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RESEARCH INTEREST

I use innovative computational methods to study the geography of state building in 20th century Africa and analyze its consequences for development and conflict.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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| ETH Zurich , Switzerland | July 2019– |
| Postdoctoral Researcher, International Conflict Research Group | |
| Harvard University , Cambridge MA, USA | Feb. 2020– Aug. 2021 |
| Postdoctoral Visiting Researcher, Institute for Quantitative Social Science | |

EDUCATION

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| ETH Zurich , Switzerland | Apr. 2015 – May 2019 |
| PhD in Political Science | |
| <i>State Building, Development and Conflict in 20th Century Africa</i> | |
| Committee: Lars-Erik Cederman (main supervisor), Simon Hug, Horacio Larreguy Arbesú | |
| Harvard University , Cambridge MA, USA | Feb. 2017 – Dec. 2017 |
| Economics Department Visiting Affiliate | |
| ETH Zurich and University of Zurich , Switzerland | Mar. 2015 |
| MA in Comparative and International Studies (MACIS) | |
| University of St. Gallen , Switzerland | July 2012 |
| BA in Economics & BA in International Affairs | |
| Universidad de los Andes , Bogotá, Colombia | Aug. 2011 – Feb. 2012 |
| Exchange semester | |

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

“Continuity or Change: (In)direct rule in British and French Colonial Africa”, *International Organization*: accepted.

“Who Benefits? How Local Ethnic Demography Shapes Political Favoritism in Africa” (with Janina Beiser-McGrath & Yannick Pengl), *British Journal of Political Science*: accepted.

“New Spatial Data on Ethnicity: Introducing SIDE” (with Philipp Hunziker), *Journal of Peace Research*, 2018, 55(5), 687–698. *JPR Best Visualization Award 2018*.

WORKING PAPERS

“Roads to Rule, Roads to Rebellion: Relational State Capacity and Conflict in Africa” (with Philipp Hunziker & Lars-Erik Cederman), *Journal of Conflict Resolution*: revise and resubmit.

“Sowing Hatred: Local Ethno-Political Competition and Pre-Election Violence in Majoritarian Elections”, *Journal of Peace Research*: revise and resubmit.

“Does Local State Capacity Foster Development in Africa? New Data and Analysis”, *under review*.

“Indirect Rule, Cash Crop Production, and Development in Africa”, *under review*.

“Matching Ethnic Groups in Africa” (with Yannick Pengl & Nils-Christian Bormann), *under review*.

ONGOING RESEARCH

“Building Tribes: On the Administrative Origins of Ethnicity in Africa.”

“Modeling the Partitioning of Geographic Space into Endogenous Units” (with Philipp Hunziker).

“Ethnic Nationalism and the Shaping of European States” (with Guy Schvitz and Lars-Erik Cederman).

“Traditional Institutions in Africa, Past and Present” (with Clara Neupert-Wentz).

“Chiefs, Pre-Colonial Centralization and Development in Sub-Saharan Africa” (with Horacio Larreguy & Benjamin Marx).

“Roads to Extraction: Natural Resources and the Physical Foundations of State Capacity in Africa.”

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Doc.CH grant Mar. 2016 – Sep. 2019

PhD grant of the Swiss National Science Foundation (CHF 208'301)

Doc.Mobility grant Feb. 2017 – Dec. 2017

Mobility grant of the Swiss National Science Foundation (CHF 12'760)

ETH Medal Dec. 2015

Awarded for MA thesis entitled *Ethno-Political Competition and Pre-Election Violence in Africa*.

Scholarship of the German National Academic Foundation (EUR 10'200) Feb. 2010 – Mar. 2015

ETH Zurich Master Scholarship (CHF 17'000) Sep. 2013 – Mar. 2015

Carlo-Schmid Fellowship (EUR 10'800) Sep. 2012 – Feb. 2013

Fellowship at the United Nation's Department for Economic and Social Affairs

Arthur Rich Award (CHF 2'000) Mai 2013

Awarded for excellent BA thesis on ethical issues at the University of St. Gallen

TEACHING

- Political Economy of Development and Conflict in Africa** Fall 2019
ETH Zurich Master of Comparative and International Studies elective (with Yannick Pengl)
- Ethnic conflict from a political science perspective** Summer 2017
Undergraduate summer school course, German National Academic Foundation (with Yannick Pengl)
- Teaching Assistant Quantitative Methods** Fall 2015
Taught by Liam McGrath and Jørgen Bølstad, MA Comparative and International Studies ETH Zurich
- Teaching Assistant Introduction to Political Economy** Fall 2014, 2015
Taught by Prof. Katharina Michaelowa, BA Political Science University of Zurich

WORK EXPERIENCE

- Research Assistant** Mar. 2014 – Apr. 2015
With Prof. Lars-Erik Cederman and Prof. Katharina Michaelowa
- Kiel Institute for the World Economy** Mar. 2013 – July 2013
Research-internship on migration and development
- United Nations Department for Social and Economic Affairs** Sep. 2012 – Feb. 2013
Carlo-Schmid Fellow at the Office for Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) Support and Coordination, Policy Coordination Branch
- Coordination Régionale des Artisans de Ségou, Mali** Aug. 2008 – July 2009
Voluntary service through the *weltwärts*-program of the German Development Service

PRESENTATIONS

- Invited** Border Science (Harvard Radcliffe exploratory seminar; 2020); University of Washington in St. Louis (2020); Graduate Institute Geneva (2019)
- Conferences** APSA Annual Meeting (2017, 2018, 2019, 2020); MPSA Annual Conference (2017, 2020); EPSA Annual Meeting (2019, 2020); ISA Annual Convention (2016); Swiss Political Science Association (2017, 2020)
- Workshops** Empirical Peace and Conflict Research (2016, 2018); 3rd Witten Conference on Institutional Change (2016); European Network of Conflict Research (2015, 2016); graduate student workshops at ETH and Harvard University.

OTHER

- Co-Organizer** Political Economy Seminar, ETH Zurich (2018); Conflict Colloquium, ETH Zurich (2018)
- Reviewer** American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, Conflict Management and Peace Science, International Organization, Journal of Peace Research
- Languages** English, German (mother tongue), Spanish, French
- Software** R, Stata, Python, PostgreSQL, ArcGIS, QGIS

REFERENCES

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