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CURRENT POSITION

06/2009 – Research Fellow at the Social Sciences Institute of the University of Lisbon (Portugal)

EDUCATION

04/2004 - 08/2008 PhD in Political Science, University of Konstanz (Germany)
Supervisors: Gerald Schneider, Philip Manow
Thesis: "Between a Rock and a Hard Place: Presidents and Party Policy in Latin America"

12/2006 - 03/2007 Universidad de Los Andes, Santiago de Chile (Chile)
◦ *Dissertation research*

10/1996 - 05/2003 M.A. in Public Policy and Management, University of Konstanz (Germany)
Supervisors: Gerald Schneider, Indra de Soysa
Thesis: "Economic Liberalization and Domestic Instability: A Comparative Study"

10/2000 - 08/2001 Universidad Complutense de Madrid (Spain)
◦ *European Exchange Program ERASMUS*

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Comparative Politics, Political Parties, Political Institutions, Latin America, Conflict Studies

PUBLICATIONS

Gerald Schneider and Nina Wiesehomeier (2010). 'Diversity, Conflict and Growth: Theory and Evidence' *Diversity*, Vol. 2, S. 1097-1117

Nina Wiesehomeier (2010). 'The Meaning of Left-Right in Latin America: A Comparative View' *Kellogg Working Paper* No. 368

Nina Wiesehomeier and Kenneth Benoit (2009). 'Presidents, Parties and Policy Competition' *Journal of Politics* Vol. 71 (4), S. 1435-1447 (Zweitplaziert für den JOP best paper award 2009; ausgezeichnet mit dem Gulbenkian Preis 2010)

Kenneth Benoit and Nina Wiesehomeier (2009). '*Expert Judgments*' In: Susanne Pickel et al. (eds.) *Methoden der vergleichenden Politik- und Sozialwissenschaft: Neuere Entwicklungen und Anwendungen*, Wiesbaden: VS Verlag, S. 497-516.

Nina Wiesehomeier, Gerald Schneider and Constanze S. Braun (2009) 'Die Vereinbarkeit des Unvereinbaren? Wirtschaft und Identität als gemeinsame Bürgerkriegsursachen', *Politische Vierteljahresschrift* Sonderhefte, Vol. 43, S. 445-470

Gerald Schneider and Nina Wiesehomeier (2008). 'Rules that matter. Political Institutions and the Diversity-Conflict Nexus'. *Journal of Peace Research*, Vol. 45 (2), S. 183-203.

Margit Bussmann, Gerald Schneider and Nina Wiesehomeier (2005). 'Foreign Economic Liberalization and Peace: The Case of Sub-Saharan Africa' *European Journal of International Relations*, Vol.11 (4), S. 551-579.

DATA SET

Nina Wiesehomeier and Kenneth Benoit. 'Parties and Presidents in Latin America: Data from Expert Surveys in 18 Latin American Countries,' 2006-2007. University of Konstanz & Trinity College Dublin. Data set available at www.wiesehomeier.net

RESEARCH PROJECTS

'New Political Conflicts and Party Strategies: A Comparative Analysis of the Politicization of Identity, European Integration and Immigration.' Team member. Principal Investigator: Iván Llamazares Valdivieco, University of Salamanca.

'Presidents and Parties in Latin America. Expert Surveys of Policy Positions,' 2nd Round (ongoing)

SELECTED CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

Discontent and the Left Turn in Latin America. *Presented at the LASA conference in Toronto 7. - 9. October 2010*

The Meaning of Left-Right in Latin America: Insights from Expert Surveys. *Presented at the ECPR General Conference in Potsdam 9.-12. September 2009*

Presidents, Parties and Policy Competition. *Lecture at the Helen Kellogg Institute, University of Notre Dame, April 2009*

Presidents and Parties in Policy Space: Evidence from Expert Surveys in 18 Latin American Countries. *Invited Lecture at the Latin American Centre, Oxford, October 2007*

