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## POSITIONS

2023- Postdoctoral Research Scientist at IZA  
2023- Part-time research associate at IAB  
2021- Member of Berlin School of Economics  
2021- Guest researcher at DIW Berlin  
2021-2023 Postdoc at European University Viadrina  
2018-21 Research associate at DIW Berlin

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## EDUCATION

2016-21 PhD in Economics (*summa cum laude*), DIW Berlin and Freie Universität Berlin.  
Supervisors: Prof. Dr. C. Katharina Spiess, Prof. Almudena Sevilla, PhD  
2018 Visiting scholar at Haas School of Business, UC Berkeley  
2015-16 MSc Economic Policy at University College London (UCL), with distinction  
(grade 73.56, admission to Dean's List)  
2011-14 BSc Economics at Humboldt University of Berlin (grade 1.1 - best of class)

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## RESEARCH

### Publications

“Immigration, Female Labour Supply and Local Cultural Norms” (with Sophia Schmitz and Felix Weinhardt)

**The Economic Journal (2023)**

“Long-run effects of earlier voting eligibility on turnout and political involvement”  
(with Daniel Kuehnle and Markus Wagner)

**The Journal of Politics (forthcoming)**

“A Glimpse of Freedom: Allied Occupation and Political Resistance in East Germany” (with Luis R. Martínez and Guo Xu)  
**American Economic Journal: Applied Economics (2023)**

“Maternity leave versus early childcare—What are the long-term consequences for children?” (with Nabanita Datta Gupta)  
**IZA World of Labor (2023)**

“Culture, Children and Couple Gender Inequality”  
**European Economic Review (2022)**

“The gender division of unpaid care work throughout the COVID-19 pandemic in Germany” (with C. Katharina Spiess, Sevrin Waights and Katharina Wrohlich)  
**German Economic Review (2022)**

“Centre-based Care and Parenting Activities” (with C. Katharina Spiess and Sevrin Waights)  
**Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics (2022)**

“The Effectiveness of Interventions to Reduce Informality in Low- and Middle-Income Countries” (with Jochen Kluge)  
**World Development (2021)**

“Understanding Day Care Enrolment Gaps” (with Sophia Schmitz and Sevrin Waights)  
**Journal of Public Economics (2020)**

“Punishing Potential Mothers? Evidence for Statistical Employer Discrimination from a Natural Experiment” (with Robin Jessen and Jochen Kluge)  
**Labour Economics (2019)**

#### Working papers

“The Micro and Macro Effects of Changes in the Potential Benefit Duration” (with Ewa Gałęcka-Burdziak, Marek Góra, Robin Jessen and Jochen Kluge)

“Parental Leave, Worker Substitutability, and Firms’ Employment” (with Mathias Huebener, Daniel Kuehnle and Michael Oberfichtner)  
R&R at **The Economic Journal**

“Separate Housework Spheres” (with Sebastian Schweighofer-Kodritsch, Felix Weinhardt and Jan Berkes)

“Maternal life satisfaction and child development from toddlerhood to adolescence” (with Nabanita Datta Gupta and C. Katharina Spiess)

#### Selected work in progress

“Moral Hazard among the Employed: Evidence from a Regression Discontinuity” (with Ewa Gałęcka-Burdziak, Robin Jessen and Andrew C. Johnston)

“A Star Was Born: How Workers Respond To Politically-charged Job Postings” (with Pawel Adrjan, Mária Balgová, Simon Jäger and Jason Sockin)

“Child Penalties in Labour Market Skills” (with Michele Battisti and Lavinia Kinne)

“A Meta-Analysis of Microcredit and Training Programmes” (with Nathan Fiala and Tim Kaiser)

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## POLICY WRITINGS

- “Parental Leave vs. Early Childcare” (with Nabanita Datta Gupta), SNS Research Brief 95 (2023)
- “Meta-analysis of the ESF counterfactual impact evaluations” (with Marco Pompili, Jochen Kluge, Johannes Seebauer, Givenra Gallassi and Eleonora Peruccacci). Report for European Commission (2022)
- “Sorgearbeit während der Corona-Pandemie: Mütter übernehmen größeren Anteil – vor allem bei schon zuvor ungleicher Aufteilung” (with C. Katharina Spiess and Katharina Wrohlich)  
DIW Wochenbericht (2021)
- “Mothers in Eastern and Western Germany: Employment Rates and Attitudes Are Converging, Full-Time Employment is Not” (with Denise Barth, C. Katharina Spiess and Katharina Wrohlich). DIW Weekly Report (2020, also available in German)
- “Day care centre closures due to COVID-19 and parental time use in Germany” (with Sevrin Waights and C. Katharina Spiess).  
BSE Insights (2020)
- “Geschlossene Kitas: Mütter tragen mit Blick auf Zeiteinteilung vermutlich die Hauptlast” (with Sevrin Waights and C. Katharina Spiess)  
DIW Aktuell (2020)
- “Effects of COVID-19 day care centre closures on parental time use: Evidence from Germany” (with Sevrin Waights)  
voxeu.org column (2020)
- “Gründe für unterschiedliche Kita-Nutzung von Kindern unter drei Jahren sind vielfältig” (with C. Katharina Spiess, Sevrin Waights and Andrew Judy)  
DIW Wochenbericht (2020)
- “Fiskalische Auswirkungen eines weiteren Ausbaus ganztägiger Betreuungsangebote für Kinder im Grundschulalter” (with Stefan Bach, Peter Haan, Frauke Peter, C. Katharina Spiess and Katharina Wrohlich)  
DIW Politikberatung kompakt (2020)
- “Sechs Jahre Kita-Rechtsanspruch ab zweitem Lebensjahr: Gute Sache, aber noch kein voller Erfolg” (with C. Katharina Spiess)  
Süddeutsche Zeitung Kommentar (2019)
- “Kita-Besuch hängt trotz ausgeweitetem Rechtsanspruch noch immer vom Familienhintergrund ab” (with Sophia Schmitz, C. Katharina Spiess and Sevrin Waights)  
DIW Wochenbericht (2018)
- “Evaluacion de Impacto” (with Jochen Kluge)  
Chapter of ILO publication *Políticas de Formalización en América Latina - Avances y Desafíos* (2018)

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## GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

2023

Leibniz Dissertation Award in the category Humanities and Social Sciences

2023	ASBS research reinvigoration by the University of Glasgow (with Michele Battisti and Lavinia Kinne, £3000)
2018-20	Doctoral scholarship of the German Academic Scholarship Foundation - <i>Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes</i>
2019	BeNA Innovative Research Award 2019 for <i>A Firm-side Perspective on Parental Leave</i>
2019	Research grant from the Pearson Institute, University of Chicago (with Luis R. Martinez and Guo Xu, \$19,600)
2016-18	Scholarship of DIW Berlin Graduate Center
2015	Award for the best tutorial of the academic year 2014 at the School of Business and Economics of Humboldt University of Berlin
2014	Award for the best bachelor degree in business and economics at Humboldt University of Berlin
2014-16	Student scholarship German Academic Scholarship Foundation

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## TEACHING

2023	Advanced Econometrics (PhD level), lecture and exercise class at Berlin School of Economics
2022	Labour and Public Economics, lecture and exercise class at European University Viadrina
2021-22	Economics of European Integration, lecture at European University Viadrina
2021-22	Wissenschaft Live - Berlin Applied Microeconomics Seminar, seminar at European University Viadrina
2021	COVID-19 and the gender division of care, seminar at University of Bayreuth
2017-18	Labour Economics, exercise class at Humboldt University of Berlin
2016/17	Development Economics, lecture at the International Summer School in Economics and Management (ISSEM) in Havana, Cuba
2015	Labour Economics, exercise class at Humboldt University of Berlin
2014	Financial Mathematics, tutorial at ISSEM in Havana, Cuba
2013/14	Microeconomics II and International Trade, tutorials at Humboldt University of Berlin

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## PRESENTATIONS

2024 (scheduled)	Invited presentation at INEQ Research Seminar (Vienna, Austria)
2023	IZA Conference in Labor Economics (Berlin, Germany), IAAE (Oslo, Norway), Keynote at NGE Spring Workshop (Hohenheim and Mannheim, Germany), SNS Report Presentation (Stockholm, Sweden), Verein für Socialpolitik (Regensburg, Germany), EALE (Prague, Czechia), invited presentation at IWH Research Seminar (Halle, Germany)

- 2022 IAB - invited talk (Nuremberg, Germany), EALE (Padova, Italy), Verein für Socialpolitik (Basel, Switzerland), IIPF (Linz, Austria), AMSE - LAGV (Marseille, France), Society of Economics of the Household (London, United Kingdom), Berlin Applied Micro Seminar (Berlin, Germany), Invited presentation at Federal Institute for Population Research (Wiesbaden, Germany)
- 2021 46th Simposio de la Asociación Española de Economía-Spanish Economic Association - (Barcelona, Spain), Verein für Socialpolitik (German Economic Association), 10th ESFR Conference (European Society on Family Relations), 2021 IAAE Annual Conference - International Association for Applied Econometrics, 3rd QMUL Economics and Finance Workshop for PhD & Post-doctoral students, Research with German and Norwegian Register Data on Family Economics - IAB / Statistics Norway, 10th ifo Dresden Workshop on Labor Economics and Social Policy, Cluster Seminar at DIW Berlin, Annual Meeting of the American Economic Association, ASSA: Session organised on 'Parental Leave Effects on Firms and Workers'
- 2020 EALE SOLE AASLE World Conference, Perspectives on (Un-)employment - Workshop at IAB (Nuremberg, Germany)
- 2019 Social Policy Colloquium, Hertie School (Berlin, Germany), Workshop on Labour and Family Economics (WOLFE) (York, United Kingdom), Verein für Socialpolitik (Leipzig, Germany), Tenth International Workshop on Applied Economics of Education (Catanzaro, Italy), Berlin Network of Labor Market Research (Berlin, Germany), Cluster Seminar at DIW Berlin (Berlin, Germany)
- 2018 Labour Economics Seminar (Berkeley, United States), Counterfactual Methods for Policy Impact Evaluation COMPIE (Berlin, Germany), 30th EALE Conference (Lyon, France), Development Economics and Policy, AEL (Zurich, Switzerland), Berlin Interdisciplinary Education Research Network (Berlin, Germany)

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## REFEREEING

American Economic Review, The Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of the European Economic Association (2x), Journal of Human Resources, American Political Science Review, World Development (2x), Labour Economics, Electoral Studies, Journal of Population Economics, PLOS One, Review of Economics of the Household (2x), Review of Development Economics, German Economic Review, Acta Sociologica, Migration Studies, Journal for Labour Market Research (2x), Field Methods, Fritz Thyssen Foundation