CARL MÜLLER-CREPON

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RESEARCH INTEREST

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

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

University of Oxford, United Kingdom

July 2020 -

Departmental Lecturer in International Relations, Department of Politics and International Relations

College Tutor, St. Hilda's College

Associate Member, Nuffield College

ETH Zurich, Switzerland

July 2019 – July 2020

Postdoctoral Researcher, International Conflict Research Group

Harvard University, Cambridge MA, USA

Feb. 2020 - Sept. 2020

Postdoctoral Visiting Researcher, Institute for Quantitative Social Science

EDUCATION

ETH Zurich, Switzerland

Apr. 2015 - May 2019

PhD in Political Science

State Building, Development and Conflict in 20th Century Africa

Committee: Lars-Erik Cederman (main supervisor), Simon Hug, Horacio A. Larreguy

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

Exchange semester at Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, Colombia

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- 7. Müller-Crepon, Carl. (2021) State Reach and Development in Africa since the 1960s: New Data and Analysis. *Political Science Research and Methods:* Accepted for publication.
- 6. Müller-Crepon, Carl (2021). Local Ethno-Political Polarization and Election Violence in Majoritarian vs. Proportional Systems. *Journal of Peace Research*: Online First.

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5. Müller-Crepon, Carl, Philipp Hunziker & Lars-Erik Cederman (2021). Roads to Rule, Roads to Rebellion: Relational State Capacity and Conflict in Africa. *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, 65(2-3), 563-590.

- 4. Müller-Crepon, Carl, Yannick Pengl & Nils-Christian Bormann (2021). Matching Ethnic Groups in Africa. *Journal of Peace Research*: Online First.
- 3. Müller-Crepon, Carl (2020). Continuity or Change: (In)direct rule in British and French Colonial Africa. *International Organization*, 74(4), 707–741.
- 2. Beiser-McGrath, Janina, Carl Müller-Crepon & Yannick Pengl (2021). Who Benefits? How Local Ethnic Demography Shapes Political Favoritism in Africa. *British Journal of Political Science*, *51*(4), 1582–1600.
- 1. Müller-Crepon, Carl & Philipp Hunziker (2018). New Spatial Data on Ethnicity: Introducing SIDE. *Journal of Peace Research*, 55(5), 687—698. *JPR Best Visualization Award 2018.*

WORKING PAPERS

- 5. Müller-Crepon, Carl. Building Tribes: On the Administrative Origins of Ethnicity in Africa.
- 4. Müller-Crepon, Carl, Guy Schvitz & Lars-Erik Cederman. Shaping States into Nations: The Effects of Ethnic Geography on State Borders. *Under review.*
- 3. Lars-Erik Cederman, Luc Girardin & Carl Müller-Crepon. Nationalism and the Puzzle of Reversing State Size.
- 2. Neupert-Wentz, Clara & Carl Müller-Crepon. Traditional Institutions in Africa, Past and Present.
- 1. Müller-Crepon, Carl. Indirect Rule, Cash Crop Production, and Development in Africa.

ONGOING RESEARCH

Larreguy, Horacio, Benjamin Marx & Carl Müller-Crepon. Chiefs, Pre-Colonial Centralization and Development in Sub-Saharan Africa.

Müller-Crepon, Carl. Roads to Extraction: Natural Resources and the Physical Foundations of State Capacity in Africa.

Schvitz, Guy, Carl Müller-Crepon & Lars-Erik Cederman. 'Right-peopling' the state: Explaining ethnic assimilation, displacement, and genocide in Europe, 1850-2020

Müller-Crepon, Carl & Yannick Pengl. Naming the Nation: State building and national identity formation in 19th century Germany.

Müller-Crepon, Carl. Cracking or Packing Ethnic Groups? The Colonial Design of Administrative Units in Sub-Saharan Africa.

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GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Leverhulme Small Research Grant (GBP 9'939)

Sep. 2021 – June 2023

Cracking or Packing Ethnic Groups? The Colonial Design of Administrative Units in Sub-Saharan Africa

Doc.CH grant (CHF 208'301)

Mar. 2016 - Sep. 2019

PhD grant of the Swiss National Science Foundation

Doc.Mobility grant (CHF 12'760)

Feb. 2017 – Dec. 2017

Mobility grant of the Swiss National Science Foundation

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

Research Design and Methods Practical Sessions

Fall 2020

University of Oxford, MPhil International Relations, evaluation grade: 4.5 (5=best, 1=worst)

Thesis Seminar (with Kalypso Nicolaïdis)

Fall 2020

University of Oxford, MPhil International Relations

The Development of the International System and Contemporary Debates in IR Theory

Fall 2020

University of Oxford, MPhil International Relations core course, evaluation grade: 4.7 (5=best, 1=worst)

Undergraduate Tutoring

Fall 2020-

University of Oxford: Practice of Politics, evaluation grade: 5.0 (5=best, 1=worst); International Relations core course; International Security

Political Economy of Development and Conflict in Africa (with Yannick Pengl)

Fall 2019

ETH Zurich, graduate course, evaluation grade: 4.9 (5=best, 1=worst)

Ethnic conflict from a political science perspective (with Yannick Pengl)

Summer 2017

German National Academic Foundation summer school, undergraduate course,

evaluation grade: 4.4 (5=best, 1=worst)

Teaching Assistant Quantitative Methods

Fall 2015

ETH Zurich, graduate course by Liam McGrath and Jørgen Bølstad

Teaching Assistant Introduction to Political Economy

Fall 2014, 2015

University of Zurich, undergraduate course by Prof. Katharina Michaelowa

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SUPERVISION

Master students University of Oxford

Tiril Rahn, Jonathan Seel, Teruki Takiguchi.

NON-ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE

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 (2017–2020); MPSA Annual Conference (2017, 2020); EPSA An-

nual Meeting (2019); ISA Annual Convention (2016); Swiss Political Science Association

(2017, 2020)

Workshops Borders and Boundaries Conference University of Pennsylvania (2021); 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 Oxford IR Colloquium (2021–); Oxford DPIR Politics Research Colloquium (2021); Political

Economy Seminar, ETH Zurich (2018); Conflict Colloquium, ETH Zurich (2018)

Reviewer American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, Comparative Po-

litical Studies, Conflict Management and Peace Science, International Journal of Comparative Sociology, International Organization, Journal of Peace Research, Political Geography.

Political Science Research and Methods

Languages English, German (mother tongue), Spanish, French

Software R, Stata, Python, PostgreSQL, ArcGIS, QGIS

REFERENCES

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