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## Academic Appointments and Fellowships

*Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies*: Senior researcher From Oct 2023  
*Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies*: Visiting researcher Spring 2022  
*Radboud University*: Junior Lecturer in Political Science and Economics 2018-19

## Education

*European University Institute*: Ph.D. 2019-2023  
Dissertation: After Market Making: The Political Economy of EU Industrial Policy  
*Radboud University*: Political science (B.A. + M.A.) 2013-2018

## Publications

### JOURNAL ARTICLES

2025 | [Picking Losers: Climate Change and Managed Decline in the European Union](#) (With T. Ergen). *Regulation & Governance* (online first).  
2025 | [The Costs of Conditionality. IPCEIs and the Constrained Politics of EU Industrial Policy](#) (with T. Seidl and T. Wuttke). *Competition and Change* (online first).  
2024 | [Moving on to not fall behind? Technological sovereignty and the ‘geo-dirigiste’ turn in EU industrial policy](#) (With T. Seidl). *Journal of European Public Policy*, 31(8), 2147–2174.  
2023 | [Europe first? The rise of EU industrial policy promoting and protecting the single market](#) (With D. Di Carlo). *Journal of European Public Policy*, 30(10), 2063–2096.  
2023 | [As Open as Possible, as Autonomous as Necessary: Understanding the Rise of Open Strategic Autonomy in EU Trade Policy](#) (With T. Seidl). *JCMS: Journal of Common Market Studies*, 61: 834–852.  
2020 | [From coherence to coheritization: explaining the rise of policy coherence in EU external policy](#) (With T. Eimer). *Globalizations*, 17(4), 629–647.

### BOOK CHAPTERS

2020 | [Power\(ful\) and Power\(less\): A Review of Power in the ESG–Agency Scholarship](#) (With Andrea Gerlak *et al*), in: Michele M. Betsil, Tabitha M. Benney & Andrea Gerlak (eds): *Agency in Earth Governance*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

### WORKING PAPERS

2024 | [A Primer for the use of Classifier and Generative Large Language Models in Social Science Research](#). (with J. Cova). *OSF Preprint*

2024 | [The Costs of Conditionality. IPCEIs and the Constrained Politics of EU Industrial Policy](#) (With T. Seidl and T. Wuttke). *OSF Preprint*.

2023 | [The Sunshine Problem: Climate Change and Managed Decline in the European Union](#) (With T. Ergen). *MPIfG Discussion Paper*, 23/6.

2022 | [Protecting, Transforming, and Projecting the Single Market. Open Strategic Autonomy and Digital Sovereignty in the EU's Trade and Digital Policies](#) (With T. Seidl). *OSF Preprint*.

#### WORK IN PROGRESS

Discipline and Profits. Geopolitics and the Great Restructuring of the Firm. Unpublished manuscript.

Changing the Calculus: How Security and Resilience Reload Efficiency in Global Economics. Unpublished manuscript.

Fighting the Future: Mapping Corporate Responses to Climate Change. Unpublished manuscript.

#### Policy reports

2025 | The New EU Industrial Policy: Illusions of Synergy? Stockholm: *Swedish Institute for European Policy*.

2024 | [The Costs of Conditionality: Lessons from IPCEIs](#) (with T. Seidl and T. Wuttke). Rome: *LUHNIP Policy Brief* 2/2024.

2015 | [Central and Eastern European countries at the crossroads](#): Why governments should reject investment arbitration in TTIP (with C. Olivet). Amsterdam: *Transnational Institute*.

#### Media and other writings

2023 | [Backlash](#). Article where my work on climate change and deindustrialization is discussed (in Dutch). *De Groene Amsterdammer*.

2023 | [Opinion piece about EU industrial policy](#) (in Dutch, with J.H. van Dijk). *NRC Handelsblad*.

2022 | [Blog version of As open As Possible](#) (with T. Seidl). *JCMS Ideas on Europe*.

2020 | [Reflections on how COVID-19 is reshaping th EU's industrial strategy](#). *EUIdeas*.

#### Funding and Awards

Ph.D. Scholarship, *European University Institute & Nuffic* (fully funded), 2019-2023. €60.000.

Best conference paper, *European Union Studies Association*, 2022. Awarded for: Europe first? The rise of EU industrial policy promoting and protecting the single market (With D. Di Carlo).

#### Teaching

UNIVERSITY OF COLOGNE, POLITICAL SCIENCE

European Political Economy, B.A.

Spring 2025

HEINRICH HEINE UNIVERSITY DÜSSELDORF, POLITICAL SCIENCE

The Internal and External dimensions of EU Economic Governance, B.A.

Spring 2025

RADBOUD UNIVERSITY, POLITICAL SCIENCE

Introduction to academic writing, B.A.	Fall 2018
Economics for political scientists, B.A.	Fall 2018
Introduction to linear regression analysis, B.A.	Spring 2019
The Politics of EU crisis management, M.A.	2018-2019
B.A. Thesis supervision (6 students)	Spring 2019

## Talks and presentations

### INVITED TALKS

*Villa Vigoni*, ‘Europe and the Geoeconomic Challenge’, Loven di Menaggio, Italy, April 2025.

*Hertie School of Governance & Jacques Delors Centre*, ‘Getting EU Industrial Policy Right’. Workshop organized by Nils Redeker. Berlin, September 2024.

*Utrecht University*, ‘Junctures of the Polycrisis: the Single Market at 30’. Guest lecture at summer school ‘European politics and governance’. Utrecht, July 2024.

*European University Institute*, ‘European industrial policy & the new geopolitics of markets’. Organized by Kathleen McNamara, Frédéric Mérand, and Catherine Hoeffler. Florence, April 2023.

*Radboud University*, ‘EU industrial policy and the Shocks of the Global’. Nijmegen, December 2021.

### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (SELECTION)

*Council for European Studies*: 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024

*Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics*: 2021, 2022, 2024

*European Union Studies Association*: 2022

*ECPR Standing Group on the European Union*: 2022

*European Consortium for Political Research, General Conference*: 2021

*European Workshop in International Studies*: 2024

## Academic Service

### WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCES ORGANIZED

‘[The geoeconomic turn in international political economy](#)’, MPI for the Study of Societies, Cologne, 30-31 January 2025 (with P. Polyak).

### COMMITTEE WORK

Co-convener of the European University Institute’s Political Economy Work Group	2020-2023
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## REFEREE

Business & Politics, Competition & Change, Global Political Economy, Governance, Integration, Journal for European Public Policy, Journal of Common Market Studies, Journal of European Integration, New Political Economy, Politics and Governance, Regulation & Governance, Socio-Economic Review, The International Spectator, West European Politics.

## Languages

Dutch (native), English (fluent), German (conversational), Italian (conversational), French (basic)

## Programming

### LANGUAGES

*Advanced:* R, Quarto

*Intermediate:* Python, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

### SOFTWARE

*Advanced:* RStudio, Gephi

*Intermediate:* Visual Studio Code