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## Academic Positions

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| 2025 – now  | <b>University of Tübingen, Institute for Research on Far Right Extremism (IRex)</b><br>Postdoctoral Research Associate                                     |
| 2021 – now  | <b>Free University Berlin / Weizenbaum Institute for the Networked Society - The German Internet Institute, Germany</b><br>Postdoctoral Research Associate |
| 2024        | <b>University of Zurich, Department of Communication and Media Research, Switzerland</b><br>Visiting Researcher  |
| 2017 – 2021 | <b>Technische Universität Dresden, Research Group Knowledge and Technology Transfer, Germany</b><br>Research Associate                                     |
| 2019        | <b>Indiana University, Luddy School of Informatics, Computing, and Engineering, USA</b><br>Visiting Researcher   |

## Education

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| 2023 | Technische Universität Dresden, Faculty of Economics<br>Ph.D. in Economics<br>Dissertation: <i>How Economic Incentives in Science Shape Knowledge Transfer and Knowledge Creation</i> |
| 2017 | Technische Universität Dresden, Faculty of Economics  |

M. Sc. in Economics

Thesis: *Comparison of Cognitive Biases in Individual and Team Decisions - An Agent-Based Simulation Based on the El Farol Bar Problem*

2014

Technische Universität Dresden, Faculty of Economics

B. Sc. in Economics

Thesis: *"Inequality and Economic Growth"*

## Scholarly publications

Schulze H., **Buehling, K.**, Zehring, M. (forthcoming). The Telegram COVID-19 Protest Dataset 2020-2022. *Computational Communication Research*.

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Heft, A., & **Buehling, K.** (2022). Measuring the diffusion of conspiracy theories in digital information ecologies. *Convergence: The International Journal of Research into New Media Technologies*, 28(4), 940–961. <https://doi.org/10.1177/13548565221091809>

Kindt, A.-M., Geissler, M., & **Buehling, K.** (2022). Be my (little) partner?!—Universities' role in regional innovation systems when large firms are rare. *Journal of Regional Science*, 62(5), 1274-1295. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jors.12596>

**Buehling, K.,** Geissler, M., & Strecker, D. (2022). Free access to scientific literature and its influence on the publishing activity in developing countries: The effect of Sci-Hub in the field of mathematics. *Journal of the Association for Information Science and Technology*, 73(9), 1336-1355.  
<https://doi.org/10.1002/asi.24636>

**Buehling, K.,** & Geissler, M. (2022). PhDs with Industry Partners—Assessing Collaboration and Topic Distribution Using a Text Mining Methodology. In *University-Industry Knowledge Interactions* (pp. 9-24). Springer, Cham. [https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-84669-5\\_2](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-84669-5_2)

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<https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0258103>

## Other

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**Buehling, K.,** Heft, A., Zhang, X. (2024, March 12). Der Ton macht die Musik – Die sprachlichen Finessen von Verschwörungserzählungen auf digitalen Plattformen. *NEOVEX Blog*. <https://neovex-projekt.de/der-ton-macht-die-musik-die-sprachlichen-finessen-von-verschwörungserzählungen-auf-digitalen-plattformen/>

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**Buehling, K.** (2022). *fouRplebsAPI: R package for accessing 4chan posts via the 4plebs.org API* (0.9.0) [R]. <https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.6637440>

## Teaching

### Freie Universität Berlin

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| 2025 | Information Disorders   |
| 2024 | Anti-democratic mobilization on messenger apps – working with Telegram data (University of Zurich, guest lecture) |
| 2024 | Digital trace data collection (University of Tübingen, guest lecture)   |
| 2024 | Telegram and its affordances for anti-democratic mobilization (University of Groningen, guest lecture)            |
| 2023 | Introduction to digital trace data (Workshop)   |

### Technische Universität Dresden

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| 2019 | Scientific working [ <i>Wissenschaftliches und praktisches Arbeiten</i> ]                                       |
| 2018 | Scientific working [ <i>Wissenschaftliches und praktisches Arbeiten</i> ]                                       |
| 2017 | Applied Econometrics (Exercise) [ <i>Quantitative Verfahren – Ökonometrische Modelle und Ihre Anwendungen</i> ] |

