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EDUCATION

ETH Zurich 3/2017
PhD in Political Science
Dissertation: *"Pax Populi or Casus Belli? On the Conflict Resolution Potential of Self-Determination Referendums"*

University of Zurich 2/2012
Master of Arts UZH in Social Sciences

University of Zurich 9/2009
Bachelor of Arts UZH in Social Sciences

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

University of Bath 9/2018 –
Department of Politics, Languages & International Studies
Prize Fellow

KU Leuven 1/2018 – 8/2018
Center for Political Science Research
Postdoctoral Researcher

University of Pennsylvania 1/2017 – 12/2017
Department of Political Science
Postdoctoral Fellow

VISITING POSITIONS

GESIS – Leibniz-Institute for the Social Sciences 10/2019 – 11/2019
Eurolab
Visiting Researcher

European University Institute 3/2019 – 4/2019
Department of Political and Social Sciences
Short-term Visitor

Yale University 1/2016 – 6/2016
Department of Political Science
Visiting Assistant in Research

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

Germann, Micha, and Nicholas Sambanis (forthcoming). "Political Exclusion, Lost Autonomy, and Escalating Conflict over Self-Determination." *International Organization.* ⊡

Germann, Micha (forthcoming). "Making Votes Count with Internet Voting." *Political Behavior*, online first. ⊡

Germann, Micha, and Kostas Gemenis (2019). "Getting out the Vote with Voting Advice Applications." *Political Communication* 36(1):149–170. ⊡

Mendez, Fernando, and Micha Germann (2018). "Contested Sovereignty: Mapping Referendums on Sovereignty over Time and Space." *British Journal of Political Science* 48(1):141–165. ⊡

Sambanis, Nicholas, Micha Germann, and Andreas Schädel (2018). "SDM: A New Dataset on Self-Determination Movements with an Application to the Reputational Theory of Conflict." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 62(3):656–686. ⊡

Germann, Micha, and Uwe Serdült (2017). "Internet Voting and Turnout: Evidence from Switzerland." *Electoral Studies* 47:1–12. ⊡

Germann, Micha, and Fernando Mendez (2016). "Dynamic Scale Validation Reloaded: Assessing the Psychometric Properties of Latent Measures of Ideology in VAA Spatial Maps." *Quality & Quantity* 50(3):981–1007. ⊡

Bernauer, Julian, Marc Bühlmann, Adrian Vatter, and Micha Germann (2016). "Taking the Multi-dimensionality of Democracy Seriously: Institutional Patterns and the Quality of Democracy." *European Political Science Review* 8(3):473–494. ⊡

Germann, Micha, Fernando Mendez, Jonathan Wheatley, and Uwe Serdült (2015). "Spatial Maps in Voting Advice Applications: The Case for Dynamic Scale Validation." *Acta Politica* 50(2): 214–238. ⊡

Germann, Micha, and Uwe Serdült (2014). "Internet Voting for Expatriates: The Swiss Case." *eJournal of eDemocracy and Open Government* 6(2): 197–215. ⊡

Conference Proceedings

Serdült, Uwe, Micha Germann, Fernando Mendez, Alicia Portenier, and Christoph Wellig (2015). "Fifteen Years of Internet Voting in Switzerland: History, Governance and Use." In: Luis Teràn and Andreas Meier (eds.), *ICEDEG 2015: Second International Conference on eDemocracy & eGov-ernment, Quito, Ecuador, 8–10 April 2015*, pp. 126–132. New York, NY: Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers. ⊡

Serdült, Uwe, Micha Germann, Maja Harris, Fernando Mendez, and Alicia Portenier (2015). "Who Are the Internet Voters?" In: Efthimios Tambouris et al. (eds.), *Electronic Government and Electronic Participation*, pp. 27–41. Amsterdam: IOS Press. ⊡

Germann, Micha, Flurin Conradin, Christoph Wellig, and Uwe Serdült (2014). "Five Years of Internet Voting for Swiss Expatriates." In: Peter Parycek and Noella Edelmann (eds.), *CeDEM 14. Conference for E-Democracy and Open Government. 21–23 May 2014, Danube University Krems, Austria*, pp. 127–140. Krems: Danube University Krems. ⊡

Book Chapters

Wheatley, Jonathan, and Micha Germann (2013). "Outcomes of Constitution-Making. Democratization and Conflict Resolution." In: Jonathan Wheatley and Fernando Mendez (eds.), *Patterns of Constitutional Design: The Role of Citizens and Elites in Constitution-Making*, pp. 49–66. London: Ashgate/Routledge. ⊡

Working Papers

Germann, Micha (2012). "Multinational Investment, Trade, and the Right to Physical Integrity: Context Matters." *CIS Working Paper* 74. ⊡

Under Review

Germann, Micha. "Pax Populi? A Re-Assessment of the Conflict Resolution Potential of Referendums on Self-Determination." *American Political Science Review*, submitted for initial review.

