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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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- **Substantive:** International Political Economy, Governance of Natural Resources, Sustainable Development, Climate Change Adaptation, Peace and Conflict Studies
- **Methods:** Applied Statistics, Geospatial Analysis, Mixed-Methods Design, Survey Statistics

## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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**04/2021 –** Temporary Full Professor (W3), Chair of International Politics and Conflict Management, University of Konstanz

- Teaching in the Political Science and Political Economy bachelor's and master's program
- Supervision of bachelor's and master's theses

**08/2020 – 03/2021** Temporary Full Professor (W3), Chair of Comparative Politics of Non-democratic States, University of Konstanz

- Teaching in the Political Science and Political Economy bachelor's and master's program
- Supervision of bachelor's and master's theses

**08/2019–07/2019** Interim Full Professor (W3), Chair of Political Science, University of Mannheim

- Teaching in the Political Science bachelor's program
- Supervision of bachelor's theses

**01/2011–07/2019** Senior Research Fellow, Chair of International Politics, University of Konstanz

- Principal investigator and leader of the project "Resource Management, Grievances and Intrastate Conflict", funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG)
- Teaching in the Political Science bachelor's and master's program
- Supervision of master's and bachelor's theses

**Since 09/2017** Visiting Lecturer, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Lucerne

- Teaching in the bachelor's and master's programs in the Department of Political and Social Sciences
- Supervision of master's theses

**09/2016–12/2016**                      **Temporary Full Professor (W3), Chair of International Relations, Zeppelin University**

- Teaching in the bachelor's and master's programs in the Department of Political and Social Sciences
- Supervision of Humboldt projects

**10/2013–03/2014**                      **Interim Professor (W2), Chair of Comparative Politics of Non-Democratic States, University of Konstanz**

- Teaching in the Political Science bachelor's program
- Supervision of master's and bachelor's theses

**05/2008–12/2010**                      **Research Fellow, German Institute of Global and Area Studies (GIGA)**

- Collaboration on the research project "Resource abundance as risk? On the contextual implications for the correlation between resource wealth and violence in non-OECD countries", funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG)
- Collaboration on the research project "Religion and civil war: on the ambivalence of religious factors in sub-Saharan Africa", funded by the German Foundation for Peace Research (DSF)

**04/2006–06/2006**                      **Research Fellow, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University**

**01/2006–04/2007**                      **Lecturer, University Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona**

- Teaching in the Political and Administration Sciences bachelor's Program

**05/2003–09/2003**                      **Research Fellow and Lecturer, Department of Politics and Public Administration, University of Konstanz**

- Teaching in the Political Science bachelor's Program

## **EDUCATION**

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**09/2003–11/2008**                      **Ph.D. in Political Science, Department of Political and Social Sciences, University Pompeu Fabra**

- Thesis: “The Legacy of Landlords: Educational Distribution, Political Accountability and Development in a Comparative Perspective”
- Advisors: Prof. Gøsta Esping-Andersen, Prof. Jacint Casajuana Jordana

**09/1998–05/2003**                      **Master of Arts, Political Science and Public Administration, University of Konstanz**

- Thesis: “Income Distribution in Developing Countries: Does Trade Matter?”

**1993–1995**                              **General Qualification for University Entrance, Colégio Visconde de Porto Seguro, São Paulo, Brazil**

### **THIRD-PARTY FUNDING AND GRANTS**

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**2021**                                      **Committee on Research (University of Konstanz); EUR 5,300**

**2015–2018**                              ***Resource Management, Grievances and Intrastate Conflict*, German Research Council (DFG); EUR 178,000**

- Main applicant and head of project (with Gerald Schneider)
- Research question: What is the role of natural resource governance in promoting socio-economic and environmental grievances at the regional level?
- Methods: quantitative, geospatial analyses employing a newly generated GIS dataset on the control rights of oil fields and mines in Africa and Latin America

**2018**                                      **Young Scholar Fund (YSF); EUR 8,500**

**2015**                                      **Young Scholar Fund (YSF); EUR 8,300**

**2011–2014**                              ***Governing the Resource-Conflict Nexus: Commodity Management and Internal Violence*, German Research Council (DFG); EUR 210,000**

- Main applicant and head of project (with Gerald Schneider)
- Research question: To what extent do natural resource ownership structures explain intrastate armed conflict?
- Methods: econometric analyses employing newly generated data on the property rights of hydrocarbon fields worldwide