## Conferences and Talks

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| 2025 | Expert:innenworkshop: "Ideologieklassifizierung nicht-institutionalisierter Akteur:innen in digitalen Räumen", Weizenbaum Institute, Berlin, Germany                               |
| 2025 | 75 <sup>th</sup> Annual ICA Conference: Disrupting and Consolidating Communication Research, Denver, CO, USA   |
| 2025 | 7 <sup>th</sup> Weizenbaum Conference: "Empowering People in Online Spaces: Democracy and Well-being in Digital Societies", Berlin.  |
| 2025 | Workshop: Current Issues and Projects in Political Communication and Digital Public Spheres, Weizenbaum-Institute, Berlin, Germany   |
| 2025 | 70. Jahrestagung DGPUK, Institut für Publizistik und Kommunikationswissenschaft and Weizenbaum Institut, Berlin, Germany   |
| 2025 | Jahrestagung 2025 der Fachgruppen „Kommunikation und Politik“ (DGPUK), „AK Politik und Kommunikation“ (DVPW) und „Politische Kommunikation“ (SGKM), Universität Innsbruck, Austria |
| 2024 | Workshop: Conditions of Success for the Far-Right: A One-Day Exploration of Communication Strategies, Critique and Scholarly Insights, Freie Universität Berlin, Berlin, Germany   |
| 2024 | Workshop: Visual Aspects of Political Communication and Digital Platforms, Collegium Helveticum, Zurich, Switzerland   |
| 2024 | Workshop: Contextualizing Misinformation Research - Theoretical, Empirical, and Legal Frameworks, Weizenbaum Institute, Berlin, Germany  |
| 2024 | ECREA - 10 <sup>th</sup> European Communication Conference: Ljubljana, Slovenia  |
| 2024 | Weizenbaum Conference 2024, Weizenbaum Institute, Berlin, Germany  |
| 2024 | 74 <sup>th</sup> Annual ICA Conference: Communication and Global Human Rights, Gold Coast, Australia   |
| 2024 | 69. Jahrestagung der DGPUK, Erfurt, Germany  |
| 2023 | ECREA Political Communication Section Conference 2023, Weizenbaum Berlin, Germany  |

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| 2023             | International Society for Informetrics and Scientometrics Conference (ISSI) Bloomington, Indiana, USA   |
| 2023             | 73rd Annual ICA Conference: Reclaiming Authenticity in Communication, Toronto, Canada   |
| 2022             | Digital Democracy Workshop, University of Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland   |
| 2022             | ECREA Post-Conference: "Digital media and information disorders: Theorizing and investigating influence operations, impact and contextual factors", Aarhus, Denmark |
| 2022             | ECREA - 9 <sup>th</sup> European Communication Conference: "Rethink Impact", Aarhus, Denmark  |
| 2022             | 23. Tagung der Fachgruppe Methoden der Publizistik- und Kommunikationswissenschaft der DGPUK, Munich, Germany   |
| 2022             | 12th International Conference on Social Media & Society, online   |
| 2021             | Media and Publics Conference, Roskilde, Denmark   |
| 2021, 2019, 2018 | INNcentive Workshop on Quantitative Innovation Research, Bremen, Germany  |
| 2021             | Research Colloquium of the Faculty of Business and Economics of the TU Dresden, Dresden, Germany  |
| 2019             | European Meeting on Applied Evolutionary Economics (EMAE): Economics, Governance and Management of AI, Robots and Digital Transformations, Brighton, United Kingdom |
| 2018             | 12th Workshop on the Organization, Economics and Policy of Scientific Research, Bath, United Kingdom  |

## Additional Training

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| 2021 | 10 <sup>th</sup> GESIS Summer School on Collecting and Analyzing Longitudinal Social Network Data |
| 2020 | Tableau Desktop I&II: Intermediate Level Certificate  |
| 2018 | European Summer School for Scientometrics, Wien   |
| 2018 | Massachusetts Institute of Technology Battlecode Challenge  |
| 2017 | 37 <sup>th</sup> GESIS Methods Seminar on Text Mining with R, Cologne, Germany                    |

## Awards, Grants, & Fellowships

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| 2024 | Deutsche Gesellschaft für Publizistik- und Kommunikationswissenschaft: Best journal paper in communication science 2023 (2 <sup>nd</sup> prize) for Jost et al. (2023) |
| 2024 | Journal of the Association of Information Science and Technology: Most downloaded paper award for Buehling et al. (2022)   |
| 2023 | Weizenbaum Institute Interdisciplinary Project Seed Funding (8,000 €)  |
| 2018 | INNcentive Fellowship for Empirical Innovation Research (3,000 €)  |

## Skills

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| Languages | German (native), English (business fluent), Russian (basic), Latin (basic) |
| Computing | R, Python, SQL, Tableau, Microsoft Office, Stata, SPSS, Matlab             |

## Service to the discipline

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| 2024 | Early career scholar representative for the Methods division of the German Society for Communication Science (DGPUK) |
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Berlin, July 14, 2025