DATASETS

Aubert, Nicolas, Micha Germann, and Fernando Mendez (2016). *Contested Sovereignty: A Global Compilation of Sovereignty Referendums (1776–2012)*. Cambridge, MA: Harvard Dataverse. ↗

Sambanis, Nicholas, Micha Germann, and Andreas Schädel (2018). *SDM: A New Dataset on Self-Determination Movements (1945–2012)*. Philadelphia, PA: University of Pennsylvania. ↗

ONGOING PROJECTS

· "Geo-SDM" (with Guy Schvitz and Nicholas Sambanis)
· "Does Internet Voting Increase Turnout among Expatriate Voters?"
· "Can Deliberative Mini-Publics Increase Losers' Consent?" (with Sofie Marien and Lala Muradova)
· "Improving Tests of Spatial Voting Theories with Data From Voting Advice Applications" (with Kostas Gemenis and Fernando Mendez)
· "The Electoral Effects of a Diplomatic Stand-Off: Evidence from a Natural Experiment" (with Bastiaan Bruinsma and Kostas Gemenis)
· "The Cohesion of Swiss Cantonal Parties: A Candidate-Centric Perspective" (with Dominic Nyhuis, Morgen Harmening, Jan Fivaz, and Daniel Schwarz)
· "Contextual Determinants of Internet Voting Usage" (with Uwe Serdült)

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Newspaper Articles & Blogs

Germann, Micha (2020). "How Internet Voting Could Help to Make More Votes Count." *Democratic Audit*, March 10. ↗

Germann, Micha (2020). "Making Votes Count with Internet Voting." *Political Behavior Blog*, March 5. ↗

Cioroianu, Iulia, Micha Germann, and Jonathan Wheatley (2019). "Why Voting Advice Applications Help Get out the Vote." *i News*, November 25. ↗

Germann, Micha, and Fernando Mendez (2018). "Catalonia Is Just the Most Recent Referendum on Sovereignty. Why Are They Proliferating?" *The Monkey Cage (Washington Post)*, March 27. ↗

Germann, Micha (2015). "Politische Desinformation vor Wahlen: die politischen Landkarten von Smartvote." *Napoleon's Nightmare*, March 31. ↗

Media Interviews

BBC Somerset (2019). *Breakfast Show*, November 30.

BBC Wiltshire (2019). *Drive Time*, November 26.

Knecht, Matthias (2017). "Was den Separatismus befeuert und was ihn schwächt." *NZZ am Sonntag*, October 28, p. 3. ↗

SRF 4 News aktuell (2017). *Radio SRF 4 News*, October 9. ↗

Work Referenced in Media & Reports

Bath Echo (2019). "Academics Launch Website to Match People with Their Ideal Political Parties." *Bath Echo* 10: 28. ⍈

Elgee, Emma (2019). "This Website Will Tell You What Party to Vote For." *Somerset Live*, November 29. ⍈

Evans, Geraint (2019). "Bath Academics Launch New Voter Website Matchmaking People with Their Ideal Political Parties." *Tech Spark*, November 26. ⍈

i News (2019). "How to Work out Which Party You Should Support." *i News*, November 25. ⍈

Ammann, Matthias, and Fabian Schnell (2019). *Digitale Direkte Demokratie.* Zurich: Avenir Suisse, pp. 11, 57. ⍈

OECD (2019). *Trends Shaping Education 2019.* Paris: OECD Publishing, pp. 42–43. ⍈

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Bath 9/2018 –
Quantitative research methods

KU Leuven 1/2018 – 8/2018
Courses on direct and deliberative democracy

KV Zurich Business School 2/2011 - 7/2012
Subject teacher in adult vocational training (civics)

AWARDS & GRANTS

GESIS - Leibniz-Institute for the Social Sciences, €2,000 2019
Eurolab Grant

Swiss National Science Foundation, $22,500 2015
Doc.Mobility Fellowship

Swiss Academy of Humanities and Social Sciences, CHF 1,000 2015
Travel grant

Swiss National Science Foundation, CHF 2,650 2013
Summer school

INVITED TALKS

GESIS Cologne 2019
Seminar Series

ETH Zurich 2018
Conflict Colloquium

University of Twente 2013
EU Vox Workshop

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

APSA Annual Meeting	2015
ECPR General Conference	2013, 2014, 2018, 2019
ECPR Graduate Student Conference	2014
EPOP Conference	2018
EPSA Annual Conference	2011
IPSA Joint Colloquium	2019
MPSA Annual Conference	2016
PSA Annual International Conference	2015
SISP Convention	2012
SPSA Annual Conference	2014, 2018, 2019, 2020

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND MEMBERSHIPS

Reviewing
· American Journal of Political Science
· British Journal of Political Science
· Election Law Journal
· International Organization
· Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization
· Political Behavior
· Political Communication
· Political Studies
· Publius
· Swiss Political Science Review
· World Politics

Program Committee
· E-Vote ID 2020
· E-Vote ID 2019
· E-Vote ID 2018

Professional Associations
· Swiss Political Science Association (SPSA)

TECHNICAL AND LANGUAGE SKILLS

Data Analysis	Regression, matching, difference-in-differences (DID), time-series cross-sectional (panel) analysis, duration models, spatial regression, multilevel modeling, dimensionality analysis (item response theory, confirmatory and exploratory factor analysis)
Software	Stata, R, MLwin, Qualtrics, LaTeX
Languages	German (mother tongue), English (fluent), French (good)