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Research interests: Social network analysis, sustainability transitions, complex systems, causal inference.

#### **Education**

#### DEGREE PROGRAMS

Utrecht University, Methodology and Statistics for the Behavioural, Biomedical and Social Sciences, M.Sc. · GPA: 8.44/10 (Dutch grading system)

2021 - 2023

- · Course work: Mathematical statistics, survey data analysis, Bayesian statistics, R programming, biomedical statistics, causal inference methods, structural equation modeling, multi-level modeling, psychometrics, supervised and unsupervised learning methods
- · Thesis: "Predicting Covid-19 infections using multi-layer centrality measures" (Supervisors: Javier Garcia-Bernardo, Ayoub Bagheri) · Grade: 8.5

University of Bremen, Political Science, B.A. · GPA: 1.44 (German grading system)

2017 - 2021

- · Specializations: Political System of Germany, Comparative Politics and European Politics, Policy and Welfare State Research, Quantitative Research Methods
- · Thesis: "Colonial-Era Missions and Long-Term Consequences for Education in Africa: A Replication Study" (Supervisors: Bastian Becker, Nate Breznau) · Grade: 1.3

#### Additional courses

Radboud University Nijmegen, Summer School on Social Research Methods, "Inferential Network Analysis"

07/2022

# **Employment**

PhD Candidate, Eindhoven University of Technology, Department of Industrial Engineering and Innovation Sciences

09/2023 - 2026

· Research for the ERC project "FAST: Fostering social tipping dynamics to accelerate sustainability transitions", Supervisor: Floor Alkemade

Student Research Assistant, Utrecht University, Department of Methodology and Statistics 10/2022 - 08/2023

- · Large scale data preparation for the ODISSEI summer school on Computational Social Science
- · Data analysis and writing for a paper about Covid-19 transmission in the Dutch population
- · Maintaining the website of the Natural Language Processing Group

Tutor for statistics, University of Bremen, Faculty of Social Sciences

10/2020 - 04/2021

Student Research Assistant, University of Bremen

ERC Project "The Legacy of Colonialism: Origins and Outcomes of Social Protection" 11/2019 - 09/2020

· Digitizing historical data sources, editing and visualization of geospatial data, writing for publication

· Management of survey data, acquisition of administrative data, data analyses

# Volunteering

CorrelAid 09/2020 - 12/2021

- · Project lead for automating R Markdown reports in cooperation with Citizens for Europe
- · Participation in internal workshops and organisational tasks

*University of Bremen* 12/2019 - 10/2020

· Member of the appointments committee for the chair of *Sociology and Quantitative Research Methods for the Social Sciences* 

#### Skills

## Languages

German (native)

English (fluent, Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English - 205pts./CEFR C2)

French (intermediate)

Dutch (intermediate)

#### Software and Programming

R (incl. R Markdown and Shiny), Python, Stata, Git, LATEX, QGIS

# **Projects and Publications**

### Data Analysis and Visualization

Co-authorship network of the SOCIUM research center

- · Data collection for a term paper on network analysis at the University of Bremen [Repository]
- · Tutorial on network analysis in R and Python (given at a CorrelAid Bremen meet-up, [Repository])

# **Academic Writing**

**Hedde-von Westernhagen, C.**, Garcia-Bernardo, J., Bagheri, A. (*submitted*): Predicting Covid-19 Infections Using Multi-layer Centrality Measures in Population-scale Networks.

**Hedde-von Westernhagen, C.**, Becker, B. (2022): Mapping Missions: New Data for the Study of African History, *Research Data Journal for the Humanities and Social Sciences*, **7**(1), 1-33. https://doi.org/10.1163/24523666-bja10027

· Dataset: Hedde - von Westernhagen, C., Becker, B. (2022). "Mapping Missions: New Data for the Study of African History (Dataset)", https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/E9EEMQ, Harvard Dataverse, V1

# References

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