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EMPLOYMENT

- since 2023* **Postdoctoral Researcher and Principal Investigator, Hertie School**
Centre for International Security. Principal Investigator of the project, The Anatomy of the Authoritarian Security Apparatus AASAP, funded by the German Research Foundation DFG/Project No. 505141610.
- 2022* **Substitution Professor, Witten/Herdecke University**
Department of Philosophy, Politics and Economics. Professorship of International Political Studies, Prof. Nils-Christian BORMANN.
- 2020–2023* **Postdoctoral Researcher and Lecturer, Hertie School**
Centre for International Security. Professorship of International and Cyber Security, Prof. Anita GOHDES.
- 2014–2020* **Doctoral Researcher and Lecturer, University of Mannheim**
School of Social Sciences. Chair of Political Science IV, Prof. Sabine CAREY. Researcher in the projects, Repression and the Escalation of Violence, ERC/Grant No. 336019, Prof. Sabine CAREY; Attitudes and Conflict: Longitudinal Conflict Analysis and RCTs in Asia and Africa, DFG/SFB 884 B07, Prof. Sabine CAREY and Prof. Markus FRÖLICH.
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EDUCATION

- 2014–2020* **PhD in Political Science, University of Mannheim · with distinction**
Graduate School of Economic and Social Sciences.
Thesis: Subversive Threats, Repression, and Stability.
Committee: Prof. Sabine CAREY, Prof. Nikolay MARINOV & Prof. Scott GATES.
- 2012–2014* **MA in Political Science, University of Mannheim · with distinction**
School of Social Sciences.
Thesis: Does It Matter Who Gives Aid to Whom?
- 2008–2012* **BA in Political Science and Public Law, University Erlangen-Nuremberg**
Department of Social Sciences and Philosophy.
Study abroad: Trinity College Dublin, 2010–2011.
Thesis: Why Mubarak Fell.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- 2024 The Authoritarian Security Apparatus · In Natasha LINDSTAEDT & Jeroen J. J. VAN DEN BOSCH (eds.) **Research Handbook on Authoritarianism** (forthcoming) · Edward Elgar Publishing · with Belén GONZÁLEZ & Adam SCHARPF.
- 2024 Does Sportswashing Work? First Insights from the 2022 World Cup in Qatar · **Journal of Politics** (accepted) · with Adam SCHARPF & Pearce EDWARDS.
- 2023 The Political Effects of Witnessing State Atrocities: Evidence from the Nazi Death Marches · **Comparative Political Studies** · with Alexander DE JUAN, Felix HAASS & Adam SCHARPF.
- 2022 International Sports Events and Repression in Autocracies: Evidence from the 1978 FIFA World Cup · **American Political Science Review** · with Adam SCHARPF & Pearce EDWARDS.
- 2022 Divergent Perceptions of Peace in Post-conflict Societies: Insights from Sri Lanka · **Journal of Conflict Resolution** · with Sabine CAREY & Belén GONZÁLEZ.
- 2022 Career Pressures and Organizational Evil: A Novel Perspective on the Study of Organized Violence · **International Studies Review** · with Adam SCHARPF.
- 2020 Grist to the Mill of Subversion? Strikes and Coups in Civil Wars · **European Journal of International Relations** · with Belén GONZÁLEZ & Adam SCHARPF.
- 2020 Why Underachievers Dominate Secret Police Organizations: Evidence from Autocratic Argentina · **American Journal of Political Science** · with Adam SCHARPF.
- 2020 Sometimes Less Is More: Censorship, News Falsification, and Dissatisfaction in 1989 East Germany · **American Journal of Political Science** · with Katrin PAULA.

BOOK PROJECT

- under review* Making a Career in Dictatorship: The Secret Logic Behind Coups and Repression · *revise and resubmit* with **Oxford University Press** · with Adam SCHARPF

WORKING PAPERS

- revise & resubmit* Media Impact on Perceptions in Post-war Societies: Insights from Nepal · with Sabine CAREY & Katrin PAULA
- ready for submission* The Audiences of Propaganda in Autocratic Regimes: Evidence from the East German 'Black Channel'
- ready for submission* Dictatorships and Western Public Relations Firms · with Adam SCHARPF & Alexander DUKALSKIS
- working paper* Organizational Bottlenecks and Military Takeovers: Individual-level Evidence on Coup Involvement · with Adam SCHARPF

WORK IN PROGRESS

Merch in Dictatorships: The Political Effects of the Brown Shops in Nazi Germany.

Entertainment and Genocide: The Impact of Propaganda Movies on Violence.

The Influence of Guilt on Myocardial Infarction: Evidence from a Natural Experiment on Amnesty Laws and Perpetrator Lethality · with Adam SCHARPF.

When Do Nuclear Deterrence Threats Deter? · with Julian WUCHERPFENNIG.

‘We Strongly Condemn Yesterday’s Military Coup:’ Do States Turn their Rhetoric on into Action?

Can Corporate Stop the Violence? On the Untapped Peacekeeping Potential of Multinationals.

GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS

- 2024-2025 Research Grant (pending), **Independent Social Research Foundation ISRF**, Project Title: Authoritarian Engagements with Western PR Firms · with Adam SCHARPF & Alexander DUKALSKIS · Grant: € 8,000
- 2023–2026 Research Grant (approved), **German Research Foundation DFG**, Project Title: The Anatomy of the Authoritarian Security Apparatus: How the Career Pressures of Officers Influence Coups and Repression · with Adam SCHARPF · Grant: € 380,000
- 2023 Research Grant (declined), **Deutsche Stiftung Friedensforschung**, Project Title: “You’ve Got to See it:” The Role of Video Evidence of Repression during Contentious Politics · with Anita GOHDES & Katrin PAULA · Grant: € 50,000
- 2021 Research Grant (approved), Faculty Activity Fund, Hertie School · with Anita GOHDES · Grant: € 2,300
- 2019 Travel Grant, University of Oxford, Nuffield College
- 2016–2018 Travel Grants, University of Mannheim
- 2014–2015 Graduate Scholarship, Ministry of Science, Research and Culture Baden-Württemberg · €7,200
- 2014–2015 Graduate Scholarship, Prof. Dr. Anna Bojanovsky and Prof. Dr. Jörg Jiri Bojanovsky Foundation · €7,200
- 2013–2014 Qualification Scholarship, Graduate School of Economic and Social Sciences, Center for Doctoral Studies in Social and Behavioral Sciences · €9,600
- 2010–2011 Student Exchange Scholarship, European Community Action Scheme for the Mobility of University Students (Erasmus Programme) · €2,500

AWARDS

- 2021 **Best Dissertation Award**, Lorenz-von-Stein Foundation, University of Mannheim
- 2020 **Best Paper Award**, Prof. Dr. Anna Bojanovsky and Prof. Dr. Jörg Jiri Bojanovsky Foundation
- 2020 **Top Downloaded Paper Award**, 2018–2019, American Journal of Political Science/Wiley

INVITED TALKS

- 2024 Bundeszentrale für politische Bildung (BpB), Cologne
- 2024 WZB Social Science Center, Political Economy of Development Cluster, Berlin
- 2023 European Saudi Organization for Human Rights, Berlin/London
- 2023 University of Copenhagen, Department of Political Science, Copenhagen
- 2023 Leuphana University, Center for the Study of Democracy (ZDEMO), Lüneburg
- 2022 Hochschule Niederrhein, Faculty of Applied Social Sciences, Mönchengladbach
- 2021 RWTH Aachen University, Institute for Political Science, Aachen
- 2021 Technical University of Munich, Bavarian School of Public Policy and TUM School of Governance, Munich
- 2021 German Institute for Global and Area Studies (GIGA), Institute for Latin American Studies, Hamburg

WORKSHOPS

P=Paper presented, P=Paper presented by co-author, D=Discussant, O=Organizer, S=Speaker*

- 2024 AASAP Book Workshop, Berlin (P,D,O)
- 2022 WZB Conference on Political Violence and Democratic Backsliding, Berlin (P*)
- 2022 Empirical Peace and Conflict Research Workshop, Aarhus (P*)
- 2022 Research on Conflict Workshop, Witten (P)
- 2020 Virtual Workshop on Authoritarian Regimes (D)
- 2020 Graduate Workshop on Conflict Dynamics, Oxford (D,S)
- 2020 Empirical Peace and Conflict Research Workshop, Berlin (O,P,D)
- 2019 Graduate Workshop on Conflict Dynamics, Oxford (P,D)

- 2019 Workshop on Empirical Research on Peace and Conflict, German Development Institute Bonn (P*)
- 2019 2nd Academy of Sociology Conference, Konstanz (P*)
- 2019 51st Colloquium of the German Association for Peace and Conflict Studies, Erfurt (P*)
- 2018 Workshop on Post-Conflict Peace and Security, Mannheim (O)
- 2018 International Futures Seminar, German Council on Foreign Relations & German Federal Foreign Office, Hamburg (P*)
- 2017 Workshop on Political Dissent: Causes, Tactics, and Outcomes, University of Essex (P*)
- 2017 Annual Workshop of the German Association for Peace and Conflict Studies, Mannheim (D)
- 2017 Workshop on New Perspectives on the Micro-dynamics of Political Violence, Konstanz (P*)
- 2017 Graduate Workshop on Conflict Dynamics, Oxford (P,P*)
- 2017 Workshop on Tactics in Conflict, Konstanz (P*)
- 2017 Workshop on Post-Conflict Peace and Stability, Mannheim (P,P*,O)

CONFERENCES

P=Paper, P=Paper presented by co-author, D=Discussant, A=Attendance*

- 2024 DVPW, Göttingen (P), APSA, Philadelphia (P), EPSA, Cologne (P*)
- 2023 ESOHR, Berlin (P), APSA, Philadelphia (P*), ISA, Montréal (P*)
- 2022 DPSA, Nyborg (P*), EPSA, Prague (P*), ISA, Nashville (P*)
- 2021 EPSA, virtual conference (P*), PEDD, virtual conference (P)
- 2020 APSA, virtual conference (P), DVPW, Freiburg, virtual conference (D)
- 2019 APSA, Washington (P*), ISA, Toronto (P*), EPSA, Belfast (P*)
- 2018 ISA, San Francisco (P,P*), APSA, Boston (P*), MPSA Chicago (P*), NEPS, Verona (P*), ECPR, Hamburg (P*), PEDD, Münster (P,P*,D)
- 2017 EPSA, Milan (P*,A)
- 2016 MPSA, Chicago (P)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2022-2024 Informal PhD Colloquium · PhD.
Hertie School, Centre for International Security.
- 2022, 2023 Authoritarian Politics and International Relations · MA
Hertie School.
- 2022, 2023 Introduction to LaTeX · MA
Hertie School.
- 2022 International Politics I: Introduction to International Politics · BA
Witten/Herdecke University.
- 2022 Basics in Politics II: Introductory International Relations · MA
Witten/Herdecke University.
- 2022 Authoritarian Politics in International Relations · MA
Witten/Herdecke University.
- 2022 Contentious Politics in International Perspective · BA
Witten/Herdecke University.
- 2021 Authoritarian Politics and International Relations · MA
Hertie School.
- 2020 Survey Methods and Experiments · PhD.
University of Poznan.
- 2020 Research Design and Practice · PhD.
GIGA Hamburg.
- 2020 State Repression · BA.
University of Mannheim.
- 2019 Actors and Dynamics of Authoritarian Rule · BA.
University of Mannheim.
- 2019 Coercive Bureaucracies · BA.
University of Mannheim.
- 2016, 2017 Research Methods: Political Violence and Repression · BA.
University of Mannheim.
- 2016, 2017 Contentious Politics, Mobilization, and Repression · BA.
University of Mannheim.

RESEARCH TRAINING

- 2016 Quantitative Text Analysis Using R.
Computational Social Science Winter Symposium, Cologne (Germany).
Instructor: Kenneth BENOIT.
- 2015 Spatial Econometrics.
Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis, UK.
Instructor: Scott COOK.

- 2015 Programming in the Social Sciences.
ECPR Winter School in Methods and Techniques, Bamberg (Germany).
Instructor: Nils WEIDMANN.
- 2015 Agent-Based Modelling in the Social Sciences.
ECPR Winter School in Methods and Techniques, Bamberg (Germany).
Instructors: Nils WEIDMANN & Sebastian SCHUTTE.
- 2014 Introduction to Bayesian Inference.
University of Mannheim
Instructor: Susumo SHIKANO.
- 2014 Applying Geographical Information Systems to Conflict Research.
University of Mannheim
Instructor: Jan Ketil RØD.
- 2013 Time Series Analysis for Political and Social Scientists
University of Mannheim.
Instructor: Michael COLARESI
- 2013 Survey Methods.
London School of Economics and Political Science, UK.
Instructor: Ben WILSON

FIELD WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2018 Kathmandu, Nepal
Project: Repression & the Escalation of Violence (RATE)
Principal Investigator: Prof. Sabine CAREY
Local partner organization: Sharecast Initiative Nepal, Bhumiraj CHAPAGAIN
Activities: Qualitative interviews with stakeholders & Interviewer training for quantitative large-N survey

MEDIA OUTREACH

- Austria* Kurier
- Canada* La Presse · Le Devoir
- Denmark* Politiken · Journalisten · Altinget
- France* Courrier International
- Germany* Der Spiegel · Mitteldeutscher Rundfunk · RBB Inforadio · Katapult · Deutschlandfunk Nova, Eine Stude History Podcast · Berlin Security Beat Podcast
- Israel* Haaretz
- Italy* Will Media
- Norway* Morgenbladet

Sri Lanka Sri Lanka Guardian
Switzerland Neue Zürcher Zeitung
UK The Economist · The Times · Metro
US Washington Post

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Peer review American Political Science Review, American Journal of Political Science, Journal of Politics, Journal of Peace Research, Comparative Political Studies, Conflict Management and Peace Science, Political Research Quarterly, International Interactions, Political Science Research and Methods, Humanities and Social Sciences Communications, Government and Opposition

INTERNSHIPS

2012 Daimler AG, Department of Politics and External Relations, Supervisor: Dr. Lothar ULSAMER.
2011 German Bundestag, Office of the Chairwoman of the Committee on Culture and Media Affairs, Supervisor: Former Federal Government Commissioner for Culture and the Media Prof. Monika GRÜTTERS

SOFTWARE SKILLS

Advanced L^AT_EX, STATA
Intermediate R, QGIS, ABBYY FINEREADER, QUALTRICS
Basic HTML, PYTHON, NETLOGO

LANGUAGES

Mother tongue German
Fluent English
Basic French, Spanish

REFERENCES

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