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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Economic History, Development Economics, Political Economy

CURRENT POSITION

Substitute Professor & Head of Economics Department
Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies (IOS)
& University of Regensburg, Germany

July 2026 - September 2027

PostDoctoral Researcher (“Akademischer Rat”)
Institute of Macroeconomics,
Leibniz University Hannover, Germany
(on leave until September 2027)

October 2023 - Present

OTHER AFFILIATIONS

Ruprecht Karls University Heidelberg

January 2024 - Present

EDUCATION

PhD in Economics (Summa cum Laude)

November 2017 - September 2023

Leibniz University Hannover, Germany.

Thesis-Title: “The Economic Consequences of Political Turmoil“

Supervisors: Martin Gassebner (Hannover) & Axel Dreher (Heidelberg).

Graduate School “Globalization and Development (GlaD)”

April 2018 – March 2021

Ruprecht Karls University Heidelberg (Final Grade 1.5)

November 2017

REFERENCES

Prof. Martin Gassebner, Leibniz University Hannover.

E-Mail: gassebner@mak.uni-hannover.de

Prof. Axel Dreher, Heidelberg University.

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PUBLISHED PAPERS

The Persistence of Trade Relocation from Civil Conflict

(with Henry Stemmler), Journal of Development Economics (2025).

Blog Post at VoxEU.

Consequences of FTA Withdrawal: Evidence from “UXIT” (with Hinnerk Gnutzmann and Arevik Gnutzmann-Mkrtchyan), Scandinavian Journal of Economics (2025)

WORKING PAPERS

Local Reallocation: Lessons from Bankruptcies During Britain's Market Integration

(with Jean Lacroix) CESifo Working Paper. *Under Review*.

The Persistent Consequences of Civil Conflict

HEP Working Paper.

WORK IN PROGRESS

The Consequences of War: Evidence from Germany after World War I

(with Matthias Quinckhardt & Lukas Wellner) *Conference draft circulating*.

PEDD Young Scholar Award 2023 & RGS Econ Best Paper Award 2023

The Emergency: British detention camps and the origins of distrust in Kenya

(with Gerda Asmus and Richard Bluhm). *Conference draft circulating*

The Historical Geography of German Cartels

(with Tom Görges). *Conference draft circulating*

The Determinants and Consequences of German Denazification

(with Bente Jessen-Thiesen, Annika Kaiser & Robin Möllerherm).

Silver Tongues vs. Ready Fists: Eloquence & Political Voice

(with Thomas Schiller). *Conference draft circulating*

“Abstiegsangst.” Regional Status Threat and the Rise of Political Discontent

(with Lukas Haffert & Valentin Lang). *Conference draft circulating*

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Book Chapter: Lock, Stock & Barrel Reloaded (with Martin Gassebner)

In: The Cambridge Handbook on the Economics of Terrorism, edited by Atin Basuchoudhary & Günther Schulze, 2026.

Book Review: Terrorism - What Everyone Needs to Know (by Todd Sandler)

Organization Studies, Vol. 40 (11), 2019

GRANTS, PRIZES & FELLOWSHIPS

Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Foundation), 2026

“Drivers and Remnants of Fascism: Evidence from German Denazification after World War II.”

(Leading PI with Daniel Kudenko Leibniz University Hannover, 2026-2029, 321,208.75 Euro).

IOS Regensburg Research Fellowship, 2025

One-month visiting fellowship, (2,880 Euro).

Joachim Herz Fellowship, 2024

Two-year fellowship, (12,500 Euro).

Dissertation Award of Victor Rizkallah Foundation, 2024

For the dissertation “The Economic Consequences of Political Turmoil” (700 Euro).

2nd Prize for Excellence in Applied Development Research (Dissertation Award), German Development Economics Association & KfW Development Bank 2024

For the dissertation “The Economic Consequences of Political Turmoil” (3000 Euro).

Excellence in Teaching Award 2023

Awarded by the student council of the faculty for economics and business at Hannover University.

RGS Econ Best Paper Award 2023

“The Consequences of War: Evidence from Germany after World War I”
with Matthias Quinckhardt & Lukas Wellner (500 Euro).

PEDD Young Scholar Award 2023

“The Consequences of War: Evidence from Germany after World War I”

with Matthias Quinckhardt & Lukas Wellner (500 Euro).

Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Foundation), 2020

“The Impact of Migration on Political and Social Beliefs” with Axel Dreher.

(PhD applicant along with Zain Chaudhry, 2020-2023, 310.942 Euro).

Diligentia Foundation, 2019

“Change from Overseas? Estimating the political, social, and economic effects of foreign education.” with Martin Gassebner & Axel Dreher.

