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## Current Position

Post-Doctoral Researcher (equivalent to Assistant Professor), Wilfried Guth Endowed Chair of Constitutional Political Economy and Competition Policy, Department of Economics, Faculty of Economics and Behavioral Sciences, University of Freiburg, September 2018–present.

## Previous Positions

Interim Professor for Econometrics and Statistics (W3), University of Freiburg, October 2019–March 2020.

Research and Teaching Assistant, Wilfried Guth Professor of Constitutional Political Economy and Competition Policy, Department of Economics, Faculty of Economics and Behavioral Sciences, University of Freiburg, March 2013–August 2018.

## Education

Ph.D. in Economics (Dr. rer. pol.), University of Freiburg, 2018, *summa cum laude*

M.Sc. Economics, University of Heidelberg, 2013

B.Sc. Business Administration and Economics, University of Tübingen, 2010

Exchange semester, Lund University, Sweden 2008

## Academic visits

Research visit, WomanStats Project, Brigham Young University, Provo, July 2015, invited by Valerie M. Hudson

Research visit, Ifo Institut, Ifo Center for the Economics of Education, May 2015, invited by Jens Ruhose

## Fields of Research Interest

International Migration, Economics of Conflict, Economic Policy, Political Economy, Institutional Economics, International Migration, Economics of Conflict, Development Economics, Applied Economics.

## Research

### *Journal Articles (refereed)*

- Krieger, T., L. Renner and J. Ruhose (2018). Long-Term Relatedness between Countries and International Migrant Selection. *Journal of International Economics* 113, pp. 35-54.
- Meierrieks, D. and L. Renner (2017). Stymied Ambition: Does a Lack of Economic Freedom Lead to Migration? *Journal of Population Economics* 30 (3), pp. 977-1005.

### *Book chapters*

- Krieger, T., Renner, L. and L. Schmid (2019). The Individual Level: Sorting Effects. In: Krieger, T., D. Panke, and M. Pregernic (Eds.): Environmental Conflicts, Migration, and Governance: Exploring Interdependencies. Bristol University Press, Bristol

### *Working Papers*

- Krieger, T., Renner, L. (2020). Polygyny, Inequality, and Social Unrest.
- Krieger, T., Renner, L. and L. Schmid (2019). Where do migrants from countries ridden by environmental conflict settle? On the scale, selection and sorting of conflict-induced migration.
- Krieger, T. and L. Renner (2018). A Cautionary Tale on Polygyny, Conflict and Gender Inequality.
- Krieger, T., L. Renner and J. Ruhose (2015). Genetic Distance and International Migrant Selection.

### *Ongoing projects, working titles*

The decision to flee: Analyzing gender-specific determinants of international refugee migration. (with Lena Schmid, University of Freiburg)

A 'Good Deal'? U.S. Military Aid and Refugee Flows to the United States. (with Eugen Dimant, University of Pennsylvania, Tim Krieger, University of Freiburg, and Daniel Meierrieks, WZB Social Science Center Berlin)

The Migration of Women Due to Imbalanced Marriage Market Sex Ratios: What is Known, What Remains to Be Known, and Why it Matters. (with Andrea Den Boer, University of Kent, and Valerie M. Hudson, Texas A&M University)

Local Institutions and Civil Conflict in India. (with Johannes Gallé, Ruhr-Universität Bochum).

### *Other Publications*

Krieger T. and L. Renner (2018). Verteilungsfolgen der Globalisierung als tiefere Ursache für den aktuellen Handelsstreit. *ifo Schnelldienst* 71 (11), pp. 25-27.

