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EDUCATION

Max Planck Institute for Human Development Ph.D. in Psychology Advisors: Ralph Hertwig & Stefan Herzog	Expected 2023
University of Pennsylvania Master of Behavioral and Decision Sciences	2019
Trinity College Dublin M.Sc. in Marketing, <i>with distinction</i>	2018
Provadis School of International Management and Technology B.A. in Business Administration	2017

RESEARCH AREAS

Cognitive Psychology, Social Psychology, Computational Social Science, Online Social Networks

WORKING PAPERS

Lorenz-Spreen, P.*, **Geers, M.**, Pachur, T., Hertwig, R., Lewandowsky, S., Herzog, S.M.* (2020, November 19). A simple self-reflection intervention boosts the detection of microtargeted advertising. <https://doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/ea28z> *denotes equal contribution

SELECTED RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

Geers, M., Fischer, H., Lewandowsky, S., Herzog, S.M. The accuracy of people's confidence in detecting misinformation.

Geers, M., Lorenz-Spreen, P., Lewandowsky, S., Herzog, S.M. Inoculating against microtargeting.

Tump, A.N., Lorenz-Spreen, P., **Geers, M.**, Herzog, S.M., Kurvers, R.H.J.M. The role of response biases and time pressure on false news identification.

Mechanisms underlying the sharing of (false) news on social media. With R. Hertwig, S.M. Herzog, A. Kozyreva, P. Lorenz-Spreen, and B. Swire-Thompson.

HONORS, AWARDS, & GRANTS

Ph.D. Fellowship of the International Max Planck Research School on the Life Course, 2020-2023
Trinity Business School Scholarship (€1,000), 2017

INVITED TALKS

University of Cambridge, Cambridge Social Decision-Making Lab (forthcoming), 2021

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

The accuracy of people's confidence in detecting misinformation (Geers, Fischer, Lewandowsky, & Herzog)

- International Society of Political Psychology, Virtual, 2021 (forthcoming)
- Conference of Experimental Psychologists (TeaP), Virtual, 2021 (Poster)

A simple self-reflection intervention boosts the detection of microtargeted advertising (Lorenz-Spreen, Geers, Pachur, Hertwig, Lewandowsky, & Herzog)

- PERITIA International Conference: Trust in Expertise in a Changing Media Landscape, Virtual, 2021
- Society for Judgment and Decision Making, Virtual, 2020 (Poster)
- Psychonomic Society, Virtual, 2020 (Poster)

SUPERVISION/MENTORING

Madlen Hoffstadt (2021). Confidence calibration for detecting misinformation. Intern. Center for Adaptive Rationality, Max Planck Institute for Human Development.

Paula Teich (2021). Inoculating against microtargeting. Research Assistant. Center for Adaptive Rationality, Max Planck Institute for Human Development.

Johanna Forbriger (2021). Metacognition across the lifespan. Intern. Center for Adaptive Rationality, Max Planck Institute for Human Development.

Eric Neumann (2020). Fake news and the Dunning-Kruger effect: Failing to see what you're falling for? Research Assistant. Center for Adaptive Rationality, Max Planck Institute for Human Development.

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Summer Institute in Computational Social Science, University College London (forthcoming), 2021
Linking Twitter & Survey Data, GESIS – Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences (forthcoming), 2021
Summer Institute on Bounded Rationality, Max Planck Institute for Human Development, 2019

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Co-Organizer of Summer Institute on Bounded Rationality, 2022
Co-Organizer of Online Decision Making Colloquium (biweekly student reading group), 2020-Present
Organizer of ARC Scientific Meeting (weekly seminar), 2020-Present

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

European Association for Decision Making
German Psychological Society (General Psychology & Social Psychology sections)
Psychonomic Society
Society for Judgment and Decision Making
Society for Personality and Social Psychology

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE PRIOR TO PHD

Intern	Max Planck Institute for Human Development (Stefan Herzog), 2019
R.A.	University of Pennsylvania (Barbara Mellers), 2018-2019
R.A.	Trinity College Dublin (Kristian Myrseth), 2017-2018