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Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

PhD Candidate in **Political Science**, University College London (UCL), United Kingdom, 2017-present.

- Dissertation title: “External States and Conflict Dynamics: Competition and Cooperation in Civil Wars”.
- Supervisors: Prof. Kristin M. Bakke, Dr. Nils Metternich.

MSc in **Security Studies**, University College London (UCL), United Kingdom, 2014-2015.

BA in **European Studies**, Trinity College Dublin (TCD), Ireland, 2009-2013.

Erasmus in Political Science and History, Freiburg University, Germany, 2011-2012.

EMPLOYMENT

Department of Political Science, University College London (UCL), Sept. 2018-present.

Research assistant to Prof. Kristin Bakke on NSF and ESRC funded research project, “With Russia or Not? The Geopolitical Orientations of Russia's Neighbouring State Populations.” 3-year contract.

European and International Social and Political Studies (EISPS), University College London (UCL), Sept. 2018-present.

Course title: “Introduction to European History, Law, Politics and Philosophy”.

Teaching Assistant (seminars):

- ESPS1001 Political Science I (Challenges to the State in World Politics), Political Science II (Political Economy).

Instructor (lectures and seminars):

- ESPS1001 Political Science III (Key Issues and Problems in Politics).

Research Executive Agency (REA), European Commission, Brussels, Feb. 2016-Jan. 2017.

Blue Book Trainee and **Programme Officer**:

- Supporting preparation of the evaluations for the third call of Horizon 2020 involving 3000 research proposals and over 600 external experts.
- Managing portfolio of projects in the security domain, defining synergies between projects.
- Screening the unit's projects for those with high communication potential and relaying this information to the communication unit of REA.
- Contributing to strategy for policy feedback with research results from security projects.

Euractiv, Brussels, March-Sept. 2014

Translator:

- Translated articles written in French for the English-version website.
- Translated German to English and English to French.
- Carried out the research necessary to produce fluent English articles and in-depth research for journalists, for example, on the EU elections, new MEPs, conflict in Ukraine, etc.

German Marshall Fund of the United States (GMFUS), Berlin, Aug.-Dec. 2013.

Programme and Events Intern:

- Conducted research on francophone countries, for example, media analysis of French public opinion on the 2013 German elections and reports on contemporary Moroccan politics as part of GMF's immigration program.
- Programming for [GMFUS's Congressional Affairs Programme](#): 2013 Senior Congressional Study Tour to Berlin and the initial phases of the 2014 Congress-Bundestag Forum which took place in India.

WORK IN PROGRESS

“Legacies of Wartime Institutions: Vigilantism and the State in Northern Ireland” (with Kristin Bakke), under review.

“External States and Conflict Dynamics: Competition and Cooperation in Civil Wars”, article manuscript.

“Covert Support in Northern Ireland and Algeria Conflicts: A Study of Inter-Rebel Dynamics”, article manuscript.

“Geopolitics and Perceptions of Historical Victimisation and Resistance” (with Kristin Bakke), article manuscript.

“Post-Conflict Order: Policing (and it's) Alternatives in Northern Ireland” (with Kristin Bakke), article manuscript.

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

Presenter and Organizer: “Covert Support in Northern Ireland and Algeria Conflicts: A Study of Inter-Rebel Dynamics” at the Political Turbulence workshop, Institute of Advanced Studies (IAS), UCL, UK, Feb. 2020.

Presenter: “External States and Conflict Dynamics: Competition and Cooperation in Civil Wars” at the Conflict Dynamics workshop, Nuffield College, Oxford University, UK, Oct. 2019.

Presenter: “External States and Conflict Dynamics: Competition and Cooperation in Civil Wars” at the Conflict Research Society (CRS) Annual Conference, Brighton, UK, Sept. 2019.

Presenter: “Legacies of Wartime Institutions: Vigilantism and the State in Northern Ireland” (with Kristin Bakke) at the American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Convention 2019, Washington, USA, Sept. 2019.

Presenter: “Legacies of Wartime Institutions: Vigilantism and the State in Northern Ireland” (with Kristin Bakke) at the European Political Science Association (EPSA) Annual Convention 2019, Belfast, Ireland, June 2019.

