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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

*Department of Philosophy, Politics, and Economics,
Witten/Herdecke University, Germany*

Professor of International Political Studies Oct. 2020 -

Visiting Professor of International Political Studies 2017 - 2018

Department of Government, University of Essex, UK

Senior Lecturer 2019 - 2020

Department of Politics, University of Exeter, UK

Lecturer 2015 - 2019

Humanities and Social Science Research Fellow 2015 - 2017

Political Science Department, University of Pennsylvania, US

Penn Postdoctoral Fellow Sep-Dec 2016

International Conflict Research Group, ETH Zürich, Switzerland

Post-Doctoral Researcher 2014 - 2015

AFFILIATIONS

Identity & Conflict Lab, University of Pennsylvania, US 2017 - present

EDUCATION

ETH Zürich, Switzerland

Ph.D., Political Science 2010 - 2014

M.A., Comparative and International Studies 2008 - 2010

Jacobs University Bremen, Germany

B.A., Integrated Social Sciences 2005 - 2008

- Bormann, Nils-Christian & Matt Golder (2022). "Democratic Electoral Systems around the world, 1946-2020." *Electoral Studies*. Online First.
- Müller-Crepon, Carl, Yannick Pengl & Nils-Christian Bormann (2022). "Linking Ethnic Data from Africa." *Journal of Peace Research* 59(3):425-435 [www](#)
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- Wucherpfennig, Julian, Aya Kachi, Nils-Christian Bormann & Philipp Hunziker (2021). "A Fast Estimator for Binary Choice Models with Spatial, Temporal, and Spatio-Temporal Interdependence." *Political Analysis*. 29(4):570-576 [www](#)
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- Bolleyer, Nicole, Felix-Christopher von Nostitz & Nils-Christian Bormann (2019). "Judicial Decision-Making within Political Parties: A Political Approach." *Party Politics* 25(5):724-735. [www](#)
- Bormann, Nils-Christian & Burcu Savun (2018). "Reputation, Concessions, and Territorial Civil War: Do Ethnic Dominoes Fall, or Don't They?" *Journal of Peace Research*. 55(5):671-686. [www](#)
- Bormann, Nils-Christian, Lars-Erik Cederman, and Manuel Vogt (2017). "Language, Religion, and Ethnic Civil War" *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 61(4):744-771. [www](#)
- Bormann, Nils-Christian & Jesse Hammond (2016). "A Slippery Slope – The Domestic Diffusion of Ethnic Civil War" *International Studies Quarterly* 60(4):587-598. [www](#)
- Bormann, Nils-Christian & Thomas Winzen (2016). "Contingent Learning: The Diffusion of Parliamentary Oversight Institutions in the EU" *European Journal of Political Research* 55(3):589-608. [www](#)
- Cederman, Lars-Erik, Nils Weidmann, and Nils-Christian Bormann (2015). "Triangulating Horizontal Inequality: Toward Improved Conflict Analysis." *Journal of Peace Research* 52(6):806-821. [www](#)
- Vogt, Manuel, Nils-Christian Bormann, Lars-Erik Cederman, Philipp Hunziker & Seraina Rüegger (2015). "The Ethnic Power Relations Dataset: Integrating Data on Ethnicity, Geography, and Conflict." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 59(7):1327-1342. [www](#)

Bormann, Nils-Christian & Matt Golder. (2013) "Electoral Systems Around the World: 1946-2011." *Electoral Studies* 32(2):360-369. [www](#)

Bormann, Nils-Christian. (2010) "Patterns of Democracy and Its Critics." *Living Reviews in Democracy* 2. [www](#)

BOOK
CHAPTERS

Bormann, Nils-Christian (2017). "Ethnic Power-Sharing Coalitions and Democratization." In A. McCulloch & J. McGarry (Eds.) *Power Sharing: Empirical and Normative Challenges*. Routledge: London, UK. [www](#)

Vogt, Manuel, Nils-Christian Bormann & Lars-Erik Cederman (2016). "Democracy, Ethnic Exclusion, and Civil Conflict: The Arab Spring Revolutions from a Global Comparative Perspective." In D. A. Backer & R. Bhavnani (Eds.) *Peace and Conflict*. Routledge: London, UK. [www](#)

Bormann, Nils-Christian, Manuel Vogt & Lars-Erik Cederman (2012). "Der Arabische Frühling und die Bestimmung der demokratischen Gemeinschaft." In Andreas Auer (Ed.) *Demokratisierung im arabischen Raum*. Zentrum für Demokratie in Aarau, Switzerland.

