

CURRICULUM VITAE

PERSONAL DETAILS

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Inequality
Environmental Policies
Political Economy
Climate Change
International Cooperation
Political Participation
Contentious Politics
Populism
Voting
Gender

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 01/2026 to present **ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT
of Environment and Development**
University of Basel
- 02/2024 to 12/2025 **POST-DOCTORAL RESEARCHER AT THE CHAIR OF INTERNATIONAL
POLITICS - GLOBAL INEQUALITIES**
Professor Gabriele Spilker, University of Konstanz
- 02/2024 to 12/2025 **POST-DOCTORAL RESEARCHER FOR THE PROJECT
„Climate inequalities in the Global South: from perceptions to protest“**
funded by the Cluster of Excellence “The Politics of Inequality”
University of Konstanz
- 02/2023-04/2024 **EXTERNAL PRE-DOCTORAL RESEARCHER AT THE WORKING GROUP OF
PROFESSOR DR. HALVARD BUHAUG**
Peace Research Institute Oslo
- 06/2022 to 01/2024 **PRE-DOCTORAL RESEARCHER FOR THE PROJECT
„Climate inequalities in the Global South: from perceptions to protest“**
funded by the Cluster of Excellence “The Politics of Inequality”
University of Konstanz
- 11/2021 to 01/2024 **PRE-DOCTORAL RESEARCHER AT THE CHAIR OF INTERNATIONAL
POLITICS - GLOBAL INEQUALITIES**
Professor Gabriele Spilker, University of Konstanz
- 10/2020 to 10/2021 **PRE-DOCTORAL RESEARCHER AT THE CHAIR OF EMPIRICAL RESEARCH
METHODS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE**
Professor Gabriele Spilker, University of Salzburg
- 10/2020 to 12/2023 **PRE-DOCTORAL RESEARCHER FOR THE PROJECT „Investigating Climate
Justice Preferences for Financing Instruments for Loss and Damage“**
funded by the Austrian Climate and Energy Fund
University of Salzburg
- 03/2020 – 09/2020 **GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT FOR THE PROJECT
“Making Tomorrow’s Leaders: Youth Movements of Right-Wing Populist
Parties”** funded by the Swedish Research Council
University of Salzburg
- 03/2019 – 09/2020 **GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT FOR THE HORIZON 2020 PROJECT
“Populism and Civic engagement”**
Professor Reinhard Heinisch, University of Salzburg
- 03/2018 – 02/2019 **RESEARCH ASSISTANT TO THE CHAIR OF COMPARATIVE POLITICS**
Professor Jessica Fortin-Rittberger, University of Salzburg

PUBLICATIONS

Published Papers

Hänze, Niklas, and Viktoria Jansesberger. 2026. Does climate adaptation aid reach those most in need? Sub-national evidence from Philippine provinces. *Political Geography* 125: 103450

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.polgeo.2025.103450>

Jansesberger, Viktoria. 2026. Storms, floods, landslides and elections in India's growing metropolises: Hotbeds for political protest? *Conflict Management and Peace Science* 07388942251409933

<https://doi.org/10.1177/07388942251409933>

Jansesberger, Viktoria, and Zoe Lefkofridi. 2025. Gender, politics, and the market: evidence from Finland. *European Journal of Politics and Gender* 1-25.

<https://doi.org/10.1332/25151088Y2024D000000069>

Bottner, Florian, Viktoria Jansesberger, Markus Ohndorf, Gabriele Spilker, and Robert Steiger. 2025. What the new loss and damage fund needs for public approval: choice experimental evidence from Austria. *Climatic Change* 178(1): 1-24.

<https://doi.org/10.1007/s10584-024-03843-x>

Jansesberger, Viktoria. 2024. Sudden weather disasters as triggers for ethnic protest in autocracies? *Political Geography* 113: 103163.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.polgeo.2024.103163>

Rhein, Susanne, and Viktoria Jansesberger. 2024. Does drought exposure erode trust in the political system in Sub-Saharan Africa? *Climatic Change* 177(7): 114.

<https://doi.org/10.1007/s10584-024-03768-5>

Jansesberger, Viktoria, and Susanne Rhein. 2024. Different perspectives on democracy as an explanation for the "Populist Radical Right Gender Gap"?

Politics and Governance 12. <https://doi.org/10.17645/pag.8579>

Heinisch, Reinhard, and Viktoria Jansesberger. 2024. Lacking control—analysing the demand side of populist party support. *European Politics and Society* 25(2): 266-285.

<https://doi.org/10.1080/23745118.2022.2150027>

Heinisch, Reinhard, and Viktoria Jansesberger. 2023. Does ethno-territorial identity matter in populist party support? Evidence on the demand-side from 19 populist radical right and populist radical left national and regionalist parties.

European Politics and Society 24(2): 213-233.

