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## Research Interests

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- Subjective well-being
- Applied microeconomics (labour, migration, environment)
- Spatial economics

## Education

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### **Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg**

PHD IN ECONOMICS

- Supervisors: Prof. Dr. Christoph Wunder, Prof. Dr. Clemens Hetschko

Halle(Saale), Germany

10/2022 - today

### **Universidad de Chile**

SEMESTER ABROAD

Santiago, Chile

07/2019 - 12/2019

### **Leipzig University**

M.Sc. IN ECONOMICS

- Final grade: 1.4

Leipzig, Germany

10/2017 - 01/2021

### **Institute of Technology Tralee**

SEMESTER ABROAD

Tralee, Ireland

09/2015 - 01/2016

### **HTW Dresden**

B.A. IN INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS

- Final grade: 1.2

Dresden, Germany

10/2013 - 02/2017

## Academic Employment

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### **Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg**

RESEARCH & TEACHING ASSISTANT, CHAIR OF ECONOMETRICS & EMPIRICAL ECONOMIC RESEARCH

Halle(Saale), Germany

10/2022 - today

### **Research Institute Social Cohesion (FGZ)**

RESEARCHER

Leipzig, Germany

06/2020 - 09/2022

### **Leipzig University**

RESEARCHER, INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC FINANCE AND PUBLIC MANAGEMENT

Leipzig, Germany

01/2020 - 09/2022

### **Leipzig University**

STUDENT ASSISTANT, INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC FINANCE AND PUBLIC MANAGEMENT

Leipzig, Germany

08/2018-07/2019

### **HTW Dresden**

TUTOR

Dresden, Germany

10/2014-01/2015

## Research Stays

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**University of Leeds**

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

Leeds, England

10/2024 - 12/2024

**Institute for Employment Research (IAB) Nürnberg**

MIGRATION AND INTERNATIONAL LABOUR STUDIES (INTER)

Nuremberg, Germany

05/2024

## Working Papers

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No Ripple in the Pond: Exposure to Refugees and Native Well-Being,  
*together with Kamal Kassam*

Rising waters, falling well-being: The effects of the 2013 East German flood on subjective well-being,  
*together with Sachintha Fernando & Christoph Wunder (revise & resubmit)*

## Presentations

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### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 07/2025 **ISQOLS Annual Conference**, Luxembourg, Luxembourg
- 07/2025 **Royal Economic Society Annual Conference**, Birmingham, England
- 06/2025 **38th Annual Conference of the European Society for Population Economics**, Naples, Italy
- 07/2024 **15th International German Socio-Economic Panel User Conference**, Berlin, Germany
- 06/2024 **6th International Conference on European Economics and Politics**, Zurich, Switzerland
- 09/2023 **ISQLS Annual Conference**, Rotterdam, Netherlands
- 09/2022 **41. DGS-Congress**, Bielefeld, Germany

### SEMINARS / WORKSHOPS

- 06/2025 **SOEP Brownbag**, Berlin, Germany
- 05/2025 **Doctoral Colloquium**, Leipzig, Germany
- 04/2025 **Water Meeting UFZ**, Leipzig, Germany
- 02/2025 **Bewell Meeting 2025**, Berlin, Germany
- 12/2024 **Royal Economic Society PhD Conference 2024**, Portsmouth
- 11/2024 **Economic Research Seminar**, Leeds, UK
- 09/2024 **Workshop on Causal Inference with Spatial Data**, Essen
- 09/2024 **14th ifo Dresden Workshop on Regional Economics**, Dresden
- 05/2024 **Workshop in Applied Economics for Young Researchers**, Hannover, Germany
- 03/2024 **Bewell Meeting 2024**, Magdeburg, Germany
- 02/2024 **CGDE Doctoral Workshop**, Dresden, Germany
- 06/2023 **15th Workshop on Empirical Microecon. / Applied Microeconometrics**, Leipzig, Germany
- 07/2022 **FGZ Summerschool** Bremen, Germany
- 01/2022 **FGZ Annual Conference Research Cluster 2**, Bremen / Digital, Germany
- 10/2021 **14th Workshop on the Yearbook of Public Finance**, Leipzig, Germany

### POLICY TALKS

- 12/2022 **Elderly Study Programme Leipzig University**, Leipzig, Germany
- 06/2022 **Presentation about Value added analysis for the city of Leipzig**, Leipzig / Digital, Germany
- 04/2022 **Final Workshop SUSIC**, Leipzig / Digital, Germany

## Awards, Fellowships, & Grants

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- 2025 **Womens' subsidies - Network Funds**, MLU Halle
- 2025 **insitu award**, MLU Halle
- 2024 **Erasmus+ Staff Mobility Grant**, MLU Halle
- 2024 **insitu award**, MLU Halle
- 2024 **Womens' subsidies - Network Funds**, MLU Halle
- 2023 **Womens' subsidies - Network Funds**, MLU Halle
- 2014/15 **Deutschlandstipendium**

