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Current position (since November 2019)

Postdoctoral Researcher (Wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter)
Lehrstuhl für Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft, University of Cologne

Academic training and professional experience

11/2013 – 10/2019: Postdoctoral Researcher (Akademischer Rat auf Zeit) Lehrstuhl für Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft, University of Cologne

05/2011 – 10/2013: Postdoctoral Researcher (Wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter) Lehrstuhl für Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft, University of Cologne

10/2010 – 04/2011: Postdoctoral Fellow, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies, Cologne

10/2007 – 09/2010: Doctoral student, International Max Planck Research School on the Social and Political Constitution of the Economy (IMPRS-SPCE), Cologne
Degree: Dr. rer. pol.

Dissertation: „Soziale Präferenzen in demokratischen Entscheidungen“
(Social preferences in democratic decision making)

08/2009 – 12/2009: Visiting Scholar, Department of Politics, New York University, New York

07/2004 – 09/2007: Student Assistant and Research Assistant, Lehrstuhl für Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft (Prof. Dr. André Kaiser), University of Cologne

04/2002 – 11/2006: University of Cologne: Economics and Political Science (Volkswirtschaftslehre sozialwissenschaftlicher Richtung)
Degree: Diplom-Volkswirt (November 2006)

Diploma Thesis: „Eigeninteresse und Gleichheit als Faktoren Rationalen Handelns in Mehrheitsentscheidungen“ “ (Self-interest and equality as factors of rational action in majority decisions)

Publications

Book

- Debus, Marc, Markus Tepe and Jan Sauermann (Eds.). 2019. *Jahrbuch für Handlungs- und Entscheidungstheorie, Band 11*, Wiesbaden: Springer VS.

Articles in Refereed Journals

- Sauermann, Jan. 2021. "Prosociality in Majority Decisions: A Laboratory Experiment on the Robustness of the Uncovered Set" *Journal of Experimental Political Science* <https://doi.org/10.1017/XPS.2020.43> (online first).
- Sauermann, Jan. 2021. "The Effects of Communication on the Occurrence of the Tyranny of the Majority under Voting by Veto" *Social Choice and Welfare* 56 (1): 1-20.
- Sauermann, Jan. 2020. „On the Instability of Majority Decision Making – Testing the Implications of the ‘Chaos Theorems’ in a Laboratory Experiment“ *Theory and Decision* 88 (4): 505-526.
- Sauermann, Jan and Paul Beckmann. 2019. "The Influence of Group Size on Distributional Fairness under Voting by Veto." *European Journal of Political Economy* 56: 90-102.
- Sauermann, Jan. 2018. "Do Individuals Value Distributional Fairness? How Inequality Affects Majority Decisions." *Political Behavior* 40 (4): 809-829.
- Sauermann, Jan. 2016. "Committee Decisions under Majority Rule Revisited." *Journal of Experimental Political Science* 3 (2): 185-196.
- Sauermann, Jan, and Ulrich Glassmann. 2014. "Restraining Free-Riders: The Effects of Actor Types and Decision Rules in the Public Goods Game." *Rationality and Society* 26 (3): 290-319.
- Glassmann, Ulrich, and Jan Sauermann. 2012. "Decision Costs and Welfare Effects of Democratic Voting Rules: An Experimental Analysis." *World Political Science* 8 (1): 159-83.
- Glassmann, Ulrich, and Jan Sauermann. 2011. "Entscheidungskosten Und Gemeinwohleffekte Demokratischer Abstimmungsregeln – Eine Experimentelle Untersuchung." *Politische Vierteljahresschrift* 52 (3): 373-98.
 - 2nd prize of the Fritz Thyssen Foundation for journal articles in the social sciences of the year 2011
 - Prize for the best journal article in 2011 by the editorial office of *Politische Vierteljahresschrift* on behalf of the German Political Science Association (DVPW)
- Sauermann, Jan, and André Kaiser. 2010. "Taking Others into Account: Self-Interest and Fairness in Majority Decision Making." *American Journal of Political Science* 54 (3): 667-85.

