

Curriculum Vitae

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I am a political scientist specializing in *comparative politics* and *social science methodology*. My substantive research addresses questions related to party competition and government performance, the analysis of policy outcomes, and the challenges to and quality of democracy. I also have a strong country expertise in German and US Politics. My main methodological expertise lies in the field of qualitative methods dealing with causal inference including Qualitative Comparative Analysis, Process Tracing, case study designs, and their integration in multimethod research.

EDUCATION

Goethe University Frankfurt	
Doctorate in Political Science ('summa cum laude')	10/2011-10/2017
Title: <i>"It's Never Easy for the President to Get Exactly What He Wants."</i>	
<i>Presidential Activism and Success in the Legislative Arena During the Presidencies of Clinton, Bush & Obama</i>	
Albert-Ludwigs-University Freiburg	
Magister Artium in Political Science and History (grade 1.1)	04/2001-01/2010

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Bavarian School for Public Policy / TUM School of Governance	
TU Munich	
Post-doctoral researcher	04/2019-present
Goethe University Frankfurt	
Post-doctoral researcher	04/2018-03/2019
Freie University Berlin	
Post-doctoral researcher at the John-F.-Kennedy Institute	10/2017-04/2018
Goethe University Frankfurt	
Academic researcher (pre-doc)	10/2012-03/2017
Goethe University Frankfurt	
Fellow at the Social Science Methods Center	10/2012-09/2016
Albert-Ludwigs-University Freiburg	
Researcher in comparative politics (pre-doc)	10/2011-09/2012

VISITING POSITIONS

University of Birmingham	
Vanguard visiting fellow at the Institute of Advanced Studies	03/2018
University of Siena	
Visiting fellow at the Center for the Study of Political Change	04/2017-09/2017
European University Institute Florence	
Visiting doctoral student at the Department for Political and Social Sciences	01/2016-07/2016

Scuola Normale Superiore di Pisa	
Visiting fellow at the Department for Political Science and Sociology	01/2016-07/2016
University of California Irvine	
Visiting fellow at the Center for the Study of Democracy	02/2014-04/2014
Georgetown University, Washington, DC	
Visiting researcher at the Government Department	07/2013-09/2014
Visiting fellow at the APSA Centennial Center for Political Science and Public Affairs	07/2013-09/2013
American University, Washington, DC	
Visiting fellow at the Center for Congressional and Presidential Studies	07/2013-09/2013

TEACHING (UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE LEVEL)

Methods

Qualitative Comparative Analysis (QCA)	2015, 2016, 2017, 2018
Introduction to Empirical Research – Techniques for Data Collection	2015, 2016, 2018
Case-Based Methods in the Social Sciences	2013, 2014, 2017
Research Design	2014, 2015
Qualitative Empirical Methods in the Social Sciences	2013, 2014

Comparative Politics

Introduction to Public Policy Analysis	2019
The German Länder in Comparative Perspective	2018
The American Presidency in the Age of Trump	2017
Introduction to US Politics	2013, 2015
Globalization in US and European Perspectives	2015
Presidential Election Campaign – A Simulation	2014
Role Plays in Political Science	2013
The Quality of US Democracy in an Interdisciplinary Perspective	2013
Introduction to Comparative Politics	2012
Quality of Democracy	2012
Introduction to Political Science	2011

STUDENT SUPERVISION

First and second supervisor to 18 Bachelor and Master thesis at Goethe University Frankfurt, FU Berlin, and the University of Lucerne.

METHODS TRAINING FOR FACULTY AND PHDs

Qualitative Comparative Analysis

3 rd IPSA-HSE Summer School on Methods; St. Petersburg	08/2019
The Integrative Research Institute on Transformations of Human-Environment Systems; Humboldt University Berlin	10/2018
2 nd IPSA-HSE Summer School on Methods; St. Petersburg	08/2018
Berlin Graduate School of Social Sciences; Humboldt University Berlin	04/2015, 02/2018
German Institute for Development Evaluation (DIE); Bonn	01/2018
Scuola Normale Superiore Florence	10/2015, 10/2016, 09/2017
Göttinger Graduate School for the Social Sciences	07/2014, 07/2017

Center for the Study of Political Change, University of Siena	06/2017
Department for Sociology; Georg-August-University Göttingen	07/2014, 05/2017
Institute for Conflict, Cooperation and Security, University of Birmingham	11/2016
Interdisciplinary Graduate School; TU Kaiserslautern	11/2015
Institute for Political Science; Viadrina University Frankfurt/Oder	06/2015
Department of Sociology; Justus-Liebig-University Giessen	01/2015
Department for Business and Administration; Tilburg University	01/2015
Center for Southeast-Asian Studies; Albert-Ludwigs-University Freiburg	12/2014
Department for Social Sciences; Goethe University Frankfurt	11/2013

Case-Based Methods

Institute of Advanced Studies; University of Birmingham	03/2018
Scuola Normale Superiore Florence	06/2017
Berlin Graduate School of Social Sciences; Humboldt University Berlin	03/2017
Göttinger Graduate School for the Social Sciences; Georg-August-University Göttingen	09/2015

Research Design

Scuola Normale Superiore Florence	02/2016
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Simulations for Teaching Political Science

4th ECPR Summer School on Teaching and Learning Politics, Bratislava	07/2018
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PUBLICATIONS

Articles (peer-reviewed)**

1. Siewert, Markus B. & Pascal D. König. 2019. "On Digital Front-Runners and Late-Comers: Analyzing Issue Competition over Digitization in German Subnational Elections." *European Political Science Review* (**; conditionally accepted)
2. Goerres, Achim, Markus B. Siewert & Claudius Wagemann. 2019. "Internationally Comparative Research Designs in the Social Sciences: Fundamental Issues, Case Selection Logics, and Research Limitations." *Zeitschrift für Soziologie und Sozialpsychologie* (**; forthcoming)
3. Böller, Florian & Markus B. Siewert. 2017. "100 Days of Donald J. Trump. An Early Assessment of an (Extra)Ordinary Presidency." *Zeitschrift für Parlamentsfragen* 48(2): 329-349. (**; in German)
4. Wagemann, Claudius, Jonas Buche & Markus B. Siewert. 2016. "QCA and Business Research: Work in Progress or a Consolidated Agenda?" *Journal of Business Research* 69(7): 2531-2540. (**)
5. Buche, Antje, Jonas Buche & Markus B. Siewert. 2016. "Fuzzy Logic or Fuzzy Application? A Response to Stockemer's 'Fuzzy set or Fuzzy Logic?'" *European Political Science* 15(3): 359-378. (**)
6. Buche, Jonas & Markus B. Siewert. 2015. "Qualitative Comparative Analysis in Sociology. Perspectives, Potentials and Applications." *Zeitschrift für Soziologie* 44(6): 386-406. (**; in German)
7. Engartner, Tim, Markus B. Siewert, Maria Theresa Meßner & Christiane Borchert 2015. "Promoting Political Participation through Gaming? Opportunities and Limitations of Gaming Simulations as Teaching and Learning Arrangements for Action-Oriented Political Education." *Zeitschrift für Politikwissenschaft*, 25(2): 187-215. (**; in German)
8. Wagemann, Claudius & Markus B. Siewert. 2014. "No Role Model Anymore? On the Crisis of American Democracy." *POLIS* 3: 18-20. (in German)

Edited volumes

1. Lammert, Christian, Markus B. Siewert & Boris Vormann. 2020. *Handbook of US Politics*. 2. edition. Wiesbaden: VS Springer. (under contract; in German)
2. Wagemann, Claudius, Achim Goerres & Markus B. Siewert. 2019. *Handbook of Research Methods in Political Science*. (Wiesbaden: VS Springer. (forthcoming; in German)
3. Lammert, Christian, Markus B. Siewert & Boris Vormann. 2016. *Handbook of US Politics*. Wiesbaden: VS Springer. (in German)

