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Current Position

University of St. Gallen, Department of Political Science, Assistant Professor of Political Science, February 2016 –

Previous Positions

University of St. Gallen, Department of Political Science, Postdoctoral Research Fellow, August 2013 – January 2016

University of California, San Diego, Visiting Predoctoral Fellow, January – December 2011

Education

Ph.D.	Political Science, European University Institute, June 2014 Major fields: International Relations and Research Methods
Dissertation	*The Politics of Transnational Institutions: Power, Bargaining and Institutional Choice* Committee: Friedrich Kratochwil (Emeritus European University Institute, Chair), Miles Kahler (American University), Duncan Snidal (University of Oxford, Nuffield College), Urlich Krotz (European University Institute)
M.Res.	Research Methods, European University Institute, June 2010
M.A.	Political Science (Highest Honors), University of Münster, Germany, July 2008

Research Interests

International cooperation
Informal and transnational public-private governance
International conflict
Research methods

Awards

Kenneth Boulding Award, International Studies Association Peace Studies Section, runner-up prize for the paper "Hierarchies and Power in Peacebuilding Networks", 2011

Grants and Scholarships

Venture Research and Workshop Grant, International Studies Association, $24,957, co-organizer, 2017 (with Kristian Gleditsch and Johan Elkink)

Research Grant, "Power or Domestic Politics? Explaining State Participation in Informal International Institutions", Research Committee University of St. Gallen, CHF90,161, principal investigator, 2017

Research Grant, "The Politics of Informal Governance", Swiss Network for International Studies, CHF280,294, principal investigator, 2014 – 2017 (with Dirk Lehmkuhl, Katharina Michaelowa, Barbara Koremenos, Kenneth Abbott, Miles Kahler, Duncan Snidal, and others)

Research Grant, "Firms as Agents of Change in Global Governance: Can Foreign Firms Promote Socially Responsible Business Practices?", Global Democratic Governance Program, University of St. Gallen, CHF20,000, principal investigator, 2015 (with Nikhar Gaikwad)

Venture Research and Workshop Grant, International Studies Association, $23,366, principal organizer, 2014 (with Virginia Haufler)

Venture Workshop Grant, International Studies Association, $14,727, principal organizer, 2013 (with Randall Stone and Elena McLean)

Venture Workshop Grant, International Stuides Association, $16,166, principal organizer, 2012 (with Han Dorussen and Erik Gartzke)

Venture Workshop Grant, International Studies Association, $14,063.60, principal organizer, 2011 (with Deborah Avant)

Grant for doctoral studies at the European University Institute, German Academic Exchange Service, 2009 – 2013

Scholarship, Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models Summer Institute, Duke University, $2000, 2014

Scholarship, Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models Summer Institute, University of Houston, $2000, 2013

Travel Grant, National Science Foundation, Political Networks Conference, 2010, 2012

Peer-Reviewed Publications

1. "The Complex Structure of Commercial Peace: Contrasting Trade Interdependence, Asymmetry and Multipolarity" *Journal of Peace Research*, Vol. 53, No. 3, pp. 325 – 343 (with Erik Gartzke)

2. "Networked International Politics: Complex Interdependence and the Diffusion of Conflict and Peace" *Journal of Peace Research*, Vol. 53, No. 3, pp. 283 – 291 (with Han Dorussen and Erik Gartzke)

3. "Introduction: Networks and Transnational Security Governance." 2016, in *The New Power Politics: Networks and Transnational Security Governance*, eds. Deborah Avant and Oliver Westerwinter. New York: Oxford University Press pp. 1 – 18 (with Deborah Avant)

4. "Bargaining in Networks: Relationships and the Governance of Conflict Diamonds." 2016, in *The New Power Politics: Networks and Transnational Security Governance*, eds. Deborah Avant and Oliver Westerwinter. New York: Oxford University Press pp. 196 – 223

5. "Formal and Informal Governance in the United Nations Peacebuilding Commission." 2013, in *The Transnational Governance of Violence and Crime. Non-State Actors in Security*, eds. Anja P. Jakobi and Klaus Dieter Wolf. Houndmills: Palgrave pp. 61 – 83.

BOOK REVIEWS

1. "Barbara Koremenos. 2016. The continent of international law. Explaining agreement design. (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press)" *Review of International Organizations*, 2017, online first.