Presidents and Parties in Policy Space: Expert Surveys of Policy Positions in 18 Latin American Countries. Preliminary results. *Presented at the V Congreso Europeo de Latinoamericanistas, Brussels, April 2007*

Institutions as Mediators? The Role of Decentralization and Majority Rule in the Polarization-Conflict Nexus. *Presented at the General Meeting of the EU Polarization and Conflict Project, Oslo, July 2004*

Foreign Economic Liberalization and Political Instability: The Latin American Case. *Presented at the General Meeting of the EU Polarization and Conflict Project, Oslo, July 2004*

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Visiting Scholar, Dublin City University International Visitor Programme (Ireland), July 2011

Gulbenkian Prize 2010 for the best paper published in an international journal in the past two years by a young social scientist (in all fields except economics) from a Portuguese institution.

The award winning article is Nina Wiesehomeier and Kenneth Benoit (2009). ‘Presidents, Parties and Policy Competition’, *Journal of Politics*, Vol. 71 (4), S. 1435-1447

Visiting Fellow, Kellogg Institute for International Studies, University of Notre Dame (USA): Academic Year 2008-2009

Ph.D. scholarship ‘Landesgraduiertenstiftung Baden-Württemberg’ (Federal states scholarship foundation): 04/2006 - 07/2008

DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) travel grants for Spain and Chile: 1998, 2006

University of Konstanz: Women’s travel grant for attendance of the Essex Summer School, University of Essex (GB) 2004

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Research

- 04/2004 - 03/2006 Project “Polarization and Conflict”, European Union Sixth Framework Programme, University of Konstanz (Germany)
Research Assistant
- 10/2003 - 03/2004 Department for Political and Cultural Change, Center for Development Research in Bonn (Germany)
Research Assistant
- 04/2002 - 08/2003 Chair of Regional Policy and Local Affairs, Department of Politics and Management, University of Konstanz (Germany)
Undergraduate Student Assistant

Teaching

- 03/2011 - 05/2011 Introduction to Data Analysis, University of Aveiro (Portugal)
Lecturer, graduate seminar
- 09/2010 - 02/2011 Introduction to Social Research Methods, Social Sciences Institute of the University of Lisbon (Portugal)
Lecturer, PhD seminar
- 01/2009 - 04/2009 Politics and Institutions in Latin America, Notre Dame University (USA)
Lecturer, undergraduate seminar
- 10/2007 - 02/2008 Research Design, University of Konstanz (Germany)
Teaching Assistant, graduate seminar
- 10/2004 - 03/2005 Inequality and Conflict, University of Konstanz (Germany)
Lecturer, undergraduate seminar
- 10/2002 - 02/2003 Foreign Policy Analysis, University of Konstanz (Germany)
Teaching Assistant, graduate seminar

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- 07/2009 - 08/2009 ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques, University of Ljubljana (Slovenia)
Introduction to R, Political Game Theory
- 03/2005 Graduate Spring Seminar in Methodology at the Graduate School for Social Sciences, University of Bremen (Germany)
- 07/2004 - 08/2004 Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis and Collection, University of Essex (GB)
Logit Models, Time Series Analysis

07/2002 - 10/2002 NGO Fundación Poder Ciudadano, Buenos Aires (Argentina)
Internship as collaborator on the Participatory Budget Project

03/2000 - 04/2000 Environmental Organization ADENEX, Mérida (Spain)
10/1998 - 05/1999 *Internship as International Officer*

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Executive Committee, Asociación Latinoamericana de Ciencia Política, 2010 -

Representative of the scientific staff in the Diversity Committee of the University of Konstanz (Germany), 10/2005 - 10/2006

Reviewer for: *European Union Politics* (recurring), *Legislative Studies Quarterly* (2008), *Journal of Peace Research* (recurring), *European Political Science* (2010), *Journal of Politics in Latin America* (2010), *Publius* (2010), *Journal of Conflict Resolution* (2011)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Political Science Association, Latin American Studies Association, International Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Fluency in Spanish and English, advanced Portuguese.
Native language: German