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Appointments

2021–present	Assistant Professor (Juniorprofessor TT) of Political Science, esp. International Relations and Global Health, University of Hamburg
2023–present	WZB-Fellow, WZB Berlin Social Science Center
2023–present	Affiliate, Hamburg Center for Health Economics
2018–2021	Senior Research Fellow, WZB Berlin Social Science Center
2016–2018	Postdoctoral Researcher, Bocconi University

Education

2016	Political Science, European University Institute	Ph.D.
2010	African Studies, University of Oxford	M.Sc.
2008	International Relations, University of Dresden	B.A.

Publications

- “Violent conflict and the demand for healthcare: How armed conflict reduces trust, instills fear, and increases child mortality.” (2024). *Social Science & Medicine*, 359, 117252.
- “Prosociality Beyond In-Group Boundaries: A Lab-in-the-Field Experiment on Selection and Inter-group Interactions in a Multiethnic European Metropolis.” (2024). *Sociological Science*, 11, 815–853. With D. Baldassarri and J. Gereke.
- “Strategic Alignment in Times of Crisis: Voting at the Dawn of a Global Pandemic.” (2024). *Political Behavior*, 46(3), 1589–1607. With A. Leininger.
- “Mass Emigration and the Erosion of Liberal Democracy.” (2024). *International Studies Quarterly*, 68(2), sqae026. With D. Auer.
- “Terrorism and Child Mortality.” (2024). *Health Economics*, 33(1), 21–40. With D. Meierrieks.
- “How Covid-19 Affects Voting for Incumbents: Evidence from Local Elections in France.” (2024). *PLOS ONE*. With D. Morisi, H. Cloléry, and G. Kon Kam King.
- “Rebel Recruitment and Migration: Theory and Evidence From Southern Senegal.” (2023). *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, 67(6), 1155–1182. With D. Auer.
- “Returning from greener pastures? How exposure to returnees affects migration plans.” (2023). *World Development*, 169, 106291. With D. Auer.
- “Supernatural Practices Predict Migration Behavior.” (2023). *Nature Scientific Reports*. With D. Auer and J. Gereke.
- “Demographic and Attitudinal Legacies of the Armenian Genocide.” (2023). *Post-Soviet Affairs*, 39(3), 155–172.
- “Solid Support or Secret Dissent? A List Experiment on Preference Falsification during the Russian War against Ukraine.” (2022). *Research & Politics*, 9(2). With P. Chapkovski.

- “Immigration, Integration and Cooperation: Experimental Evidence from a Public Goods Game in Italy.” (2022). *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, 48(15), 3761–3788. With J. Gereke and D. Baldassarri.
- “Acute Financial Hardship and Voter Turnout: Theory and Evidence from the Sequence of Bank Working Days.” (2021). *American Political Science Review*, 115(4), 1258–1274.
- “Climate Change Literacy and Migration Potential: Micro-Level Evidence from Africa [9]. (2021). *Climatic Change*, 169(1). With M. Helbling, D. Auer, D. Meierrieks, and M. Mistry.
- “Strangers in Hostile Lands: Exposure to Refugees and Right-wing Support in Germany’s Eastern Regions.” (2021). *Comparative Political Studies*, 54(3–4), 686–717. With D. Baldassarri and J. Gereke.
- “Voter Mobilization in the Echo Chamber: Broadband Internet and the Rise of Populism in Europe.” (2020). *European Journal of Political Research*, 59(4), 752–773. With D. Morisi.
- “Gendered Discrimination against Immigrants: Experimental Evidence.” (2020). *Frontiers in Sociology*, 5. With J. Gereke and D. Baldassarri.
- “Ethnic Riots and Prosocial Behavior: Evidence from Kyrgyzstan.” (2019). *American Political Science Review*, 113(4), 1029–1044. With A. Hager and K. Krakowski.
- “The Redistributive Impact of Hypocrisy in International Taxation.” (2018). *Regulation & Governance*, 12(3), 353–370. With L. Hakelberg.
- “Ethnic Diversity, Poverty and Social Trust in Germany: Evidence from a Behavioral Measure of Trust.” (2018). *PLOS One*, 13(7). With J. Gereke and D. Baldassarri.
- “Threat and Parochialism in Intergroup Relations: Lab-in-the-Field Evidence from Rural Georgia.” (2017). *Proceedings of the Royal Society B*, 284(1865). Coverage in *Science Magazine*.
- “Second-Order Ethnic Diversity: The Spatial Pattern of Diversity, Competition and Cooperation in Africa.” (2017). *Political Geography*, 59, 103–116.
- “Cross-Cultural Regularities in the Cognitive Architecture of Pride.” (2017). *PNAS*, 114(8), 1874–1879. With D. Sznycer, L. Cosmides, J. Tooby, et al.
- “Lines Across the Desert: Mobile Phone Use and Mobility in the Context of Trans-Saharan Migration.” (2012). *Information Technology for Development*, 18(2), 126–144.

