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Research interests

Applied microeconomics: development and behavioral economics, political economy

Employment

Max Planck Institute for Research on Collective Goods 2023 - PRESENT
Senior Research Fellow

Education

European University Institute	2017 - 2023
Ph.D. in Economics	
European University Institute	2017 - 2018
M.Res. in Economics	
VU University	2015 - 2016
M.Sc. in Economics	
Specialization: International and macroeconomic policy	
University of Amsterdam	2009 - 2012
B.Sc. in Communication Science	

Publications

- Cultivation and competition in Colombia: disentangling the effects of coca price changes on violence. *Journal of International Development*, 2023.
 - Estimating the Alliance Effect: a Synthetic Control Approach. *Defense Studies*, 2022.

Working papers

- Vote or Fight? (with David K. Levine & Cesar Martinelli). *Conditional Acceptance*, *The Economic Journal*
 - Conflict and Democratic Preferences (with Tuuli Tähtinen). *Revise & resubmit*, *World Development*
 - Rebel Governance and Educational Outcomes

Selected work in progress

- Democratic Complacency (with Tuuli Tähtinen)
 - Social desirability bias in surveys
 - Religious violence and the spread of ideology

Teaching

University of Cologne	2025
Economics of Global Climate Policy, Lecturer (design and delivery of full course)	
New York University	2019 - 2020
International Economics, Teaching Assistant (office hours, problem sets, examination)	

Research visits and stays abroad

CESifo	2024
Research visit (chair Niklas Potrafke)	
Stanford University	2022
Visiting scholar (David D. Laitin)	
University of Lausanne	2021
Visiting scholar (Dominic Rohner)	

Research and professional experience

Robert Schuman Center for Advanced Studies	2020
Academic Assistant for David Levine	
Dutch Central Bank	2017
Research Assistant for Iman van Lelyveld	
VU University	2016 - 2017
Junior Researcher, Sociology department	
VU University	2016
Research Assistant for Steven Poelhekke, Economics department	

Grants and scholarships

Funding career workshop for excellent female postdocs (Max Planck Society)	2025
Exchange programme with U.S. universities (EUI)	2021
Early Stage Research Grant (EUI)	2020
Ph.D. Completion Grant (EUI)	2020
Ph.D. Scholarship (Nuffic)	2017 - 2020

Conferences and Seminars

CESifo seminar, Nottingham Interdisciplinary Centre for Economic and Political Research (NICEP), Workshop of the Households in Conflict Network on Conflict: Fragile Lives	2024
Political Economy of Democracy and Dictatorship	2023
Stanford University Development Economics Seminar, Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference (MPSA)	2022
University of Lausanne Public Economics and Policy Seminar, International Economics, Households in Conflict Network on Conflict, Migration, and Displacement, 3rd International Conference on Globalization and Development, XXIII Applied Economics Meeting (ALdE), Canadian Economic Association Conference, 69th Annual Meeting of the French Economic Association, 91st International Atlantic Economic Conference, Max Planck Summer School on the Political Economy of Conflict and Redistribution	2021
EUI Microeometrics Working Group	2020

Other

Software: R, Stata, MATLAB, QGis, L^AT_EX.

Languages: Dutch (native), English (fluent), German (Advanced), Italian (basic), French (basic)

References

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