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## Research interests

- **Disciplinary:** Comparative & international political economy, economic sociology
- **Theoretical:** Business power, ideational approaches
- **Substantive:** Industrial policy, EU external policy, climate change, social construction of markets
- **Methodological:** Social network analysis, text-as-data, expert interviewing

## Education

### European University Institute:

PhD in Political and Social Sciences 2019-2023

Dissertation: *After Market Making: The Political Economy of EU Industrial Policy*

Master of Research in Political and Social Sciences 2019-2020

### Radboud University:

MSc Political Science (*cum laude*) 2016-2018

BSc Political Science 2013-2016

## Academic positions and fellowships

### Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies

Senior Researcher Oct 2023-present

Visiting Researcher 2022

### Radboud University:

Junior Lecturer in Political Science and Economics 2018-2019

## Publications

*Refereed articles and book chapters*

2023 Moving on not to Fall Behind? Technological sovereignty and the ‘geo-dirigiste’ turn in EU industrial policy. *Journal of European Public Policy*. With Timo Seidl.

2023 Europe First? The Rise of EU Industrial Policy Promoting and Protecting the Single Market. *Journal of European Public Policy*. With Donato Di Carlo.

2022 As Open as Possible, as Autonomous as Necessary: Understanding the Rise of Open Strategic Autonomy in EU Trade Policy. *JCMS: The Journal of Common Market Studies*. With Timo Seidl.

2020 From Coherence to Coheritization. Explaining the rise of Policy Coherence in EU External Policy. *Globalizations* 17(4). With Thomas R. Eimer.

2020 Power (ful) and Power (less): A Review of Power in the ESG Scholarship, in: Michele M. Betsil, Tabitha M. Benney & Andrea Gerlak (eds): *Agency in Earth Governance*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2020. with Andrea K. Gerlak and colleagues.

*Work in progress*

The Politics of Constraints. EU Industrial Policy under Limited State Capcaity. *Working paper*. With Timo Seidl.

Changing the Calculus: How Security Displaces Efficiency in Economic Policy. *Early stage working paper*.

Chaos is a Ladder. Alt-Finance and the Geopolitics of Infrastructure Investment *Early stage working paper*.

*Working papers*

2023 The Sunshine Problem: Climate Change, Reallocation, and the Commodifying Power of the State. *MPIfG Discussion paper 2023/6*. With Timur Ergen.

2021 Protecting, Transforming, and Projecting the Single Market. Open Strategic Autonomy and Digital Sovereignty in the EU's Trade and Digital Policies. *Soc-Arxiv preprint*. With Timo Seidl.

2021 Dealing with Disruption: the Politics of Industrial Renewal in the European Union.

2020 Yet another bailout? The Pre- and Post-COVID 19 politics of the new EU industrial policy. With Angela Wigger.

*Media and policy papers*

2023 Backlash. *De Groene Amsterdammer*. Interview. <https://www.groene.nl/artikel/backlash>.

2023 De Europese markt heeft industriepolitiek op Europees niveau nodig [The Single Market Needs EU-level Industrial Policy]. *NRC Handelsblad*. With Jasper van Dijk. <https://www.nrc.nl/nieuws/2023/05/10/europese-markt-heeft-industriepolitiek-op-europees-niveau-nodig>

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2022 As Open as Possible, as Autonomous as Necessary. Understanding the Rise of Open Strategic Autonomy. With Timo Seidl. *Ideas on Europe blog*. <https://tinyurl.com/y4ujyyx9>.

2020 Reflections on how COVID-19 is reshaping the EU's industrial strategy. *EUIIdeas blog*. <https://tinyurl.com/4mf6kb2f/>.

2015 Central and Eastern European countries at the crossroads: Why governments should reject investment arbitration in TTIP. With Cecilia Olivet. *TNI policy brief*. [https://www.tni.org/files/download/governments\\_should\\_reject\\_isds\\_in\\_ttip.pdf](https://www.tni.org/files/download/governments_should_reject_isds_in_ttip.pdf).

### **Funding and awards**

2019-2023 PhD Scholarship at the European University Institute (EUI & Nuffic), fully funded

2022 EUSA: selected for JEPP special issue for best conference papers (Europe First? The EU Commission as a developmental Network State promoting and protecting the single market).

### **Teaching**

*Keynotes and guest lectures*

2024 *Economic security meets austerity: European strategic autonomy at the brink*. Guest lecture, Utrecht University summer school on European Politics & Economy.

2022 *European Industrial Policy and the Shocks of the Global*. Guest lecture, Radboud University, Netherlands

2020 *Do the crises Europe faces necessitate a federal European State?* Thoughts for Europe debate series, European University Institute, Fiesole

*Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies*

- Implementing Large Language Models in Social-Scientific Research

*Radboud University*

Five undergraduate courses plus supervision of six BA theses in 2018-2019.

- Academic skills
- Economics of the management sciences
- Linear regression analysis

- Comparative governance
- The politics of EU crisis management since the 2008 financial crisis

### **Committees and memberships**

2020-2023 Co-chair of the EUI political economy work group (with Nils Oellerich)

2019- CES, SASE

### **Reviewer**

Journal for European Public Policy, Journal of Common Market Studies, Journal of European Integration, Business & Politics, Competition & Change, Politics and Governance, The International Spectator, Global Political Economy, *integration*

### **Conferences and Workshops (selection)**

2024 Council for European Studies, Lyon. 3-5 July.

2024 Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE), Limerick, 27-29 June.

2023 European Workshop in International Studies, Amsterdam. 12-14 July.

2023 Council For European Studies, Reykjavik. 27-29 June.

2023 Workshop on EU Industrial Policy at European University Institute - invited participant. Hewlett Foundation & Georgetown University. 13-14 April.

2023 SISEC (Società Italiana di Sociologia Economica), Brescia, 8-10 February.

2022 34<sup>th</sup> SASE. 9-11 July.

2022 28<sup>th</sup> International Conference of Europeanists. Council for European Studies (CES). 29 June-1 July.

2022 11<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference of the ECPR Standing Group on the European Union. 8-10 June.

2022 17<sup>th</sup> EUSA Biennial Conference. 19-21 May.

2021 14<sup>th</sup> General Conference of the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR).

2021 33<sup>rd</sup> International Conference of the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE), Digital Economy Network. 3-5 June.

2021 27<sup>th</sup> International Conference of Europeanists. Council for European Studies (CES). 24-26 June.

2021 First Doctoral Conference on the Social and Political Constitution of the Economy.  
Max Planck Institute For the Study of Societies. 24-26 March.

2020 [Cancelled due to COVID-19] 19<sup>th</sup> annual Politicologenetmaal, Nijmegen, the Netherlands.

2018 17<sup>th</sup> annual Politicologenetmaal, Leiden, the Netherlands.

## **Skills**

### *Methods and training*

Classification with Large Language Models (MPIfG), quantitative methods (EUI), qualitative methods (EUI), measurement in the social sciences (Levi Littvay), social network analysis (Arnout van de Rijt), interviewing (EUI HEC), Introduction to higher education teaching (EUI)

### *Languages*

Dutch (native), English (fluent), German (good), Italian (good), French (conversational)

### *Programming & formatting languages*

R, Markdown, Quarto, Latex, Python

### *Software*

Rstudio, Visual Studio Code, Discourse network analyzer, Gephi, Zotero

## **References**

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