Work in progress

- “The Cost of Democracy in Times of Emergency: Electoral Turnovers and Excess Mortality.” (2024). *Under Review*. With H. Cloléry, G. Kon Kam King, and D. Morisi.
- “Armed Violent Conflict and Healthcare-Seeking Behavior for Maternal and Child Health in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Systematic Review.” (2024). *Under review*. With L. Abreu, C. Adeyanju, I. Jalo, and P. Schrage.
- “Native Elites Can Stabilize Foreign-Imposed Regimes: A Natural Experiment in Elite Survival and Anti-Communist Resistance in Post-World War II Poland.” (2023). *Under review*. With K. Krakowski and P. Charasz.
- “Cultural Roots of Negative Outgroup Attitudes: Theory and Evidence from the Re-activation of Antisemitic Stereotypes in Germany.” (2023). *Under review*. With E. Kanol.
- “Technology and Civilian Targeting: Evidence from the Russian War against Ukraine.” (2023). *Under review*. With J. Koch.
- “Migration and Social Change: Evidence from post-WWII Displacement in Germany.” (2023). *Under review*. With V. Charnysh.
- “Western Diaspora and Revolution: Evidence from the Armenian Diaspora.” (2023). *Work in progress*. With R. Hakimov.

Selected conference presentations & invited talks

- Technology and Civilian Targeting in Conventional War: Evidence from the Russian War against Ukraine.* APSA 2024 (September 5–8, 2024). Philadelphia.
- Cultural roots of negative outgroup attitudes.* Invited talk (May 16, 2024). IPERG, University of Barcelona, Spain.
- Cultural roots of negative outgroup attitudes.* Invited talk (February 8, 2024). European University Institute, Florence, Italy.
- Weapon Technology and Civilian Targeting in Conventional War: Evidence from the Russian War against Ukraine.* CCEW Crisis Early Warning Symposium (October 23–24, 2023). University of the German Federal Armed Forces, Munich.
- Social effects of wartime sexual victimization in Eastern Germany and Bosnia.* War Effects Workshop ‘Advances in Research on War and Gender’ (October 9–11, 2023). University of Bergen.
- War hurts trust, low trust continues to kill: Violence, vaccines, and child mortality in Nigeria.* Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference (June 26–28, 2023). Bologna.
- Deaths of democracy? Electoral turnovers and excess mortality.* 13th EPSA Annual Conference (June 22–24, 2023). Glasgow.
- Violent conflict, institutional trust, and health outcomes in Nigeria.* Invited talk (January 23, 2023). Hamburg Center for Health Economics.
- Cultural roots of negative outgroup attitudes.* Invited talk (December 2, 2022). University of Aarhus.
- Terrorism and child mortality.* 12th EPSA Annual Conference (June 23–25, 2022). Prague.
- Rebel recruitment and migration: Evidence from Africa’s longest-running insurgency.* Households in Conflict Network (HiCN) Annual Workshop (November 10, 2020). Online.
- The legacy of mass violence and the importance of politics in everyday life.* APSA Annual Meeting (September 30–October 3, 2020). Online.
- Does poverty reduce political participation? Evidence from the sequencing of bank working days.* Invited talk (December 4, 2019). MZES, University of Mannheim.
- Financial hardship and voter turnout: Implications for election scheduling.* Nordic Workshop on Political Behavior (February 27–28, 2020). University of Gothenburg.
- Local exposure to refugees and right-wing support in Eastern Germany after the 2015 refugee crisis.* 9th EPSA Annual Conference (June 20–22, 2019). Belfast.
- Voter mobilization in the echo chamber: Broadband diffusion, internet use and the rise of populism in Europe.* APSA Annual Meeting (August 30–September 2, 2018). Boston.
- Community relations in the aftermath of violence: The 2010 riots in Osh, Kyrgyzstan.* 4th Barcelona-Gothenburg-Bergen Workshop on Experimental Political Science (May 10–11, 2018).
- Altruism, cooperation and right-wing support in Eastern Germany after the refugee crisis.* Migrant Integration in Africa, Europe, and Beyond (February 23–24, 2018). Berlin.
- Second-order ethnic diversity: The spatial pattern of diversity, competition and cooperation in Africa.* 7th EPSA Annual Conference (June 22–24, 2018). Milan.
- Introducing and assessing a new behavioral measure: The threat game.* Winter Experimental Social Science Institute (WESSI) (September 16–17, 2016). NYU Florence.
- Does ethnic diversity undermine or foster cooperation? The ethnic diversity of the hinterland and its implications for community cooperation in Africa.* MPSA Annual Conference (April 7–10, 2016). Chicago.
- Using lab-in-the-field behavioural games for hypothesis testing.* 4th Methodological Conference (June 24–25, 2016). CRRC Tbilisi.
- Outgroup threat and ingroup cooperation: Field evidence.* Invited talk. Spanish National Research Council (May 12, 2016). Madrid.

