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Citizenship: Swiss

Languages: *Fully proficient or native:* German, French & English | *Intermediate:* Arabic (B2), Romanian (B1)

IT skills: Office suite (proficient), NVivo, QGIS

EDUCATION

Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies **Geneva, Switzerland**
PhD candidate, International Relations & Political Science 09/2015–

- Thesis: ‘Financing and reforming the African Union’ (working title). Co-supervision by Professor Stephanie Hofmann and Professor Jean-François Bayart.
- Fieldwork in Addis Ababa (Ethiopia), Brussels (Belgium), Pretoria (South Africa)
- Teaching assistance 09/2015-02/2017, including IR theory, international governance, civil society and international environmental institutions.
- Doc.CH Fellow (full doctoral scholarship), Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
- President of the Association of Teaching and Research Assistants (ADA), 2016-2018
- Student representative in professorship hiring committee, 2018

College of Europe **Bruges, Belgium**
MA in European Union International Relations and Diplomacy Studies 09/2014–06/2015
Mention “excellent”

School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London **London, UK**
MSc International Politics 09/2013-08/2014
Distinction

University of Geneva **Geneva, Switzerland**
BA Political Science, Arabic 09/2009-06/2012

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Hofmann, Stephanie C. and Ueli Staeger. ‘Frame contestation and collective securitization: the case of EU energy policy’, *West European Politics*. DOI: 10.1080/01402382.2018.1510197.
- Staeger, Ueli and Bobocea, Cristian. 2018. ‘Bureaucratic Authority and Mimesis: The Eurasian Economic Union’s multiple integration logics’. *The International Spectator* 53 (3). DOI: 10.1080/03932729.2018.1490506.
- Staeger, Ueli. 2016. ‘Africa-EU Relations and Normative Power Europe: A Decolonial Pan-African Critique’. *JCMS: Journal of Common Market Studies* 54 (4): 981–98. DOI: 10.1111/jcms.12350.

BOOK CHAPTERS

- Staeger, Ueli and Gwatiwa, Tshepo. forthcoming. “Peace and Security in the context of EU-Africa relations”, in Mah, Duggan & Hastrup (eds.), *Routledge Handbook on EU-Africa Relations*. Abingdon: Routledge.
- Staeger, Ueli. 2017. “Turning a Problem into a Solution? The Potential of Interregionalism Between the European Union and the Eurasian Economic Union”, in Gstöhl, Sieglinde & Schunz, Simon (eds.), *Theorizing the European Neighbourhood Policy*. Abingdon: Routledge.

BOOK REVIEWS

- Staeger, Ueli. 2018. “EU–China–Africa Trilateral Relations in a Multipolar World: Hic Sunt Dragones, by A. K. Stahl (London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2018, ISBN 9781137587015); xxiii+228pp., €100.00 hb”. *Journal of Common Market Studies*. DOI: 10.1111/jcms.12762.

WORK IN PROGRESS

- External actor involvement at the African Union: organization, resources and practices. *Manuscript*.

AWARDS & GRANTS

- *African Affairs* & British International Studies Association (BISA), Postgraduate Paper Prize, 2017
Best postgraduate paper, on a topic related to Africa, at BISA and International Studies Association conferences: 'External actor involvement at the African Union: organization, resources and practices'
- European Communities Studies Association Switzerland, Best Article Prize, 2017
Best published article on the European Union by a junior Swiss scholar: 'Africa–EU Relations and Normative Power Europe: A Decolonial Pan-African Critique'. *JCMS: Journal of Common Market Studies* 54 (4): 981–98.
- United Nations University Institute on Comparative Regional Integration Studies Prize (UNU-CRIS), June 2015
Prize for best thesis on the EU and other world regions, College of Europe.
- Swiss National Science Foundation, Doc.CH doctoral scholarship, 2017-2021
Competitive full doctoral scholarship, *P0GEP1_172079*, 284'135 CHF
- Swiss Academy of Humanities and Social Sciences, Travel Grant, 2017
- International Studies Association, Travel Grant, 2017
- Swiss federal scholarship for College of Europe, 2014-2015
Full scholarship for study and board, Bruges campus, 23'000 EUR

