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Research Interests

Protest, Social Movements, Political Participation, European Politics, Computational Social Sciences

Current Position

Doctoral Researcher

Cologne Center for Comparative Politics
University of Cologne

Academic Education

University of Cologne

Ph.D. Political Science

Dissertation Title: The Political Representation of Protest in European Democracies

Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Sven-Oliver Proksch

Research Stay: University of Amsterdam with Dr. Gijs Schumacher (Sep – Dec 2021)

Research Stay: WZB - Berlin Social Science Center with Prof. Dr. Swen Hutter (Jun – Jul 2022)

Cologne | Amsterdam | Berlin

2019 – present

Goethe University Frankfurt

M.A. Political Science

Semester Abroad: EHESS - School for Advanced Studies in the Social Sciences Paris

Frankfurt | Paris

2016 – 2019

University of Cologne

B.Sc. Social Sciences

Major: Political Science and Sociology | Minor: Economics

Semester Abroad: Grenoble Alpes University | Sciences Po Grenoble

Cologne | Grenoble

2013 – 2016

Previous Positions

German Federal Parliament - Bundestag | ECOFIN Committee

Policy Intern

- Preparation of Policy Positions on European Stability Mechanism

Berlin

2019

GESIS - Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences | Computational Social Science Department

Research Intern to Dr. Sebastian Stier

- Analyzed Political Representation on Social Media for Master's Thesis

Cologne

2019

Federal Institute for Population Research | Migration and Mobility Research Group

Research Assistant to PD Dr. Heiko Rüger

- Development of an Online Survey for the German Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Wiesbaden

2018 – 2019

Goethe University Frankfurt | Chair for Comparative Politics

Research Assistant to Prof. Dr. Thomas Zittel

- Developed a Dataset for the DFG Research Project *Individualized Representation and its Sources*

Frankfurt

2017 – 2018

Goethe University Frankfurt | GraduateCenter Social Sciences

Administrative Assistant

- Administration of PhD Applications
- Counseling Concerning Research Funding Opportunities

Frankfurt

2016 – 2017

Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies

Research Intern | Research Assistant to Prof. Dr. Mark Lutter

- Collected Publication Records of Social Scientists at German Universities

Cologne

2016

Publications

Articles (Peer-Review)

Schürmann, Lennart & Sebastian Stier (2022). Who represents the constituency? Online political communication by members of parliament in the German mixed-member electoral system. *Legislative Studies Quarterly*.

Policy Papers

Schürmann, Lennart, Caroline Melches, & Stefan Herweg (2019). Minimalkompromisse machen die Eurozone nicht krisenfest. *Makronom – Online-Magazin für Wirtschaftspolitik*.

Teaching Experience

PhD Workshop: Creating a Webpage with R <i>Organizer together with J. Bekmuratovna</i>	University of Cologne Summer 2022
How Can Protest Change Politics? Social Movements and Political Representation <i>Instructor</i>	University of Cologne Summer 2022
PhD Workshop: Authoring a PhD <i>Organizer together with Ebru Ece Özbey</i>	University of Cologne Summer 2021
Strategic Models of Democratic Politics <i>Teaching Assistant to Jun.-Prof. Chitralekha Basu, PhD</i>	University of Cologne Winter 20/21
Introduction to Quantitative Methods <i>Teaching Assistant to Dr. Bruno Castanho Silva</i>	University of Cologne Winter 19/20 Winter 20/21
Applied Statistical Analysis: Political Representation by Parliamentary Elites <i>Teaching Assistant to Dr. Dominic Nyhuis</i>	Goethe University Frankfurt Summer 2017
Introduction to Statistics for Social Scientists <i>Teaching Assistant to Prof. Dr. Marita Jacob</i>	University of Cologne Summer 2014 Winter 14/15 Summer 2015

Grants and Scholarships

Selten Grant for Field Work in Spain <i>Reinhard Selten Institute/ECONtribute Cluster of Excellence</i>	2022
DAAD Research Grant for Doctoral Candidates <i>German Academic Exchange Service</i>	2021
Grants for GESIS Spring Seminar & GESIS Workshop <i>University of Cologne & GESIS - Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences</i>	2021 (2x)
Full PhD Scholarship <i>Cologne Graduate School in Management, Economics and Social Sciences</i>	2019 - 2023
Residential Fellow <i>Fondation de l'Allemagne – Maison Heinrich Heine (Paris)</i>	2018
Grant for ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques 2018 <i>European Consortium for Political Research</i>	2018
International Mobility Scholarships for Academic Projects Abroad <i>Schmittmann-Wahlen-Foundation</i>	2015 2018 2021
Erasmus Grants for Exchange Semesters <i>Erasmus+ Programme</i>	2015 2018

Professional Responsibilities and Memberships

University of Cologne Cologne Graduate School <i>PhD representative on the CGS Board</i>	2021 – 2022
Institute for the Study of Protest and Social Movements (ipb) <i>Member</i>	2020 – present

Scientific Presentations

- It's all about location! Strategic incentives for MPs in the German multilevel system to respond to COVID-19 protests COMTEXT 2022, University College Dublin
- Do you need to be violent to be heard? Responsiveness and emotional reactions of Western European parties to political protests Hot Politics Lab Meeting, Winter 21/22, University of Amsterdam
- Does location matter? How MPs in the German multilevel system have responded to the Querdenker protests ECPR General Conference 2021
- Parties, political rebels and the Querdenker movement: How German politicians have responded to the COVID-19 protests EPSA 2021 Virtual Conference
- The (In-)Effectiveness of Restricting Rights to Protest in Liberal Democracies: Evidence from the Spanish Law on Citizen Security CCCP Research Seminar, Summer 2021, University of Cologne
- Fridays for Future in parliament? – Responsiveness of German MPs towards the climate strike movement CCCP Research Seminar, Summer 2020, University of Cologne
- Mandate divide in online communication behavior – Differences in the responsiveness of list-MPs and constituency-MPs in social online networks Colloquium on Empirical Democracy Research, Winter 18/19, Goethe University Frankfurt
- Leaving the Crisis Behind - A Qualitative-Comparative Analysis of the Determinants for a Quick Economic Recovery after the Great Recession IAPSS World Congress 2018, Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne University

Advanced Methods Training

Seminars on Science Communication German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)	2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fundamentals of Science Communication• Social Media Communication	
Spring Seminar & Workshops GESIS - Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences	2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduction to the Logic of Bayesian Statistics for the Social Sciences• Causal Machine Learning	
DS3: CIVICA Data Science Summer School Hertie School	2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduction to Python Programming• Image as Data: Quantitative Image Analysis with R and Python• Introduction to Machine Learning• Introduction to Deep Learning• GeoData and Spatial Analysis with R	
Albertus Magnus Center for Early Career Researchers University of Cologne	2020 – 2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Academic Writing in the Humanities and Social Sciences• Scientific Presentation - Getting it Right!	
PhD coursework University of Cologne	2019 – 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Political Choice and Strategy• Analyzing EU Politics with Big Data• Causal Inference and Public Policy in Europe	
ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques Central European University	2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Automated Collection of Web and Social Data	
MA coursework Goethe University Frankfurt	2016 - 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Research Designs in International Relations• Advanced Statistical Data Analysis with R• Qualitative Comparative Analysis (QCA) and Fuzzy Sets	

Additional Skills

Languages: German (native) · English (C1) · French (C1) · Dutch (A1)
Data Analysis: R · Python · Stata · SPSS
Office & Typesetting: \LaTeX +Overleaf · Microsoft Office · Apple iWork
Version Control: GitHub

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