**2003–2007**                              **PhD Grant from the International Graduate School of Catalonia (IGSOC) granted by the Catalan government, EUR 48,000**

## TEACHING

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### UNIVERSITY OF KONSTANZ

- Large-Scale Land Acquisitions, Agricultural Systems and Rural Livelihoods (MA, Summer 2022)
- Long-Term Determinants of Development (BA, Summer 2022)
- Resource Governance and Social Conflict (MA, Summer 2022)
- Research Colloquium (BA/MA, Summer 2022)
- International Relations and European Integration (BA, Winter 2021/2022)
- Agriculture, Institutions and Development (BA, Winter 2021/2022)
- Escaping the Natural Resource Curse (MA, Winter 2021/2022)
- Research Colloquium (BA/MA, Winter 2021/2022)
- Property Rights and Rural Development (MA, Summer 2021)
- The Determinants of Nations' Prosperity and Wellbeing (MA, Summer 2021)
- Explaining Social Conflict and Peace (MA, Summer 2021)
- Research Colloquium (BA/MA, Summer 2021)
- Determinants of Domestic Conflict and Cooperation (BA, Winter 2020/2021)
- Development and Institutions (MA, Winter 2020/2021)
- The Political Economy of Rural Livelihoods (MA, Winter 2020/2021)
- Institutional Foundations of the Resource Curse (MA, Winter 2020/2021)
- Research Colloquium (MA, Winter 2020/2021)
- Property Rights Regimes and Social Conflict (BA, Summer 2019)
- Research Colloquium (MA, Summer 2019)
- Land Governance and Local Sustainable Development (BA, Summer 2019)
- International Relations and European Integration (MA, Winter 2018/2019)
- Natural Resource Governance and Sustainable Local Livelihoods (MA, Winter 2018/2019)
- Exploring the Causes of Peace and Conflict (BA, Winter 2013/2014)
- The Economic History of Development (BA, Winter 2013/2014)
- Natural Resources and Development (BA, Winter 2013/2014)
- The Political Economy of Development: Long-Term Historical Changes (MA, Winter 2009/2010)
- International Political Economy and International Organizations (MA, Summer 2009)
- Resource Abundance, Institutions and Development (BA, Winter 2008/2009)
- The Political Economy of Underdevelopment (BA, Winter 2008/2009)
- Globalization and the Nation State (BA, Summer 2003)
- Political and Economic Transition in Latin America (BA, Summer 2003)

### UNIVERSITY OF MANNHEIM

- The Political Economy of Development and Institutions (BA, Spring 2020)
- Research Colloquium (BA, Spring 2020)
- Governing the Natural Resource Curse (BA, Spring 2020)
- Introduction to Development Studies (BA, Autumn 2019)
- Research Colloquium (BA, Autumn 2019)
- Land Deals, Mining Investments and Local Rural Livelihoods (BA, Autumn 2019)
- Academic Research and Writing (BA, Autumn 2019)

## UNIVERSITY OF LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

- The Political Economy of Development and Aid (BA & MA, Autumn 2017 and 2018)

## ZEPPELIN UNIVERSITY, FRIEDRICHSHAFEN

- International Political Economy (MA, Autumn 2016)
- International Relations (BA, Autumn 2016)
- Political Economy of Development and Administration (BA, Autumn 2016)

## UNIVERSITY POMPEU FABRA, BARCELONA

- Spanish Politics I (BA, Summer 2007)
- Introduction to Research Methods (BA, Summer 2007)

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Peer-Reviewed Articles

Wegenast, Tim, Arpita Khanna and Gerald Schneider. 2020. The Micro-Foundations of the Resource Curse: Oil Ownership and Local Economic Well-Being in Sub-Saharan Africa. *International Studies Quarterly* 64(3): 530–543.

Wegenast, Tim and Jule Beck. 2020. Mining, Rural Livelihoods and Food Security: A Disaggregated Analysis of Sub-Saharan Africa. *World Development* 130: 104921.

Krauser, Mario, Gerald Schneider and Tim Wegenast. 2020. Moving from Norms Rhetorics to Norms Empirics: A Rejoinder to ‚Local Gender Norms: Persistence or Change?‘ by Clara Neupert-Wentz. *Zeitschrift für Friedens- und Konfliktforschung*, online first.