<https://doi.org/10.1080/23745118.2021.1976577>

Habersack, Fabian, Viktoria Jansesberger, Reinhard Heinisch, and Armin Mühlböck. 2023. Perceived deprivation and voter turnout in Austria: Do views on social inequality moderate the deprivation—abstention nexus? *Political Studies* 71(4): 1006-1024.

<https://doi.org/10.1177/003232172111052758>

Jansesberger, Viktoria, Zoe Lefkofridi, and Armin Mühlböck. 2021. Electoral support for FPÖ in regional and national arenas: Different levels of government,

same causality? *Regional & Federal Studies* 31(3): 337-358.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/13597566.2021.1928087>

Book chapters in edited volumes

Jansesberger, Viktoria and Gabriele Spilker. 2023. Die außenpolitische Dimension der österreichischen Umwelt- und Klimapolitik: Österreichs Handeln im Kontext steigender internationaler Kooperation. In Martin Senn, Franz Eder, and Markus Kornprobst (eds.): *Handbuch zur Außenpolitik Österreichs*.
<https://library.oapen.org/bitstream/handle/20.500.12657/59359/1/978-3-658-37274-3.pdf#page=359>

Dolezal, Martin and Viktoria Jansesberger. 2020. Im Schatten der Bundespolitik: Die Nationalratswahl 2019 in Salzburg. In Christian Dirninger, Reinhard Heinisch, Robert Kriechbaumer, and Franz Wieser (eds.): *Salzburger Jahrbuch für Politik*. Wien: Böhlau: 64-92.

Working papers

Voices of change in the Global South: Understanding the dynamics of environmental protest (with Rebecca Strauch, Sebastian Koos, and Gabriele Spilker) [doi:10.48787/kops/352-2-1ween35c8fd7z6](https://doi.org/10.48787/kops/352-2-1ween35c8fd7z6)

Unearthing discontent: Mining ownership, extraction, and socio-environmental protest in Peru (with Patrick Wagner and Gabriele Spilker)

Silencing dissent in the wake of catastrophe? An examination of the repression dynamics following rapid-onset climate disasters (with Gabriele Spilker)
<https://doi.org/10.48787/kops/352-2-47tni498yq962>

Where and when to speak out: A research note on the spatial and temporal dynamics of disaster induced protest

Jobs, cash, or community: Experimental evidence on compensation and acceptance of environmental harm (with Gabriele Spilker and Aldo Madariaga)

Is environmental protest an effective response to environmental inequality? Survey experimental evidence from Chile and South Africa on the role of deservingness, disruption, and legitimacy (with Summer Isaacson, Sebastian Koos, and Gabriele Spilker)

Localized disparities in climate finance: The sub-national allocation of World Bank mitigation and adaptation aid in least developed countries (with Niklas Hänze and Gabriele Spilker)

Beyond brown jobs: Heterogeneity among green transition stakeholders, family networks, and radical right support (with Susanne Rhein and Sophia Stutzmann)

EDUCATION

- 11/2021 to 02/2024 **PHD PROGRAM: "GRADUATE SCHOOL OF THE SOCIAL AND BEHAVIOURAL SCIENCES"**
University of Konstanz

PhD Thesis: "Protest and Repression Dynamics in Disastrous Times"
1st Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Gabriele Spilker, University of Konstanz
2nd Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Nils Weidmann, University of Konstanz
3rd Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Halvard Buhaug, Peace Research Institute Oslo
- 10/2020 to 10/2021 **PHD PROGRAM: POLITICAL SCIENCE**
University of Salzburg
- 10/2018 – 04/2020 **MA PROGRAM: POLITICAL SCIENCE**
University of Salzburg
- 10/2016 – 09/2018 **BA PROGRAM: POLITICAL SCIENCE**
University of Salzburg

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 02/2026 to 05/2026 **PRINCIPAL INSTRUCTOR OF THE BACHELOR'S LEVEL COURSE "Understanding Climate Inequalities in the Global South"**
University of Basel
- 02/2026 to 05/2026 **PRINCIPAL INSTRUCTOR OF THE MASTER'S LEVEL COURSE "The Political Economy of "Natural" Disasters in the Global South"**
University of Basel
- 02/2025 to 05/2025 **PRINCIPAL INSTRUCTOR OF THE MASTER'S LEVEL COURSE "Inequality and Social Conflict"**
University of Lucerne, together with Dr. Anna-Lena Hoenig
- 02/2024 to 05/2024 **PRINCIPAL INSTRUCTOR OF THE MASTER'S LEVEL COURSE "Climate Change and Political Unrest"**
University of Lucerne, together with Dr. Anna-Lena Hoenig
- 10/2017 – 02/2018 **TUTOR FOR THE COURSE "Scientific Working Techniques and Research Design in Political Science"**
University of Salzburg, Course instructor: Franz Fallend
- 03/2018 – 07/2018 **TUTOR FOR THE COURSE "Qualitative Research Methods"**
University of Salzburg, Course instructor: Eric Miklin
- 10/2018 – 02/2019 **TUTOR FOR THE COURSE "Scientific Working Techniques and Research Design in Political Science"**
University of Salzburg, Course instructor: Franz Fallend

