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Main Research and Teaching Fields

Political Economics, Experimental Economics, Behavioral Economics

Working Papers

Political Representation Gaps and Populism

[Link to the paper](#)

Passive Inequality and the Dilemma of Meritocracy (with Timo Freyer)
accepted at *Experimental Economics*

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From Weimar to Today: Mapping Populism in German Parliaments (with Paul Behler)

[Link to the paper](#)

Revisiting Immigration Attitudes: How Asylum Seekers Nuance Previous Findings

[Link to the paper](#)

Would Europeans Accept Immigrants If They Knew Them?

[Link to the paper](#)

Selected Work in Progress

Do Political Representation Gaps Cause Populism? (with Salvatore Nunnari)

Current Positions and Affiliations

2023 – Postdoctoral Researcher, **IGIER–Bocconi University**
Fellow, **Institute for European Policymaking**

Education

2023	Ph.D. in Economics, Bonn Graduate School of Economics
2019	Master of Science in Economics, University of Bonn
2017	Bachelor of Science in Economics, University of Bonn

Awards, Scholarships and Grants

2023	Research Grant by Institute for European Policymaking (€5,000)
2022	Selten Grant by the Cluster of Excellence ECONtribute (€10,000) Grant by the Institute for Applied Microeconomics at Bonn University (€3,000) Grant by the MacroFinance and MacroHistory Lab at Bonn University (€2,000)
2021	Selten Grant by the Cluster of Excellence ECONtribute (€8,000)
2020	Research grant by the BGSE and briq Institute (€4,000) Award for Excellence in Teaching (Tutorenpreis)
2019	Research grant by the BGSE (€2,000)
2019–2022	Scholarship from the briq Institute
2018–2022	Scholarship from the German Research Foundation (“Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft”)
2017	Research grant by the Institute for Applied Microeconomics at Bonn University (€1,000)

Presentations

Selected	Seminar Series on Economic Institutions at DG ECFIN of the European Commission (2024) CEPR-Kiel Workshop in Berlin: “How can mainstream parties best fight populism?” (2024) Annual Research Conference of the European Commission (2023) FAIR Online Workshop at NHH Bergen (2022) Young Economist Symposium at Yale (2022)
Previous	Brussels, Berlin, Bocconi, Bonn, Vallendar, Frankfurt, Bochum, Hannover, Paris, Cologne, Uppsala, Basel, Sundsvall, Essen, Mannheim

Professional Service

Refereeing	Economic Policy, Social Choice and Welfare, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, The Economic Journal, Experimental Economics
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Teaching Experience

2024	Supervision of Bachelor Thesis, Bocconi University
2022–2023	Teaching Assistant for "Introduction to Economics", University of Bonn
2021–2022	Supervision of Master Thesis, University of Bonn
2019–2021	Teaching Assistant for "Introduction into Economics", University of Bonn

Miscellaneous

Nationality	German
Human Languages	German (native), English (fluent), Italian (basic)
Computer Languages	R (fluent), Python (fluent), oTree (fluent), z-Tree (fluent)