Book Chapters

- Sauermann, Jan 2019. "Reputation Formation in Bargaining. Partners vs. Strangers in the Ultimatum Game" In *Jahrbuch für Handlungs- und Entscheidungstheorie. Band 11*, eds. Marc Debus, Markus Tepe, and Jan Sauermann. Wiesbaden: Springer. 179-188.
- Orban, Agnes, Jan Sauermann, and Christine Trampusch. 2018. "Varianten des Institutionalismus: Sozialwissenschaftliche Institutionenanalyse." In *Politik und Wirtschaft: Ein integratives Kompendium*, eds. Karsten Mause, Christian Müller and Klaus Schubert. Wiesbaden: Springer Fachmedien. 116-144.

- Sauermann, Jan and Paul Beckmann. 2017. "‘Divide the Dollar’ Using Voting by Veto." In *Jahrbuch für Handlungs- und Entscheidungstheorie. Band 10*, eds. Eric Linhart, Marc Debus, and Bernhard Kittel. Wiesbaden: Springer. 85-109.
- Sauermann, Jan. 2012. "Ticken Gruppen anders? Ein Laborexperiment zur unterschiedlichen Motivation von Individuen und Gruppen in Verhandlungen." In *Jahrbuch für Handlungs- und Entscheidungstheorie. Band 7: Experiment und Simulation*, eds. Thomas Bräuninger, André Bächtiger and Susumu Shikano. Wiesbaden: Springer VS. 81-104.

Currently under review

- Making and Breaking Coalitions: The Influence of Rationality and Prosociality (with Manuel Schwaninger und Bernhard Kittel)

Working papers

- The effects of team size in the public goods game
- Die Wirkung der Gruppengröße auf den Erfolg kollektiven Handelns. Experimentelle Befunde zum Einfluss der Mehrheitsregel in verschiedenen großen Gruppen

Bookreviews

- Herbert Gintis, *Individuality and Entanglement: The Moral and Material Bases of Social Life*, *Czech Sociological Review* 55 (6): 893-895.
- Herbert Gintis, Samuel Bowles, Robert Boyd, and Ernst Fehr (eds), *Moral Sentiments and Material Interests. The Foundations of Cooperation in Economic Life*, *Czech Sociological Review* 44 (6): 1208-1211.

Teaching Experience

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| Winter term 2020/21: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Stability, quality, and performance of democracy</i>, Master course and PhD course ▪ Administrative and academic organization of tutorials for the lecture ‘<i>Grundlagen der Vergleichenden Analyse Politischer Institutionen: Vergleichende Analyse Politischer Institutionen</i>’ (Prof. Dr. André Kaiser) |
| Summer term 2020: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Collective Action</i>, Master course and PhD course |
| Winter term 2019/20: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Comparative Political Institutions</i>, Master course (lecture) ▪ Administrative and academic organization of tutorials for the lecture ‘<i>Grundlagen der Vergleichenden Analyse Politischer Institutionen: Vergleichende Analyse Politischer Institutionen</i>’ (Prof. Dr. André Kaiser) |
| Summer term 2019: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Stability, quality, and performance of democracy</i>, Master course and PhD course |

- Winter term 2018/19:
- *Comparative Political Institutions*, Master course (lecture)
 - Administrative and academic organization of tutorials for the lecture '*Grundlagen der Vergleichenden Analyse Politischer Institutionen: Vergleichende Analyse Politischer Institutionen*' (Prof. Dr. André Kaiser)
- Summer term 2018:
- *Stability, quality, and performance of democracy*, Master course and PhD course
- Winter term 2017/18:
- *Comparative Electoral Systems*, undergraduate level
 - Administrative and academic organization of tutorials for the lecture '*Grundlagen der Vergleichenden Analyse Politischer Institutionen: Vergleichende Analyse Politischer Institutionen*' (Prof. Dr. André Kaiser)
- Summer term 2017:
- *The Limits of Democracy: Social Choice Theory and its Critics*, Master and PhD course
- Winter term 2016/17:
- *Comparative Electoral Systems*, undergraduate level
 - *Collective Action*, Master course
 - Administrative and academic organization of tutorials for the lecture '*Einführung in die Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft*' (Prof. Dr. André Kaiser)
- Summer term 2016:
- *Stability, quality, and performance of democracy*, Master course
- Winter term 2015/16:
- *Comparative Electoral Systems*, undergraduate level
 - *Collective Action*, Master course
 - Administrative and academic organization of tutorials for the lecture '*Einführung in die Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft*' (Prof. Dr. André Kaiser)
- Summer term 2015:
- *Stability, quality, and performance of democracy*, Master course
- Winter term 2014/15:
- *The Limits of Democracy: Social Choice Theory and its Critics*, Master and PhD course
 - *Collective Action*, Master course
 - Administrative and academic organization of tutorials for the lecture '*Einführung in die Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft*' (Prof. Dr. André Kaiser)
- Summer term 2014:
- *Das politische System der USA (The political system of the United States)*, undergraduate level
 - *Stability, quality, and performance of democracy*, Master and PhD course
- Winter term 2013/14:
- *The Limits of Democracy: Social Choice Theory and its Critics*, Master and PhD course
 - Administrative and academic organization of tutorials for the lecture '*Einführung in die Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft*' (Prof. Dr. André Kaiser)
- Summer term 2013:
- *Demokratie: Stabilität, Qualität und Performanz (Democracy: Stability, Quality and Performance)*, Master course
- Winter term 2012/13:
- *The Limits of Democracy: Social Choice Theory and its Critics*, Master and PhD course
 - Administrative and academic organization of tutorials for the lecture '*Einführung in die Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft*' (Prof. Dr. André Kaiser)

