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EDUCATION	
10/2014 -	Graduate School of Decision Sciences, University of Konstanz Germany
10/2018	PhD Student, Thesis: "Disentangling Endogenous Dynamics in Turnout and Vote Choice"
02/2017 -	University of Konstanz, Germany
12/2017	Associated Doctoral Fellow at the "Zukunftskolleg"
08/2016 -	Duke University, North Carolina, USA
12/2016	DFG-funded Visiting PhD Student, Host: Prof. Dr. D. Sunshine Hillygus (Dep. of Political Science and Duke Initiative on Survey Methodology)
10/2012 -	University of Konstanz, Germany
10/2014	MA in Politics and Public Administration Thesis: "Development of a Polytomous Unfolding IRT Model for the Simultaneous Estimation of Ideological Space and Valence Factors from Feeling Thermometers"
09/2013 -	Universitat Pompeu Fabra Barcelona, Spain
03/2014	Erasmus student
10/2008 -	University of Konstanz, Germany
03/2012	BA in Politics and Public Administration; Bachelor thesis: "On Validity of the Measurement of Postmaterialism and Materialism - An Assessment of the Inglehart Instrument Using Latent Class Analysis for Ranking and Ratings"
08/1998 -	Grammar School "Georg Friedrich Händel" Berlin, Germany
07/2008	Abitur ; core elective courses: Mathematics and Music
08/2005 -	Jesuit grammar school in Vilnius, Lithuania
07/2006	exchange student

PROFESSIONAL & ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE		
11/2018 -	Post-Doctoral Researcher at University of Geneva, ERC project "Unequal	
present	Democracies" (Prof. Dr. Jonas Pontusson)	
07/2017	University of Konstanz, Germany Co-organization of international research workshop: "New Developments in Spatial Models of Party Competition"	
03/2015 -	University of Kostanz, Germany	
05/2016	Organizer of international research symposium: "Exploring Ignorance: The Acquisition, Selection and Processing of Information" (Keynote Spearkers: Prof. Dr. Gerd Gigerenzer and Prof. Dr. Arthur Lupia) Conceptualization & Funding Application, Budget & Event Planning, Participant Acquisition of around 80 participants world-wide	
04/2016 -	University of Konstanz, Germany	
07/2016	MA Lecture "Research Design II: Statistical Modelling and Inference in Quantitative Research" (Dr. Michael Herrmann) Teaching Assistant, Preparation of repetition exercises & weekly teaching of statistical programming	
04/2015 -	University of Konstanz, Germany	
12/2015	Project: "The Local Organization of Labor and Democratic Representation in the New Century" (Prof. Michael Becher & Prof. Daniel Stegmüller (Duke University)) Research Assistant for Database Creation, Management, Linkage & Checking	
10/2014 -	University of Konstanz, Germany	
02/2015	MA Lecture "Research Design I" (Prof. Peter Selb) Teaching Assistant, Preparation of exercise sheets & weekly repetition of course topics	
09/2012 -	University of Konstanz, Germany	
10/2014	Chair of Political Methodology (Prof. Susumu Shikano) Research assistant with programming & estimation tasks for research projects; administrative duties at the chair	

05/2012 - 08/2012	"Socio-economic Panel Study" at "Deutsches Institut für Wirtschaftsforschung" Berlin Research Internship: Estimation of Non-Response weights for newly sampled respondents; assistance for various research projects
10/2010 -	University of Konstanz, Germany
07/2013	Student Representative at "Rectorate Committee on Curricular Affairs and Professional Development (ALW)"
	allocation of university funds for teaching projects & staffing; monitoring of university-wide teaching quality and design of initiatives encouraging innovative & high-quality teaching methods, conceptualization & implementation of the Students' Teaching Award "LUKS" for outstanding teaching achievements
03/2010 - 08/2010	German-Baltic Chamber of Commerce in Vilnius, Lithuania Intern for implementation of market entry projects, consulting activities, event management for PR and stakeholder events, customer relationship management, administrative duties
1st terms 2009-2012	University of Konstanz, Germany BA Lecture "Empirical Resarch Methods" (Prof. Susumu Shikano) Teaching Assistant: Preparation of exercise sheets & weekly discussion
2nd Terms 2011/2013	University of Konstanz, Germany BA Lecture "Statistics I" (Prof. Susumu Shikano): Teaching Assistant Preparation of exercise sheets & weekly discussion

AWARDS & C	GRANTS
10/2016	University of Konstanz's "Manfred-Ulmer"-Fellowship 2016: 6000 Euro
08/2016	DFG Foreign Allowance: 5456 Euro for 4-month Research Stay at Duke University, North Carolina, USA
12/2015	Winner of the 2015 GSDS Science Slam presentation: "Monkeys, Addicts and Voters - Natural Siblings?"

SKILLS & ACTIVITIES

Languages German: native

English: fluent (written & spoken, TOEFL 2014: 119/120)

Lithuanian: fluent (written & spoken)

French: basic knowledge Catalan: basic knowledge

Software Microsoft Office, R, Stata, Matlab, Stan, LATEX, JAGS, WinBUGS, Python

JOURNAL ARTICLES

2018 Local Union Organization and Law Making in the US Congress. The

Journal of Politics, 80(2), p.539–554. (with Michael Becher and Daniel

Stegmueller)

ARTICLES IN EDITED BOOKS

Valenz im ideologischen Parteienwettbewerb während des Bundestagswahl-

kampfes 2013. Harald Schoen and Berhnard Weßels (eds.). Wahlen und Wähler. Analysen aus Anlass der Bundestagswahl 2013, Springer-VS. (with

Susumu Shikano)

2016 Der kausale Effekt der Wahlbeteiligung auf das politische Interesse von

Erstwählern. Harald Schoen and Berhnard Weßels (eds.). Wahlen und Wähler. Analysen aus Anlass der Bundestagswahl 2013, Springer-VS. (with

Martin Kroh)

CONFERENCE PAPERS & TECHNICAL REPORTS 2018 Aspirations, System Performance and Vote Choice: A Unified Approach to Habitual and Volatile Voters Paper prepared for the 2018 annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago 5-8 April 2017Habituation or Adaptation in Multilevel Turnout Dynamics? Applying Longitudinal Item-Response Models to Voter File Data Paper prepared for the 2017 annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago 6-9 April & European Political Science Association 2017 Conference, Milan June 22-24 (with Susumu Shikano) 2016 Assessing Habitual and Adaptive Endogenous Dynamics in Voting An Analysis of Individual Turnout Trajectories using Dynamic Panel Estimators in Real-World Elections Paper prepared for the 2016 annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago 7-10 April 2015Voting heuristics and informational spillover across electoral arenas in the UK - Vote Switching in Scottish Parliament elections as a function of Westminster results. Paper prepared for the 2015 annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago 16-19 April & European Political Science Association 2015 Conference, Vienna 25-27 June 2015 Development of a Polytomous Unfolding IRT Model for the Simultaneous Estimation of Ideological Space and Valence Factors from Feeling Thermometers. Paper prepared for the 2015 annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago 16-19 April (with Susumu Shikano)

2014

Sampling, Nonresponse, and Weighting in the 2011 and 2012 Refreshment Samples J and K of the Socio-Economic Panel. SOEP Survey Papers 260: Series C - Data Documentations. (with Martin Kroh and Simon Kühne)