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EXPERIENCE

WZB BERLIN SOCIAL SCIENCE CENTER | POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOW

September 2017 – Current | Berlin, Germany

- → Principal Investigator on 2 large data collection projects in Kampala, Uganda
- \rightarrow Led research assistants involved in data cleaning and analysis
- → Conducted statistical analyses based on secondary and original data
- → Taught quantitative methods classes/workshops at MA/PhD level: linear models, multilevel models, causal inference, structural equation models

SURVATION UK | CONSULTANT

May–June 2016 | London, United Kingdom

- → Statistical consultant on nationally-representative election survey
- → Performed administrative-electoral data merging, basic web scraping, and inferential/descriptive analyses of Brexit referendum voting intentions

PROJECTS

DESIGNING KAMPALA'S CITIZEN CHARTER | FIELD EXPERIMENT

2019-2022 | Kampala, Uganda

- → City-wide surveys (N = 2300) in 2019, 2020, and 2022, combined with a 2×3 factorial design randomizing their attendance to 188 consultative meetings across city and randomly supplying Charter information
- → Core involvement in all stages: grant writing, design (randomization), drafting pre-analysis plan, questionnaire development, enumerator training, fieldwork monitoring, data visualization, merging and statistical analyses

VULNERABILITY / TRUST IN COVID-19 TIMES | PANEL SURVEY

June-December 2020 | Kampala, Uganda

- \rightarrow 3-wave panel survey (N = 1800), including survey/conjoint experiments
- → Involved in grant writing, drafting pre-analysis plan, questionnaire development, enumerator training, and fieldwork monitoring

MULTILEVEL STRUCTURAL EQUATION MODELING | BOOK

2015-2018 | Sage Publications, QASS 179, 2019

- \rightarrow Co-author, lead on multilevel modeling section, and contributor for others
- → Set up empirical examples, produced equations for specifications, performed data analysis, and drafted chapters and sections

TRUE OECD VOTER | DATA MERGING & HARMONIZATION

2014-2019 | PhD project

- → Large harmonized and merged individual-level data set of publicly-available national election surveys from 33 countries, going back in time to the 1950s
- $\rightarrow\,$ Performed all survey harmonization and merging for 286 surveys

PUBLICATIONS

2022 Populist Parties' Impact on Political Interest 🗹

- 2021 COVID-19 Vaccine Acceptance & Hesitancy in LMICs I
- 2019 Multilevel Structural Equation Modeling 🗗

West Eur. Politics Nat. Med. Sage QASS # 179

SKILLS

PROGRAMMING

Data analysis:

R: dplyr, tidyr, broom, stringr, ggplot2, lme4, brms, lavaan, estimatr, DeclareDesign, Amelia • Python: statsmodels, plotnine, numpy, pyreadr • Stata

Data visualization: qGIS • Tableau • TikZ

Writing: IAT_EX• Markdown • Quarto

STATISTICAL EXPERTISE

Multilevel models • Structural Equation Models • Bayesian Analysis • GLMs

TOOLS/PLATFORMS

Git • SQL • Stan • Jekyll

LANGUAGES

Excellent: English (near native) • Romanian (native) Good: German (B2 in progress)

Beginner: Spanish (A2) • French (A1)

EDUCATION

CENTRAL EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY

PHD IN COMPARATIVE POLITICS Sep 2011 - Aug 2017 | Budapest, HUN Summa cum laude

HUMBOLDT-UNIVERSITÄT & ODTÜ

MA IN AREA STUDIES Sep 2009 - Jun 2011 | Berlin, GER & Ankara, TUR

CENTRAL EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY

MA IN POLITICAL SCIENCE Sep 2008 - Jun 2009 | Budapest, HUN

BABEŞ-BOLYAI UNIVERSITY

BA IN POLITICAL SCIENCE Sep 2004 - Jun 2008 | Cluj-Napoca, ROM Summa cum laude Study abroad: University of Arkansas (2006-2007)