Meierrieks, D. and L. Renner (2016). Why do 16 percent of the world's adults dream of moving to another country permanently? *LSE Business Review*

### Grants & Awards

2019: Stipend of the CORA Coaching Women for Research and Academia Program of the University of Freiburg (worth 4.500 EUR)

2019: Friedrich-August-von-Hayek-Price 2019 for an outstanding dissertation in economics at the University of Freiburg

2018: Berta-Ottenstein-Prize of the University of Freiburg for outstanding achievements in the field of women's studies and gender research for the project "Polygyny and Conflict" (with Tim Krieger)

2018: DAAD travel grant ("Kongressreisenprogramm des DAAD")

2017: "The Economics of Migration: Perspectives on Family, Gender and Fertility", Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies (FRIAS) funding for a Junior Researcher Conference (with Daniel Meierrieks, Jens Ruhose and Susan Steiner)

2017: Travel grant of the Network of European Peace Scientists

2016: DAAD travel grant ("Vortragsreisenprogramm des DAAD"), European Economic Association Student Travel Award, Scholarship of the Bundesbank (through "Vortragsprämienprogramm des Vereins für Socialpolitik" (Association of German-Speaking Economists))

2014: Scholarship of the Bundesbank (through "Vortragsprämienprogramm des Vereins für Socialpolitik" (Association of German-Speaking Economists))

### Network Affiliations and Professional Memberships

Gender Consultant in the Gender Consultants Pool of the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development and the Deutsche Gesellschaft fuer Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH 2016-present

Co-Principal Investigator WomanStats Project, 2018–present.

Affiliate WomanStats Project, 2015-2018.

Verein für Socialpolitik (Association of German-Speaking Economists), 2013–present.  
European Economic Association, 2014–present.  
Network of European Peace Scientists 2017–present  
Global Labor Organization (GLO) Fellow 2019–present

## Teaching

### *University of Freiburg*

Consumer Economics (Lecture, Bachelor, in German: “Verbraucherpolitik”), Winter 2015/2016, Winter 2017/2018, Winter 2018/2019, Winter 2019/2020, Winter 2020/2021.  
Empirical Research Seminar in Institutional Economics: The Economics of Conflict (Seminar, Master, in English) Winter 2018/2019, Winter 2019/2020, Winter 2020/2021.  
Migration Economics (Lecture, Master, in English) Summer 2019, Summer 2020.  
Research Colloquium on Migration Empirics (Seminar, Reading Course, Master, in English) Summer 2018, Summer 2020.  
Econometrics (Lecture, Bachelor, in German), Winter 2019/2020.  
Law and Economics (Tutorial, Bachelor), Summer 2017, Summer 2018  
The Economics of Freedom (Seminar/Reading Course, Master, in English), Summer 2017  
Global Economic Governance (Tutorial, Master, in English), Winter 2017/2018, Winter 2016/2017, Winter 2015/2016 Winter 2014/15, Winter 2013/14.  
The Economics of International Migration (Seminar, Master, in English), Winter 2016/2017.  
The Economics of Marriage Institutions (Seminar, Master, in English), Winter 2015/2016, Summer 2019.  
New Systems Competition (Tutorial, Master, in English), Summer 2013.

### *Aalen University, University of Applied Science*

Introduction to Economics (Lecture, Bachelor, in German “Grundlagen der Volkswirtschaftslehre”), Summer 2014, Summer 2015.

### *Baden-Wuerttemberg Cooperative State University (Duale Hochschule Baden-Württemberg), Lörrach*

Introduction to Economics (Lecture, Bachelor, in German “Grundlagen der Volkswirtschaftslehre”), Winter 2016/2017.

## Conference and Seminar Presentations, Knowledge Transfer

*2020:*

*Conferences:* International Conference on "The Political Economy of Democracy and Dictatorship", University of Muenster, Germany; Jahrestagung des Vereins für Socialpolitik (online).

*Seminars:* GIGA Seminar for Socio-Economics, Hamburg; Junior Migration Seminar (online), ZEW Zentrum für Europäische Wirtschaftsforschung

*Knowledge Transfer:* Talk at the anniversary event of the Freiburg branch of Zonta International

*2019:*

*Conferences:* Annual International Conference of the Research Group on Development Economics, Berlin, Germany; Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference, The Hague, Netherlands; Workshop on Insights into Political Economy, Bayreuth, Germany; Annual Conference of the European Economic Association, Manchester, UK

*Seminars:* RWI Research Seminar, Essen, Germany; WZB Berlin Social Science Center, Berlin, Germany.