De Juan, Alexander and Tim Wegenast. 2019. Climate, Food Riots and Adaptation: A Long-Term Historical Analysis of England. *Journal of Peace Research*, online first, <https://doi.org/10.1177/0022343319863474>

Wegenast, Tim, Georg Strüver, Mario Krauser and Juliane Giesen. 2019. At Africa’s Expense? Disaggregating the Employment Effects of Chinese Mining Operations in Sub-Saharan Africa. *World Development*, 118: 39-51.

Krauser, Mario, Tim Wegenast, Gerald Schneider and Ingeborg Elgersma. 2019. A Gendered Resource Curse? Mineral Ownership, Female Unemployment and Domestic Violence in Sub-Saharan Africa. *Zeitschrift für Friedens- und Konfliktforschung* 8: 213–237.

Strüver, Georg and Tim Wegenast. 2018. The Hard Power of Natural Resources: Oil and the Outbreak of Militarized Interstate Disputes. *Foreign Policy Analysis*, 14(1): 86–106.

Wegenast, Tim and Gerald Schneider. 2017. Ownership Matters: Natural Resources Property Rights and Social Conflict in Sub-Saharan Africa. *Political Geography*, 61: 110–122.

Wegenast, Tim. 2016. Oil, Natural Gas, and Intrastate Conflict: Does Ownership Matter? *International Interactions*, 42(1): 31–55.

Wegenast, Tim and Matthias Basedau. 2014. Ethnic Fractionalization, Natural Resources and Armed Conflict. *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, 31(4): 432–457.

Wegenast, Tim. 2013. Opening Pandora's Box? Inclusive Institutions and the Onset of Internal Conflict in Oil-Rich Countries. *International Political Science Review*, 34(4) 392–410.

Basedau, Matthias, Johannes Vüllers, Georg Strüver and Tim Wegenast. 2011. Do Religious Factors Impact Armed Conflict? Empirical Evidence from Sub-Saharan Africa. *Terrorism and Political Violence*, 23(5): 752–779.

Wegenast, Tim. 2010. Uninformed Voters for Sale: Electoral Competition, Information and Interest Groups in the US. *Kyklos*, 63(2): 271–300.

Wegenast, Tim. 2010. Cana, Café, Cacau: Agrarian Structure and Education in Brazil, *Revista de Historia Económica – Journal of Iberian and Latin American Economic History*, 28(1): 103–137.

Wegenast, Tim. 2009. The Legacy of Landlords: Educational Distribution and Development in a Comparative Perspective, *Zeitschrift für Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft – Comparative Governance and Politics*, 3(1): 81–107.

Basedau, Matthias and Tim Wegenast. 2009. Oil and Diamonds as Causes of Civil War in Sub-Saharan Africa: Under what Conditions? *Colombia Internacional*, 70: 35–59.

### **Book Chapters**

2010 (with Matthias Basedau): Quando le risorse generano violenza. Lo studio dei contesti per analizzare il nesso risorse-violenza nell' Africa sub-Sahariana, in: Costalli, Stefano/ Moro, Francesco N. (Eds.), *La guerra nello Stato*, Milano: Vita e Pensiero, pp. 75-104.

### **Working Papers and Submitted Articles**

Wegenast, Tim, Cécile Richetta, Mario Krauser and Alexander Leibik. 2021. Grabbed Trust? The Impact of Large-Scale Land Acquisitions on Interpersonal Trust in sub-Saharan Africa (revise&resubmit, *World Development*).

Leibik, Alexander and Tim Wegenast. 2020. Land Deals and Social Fabrics: The Impact of Large-Scale Land Acquisitions on Social Trust in sub-Saharan Africa. AIDDATA Working Paper No. 102.

Krauser, Mario and Tim Wegenast. 2019. Educational Resource Curse? A Disaggregated Analysis of Oil Ownership and Human Capital Formation (currently under review).

Wegenast, Tim, Georg Strüver, Mario Krauser and Juliane Giesen. 2017. On Africa's Back? Disaggregating the Social Impact of Chinese-controlled Mineral Extraction. GIGA Working Paper No. 308

Wegenast, Tim. 2013. The Impact of Fuel Ownership on Intrastate Violence. GIGA Working Paper No. 225.

Strüver, Georg and Tim Wegenast. 2011. Ex oleo bellare? The Impact of Oil on the Outbreak of Militarized Interstate Disputes. GIGA Working Paper No. 162.

