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**Research Interests:** comparative & international political economy, external democratization, institutional diffusion, business inter-/transnationalization, business-government relations

**Regional focus:** Russia, Ukraine, Central Asia, post-Soviet area

**Methodology:** qualitative field research (interviews, focus groups), process tracing, comparative case studies, mix-method research

**Languages:** Ukraine (native), Russian (native level), English (fluent), German (fluent), French (basic), Swedish (basic)

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### CURRENT ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS & AFFILIATIONS

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08/2017– present: **CENTRAL EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE**  
Vienna, Austria (until 07/2021 Budapest, Hungary)  
*Assistant Professor, Comparative Political Economy and Comparative Politics*

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### FORMER ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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2015 – 2019: **HARVARD UNIVERSITY**  
**DAVIS CENTER FOR RUSSIAN AND EURASIAN STUDIES**  
Cambridge, MA, USA  
*Strategy and Policy Fellow, Smith Richardson Foundation. Project 'Big Business, Capital Mobility and Politics in Eurasia'*  
*Post-doctoral Fellow, Davis Center Fellows Program 2015-2016. Project 'When Big Business Goes Global, but Plays Local. Capital Mobility, Business and Politics in Eurasia'*

3/2013 – 6/2014: **JUSTUS LIEBIG UNIVERSITÄT GIESSEN**  
**INSTITUTE OF POLITICAL SCIENCE**  
Giessen, Germany  
*Research and Teaching Fellow, Chair for International Integration with special focus on Eastern Europe and Chair for Comparative Politics*

4/2012 – 3/2013: **FREIE UNIVERSITÄT BERLIN/FREE UNIVERSITY OF BERLIN**  
**CENTER FOR AREA STUDIES**  
Berlin, Germany

*Scientific Coordinator*

3/2009 – 7/2011: **CHRISTIAN-ALBRECHTS-UNIVERSITÄT KIEL**  
**DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE, INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL**  
**SCIENCES**  
Kiel, Germany

*Research and Teaching Fellow*

10/2010 – 03/2011: **FREIE UNIVERSITÄT BERLIN/FREE UNIVERSITY OF BERLIN**  
**INSTITUTE FOR EAST-EUROPEAN STUDIES**  
Berlin, Germany

*Research and Teaching Fellow*

11/2006 – 02/2009: **KIEL INSTITUTE FOR THE WORLD ECONOMY**  
Kiel, Germany

*Research Fellow*

## **EDUCATION**

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Ph.D.: 01/2016 **FREIE UNIVERSITÄT BERLIN/FREE UNIVERSITY OF BERLIN**  
**OTTO-SUHR-INSTITUTE OF POLITICAL SCIENCE**  
Berlin, Germany

*PhD in Political Science, dissertation 'Explaining the Dynamics of the Post-Soviet Hybrid Regimes from the Neo-Institutional Perspective. Big Business and Regime Changes in Ukraine and Russia' (completion date: January 19, 2016), Committee: Professors Katharina Bluhm, Andrea Ganrich, Sabine Kropp, Harald Wenzel, and Dr. Mihai Varga*

M.A.: 1997 – 2002 **TARAS-SHEVCHENKO-STATE UNIVERSITY**  
**INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**  
Kyiv, Ukraine

*Master Diploma in International Relation (with honors, summa cum laude)*

*Bachelor of Arts Diploma in International Relation (with honors, summa cum laude)*

*Additional qualification: translator (English)*

Dipl.: 1996 – 2001 **ACADEMY OF NATIONAL ECONOMY**  
Ternopil, Ukraine

*Specialist Diploma in Economics (with honors, summa cum laude)*

*Bachelor of Arts Diploma in Economics (with honors, summa cum laude)*

## RESEARCH PROJECTS

Period	Project	Position/ Activities	Research Foundation
2021- 2022	New Tools of Qualitative Data Analysis, University-wide course	Principal Investigator & Course Leader	CEU Intellectual Themes Initiative
2020- 2021	Business Elites, Global Money and Local Politics in Illiberal Regimes and Industrial States	Principal Investigator	CEU Research Support Scheme
2019- 2021	Teaching methods with simulations	Principal Investigator	CEU Teaching Development Grant
2016 – 2018	‘Big Business, Capital Mobility and Regime Dynamics in Eurasia’	Principal Investigator	Smith Richardson Foundation
2013	‘What Can Tempt Ukraine to Get back on the Democratization Path? Kyiv between the EU's Eastern Partnership and Russia's Eurasian Union. An Investigation into the Influences of the EU and Russia on Ukrainian Domestic Affairs’	Author of Application and Project Coordinator	German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)
2011	‘MULTILEAD: Transatlantic Cooperation to Enhance the Effectiveness of Multilateralism and to Tackle the Challenges of Multipolarity’ (Christian-Albrechts- Universität Kiel as the leading institution),without financial approval, 4. position of the application in the ranking (11.5 points)	Co-Author and Main Coordinator	CAU Internal Research Fund for 7th Framework Program of the EU;
2010 – 2013	‘The state as a motor of development? Central Asia in the view of the ‘Developmental State’ approach’, Private University of Applied Sciences Goettingen; within the Network „Institutions and Institutional Change in Postsocialism (KomPost; <a href="http://www.kompost.uni-muenchen.de/ziele/index.html">http://www.kompost.uni- muenchen.de/ziele/index.html</a> )’	Associate Researcher	German Federal Ministry of Education and Research
2011	‘The EU, the UN and Collective Security: Making Multilateralism Effective’	Research Fellow, Co- Author of Application and	Volkswagen Foundation