*2018:*

*Conferences:* Annual Conference of the International Studies Association, San Francisco, US Workshop on Insights into Political Economy, Indiana University Gateway Center Berlin, Germany.

*Knowledge Transfer:* Science Slam, Wissenschaftliche Gesellschaft, Freiburg

*2017:*

*Conferences:* Global Society Workshop on Gender and Security, University of Kent, Canterbury, UK; International Conference on "The Political Economy of Democracy and Dictatorship", University of Muenster, Germany; Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference, University of Antwerp, Belgium; Workshop on Insights into Political Economy, Indiana University Gateway Center Berlin, Germany.

*Seminar:* Faculty colloquium, Technische Universität Dresden, Germany.

*2016:*

*Conferences:* Annual Meeting of the European Public Choice Society, Freiburg, Germany; WomanStats Project Summer Meeting, Provo, US; Annual Conference of the European Economic Association (EEA), Geneva, Switzerland; Jahrestagung des Vereins für Socialpolitik, Augsburg, Germany.

*Seminar:* ALMA Research Series, Arnold-Bergstraesser-Institut Freiburg (ABI), Freiburg, Germany

*Knowledge Transfer:* "Recht, Freiheit und Wohlstand von Frauen im weltweiten Vergleich. Ein Überblick über das WomanStats Projekt und internationale Daten." Themenabend am Internationalen Frauentag, Schwäbisch Gmünd, eingeladen von der Frauenbeauftragten der Stadt Schwäbisch Gmünd, dem Frauenforum, Frauen helfen Frauen e.V., Global Order Project Conference 2016, Freiburg, Germany: "The Economics of Diversity"

2015:

*Conferences:* Workshop on Migration Barriers, Friedrich-Schiller-University Jena, Germany.

2014:

*Conferences:* Annual Conference of the European Association of Labour Economists, Ljubljana, Slovenia; Jahrestagung des Vereins für Socialpolitik, Hamburg, Germany; Annual Conference of the European Economic Association (EEA), Toulouse, France; Annual Conference of the European Society for Population Economics, Braga, Portugal; EGIT - Economic Geography and International Trade Research Meeting, Munich, Germany.

2013:

*Conferences:* ZEW Summer Workshop “Current Fiscal Policy Challenges in Europe”, Mannheim, Germany; Finanzwissenschaftliches Forschungsseminar, Munich, Germany.

## Professional Activities

### *Reviewer for:*

Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Population Economics, Economic Inquiry, The B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy, International Migration Review, Research & Politics.

### *Departmental and University Service:*

Reviewer for the IGA Travel Scholarships of the University of Freiburg since 2020.

Faculty Council (Faculty of Economics and Behavioral Sciences, University of Freiburg), elected Vice-Speaker for Doctoral Students and Post-Doctoral Researchers since 2019.

Committee of Student Affairs, University of Freiburg, since 2018.

Member of Recruiting Committee for a Full Professorship in Economic Policy in particular Competition Economics (University of Freiburg, 2018-2019).

Member of Recruiting Committee for a Full Professorship in Econometrics and Statistics (University of Freiburg, 2016).

Coordinator of Research Seminar (Verein der Freiburger Wirtschaftswissenschaftler e.V., Department of Economics, University of Freiburg, 2014).

### *Organization of Conferences and Workshops:*

FRIAS Junior Researcher Conference “The Economics of Migration: Perspectives on Family, Gender and Fertility”, lead organizer (with Daniel Meierrieks, WZB Berlin; Jens Ruhose, University of Kiel; Susan Steiner, Center for Evaluation and Development)

## Summer Schools and Courses

*2017-2019:* Fit for teaching (German “Fit für die Lehre”), University of Freiburg

*2015:* Kiel Institute’s Advanced Studies Program “Globalisation and Labour” taught by Gordon Hanson, Kiel, Germany.

*2013:* Summer School “New Developments in Panel Data Methods” taught by Jeffrey M. Wooldridge, Mainz, Germany.

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