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Research Interests

Algorithmic Selection, Environmental Politics, Fiscal Politics, (International) Political Economy, Political Consequences of Immigration, Sustainable Development

Languages

German (Native), Czech (Native), English (C2), French (B2), Russian (A2)

Academic Positions

08/2023-now Assistant Professor in Social Science Methodology,

Institute for Political Economy of Public Policy,

Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU)

07/2021-07/2023 Postdoctoral Researcher,

Group of International Political Economy, ETH Zurich Project: 'Environmental Footprint-Shifting Through

International Trade: Driving Forces and Policy

Options.' Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)

Grant No. 182235

06/2017-06/2021 Doctoral Candidate,

Center for Comparative and International Studies, ETH Zurich

Project: 'Impacts of Corporate Social Responsibility Initiatives on Citizen and Stakeholder Attitudes and

Behavior Towards a Green Economy.'

National Research Project 73 Sustainable Economy

Grant No. 172363

Working Papers

Political Budgeteering in Response to Demand Shocks: Local Fiscal Policies in Sweden Following the European Refugee Crisis and the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Structural Gaps and Rising Demand: The Uneven Impact of Migration on Healthcare Waiting Times in Sweden (with Thomas Plümper).

The Rise of Anti-Immigration Parties: Migration, Crime, and the Electoral Success of the Sweden Democrats (with Thomas Plümper).

Candidate and Student Selection with AI: How Robust Are Decisions? (with Thomas Plümper and Susanne Warning).

Can Al Increase the Consistency and Fairness in Asylum Procedures? (with Thomas Plümper).

Rethinking Response Methods in Conjoint-Experimental Designs (with E. Keith Smith).

Why 'Softer' Is Not Better: Re-Examining Costs and Support for Long-Term, Diffuse Public Goods Provision (with E. Keith Smith).

Does Self-Selection into Information Treatments Affect Inferences about Globalization Backlash? (with Robert Huber and Thomas Bernauer).

International Trade Agreements with Environmental Provisions Attract More Public Support Both in Higher and Lower-Income Countries (with Robert Huber and Thomas Bernauer).

Publications in Peer-Reviewed Journals

Voter Perceptions and the Politics of Hidden Costs in Unilateral Sustainable Supply Chain Regulations, *European Journal of Political Research*, forthcoming (2025) (with E. Keith Smith and Thomas Bernauer).

Protecting the Environment at Home or Abroad?, *Environmental Research Letters* 19 (2024) (with David Presberger and Thomas Bernauer).

Procedural Inclusiveness Can Mitigate Trust Challenges in Environmental Policymaking, *Journal of European Public Policy* (2024) (with Sarah Gomm, Robert Huber, E. Keith Smith, and Thomas Bernauer).

Stringent Sustainability Regulations for Global Supply Chains Are Supported Across Middle-Income Democracies, *Nature Communications* 10 (2024) (with E. Keith Smith and Thomas Bernauer).

Book Review: *Greening through Trade – How American Trade Policy Is Linked to Environmental Protection Abroad* by Sikina Jinnah and Jean-Frédéric Morin, *Environmental Politics* 32 (2023).

Public Demand for Extraterritorial Environmental and Social Public Goods Provision, *British Journal of Political Science* 53 (2023) (with Lukas Rudolph and Thomas Bernauer).

Greenwashing and Public Demand for Government Regulation, *Journal of Public Policy* 43 (2023).

Cross-National Public Acceptance of Sustainable Global Supply Chains Policy Instruments, *Nature Sustainability* 6 (2023) (with E. Keith Smith and Thomas Bernauer).

Do Citizens Provide Political Rewards to Firms Engaging in Voluntary Environmental Action?, *Journal of Cleaner Production* 279 (2021) (with Joachim Scholderer and Thomas Bernauer).

Citizen Preferences on Private-Public Co-Regulation in Environmental Governance: Evidence from Switzerland, *Global Environmental Change* 68 (2021) (with Lukas Rudolph and Thomas Bernauer).

Greening the Economy through Voluntary Private-Sector Initiatives or Government Regulation? A Public Opinion Perspective, *Environmental Science & Policy* 115 (2021) (with Thomas Bernauer).

Voluntary Business Initiatives Can Reduce Public Pressure for Regulating Firm Behavior Abroad, *Journal of European Public Policy* 28 (2021) (with Lukas Rudolph and Thomas Bernauer).

Does Trade Liberalization Lead to Environmental Burden-Shifting in the Global Economy?, *Ecological Economics* 163 (2019) (with Quynh Nguyen and Thomas Bernauer).

Award

11/2021 Silver Medal of ETH Zurich for Outstanding Doctoral Theses

Education

06/2017- 06/2021 Doctorate in Political Science, ETH Zurich

Thesis Title: 'Green Economy Politics',

Committee: Prof. Thomas Bernauer, Prof. Rachael Garrett

(University of Cambridge, former ETH Zurich),

Prof. David Konisky (Indiana University)

09/2015-05/2017 M.A. Comparative and International Studies, ETH Zurich

Thesis Advisor: Prof. Vassiliki Koubi (University of Bern)

09/2011-01/2015 B.A., Economics, University of St. Gallen