(PhD applicant along with Zain Chaudhry, 2019-2021, 38.300 Euro).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Refereeing

European Journal of Political Economy, The Review of International Organizations, German Economic Review, International Interactions, Journal of Conflict Management and Peace Science.

Consultancy for KfW Development Bank, 2024

Designing an R-Tutorial for Geospatial Conflict Data Analysis using mapme workflow.

RESEARCH STAYS

IOS Regensburg (April 2025)

One month research stay at Leibniz Institute for East European Studies. Invited as 2025 IOS research fellow. Development of new research cooperations, participation in seminars, and bilateral talks

Paris-Saclay University (March 2025)

One month research stay at Research Center in Economics & Management (RITM). Collaboration with co-author, participation in seminars, and bilateral talks.

INVITED TALKS, CONFERENCES, SEMINARS

2025: Yale Economic History Lunch, RITM Seminar Paris-Saclay, Research Seminar University of Groningen, IOS Seminar Regensburg, Gesellschaft für Sozial- und Wirtschaftsgeschichte (GSWG) Conference, EPCS, GDE, BBQ, Economic History World Congress, European Historical Economics Society (EHES) Conference.

2024: Eurasian Peace Science Conference, Glad/Deneb, PEDD, EPCS, GDE, IfW Kiel Research Seminar, EPSA, BBQ, Economic History Association (EHA), ETSG, KOF Zurich Research Seminar, Economic History Seminar Bayreuth, Economic History Colloquium Mannheim, Democracy and Development in the Global South (DDSG) Conference, Transport & History Workshop.

2023: Graduate Students in International Political Economy (GSIPE) Conference, Political Economy of Democracy and Dictatorships (PEDD) Conference, EPCS, RGS, GDE, ETSG, HiCN.

2022: EPCS, German Development Economics (GDE) Conference, EPSA, European Trade Study Group (ETSG), VfS Annual Meeting, IAB Nuremberg Workshop, Glad/Deneb Workshop.

2021: Ruhr Graduate School (RGS) Doctoral Meeting, EPCS, International Institute of Public Finance (IIPF), BBQ, French Trade and Finance (RIEF) Doctoral Meeting, HiCN Workshop.

2020: Graduate Students in International Security (GSISE) Workshop, Households in Conflict (HiCN) Workshop, Verein fuer Socialpolitic (VfS) Annual Meeting.

2019: American Social Science Association (ASSA), EPCS, Workshop on Geodata and Economics, Seminar talk at IOS Regensburg, Novafrica Development Conference, Louis-Andr Grad Varet Conference (LAGV), European Political Science Association (EPSA), Network of European Peace Scientists (NEPS), BBQ, French Development Economics Conference (DIAL), European Economic Association (EEA).

2018: European Public Choice Society (EPCS), Workshop on Geodata and Economics, Beyond Basic Questions Workshop (BBQ).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE/SUPERVISION

Leibniz University Hannover

- Economic Revolutions (2023, '24, '25)
(Paper-based course + empirical methods, lecture, MSc, 2nd yr.)
- Introduction to Applied Econometrics (2023, '24, '25)
(Empirical methods & Replications, lecture, MSc, 1st yr.)
- Applied Economic History (2022)
(Paper-based course + empirical methods, lecture, MSc, 2nd yr.)
- Einführung in Empirisches Arbeiten mit R (2022, '23, '24, '25)
(Empirical methods and R tutorials, lecture, BSc, 3rd yr.)
- Repetitorium Makroökonomische Theorie (2019, '20, '21, '22, '23, '24, '25)
(Basic Macro, repetition lectures, BSc, 2nd yr.)
- Tutorium Makroökonomische Theorie (2018, '19, '20, '21)
(Basic Macro, tutorials, BSc, 2nd yr.)
- Supervision of Bachelor, Master & Seminar Theses

Heidelberg University

- Development Economics I (Macro) (2024) [substitute lecturer for Prof. Axel Dreher]
(Paper-based course, lectures, MSc., 1st yr.)
- History and Development (2024, '25)
(Paper-based course + empirical methods, lectures + tutorials, MSc., 2nd yr.)
- Tutorium Mikroökonomik (2017)
(Basic Micro, tutorials, BSc, 1st yr.)
- Supervision of Master Theses

Karlsruhe University of Education

- Datenvisualisierung mit R (2019)
(R Methodology, PhD Summer School)

COMPUTER AND LANGUAGE SKILLS

Computer Skills

R, RStudio, Stata, L^AT_EX, QGIS, html

Language Skills

German (native), English (fluent), Italian (intermediate), French (basic)