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DOCTORAL FELLOW · CLUSTER OF EXCELLENCE 'THE POLITICS OF INEQUALITY' | UNIVERSITY OF KONSTANZ

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Education

Graduate School of Behavioural Science (GSBS) | University of Konstanz

Konstanz, Germany

DOCTORAL CANDIDATE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

2020 – March. 2025 (Expected)

Committee: Nils B. Weidmann, Anke Hoeffler, Claire Adida

Erasmus Mundus joint program | International Institute of Social Studies (ISS) at the Erasmus University Rotterdam, Institut Barcelona d'Estudis Internacionals (IBEI) at the Pompeu Fabra University

The Hague (NL), Barcelona (ES)

MASTER IN PUBLIC POLICY, POLITICAL ECONOMY AND DEVELOPMENT

2018 – 2020

University Konstanz

Konstanz, Germany

BACHELOR IN POLITICS AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

2014 – 2018

Academic Working Experience

Excellenzcluster: 'The Politics of Inequality', University Konstanz

Konstanz, Germany

INDEPENDENT DOCTORAL RESEARCHER

Oct. 2020 – Sep. 2024 (Expected)

Institute for Political Science Zurich, University of Zurich

Zurich, Switzerland

GUEST RESEARCHER

Jan. 2024 – Sep. 2024

Center for Comparative Immigration Studies, University of California, San Diego

San Diego, CA, USA

GUEST RESEARCHER

Sep. 2023 – Dec. 2023

Working experience

CIDOB (Barcelona Centre for International Affairs)

Barcelona, Spain

RESEARCH INTERN | 'GLOBAL CITIES'

Mar. 2020 – Jul. 2020

Oxfam Novib

The Hague, Netherlands

RESEARCH INTERN | 'GOVERNANCE AND FINANCIAL FLOWS'

Nov. 2018 – May. 2019

German Embassy

Sofia, Bulgaria

INTERN

Aug. 2016 – Oct. 2016

WeMove.eu

Lübeck/ Berlin, Germany

ASSISTANT | GERMAN CAMPAIGN TEAM

2016 – 2018

Research

PUBLISHED

Weidmann, Nils B., and Theunissen, Gerlinde. 2021. "Estimating Local Inequality from Nighttime Lights" *Remote Sensing* 13, no. 22: 4624. <https://doi.org/10.3390/rs13224624>

UNDER REVIEW

Theunissen, Gerlinde and Weidmann, Nils B. "All Social Comparisons are Local? Inequality, Coethnicity and Subjective Economic Position" *Currently under review in Political Research Quarterly*

IN PREPARATION

Theunissen, Gerlinde and Keremoğlu, Eda. "Status updates - Does Internet Exposure Make People Feel Poorer?"

Theunissen, Gerlinde. "The Demobilizing Paths of Upward Comparisons - Neighborhood Exposure to Inequality and Voter Turnout"

Talks

17th October 2023. *Political Economy Lunch Group (PELG) Speaker Series*. UCSD.

29. - 30th Sept. 2022. *Empirical Peace and Conflict Research Workshop of the German Association for Peace and Conflict Studies (AFK)*. Sandbjerg (DK).

24th May 2022. *Comparative Politics Speaker Series and InFER Colloquium*. Goethe University Frankfurt (with Nils B. Weidmann).

5th May 2022. "Transformations of Democracy" *Colloquium at WZB*. Berlin (with Nils B. Weidmann).

6. – 8th April 2022. *Inequality Conference of the Cluster of Excellence 'The Politics of Inequality'*. Konstanz.

17.- 19th March 2022. *53rd Annual Conference of the German Association for Peace and Conflict Studies (AFK) in cooperation with the University of Konstanz and the Cluster of Excellence 'The Politics of Inequality'*. Konstanz.

7.-8th Dec. 2021. *World Inequality Conference of the World Inequality Lab*. Paris School of Economics (with Nils B. Weidmann).

Summer Schools

September 2023. *Advanced Scientific Programming in Python*. Institute of Molecular Biology and Biotechnology, Heraklion.

July 2023. *Women in Political Methodology*. University of Basel.

Scholarships and Funding

2023. *Outgoing Fellowship | Cluster of Excellence "The Politics of Inequality"*.

2023. *Konstanzia MEiN | University of Konstanz*.

2018 – 2020. *Full scholarship for the Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degree (EMJMD) | Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union*

2016 – 2020. *German Academic Scholarship Foundation | Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes*

Skills

Languages. German, English, Dutch, Spanish (*full professional proficiency*) | Danish, French (*advanced*) | Bulgarian (*basic understanding*)

Tools. Python, R, (Postgres) SQL, Git, Github, \LaTeX , HTML, QGIS, Javascript

References

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