## Courses

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- 09/2025 **Environmental Econometrics with Time Series & Spatial Data**, M. Krause, B. Süßmuth
- 09/2025 **AI and research for doctoral students**, Miriam Kant
- 07/2025 **Shift-Share IV**, Peter Hull
- 04/2025 **Causal Machine Learning**, Martin Huber
- 05/2024 **Codechella Madrid**, Scott Cunningham, Kyle Butts
- 11/2023 **Quantitative Methods for Public Policy Evaluation**, Albrecht Glitz
- 07/2023 **5th Summerschool in Advanced Economics**, Jeffrey Wooldridge
- Winter 22 **Econometrics CGDE**
- 09/2022 **Gesis-Workshop: Multi-level analysis with Stata**, Hermann Dülmer
- 06/2022 **Mixed Methods**, Stefan Rädiker, Graduate Academy Leibniz University Hannover

## Teaching Experience

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- Winter 25 **Econometrics II**, Problem class, Master (MLU Halle)
- Winter 25 **Statistics II**, Problem class, Bachelor (MLU Halle)
- Summer 25 **Introductory Econometrics**, Problem class, Bachelor (MLU Halle)
- Winter 24 **Econometrics II**, Problem class, Master (MLU Halle)
- Summer 24 **Introductory Econometrics**, Problem class, Bachelor (MLU Halle)
- Summer 24 **Statistics I**, Problem class, Bachelor (MLU Halle)
- Winter 23 **Econometrics II**, Problem class, Master (MLU Halle)
- Summer 23 **Introductory Econometrics**, Problem class, Bachelor (MLU Halle)
- Summer 23 **Statistics I**, Problem class, Bachelor (MLU Halle)
- Winter 22 **Econometrics II**, Problem class, Master (MLU Halle)
- Summer 19 **State and economy**, Problem class, Bachelor (Leipzig University)
- Winter 14 **Theoretical foundations**, Problem class, Bachelor (HTW Dresden)

## Skills

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- Software **Stata, R**
- Editor **L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X**
- Languages **German**, Native  
**English**, C1  
**Spanish**, B2  
**Italian**, B1

## Other activities

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- 2025/26 **Environmental Economics Seminar Series (Summer 2026)**, Co-Organization  
2025 **Appointment Committee (W3)**, Member  
2025 **CGDE Program**, Co-organization of a PhD course on Causal Machine Learning  
2024/25 **WEM Halle**, Organization of a PhD Workshop on Advances in Causal Inference  
Since 2024 **Reading Group Labor Market Institutions**, Participant  
2023 **YES! Young Economic Solutions**, Supervision of a school team  
2022 **YES! Young Economic Solutions**, Supervision of a school team

## Contributions to books

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Lorenz, A.; Pischtschan, L.; Kolb, K.; Hesse, M.; Lenk, T. (2024): Ungleichwertige Lebensverhältnisse als Bedrohung des gesellschaftlichen Zusammenhalts? Eine vergleichende Untersuchung von Interviews mit kommunalen Entscheidungsträger:innen und lokalen Gruppendiskussionen in Deutschland. In: Middell, M. (Hrsg.) Varianzen des Zusammenhalts. Historisch und transregional vergleichende Perspektiven. Frankfurt/New York: Campus. S. 337–364.

Springsklee, M.; Kolb, K.; Hesse, M.; Lenk, T. (2022): Regionalwirtschaftliche Wertschöpfungseffekte aus dem Betrieb von Photovoltaikanlagen innerhalb einer Kommune. In: Bruckner, T.; Johanning, S.; Kühne, S.; Scheller, F. (Hrsg.): Smart Utilities and Sustainable Infrastructure Change. Agentenbasierte Modellierung von urbanen Transformationsprozessen. S. 75–87

Kolb, K.; Hesse, M. (2021): Die Grundsteuerreform im deutschen Föderalstaat: Überblick zum aktuellen Stand in den Ländern und Beleuchtung vor dem Hintergrund des Gleichwertigkeitspostulats; In: Junkernheinrich, M.; Korioth, S.; Lenk, T.; Scheller, H.; Woisin, M. (Hrsg.); Jahrbuch für öffentliche Finanzen 2-2021. Berlin: Berliner Wissenschafts-Verlag. S. 281-297

Lorenz, A.; Lenk, T.; Hesse, M.; Kolb, K. (2020): Gesellschaftlicher Zusammenhalt und gleichwertige Lebensverhältnisse im bundesdeutschen Mehrebenensystem – Politische Weichenstellungen und Instrumente; In: Deitelhoff, N.; Grohsberg, O.; Middell, M. (Hrsg.), Gesellschaftlicher Zusammenhalt. Ein interdisziplinärer Dialog. Frankfurt am Main: Campus. 2020. S. 246-272

## Other Publications

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Lenk, T.; Bender, C.; Kolb, K.; Botta, F.; Starke, T. (2023): Räumliche Ausgleichsmechanismen im deutschen Föderalstaat. Sozialer Fortschritt. 72 (4). S. 369–396.

Kolb, K.; Hesse, M.; Springsklee, M. (2021): Regionalwirtschaftliche Effekte aus dem Betrieb von Photovoltaikanlagen - Methodenpapier zur Wertschöpfungsanalyse; Institut für Öffentliche Finanzen und Public Management.

Lenk, T.; Hesse, M.; Kolb, K.; Goldammer, M. E. (2021): Gemeindefinanzbericht Sachsen 2020/21, Sachsenlandkurier. 30 (5)