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Departmental Lecturer at University of Oxford, Tutor at St. Hilda's College

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 beyond.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

University of Oxford , United Kingdom	July 2020–
Departmental Lecturer in International Relations, Department of Politics and International Relations	
College Affiliation: St. Hilda's	
ETH Zurich , Switzerland	July 2019–July 2020
Postdoctoral Researcher, International Conflict Research Group	
Harvard University , Cambridge MA, USA	Feb. 2020– Aug. 2021
Postdoctoral Visiting Researcher, Institute for Quantitative Social Science	

EDUCATION

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 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	
Universidad de los Andes , Bogotá, Colombia	Aug. 2011 – Feb. 2012
Exchange semester	

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Müller-Crepon, Carl, Philipp Hunziker & Lars-Erik Cederman (2020). Roads to Rule, Roads to Rebellion: Relational State Capacity and Conflict in Africa. *Journal of Conflict Resolution*: First View.

Müller-Crepon, Carl (2020). Local Ethno-Political Polarization and Election Violence in Majoritarian vs. Proportional Systems. *Journal of Peace Research*: accepted for publication.

Müller-Crepon, Carl, Yannick Pengl & Nils-Christian Bormann (2020). Matching Ethnic Groups in Africa. *Journal of Peace Research*: accepted for publication.

Müller-Crepon, Carl (2020). Continuity or Change: (In)direct rule in British and French Colonial Africa. *International Organization*: First View.

Beiser-McGrath, Janina, Carl Müller-Crepon & Yannick Pengl (2020). Who Benefits? How Local Ethnic Demography Shapes Political Favoritism in Africa. *British Journal of Political Science*: First View.

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

Müller-Crepon, Carl. Building Tribes: On the Administrative Origins of Ethnicity in Africa.

Müller-Crepon, Carl, Guy Schvitz & Lars-Erik Cederman. Shaping States into Nations: The Effects of Ethnic Geography on State Borders.

Müller-Crepon, Carl. Does Local State Capacity Foster Development in Africa? New Data and Analysis.

Müller-Crepon, Carl. Indirect Rule, Cash Crop Production, and Development in Africa, *under review*.

ONGOING RESEARCH

Neupert-Wentz, Clara & Carl Müller-Crepon. Traditional Institutions in Africa, Past and Present.

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.

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 <i>Ethno-Political Competition and Pre-Election Violence in Africa</i> .	
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

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

Undergraduate Tutoring

Fall 2020–

University of Oxford: Practice of Politics; International Relations

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

SUPERVISION

Master students

University of Oxford

Tiril Rahn, Jonathan Seel.

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 Annual Meeting (2019); ISA Annual Convention (2016); Swiss Political Science Association (2017, 2020)
Workshops	Empirical Peace and Conflict Research (2016, 2018); 3 rd 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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and International Studies
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