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Research interests

Political Economy • Authoritarianism • Distributive Politics • Crony Capitalism • Civil-Military Relations • Middle East and North Africa • Research Methods

Academic positions

- 2021-present Senior Lecturer in Political Economy, Department of Political Economy, King's College London
- 2019-2021 Lecturer in Political Economy, Department of Political Economy, King's College London
- 2016-2019 Lecturer in Political Economy of the Middle East, Department of Political Economy and Department of Middle Eastern Studies, King's College London
- 2015-2016 Postdoctoral Research Officer, Middle East Centre, Kuwait Programme, London School of Economics and Political Science
- 2013-2015 Research Assistant, Fell Fund Project on Educational Inequalities, Department of Social Policy and Intervention, University of Oxford

Education

- 2016 DPHIL in Politics, University of Oxford
- 2008-2010 MPhil in Modern Middle Eastern Studies (*with distinction*), University of Oxford
- 2007-2008 Visiting Student, University of Exeter, Institute of Arab and Islamic Studies
- 2004-2007 B.A. (Franco-German) in Political Science, Catholic University Eichstätt-Ingolstadt, Institut d'Etudes Politiques Rennes

Publications

BOOKS

- 2020 “Social Dictatorships: The Political Economy of the Welfare State in the Middle East and North Africa”, Oxford, Oxford University Press

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- 2023 “From Rents to Welfare: Why Are Some Oil-Rich States Generous to Their People?” (with S. Hertog), *American Political Science Review*, conditional accept
- 2023 “Anti-austerity riots in late developing states: Evidence from the 1977 Egyptian Bread Intifada” (with N. Ketchley and J. Gunning), *Journal of Peace Research*
- 2021 “Politics of trade protection in an autocracy: Evidence from an EU tariff liberalization in Morocco” (with C. Ruckteschler and A. Malik), *European Journal of Political Economy*
- 2020 “War Makes the Regime: Regional Rebellions and Political Militarization Worldwide” (with S. Hertog and D. Slater), *British Journal of Political Science*, lead author
- 2018 “How to Keep Officers in the Barracks? Causes, Agents, and Types of Military Coups” (with H. Albrecht), *International Studies Quarterly*, 62, 2
- 2018 “Linking the Macro to the Micro: A Multidimensional Approach to Educational Inequalities in Four European Countries” (with E. Bukodi), *European Societies*, 20, 1
- 2017 “Constraints, Competition, and Competitiveness: Explaining the Non-linear Effect of Democratization on Political Budget Cycles” (with H. Lyngé), *European Political Science Review*, 9, 4
- 2017 “Electoral Confidence and Political Budget Cycles in Non-OECD Countries” (with H. Lyngé), *Studies of Comparative International Development*, 52, 1
- 2012 “The Party of Authenticity and Modernity (PAM): trajectory of a political *deus ex machina*”, *Journal of North African Studies*, 17, 1

PEER-REVIEWED BOOK CHAPTERS

- 2021 “Political Economy and Development in the MENA region” (with S. Hatab and S. Hertog), in Lynch, M., Schwedler, J. and Yom, S. (eds.) *The Political Science of the Middle East*, Oxford, Oxford University Press
- 2020 “Welfare States in the Middle East”, in Cammett, M. and Jones, P. (eds.) *Oxford Handbook of Politics in Muslim Societies*, Oxford, Oxford University Press
- 2019 “The politics of trade protection in North Africa” (with A. Malik), in Diwan, I., Atiyas, I. and Malik, A. (eds.) *Crony Capitalism in the Middle East*, Oxford, Oxford University Press

OTHER BOOK CHAPTERS

- 2017 “Social Policies in the Middle East and North Africa”, in Durlauf, S. and Blume, L. (eds.) *The New Palgrave Dictionary of Economics*, Palgrave, Basingstoke
- 2012 “Der Kontinuität verschrieben? Islamisten und der Arabische Frühling in Marokko” (with D. Engelcke) in Faath, S. (ed.) *Islamisten nach dem Arabischen Frühling*, Edition Wuqûf, Hamburg

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- 2019 “The Politics of Trade Protection: Evidence from an EU-Mandated Tariff Liberalization in Morocco” (with C. Ruckteschler and A. Malik), *ERF Working Paper* 1352
- 2018 “Squaring the circle: ‘Cheap social policies’ in the Middle East”, *POMEPS Studies*, 31, The Project on Middle East Political Science
- 2017 “The Political Economy of Energy Subsidies in Egypt and Tunisia: The Untold Story”, *OIES Paper*, SP 38, Oxford Institute for Energy Studies
- 2017 “The Political Economy of Energy Subsidies in Egypt and Tunisia: The Untold Story”, *Oxford Energy Forum*, Oxford Institute for Energy Studies
- 2016 “The Politics of Partial Liberalization: Cronyism and Non-Tariff Protection in Mubarak’s Egypt” (with A. Malik), *CSAE Working Paper* WPS/2016-27
- 2011 “Parlamentswahlen in Marokko: Ende oder Anfang eines “marokkanischen Frühling”?”, *GIGA Focus Nahost*, GIGA German Institute of Global And Area Studies

