Qualität der Demokratie? In: *Populismus an der Macht*, eds. Muno, Wolfgang and Christian Pfeiffer.

Method: Bayesian TSCS Within Between Model

R-scripts and replication data: <https://github.com/OSchlenkrich/PopulismDQ>

Identifying Profiles of Democracies

2019

Oliver Schlenkrich. 2019. Identifying Profiles of Democracies: A Cluster Analysis Based on the Democracy Matrix Dataset from 1900 to 2017. *Politics and Governance* 7 (4): 315–330. URL: <https://www.cogitatiopress.com/politicsandgovernance/article/view/2244>

Method: Cluster Analysis

R-scripts and replication data: https://github.com/OSchlenkrich/Replicate_DemocracyProfiles_2019

Making Trade-Offs Visible

2018

Lauth, Hans-Joachim and Oliver Schlenkrich. 2018. Making Trade-Offs Visible: Theoretical and Methodological Considerations about the Relationship between Dimensions and Institutions of Democracy and Empirical Findings. *Politics and Governance* 6 (1): 78–91. URL: <https://www.cogitatiopress.com/politicsandgovernance/article/view/1200>

Demokratie in komplexen Gesellschaften. Demokratieprofile – Responsivität – Populismus

2018

Lauth, Hans-Joachim and Oliver Schlenkrich. 2018. Demokratie in komplexen Gesellschaften. Demokratieprofile – Responsivität – Populismus. In: *Die Demokratie und ihre Defekte*, ed. Mannewitz, Tom, 145–168. Wiesbaden: VS-Verlag.

Method: Bayesian Multilevel Path Analysis

Die wiederentdeckte Relevanz von Staat und Staatlichkeit

2017

Mohamad-Klotzbach, Christoph and Oliver Schlenkrich. 2017. Die wiederentdeckte Relevanz von Staat und Staatlichkeit. *Zeitschrift für Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft* 11 (4): 479–487.

State Fragility in the Democratic Republic of the Congo 1960-2014

2016

Schlenkrich, Oliver, Lukas Lemm and Christoph Mohamad-Klotzbach. 2016. State Fragility in the Democratic Republic of the Congo 1960-2014: A New Approach for Assessing the Quality of Statehood by Analysing the Relationship between Capacities, Challenges and State Actors. In *The Democratic Republic of the Congo. Problems, Progress and Prospects*, eds. Julien Bobineau and Philipp Gieg, 57–86. Berlin: Lit.

The contextualized index of statehood (CIS)

2016

Schlenkrich, Oliver, Lukas Lemm and Christoph Mohamad-Klotzbach. 2016. The contextualized index of statehood (CIS): assessing the interaction between contextual challenges and the organizational capacities of states. *Zeitschrift für Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft* 10 (3-4): 241-272.

Determinanten input- und outputorientierter Demokratievorstellungen in der arabischen Welt

2016

Mohamad-Klotzbach, Christoph and Oliver Schlenkrich. 2016. Determinanten input- und outputorientierter Demokratievorstellungen in der arabischen Welt: Eine Mehrebenenanalyse. In: "Demokratie" jenseits des Westens. Theorien, Diskurse, Einstellungen. Sonderheft 51 der Politischen Vierteljahresschrift, eds. Sophia Schubert and Alexander Weiss, 404-436. Baden-Baden: Nomos.

Method: Multilevel Model

Open and closed electoral autocracies in the (semi-)periphery from 1996 to 2010

2015

Schlenkrich, Oliver and Christoph Mohamad-Klotzbach. 2015. Open and closed electoral autocracies in the (semi-)periphery from 1996 to 2010: Democratization and foreign aid flows. *Global Humanities* 01/2015 (On the Correlation of Center and Periphery), 57-77.

Method: OLS-Regression

Demokratiemessung: Der KID als aggregiertes Maß für die komparative Forschung

2012

Lauth, Hans-Joachim and Oliver Kauff. 2012. Demokratiemessung: Der KID als aggregiertes Maß für die komparative Forschung. *Empirische Befunde der Regimeentwicklung von 1996 bis 2010. WAPS* 2.

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

07.2021 > – IPSA, Digital

What Explains Specific Deformations in Democracies?

What Explains Specific Deformations in Democracies? The Multiple Causes of Illiberal, Inegalitarian and Uncontrolled Democracies. Presentation with Lukas Lemm and Hans-Joachim Lauth at the 26th World Congress of Political Science, Panel "Democracies in Crisis: The Decoupling of Democracy and Liberalism?", July 2021.

07.2021 > – IPSA, Digital

The Impact of Populist Rule on the Quality of Democracy

The Impact of Populist Rule on the Quality of Democracy: Can We Identify A Populist Impact Pattern? Presentation with Hans-Joachim Lauth at the 26th World Congress of Political Science, Panel "Challenges of Democracy in the Age of New Nationalisms", July 2021.

11.03.2021 – 11.03.2021 > – DVPW, Digital

Warum entstehen spezifische Dysfunktionen in den politischen Strukturen von Demokratien?

Warum entstehen spezifische Dysfunktionen in den politischen Strukturen von Demokratien? Eine Zeitreihenanalyse der Demokratien der Dritten Welle mit den Daten der Demokratiematrix. Presentation with Lukas Lemm at the Annual Meeting of the "AK Demokratieforschung" (DVPW) "Dysfunktionale Demokratie(n): Merkmale, Ursachen und Folgen". 11.03.21.

18.09.2019 – 19.09.2019 > – Vienna

Visualisierung quantitativer Daten mit TYPO3

Visualisierung quantitativer Daten mit TYPO3 als Beitrag zur wissenschaftlichen Diskussion und öffentlichen Meinungsbildung. Presentation with Miklos Weiszhaupt, Pagemachine AG at the TYPO3 University Days 2019, 18.09-19.09, Vienna

04.04.2017 – 06.04.2017 > – DVPW, Wuppertal

Der Einbezug des Staates als eigenständiges Objekt politischer Orientierung in die politische Kulturforschung. Ein konzeptioneller Vorschlag.

Der Einbezug des Staates als eigenständiges Objekt politischer Orientierung in die politische Kulturforschung. Ein konzeptioneller Vorschlag. Presentation with Christoph Mohamad-Klotzbach at the conference of the DVPW-Arbeitskreises Politik und Kultur about "Politische Kulturforschung reloaded. Theorien, Methoden und Ergebnisse neuerer Forschung zum Zusammenhang von Politik und Kultur", 04.04-06.04.2017, Universität Wuppertal.

15.03.2017 – 17.03.2017 > – Tübingen

Trust in the State: Explaining Measurement Noninvariance Using Bayesian Multilevel SEMs.

Trust in the State: Explaining Measurement Noninvariance Using Bayesian Multilevel SEMs. Presentation with Oliver Schlenkrich at the conference of the DVPW-Sektion "Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft" about "Unlike Twins?! Comparing Autocracies and Democracies", 15.03-17.03.2017, Universität Tübingen.

03.11.2016 – 04.11.2016 > – DVPW, DIE, Bonn

Der Einfluss von Regimecharakteristika auf die diffuse Unterstützung des Staates.

Der Einfluss von Regimecharakteristika auf die diffuse Unterstützung des Staates. Presentation with Christoph Mohamad-Klotzbach at the annual meeting of the DVPW-Arbeitskreises Demokratieforschung about "Legitimität junger Demokratien", 3.-4. November 2016, Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE) in Bonn.

07.09.2016 – 10.09.2016 > – ECPR, Prague

Making trade-offs visible

Making trade-offs visible: Theoretical und methodological considerations about the relationship between dimensions and institutions of democracy and empirical findings. Presentation with Hans-Joachim Lauth at the ECPR General Conference, 7.-10. September 2016, Prague.

[09.06.2016 – 10.06.2016](#) > – Zürich

Post-democracy and the measurement of democracy

Post-democracy and the measurement of democracy: Can we combine these research fields? Presentation at the Graduate workshop "Contextualizing Democracy: Culture, Capitalism, Inequalities", 9.-10. June 2016, University of Zurich.

[25.02.2015 – 27.02.2015](#) > – DVPW, Hamburg

Herausforderungen und Institutionen des Staates

„Herausforderungen und Institutionen des Staates: ein kontextsensitiver Ansatz zur Bestimmung der Staatlichkeit - Kontextualisierter Index der Fragilen Staatlichkeit (KIFS) 2006-2012". Presentation at the DVPW Section Comparative Politics Conference, 25.02.-27.02.2015 (Hamburg, GIGA).

[10.09.2014](#) > – Lingen

Instrumente der Demokratiemessung und ihre empirischen Befunde

"Instrumente der Demokratiemessung und ihre empirischen Befunde: Wie viel Demokratie messen Demokratie-Indizes?" Presentation at the Ferienakademie V2014/15 "Alle Staatsgewalt geht vom Volke aus". Zur Zukunft der Demokratie" des Cusanuswerks, 10.09.2014 (Lingen, Ems).

TITLE OF THE COURSES TAUGHT

Comparing Democracies with R (and python)

Political Participation

Comparing Democracies: Dynamics and Challenges

Demokratiemessung

Wahlen

Parteien und Parteiensysteme

Gewaltenteilung

Das politische System der Bundesrepublik auch im Vergleich mit ausgewählten parlamentarischen Systemen

Aktuelle Fragen der Politikwissenschaft (Vorbereitung Staatsexamen Lehramt)