		Coordinator	
2009 – 2011	‘The European Union and the Reform of the United Nations, EU-UN Cooperation in Peacekeeping and Peacebuilding’	Research Fellow	Volkswagen Foundation
2008 – 2009	‘NATO as Driver of Democratic and Market Economy Changes in Transition Countries – Case Studies: Poland, Macedonia and Ukraine’	Research Fellow and Co-Author of Application	Fritz Thyssen Foundation
2006 – 2008	‘ENEPO: EU Eastern Neighborhood: Economic Potential and Future Development’	Research Fellow	6th Framework Program of the EU

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Peer-reviewed journal articles

Drivers of Government Activity in European Countries: Do Partisan Politics Still Divide East and West? *Jcms-Journal of Common Market Studies*, 2020, Vol. 58, Issue 5, pp. 1235-1251 (with Ahlborn, Markus, Beckmann, Joscha, & Rainer Schweickert).

Sustaining Business-State Symbiosis in Times of Political Turmoil: The Case of Ukraine 2007-2018, *Jahrbuch für Wirtschaftsgeschichte / Economic History Yearbook*, 2019, Issue 2, November; DOI: 10.1515/jbwg-2019-0013 (with Tetiana Kostiuhenko).

Big Business and Politics in Ukraine: The Evolution of State-Business Relations, *EMECON*, 2015, Issue 1.

Do Russia and China Promote Autocracy in Central Asia? *Asia Europe Journal*, 2012, Vol. 10, Issue 1, pp. 75–89 (with R. Schweickert and H. Plumper).

Picking Winners? Evidence on NATO’s Enlargement Strategy, *Transition Studies Review*, 2012, Vol. 18, Issue 3, pp. 570–585 (with R. Schweickert and H. Heitmann).

Prospective NATO or EU Membership and Institutional Change in Transition Countries, *Economics of Transition*, 2011, Vol. 19, Issue 4, pp. 667-692 (with A. Belke, I. Bordon and R. Schweickert).

Balancing National Uncertainty and Foreign Orientation: Identity Building and the Role of Political Parties in Post-Orange Ukraine, *Europe-Asia Studies*, 2011, Vol. 63, Issue 6, pp. 1055-1072 (with R. Schweickert and T. Kostiuhenko).

NATO as an External Driver of Institutional Change in Post-Communist Countries, *Defense and Peace Economics*, 2011, Vol. 22, Issue 3, pp. 279-297 (with R. Schweickert).

Neighbourhood Europeanisation through ENP – the Case of Ukraine, *Journal of Common Market Studies*, 2010, Vol. 48, Issue 5, pp. 1209-1233 (with A. Gawrich and R. Schweickert).

The European Union’s Relations with Ukraine and Azerbaijan, *Post-Soviet Affairs*, 2010, Vol. 26, Issue 2, pp. 149-183 (with A. Franke, A. Gawrich and R. Schweickert).

Motor of Europeanisation. NATO and Ukraine, *Osteuropa*, 2009, Issue 9, pp. 49-64 (with R. Schweickert).

Bottom-Up or Top-Down – What Drives the Convergence of Ukraine's Institutions towards European Standards? *Southeast European and Black Sea Studies*, 2008, Vol. 8, Issue 4, S. 445-468 (with R. Schweickert).

### **Manuscripts and chapters in edited peer-reviewed volumes**

Explaining the Dynamics of the Post-Soviet Hybrid Regimes from the Neo-Institutional Perspective. Big Business and Regime Changes in Ukraine and Russia, 2015 (Berlin: FU Dissertation).

Analyzing Bottlenecks for Institutional Development in Central Asia – Is it Oil, Aid, or Geography? In: Ahrens, J. and Hoen, H. (eds.) *Institutional Reform in Central Asia: Politico-economic challenges*, 2013, Routledge (Abingdon, Oxon, New York), pp. 188-212 (with R. Schweickert).

Constructing a Framework of Effective Multilateralism: Conclusions for the Field of Collective Security. In: Krause, J. and Ronzitti, N. (eds.) *The EU, the UN and Collective Security: Making Multilateralism Effective*, Routledge (Abingdon, Oxon,), 2012, pp. 221-230 (with Nicoletta Pirozzi).

Institutional Convergence of the CIS towards European Benchmarks. In: Dabrowski, M. and Maliszewska, M. (eds.) *EU Eastern Neighborhood – Economic Potential and Future Development*, 2011, Springer (Heidelberg, Dordrecht, London, New York), pp. 123-143 (with R. Schweickert).

Ukraine's Energy Policy – Caught between Soviet Legacies, Russian Leverage and European Integration. In: Gawrich, A. Franke, A. and Windwehr, J. (eds.) *Resources from Energy as a curse? Rentierism and Energy Policy in Post-Soviet States*, 2010, Barbara Budrich Publishing (Opladen), pp. 165-200.