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CONTACT INFORMATION

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Legislative institutions and behavior, political representation, quantitative methods, formal modeling, and comparative politics.

EDUCATION

University of Geneva, Switzerland

Ph.D. Candidate in Political Science, since 12/2011

Dissertation title: "About the Reasons for Roll Call Votes and Their Consequences for Legislative Behavior in Democratic Legislatures"

Advisor: Simon Hug

Committee: Simon Hug, Jonas Pontusson, Nolan McCarty, and Scott W. Desposato

New York University, Department of Politics, USA

Visiting Scholar, 9/2014-8/2015

Sponsor: David Stasavage

Princeton University, Department of Politics, USA

Visiting Student Research Collaborator (VSRC), 9/2013-8/2014

Sponsor: Nolan McCarty

University of Bern, Switzerland

Lic.rer.soc. in Political Science (major) and Economics (minor), 10/2009

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

University of Geneva, Department of Political Science and International Relations, Switzerland

Research and Teaching Assistant, since 9/2015

Research Assistant, 8/2010-8/2013

University of Bern, Center of Competence for Public Management, Switzerland

Research and Teaching Assistant, 1/2010-7/2010

University of Bern, Institute of Political Science, Switzerland

Research Assistant, 11/2009-12/2009

Undergraduate Research and Teaching Assistant, 8/2007-10/2009

ADDITIONAL EDUCATION

ICPSR Summer Program, University of Michigan, USA

Advanced Game Theory, 7/2012-8/2012

Matrix Algebra, 7/2012-8/2012

Maximum Likelihood Estimation for Generalized Linear Models, 6/2011-7/2011

Introduction to Game Theory, 6/2011-7/2011

Introduction to the R Statistical Computing Environment, 6/2011-7/2011

CUSO Doctoral School in Political Science, Switzerland

Rational Choice Theory, 2/2012

Basic and Advanced Statistics, 2/2011

Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis, University of Essex, UK

Empirical Models of Context Conditionality, (Inter)Dependence and Endogeneity, 8/2009

Pooled Time Series Cross-Sectional Analysis, 8/2008

University of Zurich, Switzerland

Swiss mobility program, Spring 2007

Lund University, Sweden

Visiting student (Erasmus exchange program), Fall 2006

- PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES
- Lloren, Anouk and Reto Wüest. 2015. "Are Opinion Leaders Better Represented?" *West European Politics* Forthcoming.
- Hug, Simon, Simone Wegmann and Reto Wüest. 2015. "Parliamentary Voting Procedures in Comparison." *West European Politics* 38(5):940-968.
- Lloren, Anouk, Jan Rosset and Reto Wüest. 2015. "Descriptive and Substantive Representation of Poor Citizens in Switzerland." *Swiss Political Science Review* 21(2):254-260.

- ARTICLES UNDER REVIEW
- "Who Represents the Poor? Evidence from Swiss Direct Democracy"
(with Anouk Lloren)
- "Political Participation and the Unequal Representation of Low-Resource Groups"
(with Anouk Lloren)

- WORKING PAPERS
- "Party Pressure in Roll Call Votes"
(with Simon Hug)
- "The Unequal Representation of Income Groups and Direct Democracy"
(with Anouk Lloren)
- "Ideological Positions of Party Switchers"
(with Simon Hug)

- MEDIA
- Hug, Simon, Simone Wegmann and Reto Wüest. 2012. "Der Ständerat wird zum europäischen Normalfall", *Neue Zürcher Zeitung* No. 183.
- Hug, Simon, Simone Wegmann and Reto Wüest. 2012. "Pourquoi le Conseil des Etats persiste-t-il à voter à main levée?" *Le Temps* 08 juin.
- Hug, Simon and Reto Wüest. 2011. "Achsen des Unsinns", *Die Weltwoche* No. 45.11.
- Hug, Simon and Reto Wüest. 2011. "Von Torten, Parlamentarier-Ratings, und anderen Ungenießbarkeiten: Eine Nachlese zu den Wahlen 2011", *PoliSciZurich: A blog by political Scientists in Zurich*.

- CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION
- MPSA (2012, 2013, 2014, 2015)
- EPSA (2012, 2013, 2014, 2015)
- ECPR Standing Group on Parliaments (2012, 2014)
- SPSA (2013)

ECPR Joint Sessions of Workshops (2011)

INVITED
PRESENTATIONS

Princeton University, CSDP (2015)
University of Geneva, UNIGE-Princeton University Workshop (2014)
ETH Zurich, CIS (2011, 2012, 2013)

GRANTS

Swiss National Science Foundation, Doc.Mobility Funding of Conference Costs, CHF 1,000 (2015)
Swiss National Science Foundation, Doc.Mobility fellowship, USD 46,300 (2014)
Fondation Ernst et Lucie Schmidheiny, Mobility fellowship, CHF 30,000 (2013)
Swiss Academy of Humanities and Social Sciences, Conference Travel Grant, CHF 1,200 (2013)
Swiss National Science Foundation, Summer School Travel Grant, CHF 4,400 (2012)

TEACHING

University of Geneva, Global Studies Institute, Switzerland
“International Cooperation and Conflict,” BA class, Spring 2016

University of Bern, Center of Competence for Public Management, Switzerland
“Data Analysis with R,” MA class, Spring 2012
“Data Analysis with Stata,” MA class, Spring 2011
“Empirical Research Methods,” MA class, Spring 2010
“Introduction to Statistics with Stata,” Executive MPA, 1/2010

TEACHING
ASSISTANT

University of Bern, Institute of Political Science, Switzerland
“Empirical Research Methods,” BA class, Spring 2009
“Introduction to Political Science,” BA class, Fall 2008

WORK
EXPERIENCE

Federal Statistical Office, Education System and Science, Neuchâtel, Switzerland
Internship, 3/2008-8/2008

COMPUTER SKILLS **Data Analysis**

R, Stan, JAGS, Python, Stata, EViews, and MATLAB

Web Development

HTML, CSS, and PHP

LANGUAGES

English (fluent), German (native), French (basics)

PROFESSIONAL
SERVICE

Reviewer
American Journal of Political Science, European Policy Analysis

REFERENCES

Prof. Simon Hug
Department of Political Science and International Relations, University of Geneva

Prof. Jonas Pontusson
Department of Political Science and International Relations, University of Geneva

Prof. Catherine E. de Vries
Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford

Prof. Klaus Armingeon
Institute of Political Science, University of Bern

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