Book chapters

1. Böller, Florian & Markus B. Siewert. 2019. "It Always Takes Two to Tango. Executive-Legislative Relations During the Trump Administration." In Böller, Florian, Christoph M. Haas, David Sirakov and Sarah Wagner (eds.). *The United States after the Midterms*. Baden-Baden: Nomos. (forthcoming; in German)
2. Wagemann, Claudius & Markus B. Siewert. 2019. "Qualitative Comparative Analysis". In Claudius Wagemann, Achim Goerres & Markus B. Siewert (eds.). *Handbook of Research Methods in Political Science*. Wiesbaden: VS Springer. (forthcoming; in German)
3. Siewert, Markus B. & Claudius Wagemann. 2019. "Comparative and Single Case Study Designs." In Claudius Wagemann, Achim Goerres & Markus B. Siewert (eds.). *Handbook of Research Methods in Political Science*. Wiesbaden: VS Springer. (forthcoming; in German)
4. Özvatan, Özgür & Markus B. Siewert. 2019. "Concepts and Concept Formation." In Claudius Wagemann, Achim Goerres & Markus B. Siewert (eds.). *Handbook of Research Methods in Political Science*. Wiesbaden: VS Springer. (forthcoming; in German)
5. Beach, Derek, Rasmus Brun Pedersen & Markus B. Siewert. 2019. "Case Selection and Nesting of Process Tracing Case Studies." In Derek Beach & Rasmus Brun Pedersen. *Process Tracing Methods. Foundations and Guidelines*. 2nd edition. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press.
6. Siewert, Markus B. 2017. "Process Tracing." In Sebastian Jäckle (ed.). *New Developments in Political Sciences Methods. Innovative Techniques for Quantitative and Qualitative Research*. Wiesbaden: VS Springer. (in German)
7. Siewert, Markus B. 2017. "Qualitative Comparative Analysis." In Sebastian Jäckle (ed.). *New Developments in Political Sciences Methods. Innovative Techniques for Quantitative and Qualitative Research*. Wiesbaden: VS Springer. (in German)
8. Lammert, Christian, Markus B. Siewert & Boris Vormann. 2016. "Familiar Strangers: Traditional Images and New Challenges in US Politics." In Christian Lammert, Markus B. Siewert & Boris Vormann (eds.). *Handbook of US American Politics*. Wiesbaden: VS Springer. (in German)
9. Siewert, Markus B. 2016. "The US Presidency." In Christian Lammert, Markus B. Siewert & Boris Vormann (eds.). *Handbook of US American Politics*. Wiesbaden: VS Springer. (in German)
10. Siewert, Markus B. & Claudius Wagemann. 2016. "The Crisis of US Democracy." In Christian Lammert, Markus B. Siewert & Boris Vormann (eds.). *Handbook of US American Politics*. Wiesbaden: VS Springer. (in German)
11. Wagemann, Claudius & Markus B. Siewert. 2015. "The Quality of Democracy in the United States of America in a Comparative Perspective." In Marcello Fantoni & Leonardo Morlino (eds.). *Comparing Democracies. The American Exceptionalism Revisited*. Rome: Viella.
12. Siewert, Markus B. & Georg Wenzelburger. 2015. "Media and Political Communication." In Uwe Wagschal, Sebastian Jäckle & Georg Wenzelburger (eds.). *Introduction to Comparative Politics*. Stuttgart: Kohlhammer. (in German)
13. Fricke, Carola & Markus B. Siewert. 2015. "Bureaucracy and Administration." In Uwe Wagschal, Sebastian Jäckle & Georg Wenzelburger (eds.). *Introduction to Comparative Politics*. Stuttgart: Kohlhammer. (in German)

14. Haas, Christoph M. & Markus B. Siewert. 2012. "What a President Can. Perspectives on the US Presidency under Barack Obama." In Wolfgang Jäger & Christoph M. Haas (eds.). *What a President Can – Barack Obama und Political Reforms in the US System of Checks and Balances*. Baden-Baden: Nomos. (in German)
15. Siewert, Markus B. & Christoph M. Haas. 2012. "Change (Un)Limited? Obamas Reforms between Promises and Reality." In Wolfgang Jäger & Christoph M. Haas (eds.). *What a President Can – Barack Obama und Political Reforms in the US System of Checks and Balances*. Baden-Baden: Nomos. (in German)
16. Eith, Ulrich & Markus B. Siewert. 2010. "The False Unicum: The German Bundesrat." In Gisela Riescher, Sabine Ruß & Christoph M. Haas (eds.): *Second Chambers*. 2nd edition. Munich: Oldenbourg Publishers. (in German)
17. Siewert, Markus B. & Christian Zettl. 2007. "Political Elites in the US." In Wolfgang Jäger, Christoph M. Haas & Wolfgang Welz (eds.): *The Political System of the United States*. 3rd edition. Munich: Oldenbourg. (in German)

Miscellaneous

1. Siewert, Markus B. 2018. "Mastering Research Proposal Writing: Innovation through the Combination of Traditional Lectures and Active Learning." Blogpost. *Active Learning in Political Science*. <https://activelearningps.com/2018/12/18/mastering-research-proposal-writing-innovation-through-the-combination-of-traditional-lectures-and-active-learning/>.
2. Siewert, Markus B. 2017. "The Populist Temptation- And Why to Keep It at Bay". Blogpost. *The Blue Review*, <https://thebluereview.org/the-populist-temptation/>.