- Summer term 2012:
 - *Das politische System der USA* (The political system of the United States), undergraduate level
 - Winter term 2011/2012:
 - *Das politische System der BRD in vergleichender Perspektive* (The political system of Germany from a comparative perspective), undergraduate level
 - Administrative and academic organization of tutorials for the lecture '*Einführung in die Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft*' (Prof. Dr. André Kaiser)
 - Summer term 2011:
 - *Wahl- und Parteiensysteme im Vergleich* (Comparing Electoral systems and party systems), undergraduate level
 - 08/2010:
 - *Experimental Methods* (PhD Course, Teaching Assistant to Prof Rebecca Morton, New York University), ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques 2010, Ljubljana/Slovenia
 - Summer term 2010:
 - *Das politische System der Bundesrepublik Deutschland* (The political system of the Federal Republic of Germany), undergraduate level
 - 08/2009:
 - *Experimental Methods* (PhD Course, Teaching Assistant to Prof Rebecca Morton, New York University), ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques 2009, Ljubljana/Slovenia
 - Summer term 2007:
 - Teaching assistant to the seminar '*Vergleichende Politische Ökonomie. Klassische Studien*' (Prof. Dr. André Kaiser)
 - Tutorial for the lecture '*Grundzüge der Politischen Systeme*' (Prof. Dr. André Kaiser)
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Presentations and Workshops

- 06/2019: *9th Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association*, Belfast: 'The Effects of Communication on the Occurrence of the Tyranny of the Majority under Voting by Veto'
- 05/2019: *Annual Meeting DVPW Arbeitskreis für Handlungs- und Entscheidungstheorie 2019*, Bremen: 'The Effects of Communication on the Occurrence of the Tyranny of the Majority under Voting by Veto'
- 02/2019: *Colloquium Nuffield Centre for Experimental Social Science, University of Oxford*: 'The Effects of Communication on the Occurrence of the Tyranny of the Majority under Voting by Veto'
- 11/2018: *GSDS Colloquium, University of Konstanz*: 'Fairness or Foresight: Why is Majority Rule Stable?'
- 09/2018: *DVPW Kongress 2018*, Frankfurt a.M. (Panel „Verteilungspräferenzen und Demokratie“): 'Fairness or Foresight: Why is Majority Rule Stable?'
- 06/2018: *8th Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association*, Vienna: 'Fairness or Foresight: Why is Majority Rule Stable?'
- 05/2018: *Annual Meeting DVPW Arbeitskreis für Handlungs- und Entscheidungstheorie 2018*, Oldenburg: 'Fairness or Foresight: Why is Majority Rule Stable?'
- 12/2017: *Department of Economic Sociology, University of Vienna*: 'Fairness or Foresight: Why is Majority Rule Stable?'
- 06/2017: *Annual Meeting DVPW Arbeitskreis für Handlungs- und Entscheidungstheorie 2017*, Mannheim: 'The Influence of Group Size on Distributional Fairness under Voting by Veto'
- 05/2017: *x-hub Workshop, GESIS – Köln*: 'Probleme der Identifizierung individueller Motivationen in demokratischen Gruppenentscheidungen'
- 04/2017: *Annual Conference Midwest Political Science Association 2017*, Chicago: 'An Experimental Study of Voting by Veto'