Chair: “Conceptualizing Contemporary Geopolitical Orders” panel at the “Contested Sovereignties, Contested Global Orders? Understanding the New Geopolitics of Eurasia” workshop. International Institute for Peace (IIP), Vienna, Austria, May 2019.

Presenter: “External States and Conflict Dynamics: Competition and Cooperation in Civil Wars” at the “Challenges to Global Governance: Conflict, Contagion, and Citizens' Rights” workshop. Global Governance Institute, UCL, London, UK, February 2019.

Panel Organizer and Presenter: “External States and Conflict Dynamics: Competition and

Cooperation in Civil Wars” at the International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Convention 2019, Toronto, Canada, March 2019.

Presenter: “Legacies of Wartime Institutions: Vigilantism and the State in Northern Ireland” (with Kristin Bakke) at the International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Convention 2019, Toronto, Canada, March 2019.

Presenter: “Legacies of Wartime Institutions: Vigilantism and the State in Northern Ireland” (with Kristin Bakke) at the “Intra-state Peace and Security” workshop at University of Mannheim, Germany, November 2018.

Presenter: “Legacies of Wartime Institutions: Vigilantism and the State in Northern Ireland” (with Kristin Bakke) at the Conflict Research Society (CRS) Annual Conference, Birmingham, UK, Sept. 2018.

Presenter: “Legacies of Wartime Institutions: Vigilantism and the State in Northern Ireland” (with Kristin Bakke) at the “Understanding Individuals’ Opinions and Experiences in Conflict-Affected Societies” workshop, Oslo, Norway, May 2018.

EVENT ORGANISATION

Post-Graduate workshop on “Political Turbulences”. Institute for Advanced Studies (IAS) and Global Governance Institute (GGI), UCL, London, February 2020.

Post-Graduate workshop on “Challenges to Global Governance: Conflict, Contagion, and Citizens’ Rights”. Global Governance Institute, UCL, London, February 2019.

UCL It’s All Academic Festival, public panel where UCL’s Conflict & Change Research Cluster discussed “War, Peace and Human Rights”. Sept. 2018.

Stakeholder conference on “Conflict and Governance: Working with Informal Institutions During and After War,” Global Governance Institute, UCL, London, June 2018.

Stakeholder conference on “Institutions in Conflicted and Fragile States,” Global Governance Institute, UCL, London, Oct. 2017.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

ESRC Studentship: 3-year studentship (2017-2020) at the UCL, Bloomsbury and East London Doctoral Training Partnership (UBEL-DTP).

TRAINING

PAST Skills & Methodology Workshop: Modern Overseas and Defence, 2-day course, The National Archives, January 2020

Advanced Qualitative Methods in Conflict Studies: Case Research and Process Analytics, 1-week course led by Prof. Jeffrey T. Checkel, Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO), Norway, August 2019.

Introduction to Multilevel Models, 2-week course led by Prof. Paul Lambert, Essex Summer School, Colchester, UK, July 2018.

Introduction to Social Network Analysis, 2-week course led by Dr Filip Agneessens, Essex Summer

School, Colchester, UK, July 2018.

Spatial Econometrics, 2-week course led by Dr Scott Cook, Essex Summer School, Colchester, UK, August 2018.

Survival Analysis (Time-to-Event Data), 1-day course led by Eirini Koutoumanou, Centre for Applied Statistics Courses (CASC), UCL, London, UK, Oct. 2018.

RESEARCH SKILLS

Languages: English (native), French (native), German (intermediate).

Field research:

- Northern Ireland, summer 2018.
- Ukraine and Georgia, Spring 2019.

Statistical programs: Stata, QGIS, R and R Studio.

SERVICE TO THE DISCIPLINE

Member of Council and Secretary-Elect of the Conflict Research Society (CRS)
(www.conflictresearchsociety.org).

Reviewer: Journal of Peace Research.

Communications: Conflict & Change Research Cluster, UCL. (www.conflictandchange.org)

Student Rep: Doctoral Students at Political Science Department, UCL. Sept. 2018-2019.
International Relations Students at UBEL DTP. Sept. 2017-present.