Teaching

2023, 2024	<i>IPE – Global Order, M.A. course</i>	University of Hamburg
2022, 2024	<i>Applied Causal Inference, Ph.D. seminar</i>	University of Hamburg
2022, 2024	<i>Political Violence, M.A. course</i>	University of Hamburg
2022	<i>Politics of Infectious Diseases, B.A.</i>	University of Hamburg
2021–2023	<i>Global Health Politics, B.A. course</i>	University of Hamburg
2021, 2022	<i>Ethnic Politics, B.A. course</i>	University of Hamburg
2020	<i>Stats II/ Causal inference, M.A. course</i>	Hertie School
2020	<i>Historical Political Economy, B.A. course</i>	Free University of Berlin
2019	<i>Historical Political Legacies, M.A. course</i>	University of Bamberg
2018	<i>Ethnic Politics, B.A. course</i>	University of Bamberg
2012	<i>European Migration Policy, M.A. course</i>	Yerevan State University
2011	<i>International Human Rights, M.A. course</i>	Yerevan State University

Grants & fellowships

2023	GLOHRA/BMBF/BMZ, Interdisciplinary Pilot Project grant	\$ 103,000
2023	University of Hamburg, Ideas and Venture Fund grant	\$ 40,000
2021	German Research Foundation (DFG), Research grant	\$ 350,000
2020	Minda de Gunzburg Center, Harvard University, Visiting grant	\$ 42,000
2020	National Discrimination and Racism Monitor, Research grant	\$ 4,500
2018	BMFSFJ, Research grant (with D. Auer)	\$ 21,000
2018	WZB, Seed Money grant (with R. Hakimov)	\$ 54,000
2017	Gerda-Henkel Foundation, SPSSS Research grant	\$ 5,000
2015	European University Institute, President's grant	\$ 5,000
2015–2016	European University Institute, Finishing fellowship	\$ 20,000
2012–2015	German Academic Exchange Service, Ph.D. fellowship	\$ 60,000

Other

Reviewing

American Journal of Political Science; American Political Science Review; American Journal of Sociology; American Sociological Review; British Journal of Political Science; Comparative Political Studies; European Economic Review; European Journal of Sociology; International Migration Review; Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies; Journal of Information Technology for Development; Journal of Politics; PNAS; Political Science Research and Methods; Nature; Socio-Economic Review; World Development

Service

Departmental Council (elected member); Examination board (elected member); International Organisation for Migration (IOM) GMDAC Academic Review Board (member); European University Alliance for Global Health (EUGLOH) (academic lead research-based learning); Journal of Politics Editorial Board (member)

Ph.D. supervision

Ajla Henic (supervisor); Jesus Renzullo (supervisor); Shari Kupilas (supervisor); Aline Hirsland (reader); Mahima Duggal (reader); Daniel Tuki (reader); Ilayda Yücel (reader)

Memberships

EPSA; APSA; DVPW; GLOHRA; HiCN; NEPS

Software & languages

Stata; R; QGIS; GRASS; GDAL; Python; German (native); English (C2); French (B2); Italian (B2); Russian (B1); Norwegian (B1)