2. "Joost Pauwelyn, Ramses A. Wessel and Jan Wouters (Eds.). 2012. Informal international lawmaking. (Oxford: Oxford University Press)" *Review of International Organizations*, 2015, 10: 97 – 101.

UNDER REVIEW

1. "Measuring Transnational Public-Private Governance Initiatives in World Politics: A New Dataset"

2. "The Evolution of Transnational Governance Interactions: A Network Approach"

3. "Informal Governance, Networks and the Politics of Transnational Public-Private Security Governance"

4. "Preventing and Protecting: Reputation and the Design of International Cooperation" (with Stefano Jud)

5. "Can't Buy Me Love? Specific and Diffuse Reciprocity in International Relations" (with Samuel Brazys, Diana Panke, and Adrian O'Hagan)

6. "Uncertainty, Network Change, and Costly Signaling: How the Network of Diplomatic Visits Affects International Conflict"

Working Papers

1. "Democracy, Veto Players, and State Participation in Informal Global Governance"

2. "The Politics of Informal Governance"

3. "Informal Governance in World Politics: A Literature Review"

4. "The Institutional Design of Formal Intergovernmental Organizations" (with Bernhard Reinsberg)

5. "Multiplex Choices: Intra- and Inter-Network Dependencies and the Formation of Military Alliances"

6. "War is in the Variance/Covariance Structure of the Error Terms: International Networks and the Bargaining Theory of War" (with Erik Gartzke and Hugh Ward)

7. "Networks, Commitment and International Conflict" (with Erik Gartzke)

8. "Interdependence Really is Complex" (with Erik Gartzke)

Work in Progress

1. "Informal Governance in World Politics Database"

2. "Transnational Public-Private Governance Initiatives in World Politics Database"

3. "The Diffusion of Democracy through Informal Networks" (with Jon Pevehouse)

4. "Modeling Spatial and Network Interdependence in International Relations" (with Kristian Gleditsch and Jos Elkink)

5. "Firms as Agents of Change in Global Governance: Can Foreign Firms Promote Socially Responsible Business Practices?" (with Nikhar Gaikwad)

6. "Reputation and the Conclusion and Design of Preferential Trade Agreements" (with Stefano Jud)

Invited Talks

"Methods for Studying Democratic Diffusion", Swiss Summer School Democracy Studies, St. Gallen, 2017

"Democracy, Veto Players and State Participation in Transnational Public-Private Governance Initiatives", Social Trends Institute, Barcelona, 2016

"Multiplex Choices: Intra- and Inter-Network Dependencies and the Formation of Military Alliances", University of Zurich, 2016

"The Evolution of Transnational Governance Interactions: A Network Approach", York University, 2016

INVITED TALKS (*continued*)

"The Co-Evolution of Depth, Flexibility, and Enforcement in Trade Agreements: A Network Analysis Application", Graduate Institute Geneva, 2016

"The Politics of Informal Governance", University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2016

"Bargaining, Information Networks and Interstate Conflict", Empirical Implications of Bargaining Theory Workshop, Princeton University, 2015

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (*selected*)

"Can't Buy Me Love? Specific and Diffuse Reciprocity in International Relations"

– 2018 Political Economy of International Organizations Conference, Madison, Wisconsin (*scheduled*)

"Preventing and Protecting: Reputation and the Design of International Cooperation"

– 2018 Political Economy of International Organizations Conference, Madison, Wisconsin (*scheduled*)

"Democracy, Veto Players, and State Participation in Informal Global Governance"

– 2018 International Studies Association Annual Convention, San Francisco, California (*scheduled*)

– 2017 European Political Science Association Annual Conference, Milan, Italy

"The Politics of Informal Governance"

– 2018 International Studies Association Annual Convention, San Francisco, California (*scheduled*)

– 2016 European Consortium for Political Research Joint Sessions Workshops, Pisa, Italy

"Uncertainty, Network Change, and Costly Signaling: How the Network of Diplomatic Visits Affects International Conflict"

– 2016 Empirical Implications of Bargaining Theory Workshop, South Bend, Indiana

– 2015 Empirical Implications of Bargaining Theory Conference, Princeton, New Jersey

"War is in the Variance/Covariance Structure of the Error Terms: International Networks and the Bargaining Theory of War" (with Erik Gartzke and Hugh Ward)

– 2014 Peace Science Society Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

