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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Political Behaviour, Behavioural and Experimental Economics, Inequality and Fairness

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CURRENT POSITION

06/2021 - present Researcher at the Cluster of Excellence “The Politics of Inequality”
University of Konstanz

EDUCATION

01/2017 - 10/2021 Ph.D. in Economics
Friedrich Schiller University, Jena
International Max Planck Research School (*IMPRS Uncertainty*)
Supervisors: Oliver Kirchkamp and Christoph Engel

09/2014 - 08/2016 M. Sc. in Economics
University of Amsterdam, Netherlands
Specialization: Behavioural Economics and Game Theory

10/2009 - 07/2013 B.Sc. in Philosophy & Economics
University of Bayreuth, Germany

09/2011 - 06/2012 Year Abroad
Université Saint Joseph, Beirut, Lebanon

WORKING PAPERS

“Fairness and Support for Welfare Policies” with Sören Harrs

“The Fairness of Inequality due to Risk and Effort choices”

“Between Beveridge and Bismarck: Preferences for Redistribution through Public Pension”
with Friedrich Breyer, Christian Breunig, Mark Kapteina and Guido Schwerdt

“Are Taxes or User-Fees more Popular among Politicians? The Case of Childcare” with Friedrich Breyer

“Perceptions of Deservingness and Power among Legislators” with Christian Breunig

WORK IN PROGRESS

“Large-scale Cooperation and the Moral Obligation to Help” with Aya Adra, Oliver Kirchkamp
and Lame Ungwang

“Meritocratic Preferences among Legislators” with Christian Breunig, Troy Saghaug Broderstad,
Javier Olivera, Lior Sheffer

“Do Politicians respond to Voters Policy Demands? Evidence from Survey Experiments with
Elected Politicians” with Christian Breunig and Guido Schwerdt

“Citizens and politicians hold shared perceptions of power and deservingness of needy groups”
with Christian Breunig

“Fairness and Ideological Polarization in the US” with Sören Harrs

RESEARCH STAYS

09-11/2024 Wilf Family Department of Politics, NYU, New York City, United States
03-04/2019 FAIR The Choice Lab, NHH, Bergen, Norway

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Summer semester 2024 “*Inequality, Representation, and Replication*”
(together with Christian Breunig)
Master seminar, University of Konstanz
Winter semester 2019/2020 “*The Economics of Fairness*” (together with Svenja Hippel)
Bachelor seminar, University of Bayreuth

REFEREEING

Review of Law and Economics, MPI Preprints
Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization

PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCES

07/2024 EPSA, Cologne, Germany
05/2024 IMEBESS, Riga, Latvia
10/2023 In_equality Colloquium, Konstanz, Germany
10/2023 Workshop on Strong Reciprocity and Welfare, Konstanz, Germany
08/2023 APSA Annual Conference, Los Angeles, United States
06/2023 CREED Colloquium, Amsterdam, Netherlands
05/2023 Workshop on The Political Economy of Polarisation and Policymaking, Florence, Italy
03/2023 Thurgau Experimental Economics Meeting, Kreuzlingen, Switzerland
11/2022 Understanding, Attitudes and Behaviour regarding Old-Age Provision, Mannheim, Germany
09/2022 APSA Annual Conference, Montral, Canada
09/2022 VfS Annual Conference, Basel, Switzerland
12/2021 Second World Inequality Conference, Paris, France
05/2021 Workshop on Perceptions and Policy preferences, Online, Germany
09/2019 14th Nordic Conference on Behavioral and Experimental Economics, Kiel, Germany
05/2019 Sixth IMEBESS, Utrecht, Netherlands
07/2018 ESA World Meeting, Berlin, Germany

WORK EXPERIENCE AND POLICY PUBLICATIONS

06/2014 - 08/2014 stiftung neue verantwortung, Berlin, Germany
Policy Brief “*Auf dem Weg zum digitalen Lernen*” (“*On the way to digital learning*”)
Scientific editing
03/2014 - 05/2014 Institute for Ecological Economy Research, Berlin, Germany
Project econCCadapt “*Ökonomie der Anpassung an den Klimawandel*” (“*Economics of climate change adaptation*”)
Internship
05/2013 - 07/2013 Vodafone Foundation Germany, Berlin, Germany
Policy Paper “*Wirksamer Regieren*” (“*Choice Architecture in Democracy*”)
Scientific Editing

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

04/2024 - present Konstanzia Fellowship, University of Konstanz
09/2014 - 08/2015 DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service)
Annual Scholarship for master programme

LANGUAGES AND IT SKILLS

Languages German (native), English (fluent), French (fluent), Dutch (intermediate), Spanish (beginner), Arabic (beginner)

IT Skills R, L^AT_EX, MS Office, Qualtrics, NetLogo

Last update: July 13, 2024