TEACHING EXPERIENCE & INVITED TALKS

- Teaching assistance at Graduate Institute, 09/2015-02/2017:
 - Politics of Knowledge in International Governance (Annabelle Littoz-Monnet, 2017)
 - Region, Power and Norms (Stephanie Hofmann, 2017)
 - Feminist Theories (Elisabeth Prügl, 2017)
 - Political Violence (Keith Krause, 2017)
 - Transformations of the State (James Hollway, 2016)
 - Applied Game Theory (Cédric Dupont, 2016)
 - International Environmental Institutions (James Hollway, 2016)
 - International Governance (Annabelle Littoz-Monnet, 2015)
 - Civil Society and Non-Governmental Organizations (David Sylvan, 2015 & 2016)
- “Les relations extérieures de l’UE : accords, diplomatie, coercition”, *Guest lecture*, Global Studies Institute, University of Geneva, 30 November 2016.
- “L’Union Européenne et la Suisse après le Brexit”, *Panel discussion*, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva, 4 November 2016.
- “TTIP – Chance oder Gefahr für die Schweiz?” *Panel discussion*, University of St. Gallen, 11 October 2016.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS & PANELS

P: PRESENTER, C: CONVENOR

- “Mixed methods in researching regional IOs: the case of external donors at the African Union”, *International Studies Association 60th Annual Convention*, Toronto, 28 March 2019 (P).
- “Influencing bureaucracies: How financing changes the African Union”, *International Studies Association 60th Annual Convention*, Toronto, 27 March 2019 (P).
- “The power of bureaucratization: influence through external aid at the African Union”, University of Gothenburg, ‘Rethinking Development’ Development Research Conference, 22-23 August 2018 (P).
- “Bureaucratic Authority and Mimesis: The Eurasian Economic Union’s multiple integration logics” (with Cristian Bobocea), Swiss Political Science Association, Annual Conference, Geneva, 5-6 February 2018 (P).
- “Bureaucratic Authority and Mimesis: The Eurasian Economic Union’s multiple integration logics” (with Cristian Bobocea), *Workshop ‘Regionalism and Identities in the Post-Soviet Areas: Actors and Processes after the Ukrainian Crisis’* (Daniel Bach, Caroline Dufy, Alessandra Russo), Sciences Po Bordeaux, 26-27 October 2017 (P).
- “The Collective Securitization of Energy” (with Stephanie Hofmann), *11th Pan-European Conference on International Studies, European International Studies Association*, Barcelona, 13-16 September 2017 (P).

- “External actor involvement at the African Union: organization, resources and practices”, *7th European Conference on African Studies*, Basel, 29 June-1 July 2017 (P).
- Panel “Speaking Africa, integrating Africa? Norms and power of the African Union”, *7th European Conference on African Studies*, Basel, 29 June-1 July 2017 (C).
- “Pay to play? Unpacking external actor involvement at the African Union”, *British International Study Association Annual Conference*, Brighton, 14-16 June 2017 (P+C)
- “External actor involvement at the African Union: organization, resources and practices”, *EWIS, European International Studies Association*, Cardiff, 7-10 June 2017 (P)
- “An Exclusive Inclusion Project: The Eurocentric Production EU Identity and Citizenship” (with Ezgi Yildiz), *International Studies Association 58th Annual Convention*, Baltimore, 25 February 2017 (P).
- “Thin Norms and Colonial Continuities: The Institutionalization of Pan-Africanism at the African Union”, *International Studies Association 58th Annual Convention*, Baltimore, 24 February 2017 (P).
- “Does Colonialism Still Matter in Development Aid Flows?” (with Alessandro Regio), *24th World Congress of Political Science*, International Political Science Association, Poznan, 24 July 2016 (P).
- “Decolonising methodology: Pragmatism, Eurocentrism and EU interregionalism studies”, *Decolonizing the academy*, University of Edinburgh, 26 February 2016 (P).
- ““It Wasn’t Me”: The strategic use of regionalism in EU-Russia diplomacy” (with Cristian Boboceca), *The evolution of foreign policy in the post-Soviet space* (Cristian Nitoiu), London School of Economics, 25 February 2016 (P).
- “Turning a problem into a solution? The potential of interregionalism in theorizing European Union-Eurasian Economic Union relations”, *Theorizing the European Neighbourhood Policy*, College of Europe, Bruges, 18 September 2015 (P).