Work in Process

1. Siewert, Markus B. (ed.). *Comparative Politics and the Challenges of the 21st Century*. Textbook proposal under review with Oxford University Press. (**)
2. Siewert, Markus B. & Derek Beach. "Nesting Qualitative Comparative Analysis (QCA) and Process Tracing: The Challenge of Mechanistic Heterogeneity and What to Do about it." Under review (**)
3. Fontana, Giuditta, Markus B. Siewert & Christalla Yakinthou. "Managing Successful War-to-Peace Transitions after Intra-State Conflicts." First round of R&R (**)
4. König, Pascal D. & Markus B. Siewert. „Democracy Out of Balance: Systematizing Present Deformations of Liberal Democracy." Under review (**)
5. Siewert, Markus B. & Derek Beach. „Proof by Mixing Methods: Integrating Cross-Case and Within-Case Analysis in Multi-Method Research." Textbook chapter on research methods in public policy.
6. Lammert, Christian, Markus B. Siewert & Boris Vormann (eds.). *Handbook of US Politics*. 2. Edition. Under contract with Springer VS.

GRANTS

Starting grant for the project Pledges Broken, Pledges Kept – Election Promises and their Fulfillment; Graduate Academy Goethe University (€5.000)	2018-2019
Research award; Annotation Transparency Initiative; Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, Syracuse University (€2.000)	2018
Collaboration on DFG-Project GOVRUS- Variations of Governance in hybrid Regimes: Business, State and Civil Society in Russia (main applicants Sabine Kropp, Katharina Blum & Claudius Wagemann) (€430.000)	2018
Workshop grant; Methodological Advances in the Peace and Conflict Research German Academic Exchange Service (with Claudius Wagemann & Stefan Wolff) (€1.000)	2017
Travel grant; German Academic Exchange Service (€1.700)	2017
Travel grant; European Consortium for Political Research (€500)	2017

Workshop grant; Germany and Southern Europe in Comparative Perspective; German Academic Exchange Service (with Claudius Wagemann) (€10.000)	2017
Starting grant for the H2020 project: Reinventing Europe Around Democracy for the Youth?!; Goethe University Frankfurt (with Claudius Wagemann) (€5.000)	2015-2016
Mobility grant; IQMR Methods School; Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, Syracuse University	2015
Teaching grant; joint US-German Seminar; German Academic Exchange Service (with Matthias Hofferberth) (€10.000)	2015
Teaching grant; joint US-German Seminar; Goethe University Frankfurt (with Matthias Hofferberth) (€5.000)	2015
Research grant; Potentials of QCA for the Field of Gender and Parliaments Goethe University Frankfurt (with Jonas Buche) (€3.000)	2015
Project grant; Developing Simulations for Teaching Political Science; German Ministry for Education and Research (with Tim Engartner) (€35.000)	2014-2015
Project grant; Teaching Political Science through Simulations Goethe University Frankfurt (with Tim Engartner) (€35.000)	2013-2014
Research grant; The Revolving Door on both Sides of the Atlantic; Foundation for German-American Academic Relations (with Claudius Wagemann) (€5.000)	2013-2014
Mobility grant; visiting fellowship at the APSA Centennial Center for Political Science and Public Affairs; APSA & German Academic Exchange Service (€4.100)	2013
Mobility grant; Fulbright Summer Institute; Fulbright Commission	2012
Starting grant for PhD project; Graduate Foundation Baden-Württemberg (€3.000)	2010
Travel grant; German Academic Exchange Service (€3.500)	2009

INVITED TALKS

The U.S. Presidency and the Crisis of Democracy; roundtable discussion, John-F.-Kennedy Institute at the FU Berlin	12/2017
Executive-Legislative Relations in the United States; discussion with staffers of the German parliament at the Aspen Institute Berlin	12/2017
New Innovations in Case-Based Methods; methods café at the Department for Political Science and International Studies, University of Birmingham	10/2017
Germany and USA in the Age of Trump; roundtable at the Annual Meeting of the Institute des Amériques, La Rochelle	10/2017
Presidential Activism and Success in US Lawmaking; lecture series at the Department for Political Science, Boise State University Idaho	08/2017
The President, Congress and Polarization in the United States in an Era of Trump; lecture for the Trans-Atlantic Academy	02/2017
Qualitative Comparative Analysis in a Nutshell; methods seminar series, University of Tel Aviv	12/2016
Engagement and Success of US Presidents in the Legislative Arena; lecture for the Trans-Atlantic Academy at the TU Kaiserslautern	12/2016
Qualitative Comparative Analysis in a Nutshell; lecture series at the Institute for Conflict, Cooperation and Security at the University of Birmingham	11/2016
Presidential Success in the Legislative Arena; research colloquium, John-F.-Kennedy Institute at the FU Berlin	01/2015

Presidential Success in the Legislative Arena; research colloquium at the Center for Democracy Studies, Leuphana University Lüneburg	11/2014
Presidential Legislative Success; research colloquium of Comparative Sociology, University of Irvine, California	04/2013
Change (Un)Limited? The Presidency of Barack Obama between Change and Continuity; lecture at the University of Applied Sciences North Switzerland, Bale	11/2012

