

Curriculum Vitae

CONTACT INFORMATION

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FIELDS OF INTEREST

Public Opinion, Governance, Territorial Reforms, Democratic Legitimacy

EDUCATION

- 2018 **Ph.D. (des.) in Political Science** (summa cum laude), University of Zurich.
Dissertation project: *Public Support for Metropolitan Integration. Citizens' Attitudes in Eight West European Metropolitan Areas*. Doctoral Committee: Prof. Dr. Daniel Kübler, Prof. Dr. Marco R. Steenbergen (University of Zurich), Prof. Dr. Anders Lidström (Umeå University).
- 2014 **M.A. in Social Sciences**, University of Zurich.
Major: Political Science, Minor: History. Thesis: *"All About the Money?" Municipal Marriages in the Canton of Fribourg*. Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Daniel Kübler.
- 2010 **B.A. in Social Sciences**, University of Zurich.
Major: Political Science, Minor: History. Thesis: *Welfare Universalism and Social Trust*. Supervisors: Prof. Dr. Silja Häusermann, Prof. Dr. Hanspeter Kriesi.

PUBLICATIONS

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- 2018 "The Importance of Input and Output Legitimacy in Democratic Governance. Evidence from a Population-based Survey Experiment in Four West European Countries." *European Journal of Political Research* (early view), with Daniel Kübler and Frank Marcinkowski.
- 2018 "Incented Voluntary Municipal Mergers as a Two-Stage Process: Evidence from the Swiss Canton of Fribourg." *Urban Affairs Review* 54(2): 267-301.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- 2018 “Why It’s Not Just About the Outcome: Citizens also Care About Democratic Decision-Making” Blog-Post on Democratic Audit UK, with Daniel Kübler and Frank Marcinkowski.
- 2018 “*Was wollen die Bürger*innen von der Demokratie und wann wollen sie es?*”. DeFacto-Blog Platform, with Daniel Kübler and Frank Marcinkowski.
- 2016 “Elite versus Volk?” *Kommunalmagazin* 33(5): 26-28.
- 2016 “Angst vor Machtverlust verhindert Gemeindefusionen.” DeFacto-Blog Platform.

BOOK PROJECT

“Citizens and the Metropolis. Support for Metropolitan Integration in Western Europe.”

WORKING PAPERS

“Why Voluntary Municipal Merger Projects Fail: Evidence from Popular Votes in Switzerland.” Revise & Resubmit in *Local Government Studies*.

“Who Supports Metropolitan Reform? Citizens’ Attitudes in Four West European Countries.”

“Populism and the Scale s of Statehood in Western Europe”, with Daniel Kübler and Frank Marcinkowski.

“Does the Nature of a Policy Matter? A Policy-Centred Approach to European Integration”, with Pirmin Bundi.

“A Policy-Centred Approach to Intermunicipal Cooperation”, with Pirmin Bundi.

“The Impact of the November 2015 Terrorist Attacks in Paris on Public Opinion: A Natural Experiment”, with Marco R. Steenbergen.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2018 – **Post-doctoral researcher** at the [Chair of Democracy and Public Governance](#), Department of Political Science, University of Zurich.

- 2013 – **Research assistant** in the project [How Metropolitan Governance Affects Citizens' Political Behavior and Attitudes](#), led by Daniel Kübler, University of Zurich and Frank Marcinkowski, Heinrich-Heine University Düsseldorf, Germany. The project was part of the [Swiss National Centre of Competence in Research on Challenges to Democracy in the 21st Century](#).
- 2017 **Visiting scholar** at the [Department of Political Science](#), University of British Columbia, March-June (received by Richard Johnston).
- 2016 **Visiting scholar** at the [Mannheim Centre for European Social Research \(MZES\)](#), University of Mannheim, September-December (received by Rüdiger Schmitt-Beck and Jan W. van Deth).
- 2013 **Student assistant** at the [Chair of Swiss and Comparative Politics](#), Department of Political Science, University of Zurich.
- 2012 – **Student assistant** at the [Chair of Comparative Politics](#), Department of Political Science, University of Zurich.
- 2012 – **Student assistant** at the [Chair of Medieval History](#), Department of History, University of Zurich.
- 2012 **Student assistant** in the project [The Politicization of Europe](#), led by Hanspeter Kriesi (European University Institute, Florence) and Edgar Grande (Ludwig Maximilian University Munich).

CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

- 2019 [SPSA Annual Conference 2019 & Dreiländertagung](#), ETH Zurich, February 14-16.
- 2018 [General Conference of the European Consortium of Political Research](#), University of Hamburg, August 22-25.
- 2018 [Annual Conference of the European Urban Research Association](#), University of Tilburg, June 21-23.
- 2018 [Annual Conference of the Swiss Political Science Association](#), University of Geneva, February 5-6.
- 2017 [Final Conference of the NCCR Democracy](#), University of Zurich, June 15-16.
- 2017 [Annual Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association](#), Chicago, April 6-9.
- 2017 [Annual Conference of the Swiss Political Science Association](#), University of St. Gallen, January 11-12.
- 2016 [3-Länder Tagung](#), University of Heidelberg, September 29-October 1.
- 2016 [General Conference of the European Consortium of Political Research](#), Charles University Prague, September 7-10.
- 2016 [IPSA World Congress of Political Science](#), Poznan, July 23-28.
- 2016 [Swiss Summer School in Democracy Studies](#), ETH Zurich, June 20-24.

- 2016 [Workshop on Multi-Level Governance, Decentralization and Regionalism](#), Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, June 8-9.
- 2015 [Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association](#), San Francisco, September 3-6.
- 2014 [General Conference of the European Consortium of Political Research](#), University of Glasgow, September 3-6.

AWARDS

- 2018 [Young Scholar Award](#) of the European Urban Research Association (1,000€ travel grant).

TEACHING

- 2015 – “Democratic Governance beyond the Nation State: Institutions, Communication, and Perceptions”, one-year research seminar for advanced Bachelor students, with Rebecca Welge [[Syllabus](#)].
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- 2015

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Reviewer for the [American Journal of Political Science](#), the [Swiss Political Science Review](#) and the [Urban Affairs Review](#).

Active member of the researchers' network and association DemocracyNet (www.democracynet.eu).

LANGUAGES

German (Native), English (Fluent), French (Good), Spanish (Intermediate).

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