POLICY WRITING

- “Mapping of Donor Engagement in the Local Governance Sector in the Palestinian Territories”, GIZ, May 2017.
- “Conditionality in context – scenarios for EU relations with the Eurasian Economic Union”, College of Europe Policy Brief, Bruges, June 2016.
- “TTIP: Switzerland at the Table or on the Menu?”, Policy Brief, *foraus* Think-Tank, Zurich, May 2016.
- “Written evidence for the UK House of Lords EU External Affairs Sub-Committee on the strategic review of the EU’s foreign and security policy” (with Stephanie Hofmann), 2015, <http://data.parliament.uk/writtenevidence/committeeevidence.svc/evidencedocument/eu-external-affairs-subcommittee/strategic-review-of-the-eus-foreign-and-security-policy/written/22463.html>.
- “The European Union’s Regionalism Diplomacy in Africa: An English School Approach”, *Bruges Regional Integration & Global Governance (BRIGG) Working Paper*, UNU-CRIS, October 2015.
- “Understanding civil society and European Parliament contention with TTIP negotiations”, *EU Diplomacy Papers*, College of Europe, April 2015.
- “Reaching for the Stars. European and Swiss International Cooperation in Science and Technology.” SwissCore report for State Secretariat for Education, Research and Innovation & Swiss National Science Foundation, March 2013.

JOURNAL REVIEWS

Interventions: *International Journal of Postcolonial Studies*, *European Political Science Review*, *Journal of Eurasian Studies*, *South African Journal of International Affairs (SAJIA)*, *Journal of Common Market Studies JCMS*, *Revue Politique Européenne*

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- European International Studies Association
- International Studies Association
- British International Studies Association
- Swiss Society for African Studies
- Swiss Political Science Association

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Forum Aussenpolitik (*foraus*), Swiss think-tank for foreign policy** **Switzerland**
Board member 04/2017-
- Contributing to strategy and organisational development of the think-tank
 - Peer review and publication process management
- Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)** **Ramallah, OPT**
Consultant 01/2017-06/2017
- Authoring a study on donor coordination in the local government sector, commissioned by Palestinian Ministry of Local Government
 - Qualitative fieldwork and statistical data collection on bilateral and pooled interventions
 - Creation of a new dataset, including geographical information system (GIS) visualisations
- School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London** **London, United Kingdom**
Research assistant for Dr. Rahul Rao 01/2014-05/2014
- Research assistance
- European Youth Parliament** **Bern, Switzerland**
President of Swiss national chapter 09/2010-01/2014
- Project management, HR, media work, contribution to organisation's international governance
 - Trainer and facilitator at numerous conferences across Europe
- Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung** **Jerusalem, OPT**
Research internship 04/2013-07/2013
- Research and editing of a critical appreciation of the Palestinian and international movement for the boycott of Israel
 - Research and monitoring, project administration and reporting
- SwissCore Contact Office for Research, Innovation & Education** **Brussels, Belgium**
Trainee research policy 09/2012-02/2013
- Monitoring and reporting on European research policy for Swiss State Secretariat and National Science Foundation
 - Policy report 'European and Swiss strategies in international cooperation in science and technology'
- Department of Political Science, University of Geneva** **Geneva, Switzerland**
Research assistant 02/2011-02/2013
- Research assistance for survey on effects of ageing among senior citizens, Professor Marco Giugni
 - Field research assistant for *protestsurvey* project, Professor Marco Giugni