NON-PEER
REVIEWED

Bormann, Nils-Christian & Ibrahim Elbadawi (2021). "The Juba Power-Sharing Peace Agreement: Will It Promote Peace and Democratic Transition in Sudan?" *Economic Research Forum Working Papers Series* No.1490. [www](#)

Bormann, Nils-Christian, Adina Pintilie & Jack N. Smith (Fall 2017). "Democratic Electoral Systems Around the World, 1946-2016." *Newsletter for APSA's Comparative Politics Section*. 27(2). [www](#)

Bormann, Nils-Christian, Manuel Vogt & Lars-Erik Cederman (Spring 2015). "Introducing the Ethnic Power Relations Data Family." *Newsletter for APSA's Comparative Politics Section*. 25(1). [www](#)

MANUSCRIPTS

Bormann, Nils-Christian (2022). "Government Formation in Interwar Europe: New Data and Analysis."

Bormann, Nils-Christian & Simon Hug (2022). "Probing PR: Does proportional representation induce ethnic power sharing?"

Bormann, Nils-Christian & Ibrahim Elbadawi (2021). "The Juba Power-Sharing Peace Agreement: Will It Promote Peace and Democratic Transition in Sudan?" Under Review.

Bormann, Nils-Christian & Martin Steinwand (2021). "Power-Sharing Coalitions and Ethnic Civil War." Under Review. [www](#)

Bormann, Nils-Christian, Nicholas Sambanis, Mark Toukan (2020). "Outside Options: External Intervention and the Stability of Territorial Autonomy Agreements after Civil War." Under Review.

Hunziker, Philipp, Julian Wucherpfennig, Aya Kachi, & Nils-Christian Bormann (2018). "A Scalable MCEM Estimator for Spatio-Temporal Autoregressive Models." www

HONORS &
GRANTS

European Research Council

ERC Starting Grant
"Democracy, Anger & Elite Responses" (DANGER) 2020

The Politics of Inequality Cluster of Excellence, University of Konstanz

Senior Fellowship 2020

AHRC/ESRC Partnership for Conflict, Crime & Security Research

Interdisciplinary Research Innovation Award on
Conflict and International Development 2016

University of Exeter

Humanities and Social Science Research Fellowship 2015 - 2017

International Studies Association

Dina Zinnes Award 2014

NCCR Democracy

Living Reviews in Democracy Best Paper Award 2013

Swiss National Science Foundation

Fellowship for Young Researchers
Six-months stay at the University of Pittsburgh 2012

German Fulbright Commission

One-Year Scholarship
Declined 2010

TEACHING
(FULL COURSES)

Universität Witten-Herdecke, Germany

International Politics I (BA)	Fall 2017, 2020 & 2021, Spring 2021
Fundamentals of International Relations (MA)	Fall 2017, Spring 2021
Globalization and Global Governance (MA)	Fall 2017, 2020 & 2021
Governing the Globe – Key Issues (MA)	Fall 2017, 2020 & 2021
International Politics II (BA)	Spring 2018, Fall 2020 & 2021
Networks and Power Relationships (MA)	Spring 2018
Comparative Analyses of Foreign Policies (MA)	Spring 2018 & 2021
International Security (MA)	Spring 2016 & 2018, Fall 2021
War Experiences of Refugees (MA)	Spring 2016 & Fall 2017

University of Essex, UK

International Relations – Theories and Approaches (BA)	Fall 2019
International Negotiation (BA/MA)	Fall 2019

University of Exeter, UK

The Logic of Democracies & Dictatorships (BA)	Fall 2018
Understanding Civil Wars (BA)	2018-19
State & Society (BA)	Spring 2017
Strategic Theory and Conflict (BA)	2015, 2017, 2019

ETH Zürich, Switzerland

The Politics of Coalitions (MA)	Spring 2015
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*University of Applied Sciences in Business Administration Zürich,
Switzerland*

Quantitative and Qualitative Research Methods	Spring 2014
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TEACHING
(SHORT
COURSES)

Witten/Herdecke University, Germany

Introduction to R and Data Management (BA/MA)	Fall 2021
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German Institute of Global and Area Studies, Germany

Introduction to R and Data Management (MA)	2018
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University of Pennsylvania, United States

Introduction to R and Geographic Information Systems (MA)	2016
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ETH Zürich, Switzerland

Lectures on Inter- & Intrastate Conflict (BA) 2010–2013

University of Pittsburgh, United States

Introduction to R and Geographic Information Systems (MA) 2012

Lectures on Ethnic Politics and Civil War (BA) 2012

SUPERVISION

Universität Witten-Herdecke, Germany

BA Theses: 6 Since 2017

MA Theses: 4 Since 2017

PhD Supervision: 2 Since 2021

University of Exeter, UK

BA Theses: 34 2015–2019

MA Theses: 15 2015–2019

PhD Upgrades: 2 2019

POLICY &
PUBLIC
ENGAGEMENT

Policy Reports

Research cited in *World Bank* Report “Pathways for Peace: Inclusive Approaches to Preventing Violent Conflict” 2018

Blog articles

Economic Research Forum

“The Juba Peace Agreement” 2021

Political Violence at A Glance

“Three Questions and Answers About the Civil War in Ethiopia” 2021

“Will Civil War in Ethiopia Spread?” 2020

“The Prevention of Civil War – A New Research Agenda” 2019

Oxford Research Group

“A Slippery Slope? Armed Conflict Diffusion Within States” 2017

“Language, Religion and Ethnic Civil Wars” 2016

INVITED TALKS	Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin (WZB)	2022
	University of Duisburg-Essen	2019
	University of Birmingham	2018
	University of North Texas	2018
	London School of Economics	2018
	Oxford University	2017
	Duke University	2016
	University College Dublin	2016
	Universität Witten Herdecke	2015
	University of Konstanz	2013, 2019, 2021
	University of California, Davis	2012
	Pennsylvania State University	2012

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS	American Political Science Association (APSA)	2013-2014, 2016–2020, 2022
	ECPR Joint Sessions	2011, 2015, 2017
	European Political Science Association (EPSA)	2011, 2013 - 2018, 2022
	International Studies Association (ISA)	2013–2016, 2018, 2022
	Mid-Western Political Science Association (MPSA)	2012, 2017
	Peace Science Society (Europe)	2018
	Peace Science Society (International)	2012–2014, 2016
	Political Economy of Democracy & Dictatorship	2018, 2022
	Political Economy of International Organizations	2017
	Swiss Political Science Association	2013

SERVICE

Profession

Editorial Board Member: *International Interactions* 2019-2022

Manuscript Reviewer: *American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, British Journal of Political Science, Comparative Political Studies, Conflict Management and Peace Science, Electoral Studies, European Journal of Political Research, European Union Politics, International Studies Quarterly, International Studies Review, Journal of Conflict Research, Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties, Journal of Peace Research, Journal of Politics, Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics, Oxford University Press, Perspectives on Politics, Political Geography, Political Science Research and Methods, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, Publius – The Journal of Federalism, Research and Politics, World Politics*

University

Vice-Dean of Research, Faculty of Economics & Society
Witten/Herdecke University 2021-

Director of Studies, BA in Philosophy, Politics & Economics
Witten/Herdecke University 2021-

Member of three search committees, leading one
Faculty of Economics & Society, Witten/Herdecke University 2020-2022

Member of reaccreditation committee, BA in Philosophy, Politics & Economics, Witten/Herdecke University	2020-2022
Exam officer, University of Exeter	2018-2019
Student recruitment at open days, University of Exeter	2015-2019
Convenor of speaker series “New Approaches to Conflict Research”, University of Exeter	2015-2016

MEMBERSHIP Arbeitskreis Friedens- & Konfliktforschung
American Political Science Association
European Political Science Association
Peace Science Society (International)

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