– 2014 International Studies Association Annual Convention, Toronto, Canada

"Networks, Commitment and International Conflict" (with Erik Gartzke)

– 2014 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC

"Multiplex Choices: Intra- and Inter-Network Dependencies and the Formation of Military Alliances"

– 2015 European Political Science Association Annual Conference, Vienna, Austria

– 2015 International Studies Association Annual Convention, New Orleans, Louisiana

– 2014 Peace Science Society Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

"Informal Governance, Network Power and the Politics of Blood Diamonds"

– 2015 Political Economy of International Organizations Conference, Berlin, Germany

– 2014 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC

– 2014 International Studies Association Annual Convention, Toronto, Canada

"Measuring Transnational Networks: A Multiple-Sources and Multiple-Measurement Approach"

– 2015 European Political Science Associationn Annual Conference, Vienna, Austria

Teaching

University of St. Gallen:

– "Social Science Methodology: Intermediate Statistics" (MA course), spring 2017

– "International Cooperation" (MA course), fall 2016

– "International Security" (MA course), fall 2017

– "Social Science Methodology: Game Theory" (MA course), spring 2016, 2017

– "Quantitative Methods" (BA course), spring 2015, 2016, 2017

– "Social Science Methodology: Network Analysis" (MA course), fall 2015, 2016, 2017

Global School of Empirical Research Methods, University of St. Gallen:

– "Statistics with R" (Ph.D. course), June 2016

European University Institute:

– "Game Theory for Political Scientists" (Ph.D. course), May 2014

Service and Professional Activities

Departmental Service

- Organizer, Research Seminar Series, Global Democratic Governance Program, University of St.Gallen, 2013 –

- Project Coordinator, International Cooperation and Conflict, Global Democratic Governance Program, University of St. Gallen, 2013 – 2015

Manuscript Reviewer

International Organization, World Politics, British Journal of Political Science, International Studies Quarterly, International Studies Review, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Journal of Peace Research, Security Studies, Conflict Management and Peace Science, Review of International Organizations, Journal of Global Security Studies, Journal of Civil War, Journal of Intervention and Statebuilding, Business and Society, Resources Policy, Global Policy, Swiss Political Science Review

Editorial Work

Guest editor, special issue "Networked International Politics: Complex Interdependence and the Diffusion of Conflict and Peace", Journal of Peace Research, 2016

Associations

- Advisory Board Member, Standing Group on Political Methodology, European Consortium for Political Research, 2013 –

- Information Officer, Standing Group on Social Network Analysis, European Consortium for Political Research, 2012 – 2014

Conferences

- Section Convenor

  - "The Political Economy of International Institutions" 2014 European Consortium for Political Research General Conference, Glasgow, Scotland (with Leonardo Baccini)

- Panel Organizer (*selected*)

  - "Networked International Politics: Complex Interdependence and the Diffusion of Conflict and Peace", 2015 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California
  - "Networks of War and Peace", 2015 International Studies Association Annual Convention, New Orleans, Louisiana
  - "New Directions in IR Theory: Understanding Hybrid Governance", 2015 International Studies Association Annual Convention, New Orleans, Louisiana
  - "Influencing International Relations: Power Politics, Informal Politics, or Both?", 2014 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC

– "Theoretical and Empirical Advances in Using the Bargaining Model of War", 2014 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC (with Paul Poast)

– "Influencing International Relations: Power Politics, Informal Politics, or Both?", 2014 International Studies Association Annual Convention, Toronto, Canada

– "Interdependence, Networks, and International Governance", 2014 International Studies Association Annual Convention, Toronto, Canada

– "Institutional Design in World Politics: Theoretical and Empirical Advances", 2013 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois

– "Research Frontiers in the Analysis of International Networks" 2013 International Studies Association Annual Convention, San Francisco, California (with Yonatan Lupu)

– "The New Power Politics: Networks, Governance, and Global Security" 2013 International Studies Association Annual Convention, San Francisco, California (with Deborah Avant)

– "New Security Governance: Non-State Actors, Hybrid Forms of Governing, and the Provision of Security" 2012 International Studies Association Annual Convention, San Diego, California

– "Network Analysis in International Relations: Theoretical, Methodological, and Empirical Advances" 2012 International Studies Association Annual Convention, San Diego, California (with Xun Cao)