WORK IN PROGRESS

- “Petro-Populism: The International Political Economy of Oil-Rich Populist Regimes” (with S. Hertog)
- “The Politics of Partial Liberalization: Cronyism and Trade Protection in Mubarak’s Egypt” (with A. Malik)
- “The Politics of Austerity in Authoritarian Regimes” (with T. Richter)
- “Unpacking the Islamist vote: God, nation, or the economy?” (with D. Engelcke)

Teaching

CURRENT AND PAST COURSES

- 2016-present The Politics and Economics of the Middle East, MA core course, King’s College London
- 2016-present Dissertation and Research Methods, MA core course, King’s College London
- 2016-present Political Economy of the Middle East, BA elective, King’s College London

- 2016-present Political Economy of Authoritarianism in the Middle East, MA elective, King's College London
- 2016-2019 Internship module, MA elective, King's College London
- 2016-2017 Globalisation and Business in the Middle East, MA elective, King's College London
- 2016-2017 The European Union and the Middle East, MA elective, King's College London
- 2014-2015 Principles and Practices of Comparative Research, MA course, University of Oxford

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

- 2023 Nomination for King's SPE Award
- 2020 Nomination for King's Education Award
- 2019 Nomination for King's Education Award
- 2018 Nomination for Teaching Excellence Award

Fellowships & grants

ACADEMIC FELLOWSHIPS

- 2016-2017 Saudi Aramco Fellow, The Oxford Institute for Energy Studies
- 2015 Postdoctoral fellowship, Department of Social Policy, University of Oxford (declined)
- 2011 Visiting Research Fellow, GIGA German Institute of Global and Area Studies

RESEARCH GRANTS

- 2018 "All Roads Lead to Mahdia: The Political Economy of Regional Inequality in Tunisia" (principal investigator), funded by the British Academy, UK (9,446 GBP)
- 2018 "Unruly Protest Dynamics and the 1977 Bread Intifada in Egypt" (co-investigator with N. Ketchley, J. Gunning, and M. Farquhar), funded by King's College London, UK (5,000 GBP)
- 2017 "The Political Economy of Trade Protection in North Africa" (co-investigator with A. Malik), funded by the Economic Research Forum (ERF), Egypt (6,000 USD)
- 2015 "Non-tariff Barriers and Political Connections in Four Arab Countries" (co-investigator with A. Malik), funded by the Economic Research Forum (ERF), Egypt (10,000 USD)

STUDY GRANTS

- 2014 Star Award, St Antony's College, University of Oxford
- 2013 Writing-Up Studentship, Department of Politics, University of Oxford
- 2012 Travel Grant, German National Academic Foundation
- 2012 Norman Chester Fund Travel Grant, Department of Politics, University of Oxford
- 2012 Carr and Stahl Travel Grant, St Antony's College, University of Oxford
- 2011-2013 Doctoral Scholarship, German National Academic Foundation
- 2010 The Warden's Scholarship, St Antony's College, University of Oxford
- 2009 Language Study Grant, Department of Oriental Studies, University of Oxford

2007 Language Study Grant, German National Academic Foundation
2005–2010 Undergraduate and Graduate Scholarship, German National Academic Foundation
2003–2005 E-Fellows Scholarship, Deutsche Telekom AG and Mc Kinsey

Professional activities

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS ORGANISED

2019–2020 Vocational Training and Skills Workshops for MA Students, King’s College London
2016 Varieties of Rentierism II, Middle East Centre, LSE, London
2016 Political Economy of Labour Markets and Migration in the Gulf, Kuwait
2016 Resources, Governance, and Development: The Middle East in Comparative Perspective, Nuffield College, Oxford
2015 Varieties of Rentierism I, Middle East Centre, LSE, London
2014 The Tunisian Revolution: Origins, Course and Aftermath, St Antony’s College, Oxford

KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE

2020–present Advisory board member for Ford Foundation Project on Social Protection in MENA
2018–present Advisor to the All Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Tunisia
2017–present Contribution to executive education programme for FCO Middle East/North Africa staff
2016–present Member of the DFID-FCO North Africa Advisory Group
2016–present Member of the FCO Egypt Forum
2016–present Participation in briefings of UK ambassadors-designate

Languages & specialised training

German (native), English (fluent), French (fluent), Arabic (advanced)

TEACHING TRAINING

2016–2019 Postgraduate Certificate in Academic Practice
Member of the Higher Education Academy

ARABIC PROGRAMMES

2012 International Language Institute (ILI) in Cairo
2009 Institut Français du Proche Orient (IFPO) in Damascus
2008 International Language Institute (ILI) in Cairo

METHODOLOGY PROGRAMMES

2021 Quantitative Text Analysis
Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis
2021 Introduction to GIS
Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis

2012 Political Game Theory
ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques

2011 Panel Data Analysis for Comparative Research
Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis

2011 Introduction to Duration Models
Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis