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ACADEMIC POSITIONS	Senior Researcher , Department of Political Science, University of Zurich	08/2019 – present
	Postdoctoral Fellow , Research Cluster on Global Populism and Research Cluster on Comparative Inequality and Inclusion, Weatherhead Center, Harvard University	2018 – 2019
EDUCATION	Ph.D. in Political Science (<i>summa cum laude</i>), University of Zurich Committee: Silja Häusermann, Jane Gingrich, and Stefanie Walter	2014 – 2018
	Master of Arts , University of Zurich and Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Major: Political Science, Minor: Economics	9/2012 – 7/2014
VISITING POSITIONS	Junior Visiting Scholar , Nuffield College, University of Oxford Visiting researcher , European University Institute.	1/2017 – 07/2017 9/2015 – 11/2015
PUBLICATIONS	2020. “Neither Left-Behind nor Superstar: Ordinary Winners of Digitalization at the Ballot Box” (with Aina Gallego and Niko Schoell). <i>Journal of Politics</i> , forthcoming.	
	2020. “The Declining Middle: Occupational Change, Social Status and the Populist Right”. <i>Comparative Political Studies</i> , 53(10-11): 1798-1835. → Winner of the CES 2017 Best Paper Award, <i>Political Economy and Welfare Network</i>	
	2019. “Insider-Outsider Representation and Social Democratic Labor Market Policy” (with Reto Bürgisser). <i>Socio-Economic Review</i> , online first.	
	2019. “Shrinking and shouting: the political revolt of the declining middle in times of employment polarization” (with Bruno Palier). <i>Research & Politics</i> , 6(1).	
	2019. “Distributional Consequences of Technological Change: Worker-Level Evidence” (with Aina Gallego). <i>Research & Politics</i> , 6(1).	
	2019. “Economic grievances and political protest” (with Matthias Enggist, Silja Häusermann and Bruno Wüest). <i>European Journal of Political Research</i> , 58(3): 866-892.	
	2019. “The Politics of Trade-Offs: Studying the Dynamics of Welfare State Reform with Conjoint Experiments” (with Silja Häusermann and Denise Traber). <i>Comparative Political Studies</i> , 52(7): 1059-1095.	

	2018. "Participation in hard times: how constrained government depresses turnout among the highly educated" (with Silja Häusermann and Bruno Wüest). <i>West European Politics</i> , 41(2): 448-471.	
	2016. "Sharing the risk? Households, labor market vulnerability and social policy preferences in Western Europe" (with Silja Häusermann and Hanna Schwander). <i>Journal of Politics</i> , 78(4): 1045-1060.	
	2015. "High-Skilled Outsiders? Labor market vulnerability, education and welfare state preferences" (with Silja Häusermann and Hanna Schwander). <i>Socio-Economic Review</i> , 13(2): 235-258.	
POLICY PAPER	2019. "Regressions-Diskontinuitäts-Analyse von Steuererleichterungen im Rahmen der Regionalpolitik". [Regression Discontinuity Analysis of Corporate Tax Relief within the Framework of Regional Policy]", commissioned by the Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO). October 2019.	
WORK IN PROGRESS	"Economic Risks within Households and Voting for the Radical Right" (with Tarik Abou-Chadi, invited to revise and resubmit)	
	"Does partisan grassroots mobilization matter in the digital age?" (with Daniel Bischof, under review)	
	"Disappointed Expectations: Downward Mobility and Electoral Change" (with Briitta van Staalduinen, under review)	
	"Economic Opportunities and Electoral Preferences" (with Silja Häusermann and Delia Zollinger)	
	"Robotization and Regional Voting Patterns in Germany" (with Niko Schoell)	
GRANTS AND AWARDS	NORFACE Network International Project on Technological Change (co-applicant with Aina Gallego, Silja Häusermann, Alex Kuo, and Henning Finseraas), EU Horizon 2020 NORFACE Network (EUR 1.5m)	2020-2023
	SNF Research Project on Social Hierarchies (co-applicant with Tarik Abou-Chadi), Swiss National Science Foundation (CHF 750'000)	2019-2022
	Berggruen/Weatherhead Postdoctoral Fellowship, Harvard University (USD 60'000)	2018-2019
	Mercator Awards for Junior Researchers, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, University of Zurich (shortlisted).	2018
	Best Paper Award, Political Economy and Welfare Network, Council of European Studies (CES), Glasgow Conference.	2017
	Doc.Mobility Grant (Swiss National Science Foundation)	2017
INVITED TALKS	University of Minnesota, United States (online)	2020
	SOFI, Stockholm University, Sweden	2019
	University of Fribourg, Switzerland	2018

TEACHING EXPERIENCE	Supervision: 8 MA theses, > 30 BA theses, 1 ongoing PhD thesis in co-supervision
	The Political Consequences of Technological Change (co-instructor with Reto Bürgisser), graduate, spring term 2020
	Master Thesis Research Design (main instructor), graduate, fall term 2019, spring and fall term 2020
	Swiss Elections: A Polarized Party System (full-year research seminar, main instructor), undergraduate, academic year 2017/18
	Swiss Elections: A Polarized Party System (full-year research seminar, co-instructor), undergraduate, fall term 2016
	Democracy, Participation and Inequality (full-year research seminar, co-instructor), undergraduate academic years 2014/15, 2015/16
PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	Policy Consultancy (Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs, SECO) 2019
	Employment Politics at a Major Swiss Trade Union 2011 – 2012
SERVICE	Reviews for <i>American Journal of Political Science</i> , <i>American Political Science Review</i> , <i>British Journal of Political Science</i> , <i>Comparative European Politics</i> , <i>Comparative Political Studies</i> , <i>European Journal of Political Research</i> , <i>European Political Science Review</i> , <i>Euro- pean Sociological Review</i> , <i>Journal of Economic Issues</i> , <i>Journal of Politics</i> , <i>Social Politics</i> , <i>Socio-Economic Review</i> , <i>Swiss Political Science Review</i>
SKILLS	Languages: English (fluent), German (native), French (intermediate), Spanish (intermedi- ate), Italian (basic)
	Software: R, Stata, Latex
	Didactics Training: Participation in Teaching Skills Program, University of Zurich