WORKSHOP ORGANIZATION

"Modeling Spatial and Network Interdependence in International Relations" 2018 International Studies Association Annual Convention, San Francisco, California (with Kristian Gleditsch and Johan Elkink) (*scheduled*)

"The Politics of Informal Governance" 2017 Graduate Institute Geneva, Switzerland (with Thomas Biersteker)

"The Politics of Informal Governance" 2016 University of St. Gallen, Switzerland

"The Informalization of Global Governance" 2016 European Consortium for Political Research Joint Sessions Workshop, Pisa, Italy (with Christine Neuhold)

"Power and Interactions in the Politics of Transnational Public-Private Governance" 2015 International Studies Association Annual Convention, New Orleans, Louisiana (with Virginia Haufler)

"Networked International Politics: The Diffusion of Conflict and Peace" November 2014, University of St. Gallen, Switzerland (with Han Dorussen and Erik Gartzke)

"Influencing International Relations: Power Politics, Informal Politics, or Both?" 2014 International Studies Association Annual Convention, Toronto, Canada (with Randall Stone and Elena McLean)

Workshop Organization (*continued*)

"Networks and International Conflict" 2013 The George Washington University (with Yonatan Lupu)

"Interdependence, Networks, and International Governance" 2013 International Studies Association Annual Convention, San Francisco, California (with Han Dorussen and Erik Gartzke)

"The New Power Politics: Networks, Governance, and Global Security" 2013 University of Denver (with Deborah Avant)

"The New Power Politics: Networks, Governance, and Global Security" 2012 International Studies Association Annual Convention, San Diego, California (with Deborah Avant)

"Social Network Analysis: Methodology and Research Design" 2011 European University Institute (with Jeroen Moes, Donatella Della Porta, and Mario Diani)

Additional Training

- Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research Summer Program, "Advanced Game Theory", University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 2015

- Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models Summer Institute, Duke University, 2014

- Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models Summer Institute, University of Houston, 2013

- Workshop on Exponential Random Graph Models for Social Networks, University of Colorado Boulder, 2012

- Workshop on Stochastic Actor-based Modeling of Network Dynamics, University of Colorado Boulder, 2012

- Workshop on Modeling Peer Influence Processes in Dynamic Networks, University of Colorado Boulder, 2012

- Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, Syracuse University, 2011

- Workshop on Network Analysis with Statnet for Individual, Organizational, and International Relations Applications, Duke University, 2010

- Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis and Collection, University of Essex, 2009

Professional Experience

Parliamentary Assistant, responsible for issues related to international relations and foreign policy, office of Dieter Grasedieck, Member of Parliament, German Bundestag, Berlin, 2008 – 2009

Internee, Peace Research Institute Frankfurt, 2008

Internee, Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations, New York, 2008

Internee, New York Office of the Friedrich Ebert Foundation, New York, 2007

Field Research

Interviews with government officials, United Nations staff, civil society organizations, and industry representatives, Washington, DC, New York, London, Kinshasa, Jerusalem, Geneva, Bern 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014

Participant observations of annual plenary meetings of the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme, Voluntary Principles on Security and Human Rights, International Code of Conduct for Private Security Service Providers Association, and the Montreux+5 Conference

Languages

German (mother tongue)
English (excellent written and spoken)
Italian (basic)

Software Skills

R, STATA, LaTeX, Mathematica

Professional Affiliations

American Political Science Association
European Political Science Association
International Studies Association
International Political Economy Society
Peace Science Society

References

- **Friedrich Kratochwil**: Professor Emeritus, European University Institute
  (email: friedrich.kratochwil@gmail.com).

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– **Kenneth Abbott**: Jack E. Brown Professor of Law, Arizona State University, (email: `Ken.Abbott@asu.edu`).

– **Jon Pevehouse**: Professor of Political Science, University of Wisconsin-Madison, (email: `pevehous@polisci.wisc.edu`).

– **Barbara Koremenos**: Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Michigan, (email: `koremeno@umich.edu`).

– **Erik Gartzke**: Professor, University of California, San Diego (email: `egartzke@ucsd.edu`).

– **Han Dorussen**: Professor, University of Essex (email: `hdorus@essex.ac.uk`).

– **Deborah Avant**: Sié Chéou-Kang Chair for International Security and Diplomacy, Josef Korbel School of International Studies, University of Denver (email: `deborah.avant@du.edu`).

Further references available upon request.