SUPERVISION OF FINAL PAPERS

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| 01/2024 – 05/2025 | Master’s Thesis by Alexis Cañari-Mona “Understanding the Nexus between Droughts and Protest in Chile” University of Konstanz |
| 06/2024 – present | Master’s Thesis by Rachel Fiset “Burning Through the Budgets: Models that Shape Wildfire Prevention and Emergency Response Funding” University of Lucerne |
| 10/2024 – 05/2025 | Master’s Thesis by Lukas Bebensee “Drivers of Allocation Patterns in Climate Aid: A Comparative Analysis of Chinese and World Bank Climate Finance in Kenya” University of Konstanz |
| 01/2025 – 08/2025 | Master’s Thesis by Anna Pagani-Cesa “Disempowerment by Accident – Does the UN’s Robust Turn in Peace Operations Impede Gender Ambitions?” University of Konstanz |
| 12/2024 – 03/2025 | Bachelor’s Thesis by Paula Klozenbücher “Extreme weather disasters and Protest Onset: The Role of urban inequality in Latin America” University of Konstanz |
| 12/2024 – 03/2025 | Bachelor’s Thesis by Johannes Hall “Protests Over Privatization: Understanding the Social Impact of Water Privatization in South America” University of Konstanz |
| 04/2025 – 07/2025 | Bachelor’s Thesis by Nike Helmerich “Smoke Signals of Political Change? The Impact of Wild Fires on Regime Changes” University of Konstanz |
| 04/2025 – 07/2025 | Bachelor’s Thesis by Piet Helbing “Disasters and Dissent: Disaggregating the effects of natural disasters and international aid on protest dynamics in autocracies” University of Konstanz |

AWARDS & DISTINCTIONS

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| 01/2024 | Distinction with the “In_equality ECR Excellence Award 2023” for an outstanding research paper (“ <i>Sudden weather disasters as triggers for ethnic protest in autocracies?</i> ”) EUR 3.000, Awarded by the Cluster of Excellence “Politics of Inequality” |
| 09/2020 | Distinction with the “ <i>Würdigungspreis 2020</i> ” for an outstanding Master’s thesis (“ <i>Participation Patterns of People-Centered-Democrats</i> ”) EUR 3.000 Awarded by the Austrian Ministry of Education, Science, and Research |

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| 01/2020 | Merit scholarship awarded for outstanding performance in the MA program Political Science EUR 1.500, Awarded by the University of Salzburg |
| 01/2019 | Merit scholarship awarded for outstanding performance in the BA program Political Science EUR 1.500, Awarded by the University of Salzburg |

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

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| International Studies Association Congress (ISA) | 2022, 2023, 2024 |
| Environmental Politics and Governance Conference (EPG) | 2021, 2023, 2024 |
| Inequality Conference | 2022, 2024, 2026 |
| European Political Science Association Conference (EPSA) | 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025 |
| General Conference of the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) | 2019 |
| Council for European Studies – Conference of Europeanists (CES) | 2020 |
| Austrian Political Science Day | 2019, 2020 |
| Swiss Political Science Association Annual Congress | 2022, 2026 |
| Congress of the German Association for Political Science | 2024 |
| World Congress of the International Political Science Association (IPSA) | 2025 |

REVIEWER FOR

World Development, Climatic Change, Socio-Economic Review, International Migration, Society & Natural Resources, Political Behavior, PNAS, Conflict Management and Peace Science, Acta Sociologia, Comparative Economics, Review of International Organizations, Journal of Peace Research, European Journal of Political Research

PUBLIC OUTREACH

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| Interview | “Climate change is pushing some governments to the breaking point” – VOX (https://www.vox.com/climate/392311/2024-record-warm-spain-climate-flood-disaster-valencia) |
| Non-academic talk | “Vinculación entre pobreza y los múltiples choques en la población, especialmente pobre y vulnerable” – Invited keynote address at a Peruvian Ministry of Development policy briefing conference (https://www.gob.pe/institucion/midis/campa%C3%B1as/81609-xii-semana-de-la-inclusion-social) |
| Podcast | Globale Ungleichheit im Klimawandel – In_equality Podcast Konstanz (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x4JQORIPTCU) |

CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION

2021

Austrian Political Science Day 2021
at University of Salzburg, Austria

LANGUAGES

German (native), English (fluent), Spanish (very good)

COMPUTATIONAL SKILLS

STATA, R, SPSS, QGIS

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Higher Education Pedagogy Course: Module “Assessment & Feedback”, University of Basel, 2026

ACADEMIC REFERENCES

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