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Research interests

Political Violence and Armed Conflicts, Political Instability, Non-traditional Security Issues, Quantitative Methods, Computational Social Science, Causal Inference, Event Data

Education

Trinity College Dublin

Ph.D. Candidate in Political Science
Supervisor: Thomas Chadeaux

Dublin, Ireland
09/2017–present

University of Nottingham

M.A. in International Relations (Research Track)

Nottingham, United Kingdom
09/2013–12/2014

University of Mannheim

M.A. in Political Science
B.A. in Political Science

Mannheim, Germany
08/2012–09/2014
08/2009–07/2012

Publications

Oswald, Christian, Melanie Sauter, Sigrid Weber, and Rob Williams.¹ 2020. “[Under the Roof of Rebels: Civilian Targeting After Territorial Takeover in Sierra Leone](#).” *International Studies Quarterly* 64(2): 295–305.

Other publications

Oswald, Christian, Melanie Sauter, Sigrid Weber, and Rob Williams: [Civilian Victimization and Rebel Territorial Control in Sierra Leone](#), *The Quantitative Peace*, 13 April 2020.

Papers in preparation for submission

“Click, click boom: Using Wikipedia metadata to predict changes in battle-related deaths” *with Daniel Ohrenhofer*

“The revolution will not be typewritten: Comparing topics among the three generations of the Red Army Faction”

Work in progress

“Explaining variation in unintentional civilian casualties in civil conflicts” *with Oguzhan Turkoglu*

¹Equal authorship.

Additional training

ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research Bayesian modeling I & II, Game Theory I & II	University of Michigan 2018, 2019
IQMR Summer Institute Multi-method Research, Natural Experiments, Causal Models & Text Analysis	Syracuse University 2019
BIGSSS Computational Social Science Summer School on Conflict Analyzing conflict dynamics at the event-level	Jacobs University 2018
EITM Europe Summer Institute Theoretical and methodological foundations	University of Mannheim 2014
ECPR Winter School in Methods and Techniques Panel Data Analysis	University of Vienna 2014

Teaching experience

International Relations, Teaching Assistant Instructor: Prof. William Phelan	09/2018–present
Introduction to Political Science, Teaching Assistant Instructors: Prof. Raj Chari, Dr. Emanuel Coman	09/2017–08/2018

Presentations

ViEWS Prediction Competition, Uppsala (virtual)	10/2020
Conflict Research Society annual meeting, Brighton	09/2019
IQMR Summer Institute, Syracuse	06/2019
Peace Research Institute Oslo, Oslo	03/2018

Scholarships & Honours

Scholarship for Political Science Research (ICPSR)	2019
NSF Open Pool Scholarship (IQMR)	2019
EITM Certification Scholarship (ICPSR)	2018
PRIO Research School on Peace & Conflict Member	03/2018–present
Ph.D. Scholarship (Department of Political Science)	09/2017–present
Associated Member of GESS CDSS , University of Mannheim	09/2013–08/2014
Qualification Scholarship (GESS)	09/2013–08/2014
Erasmus Scholarship	01/2011–06/2011

Grants

Trinity Trust & Department Travel Grants	2018, 2019
CDSS Travel and Research Grant	06/2014
School Student Fund	12/2013
ECPR Travel and Accommodation Grant	12/2013

Research & work experience

Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science	09/2017–present
Research Assistant, CONIAS Risk Intelligence	02/2015–08/2017
Junior Research Assistant, ICPVTR (RSIS, NTU Singapore)	06/2013–09/2013
Research Assistant, Institute of Baltic Studies	08/2011–09/2011
Student research assistant, MZES & SFB 884 “Political Economy of Reforms”	02/2010–01/2015

Skills

Statistical software & programming: R, JAGS, Stan, Python, Stata, SPSS, Git, Markdown, \LaTeX

Languages: German (native), English (fluent), Spanish & French (good), Russian & Estonian (basic)