Wegenast, Tim. 2010. Inclusive Institutions and the Onset of Internal Conflict in Resource-rich Countries. GIGA Working Paper No. 126.

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED TALKS (SELECTION)**

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- 2020: “Land Deals and Social Fabrics: The Impact of Large-Scale Land Acquisitions on Social Trust in sub-Saharan Africa”. Annual Conference of the Swiss Political Science Association, Lucerne, 03-04 February 2020
- 2019: “Mining, Rural Livelihoods and Food Security: A Disaggregated Analysis of Latin America and Sub-Saharan Africa”. Annual Conference of the Swiss Political Science Association, Zurich, 14-16 February 2019.
- 2018: “The Microfoundations of the Resource Curse: Oil Ownership and Local Economic Well-Being in Sub-Saharan Africa”. 27. Wissenschaftlicher Kongress der Deutschen Vereinigung für Politikwissenschaft (DVPW). Frankfurt, 25-28 September 2018.
- 2018: “Mining, Rural Livelihoods and Food Security: A Disaggregated Analysis of Latin America and Sub-Saharan Africa.” Workshop on SDG12 Responsible Consumption and Production”, Newcastle University, London, 28 June 2018.
- 2018: “Climate, Food Riots and Adaptation: A Long-Term Historical Analysis of England”, Annual Conference of the Swiss Political Science Association, Geneva, 05–07 February 2018.
- 2017: “Long-Term Environmental Change and Food Riots: A Disaggregated Historical Analysis of England”. European Historical Economics Society Conference 2017, Tübingen, 1–2 September 2017.
- 2017: “Teaching with Treasures: How Oil and Mining Control Rights affect Human Capital Formation”, 7th Annual General Conference of the European Political Science Association, Milan, 22–24 June 2017.
- 2016: “Divisive Riches: Resource Ownership and Social Conflict in Sub-Saharan Afrika”, Annual Conference of the Swiss Political Science Association, Basel, 21–22 January 2016.
- 2014: “Natural Resources, Economic Disparities, and Conflict in Sub-Saharan Africa”, European Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Edinburgh, 19–21 June 2014.
- 2013: “The Impact of Fuel Ownership on Intrastate Violence”, European Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Barcelona, 20–21 June 2013.
- 2013: “Oil, Property Rights and Armed Conflict”, Annual Meeting of the European Public Choice Society, Zürich, 3–6 April 2013.
- 2011: “Oil, Ethnic Exclusion and Armed Conflict”, IPSA/ECPR Joint Conference. Sao Paulo, 16–19 February 2011.
- 2009: “Babylon on Fire: Ethnic Fractionalization, Natural Resources and Major Civil War”, General Conference of the European Consortium for Political Science, Potsdam, 10–12 September 2009.
- 2008: “Educational distribution within countries: the legacy of landlords”, European Social Science History Conference, Lisbon, 25–27 February 2008.

2007: “Educational Attainment in Developing Countries: The Legacy of Landlords”, Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, 12–15 April 2007.

2006: “Agrarian Structure and Educational Inequalities in Brazil”, General Conference of the Latin American Political Science Association, Sao Paulo, 4–6 September 2006.

## **ACADEMIC SERVICE**

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**Refereeing:** *American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, British Journal of Political Science, Conflict Management and Peace Science, Defense and Peace Economics, International Interactions, International Political Science Review, Journal of Peace Research, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Political Geography, Political Research Quarterly, Resources Policy, The Extractive Industries and Society, Zeitschrift für Friedens- und Konfliktforschung, World Development*

**Transfer:** Media appearances including Deutsche Welle, Deutschlandradio Wissen, Rede Globo, Financial Times Deutschland, Hessischer Rundfunk, Westdeutscher Rundfunk, Quartz Africa

Opinion articles on sustainable development, conflict and political economy issues in various newspapers including La Vanguardia (Spain), O Estado de São Paulo (Brazil), O Globo (Brazil), Huffington Post, Deutsche Welle, Political Violence at a Glance, African Arguments

**Supervision:** 17 MA theses; 40 BA theses

## **OTHER**

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**Software skills:** R, Stata, ArcGIS

**Language skills:** German (native), Portuguese (native), English (fluent), Spanish (fluent)

**Memberships:** Environmental Peacebuilding Association (Founding Member), European Political Science Association, Swiss Political Science Association