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## Education

Ph.D. Economics (Dr.rer.pol.), University of Freiburg, 2022

M.Phil. Economics and Finance, Bocconi University, 2017

M.Sc. Economics, University of Freiburg, 2016

B.Sc. Economics, University of Freiburg, 2012

## Current Position

Research and Teaching Assistant, Wilfried Guth Chair of Constitutional Political Economy and Competition Policy, Institute of Economics, University of Freiburg, September 2018–present

## Previous Positions

Teaching Assistant, University of Freiburg, Inst. of Economics, Chair of Statistics and Econometrics, April 2018–September 2018

Trainee Research Assistant, European Central Bank, Directorate General Research/Financial Research Division. November 2015–August 2016

Student Research Assistant, University of Freiburg, Inst. of Economics, Chair of Applied Econometrics. November 2011–September 2015

Teaching Assistant, University of Freiburg, Inst. of Economics, Chair of Economic Theory, April 2011–March 2014

## Research

### *Publications (refereed journals)*

“Mental health concerns during the COVID-19 pandemic as revealed by helpline calls”, with Marius Brühlhart, Rafael Lalive, and Stephanie Reich. *Nature* 600, 7887: 121–126 (2021), <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41586-021-04099-6>

“Class warfare: Political exclusion of the poor and the roots of social-revolutionary terrorism, 1860-1950”, with Tim Krieger and Daniel Meierrieks. *Defence and Peace Economics* 32, 6: 681–697 (2021), <https://doi.org/10.1080/10242694.2021.1940456>

### *Work in Progress & other publications*

“Young people’s mental and social distress in times of international crises: Evidence from helpline calls, 2019-2022”, with Marius Brühlhart and Rafael Lalive

“Lost in lockdown? COVID-19, social distancing, and mental health in Germany”, with Stephanie Armbruster. *Covid Economics, Vetted and Real-Time Papers* 22, May 2020.

## Teaching

### *University of Freiburg*

Philosophy of Economics (Seminar, Master, in English), Summer 2022  
Economics of the COVID-19 pandemic (Seminar, Master, in English), Summer 2021  
Economics of Artificial Intelligence (Seminar, Master, in English), Summer 2020  
Microeconomics (Tutorial, Bachelor, in German), Winter 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022  
Global Economic Governance (Tutorial, Master, in English), Summer 2019  
Law and Economics (Tutorial, Bachelor, in German), Summer 2019, 2021, 2022  
Economics of Conflict (Seminar and Stata software tutorial, Master, in English), Winter 2018  
Advanced Microeconomics/Game Theory (Tutorial, Master, in English), Summer 2018  
Intermediate Econometrics (Tutorial, Master, in English), Summer 2014  
Macroeconomics (Tutorial, Bachelor, in German), Summer 2011–Winter 2013

## Grants & Awards

2020-2021: Swiss National Science Foundation (NCCR LIVES – ‘Overcoming Vulnerability: Life Course Perspectives’), with Marius Brühlhart, Rafael Lalive, and Stephanie Reich.  
2016–2017: Bocconi University Scholarship  
2017: Friedrich-August-von-Hayek-Preis

## Conference & Seminar Presentations

2022: 38<sup>th</sup> Columbia University COVID-19 Virtual Symposium  
2021: Economics Brown Bag Seminar at the University of Würzburg, Germany  
2019: 19<sup>th</sup> Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference at the Institute of Social Studies in The Hague, Netherlands; 4<sup>th</sup> Workshop on Insights into Political Economy at the University of Bayreuth, Germany  
2018: 3<sup>rd</sup> Workshop on Insights into Political Economy at the Indiana University Europe Gateway in Berlin, Germany; 11<sup>th</sup> Beyond Basic Questions Workshop in Gengenbach, Germany  
2017: European Public Choice Society Annual Meeting at the Central European University in Budapest, Hungary