(SELECTED) CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

American Political Science Association (APSA), Annual Meeting	2014, 2017
European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR), General Conference	2018
European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR), Joint Sessions	2015, 2017
European Political Science Association (EPSA), Annual Meeting	2017
International Political Science Association (IPSA), World Congress	2014, 2016
Western Political Science Association, Annual Meeting	2014
German Political Science Association (DVPW)	2016, 2018
German Association for American Studies (GAAS/DGfA)	2010, 2013
Italian Political Science Association (SISP)	2018
Political Studies Association	2019

ORGANIZATION OF SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS

Annual Meeting of the Political Science Section of the GAAS: The Corrosion of the Liberal Order?	
Transatlantic Perspectives in Perilous Times (with Florian Böller)	2019
ECPR Joint Sessions Workshop Configurational Thinking in Political Science: Theory, Methodology, and Empirical Application, workshop director (with Joachim Blatter)	2017
Workshop Methodological Advances in Peace and Conflict Research, University of Birmingham and Goethe University Frankfurt (with Stefan Wolff & Claudius Wagemann)	2017
DAAD-Workshop Germany and Southern Europe in Comparative Perspective, Goethe University Frankfurt (with Claudius Wagemann)	2017
Annual Meeting of the Political Science Section of the GAAS: The United States in Crises? (with Christian Lammert & Boris Vormann)	2013

MAJOR COLLABORATIONS

Member of the Annotation for Transparent Inquiry (ATI) Initiative led by the Qualitative Data Repository; Syracuse University	11/2018-present
DFG-Project G GOVRUS- Variations of Governance in Hybrid Regimes: Business, State and Civil Society in Russia	01/2018-present
Inter-university network on methodological innovations in peace and conflict studies between the University of Birmingham and Goethe University Frankfurt	01/2018-present
Interdisciplinary network on multi- and mixed-methods research, universities of Berlin, Hamburg, Cologne, Bremen, Vienna, and others funded by the DFG	10/2017-present
Country expert for Germany in the project EUENGAGE led by the University of Siena, funded under Horizon 2020	04/2017-02/2018
Country expert for Germany in the project on "Democratic Qualities in Europe in the Aftermath of the Economic Crises" led by LUISS Rome, funded by the PRIN	01/2015-08/2016

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Member of the evaluation committee for the junior professorship Empirical Democracy Research; Goethe University Frankfurt	10/2016-03/2017
Organizer of the GU Methods Winter School for BA and MA Students in the Social Sciences; Goethe University Frankfurt	01/2014-09/2016
Member of the search committee for the junior professorship European Union and Multilevel Governance; Goethe University Frankfurt	10/2013-04/2014
Member of the BA and MA program reform committee at the Institute for Political Science; Goethe University Frankfurt	04/2013-03/2014
Representative of the non-tenured faculty in the Institute for Political Science; Goethe University Frankfurt	04/2013-03/2014
Member of the search committee for the chair Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences, Goethe University Frankfurt	04/2013-09/2013
Member of the search committee for the junior professorship Empirical Democracy Research; Goethe University Frankfurt	10/2012-04/2013

REVIEWING

Congress and the Presidency; Ethnicities; Journal for Peace Research; Journal of Business Research; Journal of European Public Policy; Journal of International Relations and Development; Journal of Intervention and State Building; Kölner Zeitschrift für Soziologie und Sozialpsychologie; Sociological Methods & Research (2); Social Science History; Springer US; Zeitschrift für Soziologie; Zeitschrift für Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Media appearance	Commentaries on topics related to American politics
Paper & project consultation	Methodological advice on publications and grant applications using case-based designs such as Qualitative Comparative Analysis, case studies and process tracing, as well as mixed- and multi-method designs
Collaboration with non-university partners	Collaboration with the German Institute for Evaluation Studies (DAI; Thomas Wenker) on QCA and case studies as evaluation tools Pilot study on reform processes in the Catholic Church, St Bonifatius Frankfurt (with Claudius Wagemann & Simon Beste) Study for the Institute for Community and Administration Management, Cologne on QCA as evaluation tool (with Claudius Wagemann)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association (APSA); European Consortium for Political Science (ECPR); European Political Science Association (EPSA); International Political Science Association (IPSA); German Association for Political Science (DVPW); German Association for American Studies (GAAS/DGfA)

FURTHER SKILLS

Languages	German (native speaker); English (fluent); French (basic); Italian (basic)
Software	R and RStudio, SPSS, MAXQDA; Microsoft Office, diverse e-learning platforms