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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 20<sup>th</sup> century Africa and beyond.

#### **ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

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**

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

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

Exchange semester

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

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

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*: forthcoming.

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*.

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## **WORKING PAPERS**

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

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

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.

Müller-Crepon, Carl, Yannick Pengl & Nils-Christian Bormann. Matching Ethnic Groups in Africa, under review.

#### **ONGOING RESEARCH**

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

Hunziker, Philipp & Carl Müller-Crepon. Modeling the Partitioning of Geographic Space into Endogenous Units.

Müller-Crepon, Carl, Guy Schvitz & Lars-Erik Cederman. Ethnic Nationalism and the Shaping of European States.

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 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

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#### **TEACHING**

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

**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); 3<sup>rd</sup> Witten Conference on Insti-

tutional 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

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## **REFERENCES**

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