

Curriculum Vitae

David Karpa

Personal Information

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Born on July 6th, 1993, in Bremen, Germany.

Experience and Employment

Since 09.2025	Technical University of Munich , Department of Governance, Postdoctoral researcher
01.2025 – 08.2025	University of Helsinki , Centre for Social Data Science, Postdoctoral researcher in the ERC-project AGAPP
01.2021 – 12.2024	University of Bremen , Faculty of Business Studies and Economics, PhD candidate , Part of the diginomics program: Information, Digitalization, and Authoritarian Political Systems
01.2018 – 03.2020	University of Bremen , Faculty of Business Studies and Economics, student assistant at the Chair of Economics of Innovation and Structural Change (Collaboration in several projects, including "Visible 2.0", "Modernization Blockades in the Economy and Science of the GDR", and in teaching, research, and organization of the institute and chair.)

Education & Academic Degrees

01.2021 – 12.2024	University of Bremen, Germany Dr. rer. Pol. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thesis: "The political economy of digital repression"
10.2018 – 12.2020	University of Bremen, Germany MA in Professional Public Decision Making <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thesis topic: "Climate Change Mitigation Behavior Under Uncertainty"• Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Internship, 03.2020 – 05.2020
10.2014 – 09.2018	University of Bremen, Germany BA in Economics

- Thesis topic: “Determinants of Foreign Direct Investment in Central and Eastern Europe”

10.2013 – 09.2014

University of Osnabrück, Germany

BA in Economics and Environmental Systems Science

Research Interests

- Algorithmic governance and Public Policy
- Political Economy and Comparative Politics
- Quantitative and Experimental Research Methods

Publications

Publications in peer-reviewed journals

- Authoritarian Surveillance and Public Support for Digital Governance Solutions, 2024, (with Michael Rochlitz, **Comparative Political Studies**. doi: 10.1177/00104140241290208)
- A Transparency Checklist for Carbon Footprint Calculations Applied within a Systematic Review of Virtual Care Interventions, 2022, (with Lange, Plath, Dziggel, Keil, Becker, and Rogowski) **International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health** 19. doi: 10.3390/ijerph19127474.

Book chapters

- Artificial Intelligence, Surveillance, and Big Data, 2022, (with Michael Rochlitz and Torben Klarl), in **Diginomics Research Perspectives: The Role of Digitalization in Business and Society**, edited by Lars Hornuf, Springer Nature

Working papers

- Authoritarian Surveillance, Innovation, and Growth (with Torben Klarl, Michael Rochlitz and Matheus Leusin)
- Assessing the interplay between repression and informational control in autocracies (R&R *Political Behavior*)
- Language Affinity, Russian Media and Sanctions Evasion (with Michael Rochlitz, Meruyert Tatkeyeva, Galiya Sagyndykova, and Andrey Tkachenko)

Teaching

- Applied Quantitative Research Project (Seminar, Master, English)
- Empirical Social Sciences: Asking and answering questions with data (Seminar, Master, English)
- Digital Surveillance and Governance in Autocratic Regimes (Seminar, Master, English)
- Political Economy of Innovation: The Case of Artificial Intelligence (Seminar, Master, English)
- The Political Economy of Innovation (Seminar, Bachelor, English)

- Tutor for Microeconomics (Seminar, 2017, Bachelor, German)

Languages & Skills

Languages: German (native speaker), English (fluent, written and spoken)

Software skills: RStudio, LaTeX, Stata, z-Tree, oTree, html, Typo3

Conferences, Seminars and Workshops

2025

- Paper presenter at **Fifth Helsinki Conference on Emotions, Populism, and Polarisation**, Helsinki

2024

- Paper presenter at **Aleksanteri Conference “Extremisms Ambiguities, Ideologies, Agency”**, Helsinki
- Paper presenter at **2nd Conference “New Advances in the Political Economy of Development in Eurasia”**, Almaty
- Lecturer at **KIMEP University**, Summer School on Digital Surveillance and Governance in Autocratic Regimes, Almaty

2023

- Paper presenter at **European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) annual meeting**, Prague
- Paper presenter at **European Political Science Association (EPSA) annual meeting**, Glasgow
- Paper presenter at **1st Conference “New Advances in the Political Economy of Development in Eurasia”**, Astana

2022

- Lecturer at the **European Summer Academy of the German Studienstiftung**, about Artificial Intelligence in Authoritarian Regimes
- Paper presenter at **Analytical Sociology: Theory and empirical applications**, Venice
- Participant of the workshop **The future of social research in and on Russia and Ukraine**, Bremen

2021

- Participant in **ICSID Conference on Political Economy in a Changing World**, online

2020

- Participant in **Summer School on Theory and Practice of Economic Policy Advice**, online

2019

- Participant in **Summer School on Complexity Economics, Behavioral Economics and Data Science**, Ruhr Universität Bochum