- 05/2016: *Annual Meeting DVPW Arbeitskreis für Handlungs- und Entscheidungstheorie 2016*, Cologne: 'On the stability of majority decision making'
- 09/2015: *DVPW Kongress 2015*, Duisburg (Panel des Arbeitskreis „Handlungs- und Entscheidungstheorie“): 'Voting by Veto'
- 08/2015: *ECPR General Conference 2015, Montreal (Panel 'Electoral Systems and Elections')*: 'An Experimental Study of Voting by Veto'
- 05/2015: *1st Gothenburg-Barcelona experimental workshop*, University of Gothenburg: 'Do individuals value distributional fairness? The effects of inequality in majority decisions'
- 09/2014: *ECPR General Conference 2014*, Glasgow (Panel 'Preference Formation and Formal Models in Politics'): 'The Effects of Inequality in Majority Decisions'
- 07/2014: *Research Seminar, Center for Social Science Methodology*, Carl von Ossietzky University Oldenburg: 'Ungleichheitseffekte in Mehrheitsentscheidungen'
- 04/2011: *ECPR Joint Sessions of Workshops*, St. Gallen (Workshop 'Voting Experiments: An Assessment of Controlled Experiments about Electoral Behavior'): 'The effects of decision making rules and group size on cooperation between groups'
- 12/2008 *Experimental Political Science Workshop*, Hanse Wissenschaftskolleg, Delmenhorst: 'Behavioral differences between collective and individual players in the public goods game'
- 07/2008 *Research Seminar in Applied Microeconomics*, University of Cologne: 'Self-Interest and Fairness in Majority Decision Making'
- 05/2008 *Research Seminar, Center for Social Science Methodology*, Carl von Ossietzky University Oldenburg: 'Self-Interest and Fairness in Majority Decision Making'

Academic Activities

- 09/2018 Panel-organization „Verteilungspräferenzen und Demokratie“, *DVPW Kongress 2018*, Frankfurt a.M. (together with Manuel Schwaninger)
- 2016 – Organization of the lecture series „*Microfoundations of Politics – Social Preferences and Political Behavior*“ (together with Paul Beckmann, Sarah Berens, Sven-Oliver Proksch, Holger Reineremann, and Christopher Wratil)
- 05/2016: Local organizer of the annual meeting of the DVPW Arbeitskreis für Handlungs- und Entscheidungstheorie 2016 at the University of Cologne

Awards

- Award for the best journal article in 2011 by the editorial office of *Politische Vierteljahresschrift* on behalf of the German Political Science Association (DVPW)
- 2nd Prize of the Fritz Thyssen Foundation for journal articles in the social sciences of the year 2011

Research Grants

- Center for Social and Economic Behavior (C-SEB), Universität zu Köln: *Making and Breaking Coalitions: The Influence of Prosociality and Rationality* C-SEB Junior Start-Up Grant, € 3.000,00.
- German Research Foundation (DFG): *Voting by Veto*, € 43.900,00.
- Center for Social and Economic Behavior (C-SEB), University of Cologne: *Why is majority rule stable?* C-SEB Junior Start-Up Grant, € 3.000,00.
- Fritz Thyssen Stiftung für Wissenschaftsförderung: *Zyklische Mehrheiten und Ungleichheitseffekte*, € 18.130,00

- Fritz Thyssen Stiftung für Wissenschaftsförderung (with Ulrich Glassmann): *Gruppenverhalten und die Bereitstellung von öffentlichen Gütern*, € 6.780,00.
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Scholarships

- *Postdoctoral scholarship*, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies, Cologne, 10/2010 – 04/2011
 - *PhD Scholarship*, International Max Planck Research School on the Social and Political Constitution of the Economy (IMPRS-SPCE), 10/2007-09/2010
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Travel Grants

- *DAAD Grant* for EPSA Annual Conference 2018, Vienna
 - *DAAD Grant* for ECPR General Conference 2015, Montreal
 - *ECPR Scholarship Grant*, 2008
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Spokesperson

- Working Group *„Analytical Politics“* (Arbeitskreis für Handlungs- und Entscheidungstheorie) of the German Political Science Association (since 2017), together with Marc Debus (University of Mannheim) and Markus Tepe (University of Oldenburg)
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Memberships

- American Political Science Association (APSA)
- APSA Section ‘Experimental Research’
- Deutsche Vereinigung für Politikwissenschaft (DVPW)
- Arbeitskreis für Handlungs- und Entscheidungstheorie (DVPW Working Group *„Analytical Politics“*)
- European Political Science Association (EPSA)