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Working Experience

Since 10/2020 **University of Freiburg, Chair for International Relations**

Postdoctoral Researcher & Lecturer, Executive Managing Assistant

02/2021 – 08/2022

Principal investigator, ‘Global Autocratic Collaboration in Times of COVID-19: Game-Changer or Business as usual in Sino-Gulf Relations?’ (funded by the Volkswagen-Foundation, together with Prof Dr Thomas Demmelhuber, University of Erlangen; Dr Tobias Zumbrägel, CARPO Bonn)

10/2021 – 09/2022

Project coordinator and investigator, ‘Populist Discourses on COVID-19 in the Global South’ (collaborative research project with scholars from Brazil, India, Israel, Turkey and Mexico, funded by the German Research Council, DFG, together with Prof Dr Sandra Destradi, University of Freiburg)

Since 09/2018 **Center for Applied Research in Partnership with the Orient (CARPO)**

Associate Researcher

2016 – 2018 Project Assistant, Iranian-Saudi Track II Diplomacy Project

2017 – 2020 **University of Freiburg, Chair for Multilevel Governance**

Research Associate & Lecturer

2019 **Tongji University Shanghai, German and EU Studies Center**

Guest Researcher

2015 – 2016 **Bonn International Center for Conversion (BICC)**

Project Assistant, Project on Arms Export Control

Education

2017 – 2020 **University of Freiburg, PhD**

Thesis: ‘Against all odds? EU-China Security Cooperation in the Context of Political Tensions’

2015 – 2017 **University of Bonn, MA Political Science and Sociology (1,3)**

2016 – 2017 **University of Bonn, Second Degree Asian and Oriental Studies**

2011 – 2014 **University of Düsseldorf, BA Social Sciences (1,4)**

therein: Semester abroad, Universidad de Granada, Spain

Publications

* = double-blind peer reviewed

Monographies

*Gurol, Julia (2022). *The EU-China Security Paradox: Cooperation Against all Odds?* Bristol University Press.

Journal Articles

* Gurol, Julia, Tobias Zumbärgel & Demmelhuber, Thomas (2022). Elite Networks and the Transregional Dimension of Authoritarianism: Sino-Emirati Relations in Times of a Global Pandemic. In: *Journal of Contemporary China*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10670564.2022.2052444>

*Gurol, Julia & Schuetze, Benjamin (forthcoming). Infrastructuring Authoritarian Power: Arab-Chinese Transregional Collaboration beyond the State. In: *International Quarterly of Asia Studies*.

*Gurol, Julia & Grimmel, Andreas (2021). Normativity, Pragmatism and Practices: Reassessing European and Chinese Foreign Policy Models. In: *European Review of International Studies*.

*Gurol, Julia & Starkmann, Anna (2021). New Partners for the Planet? EU-China cooperation on climate governance from a role theoretical approach. In: *Journal of Common Market Studies*, Vol. 59, No. 3: 518-534.

*Gurol, Julia (2020). Beyond dichotomy? Towards conceptual and theoretical variety in EU-China research. In: *Zeitschrift für Politikwissenschaft*.

*Gurol, Julia & Wetterich, Cita (2020). Feldforschung in sensiblen Sicherheitskontexten: Einblicke aus China und dem südlichen Mittelmeerraum. In: *Zeitschrift für Internationale Beziehungen*, Vol. 27, No. 2: 1-15

*Gurol, Julia (2020). Competitive, cooperative or complementary? The roles of the EU and China in the security architecture of the Middle East. In: *Chinese Journal of Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies*, Vol. 14, No. 1.

*Panke, Diana & Gurol, Julia (2020). Small States as Agenda-Setters? The Council Presidencies of Malta and Estonia. In: *Journal of Common Market Studies*, Vol. 56, S1: 142-151.

Book chapters

Gurol, Julia & Grimmel, Andreas (forthcoming). *Chinese Multilateralism*. In: Justice and the Crisis of Multilateralism: Europe, the BRICS and the United States (ed. Helene Sjursen), Routledge.

Destradi, Sandra & Gurol, Julia (forthcoming). *South-South Cooperation: Between Cooperation on Eye-Level and Accusations of Neo-Colonialism*. In: Regionalism and Global Governance, (eds. Jürgen Rüländ, Astrid Carrapatoso), Edward Elgar Publishing.

Gurol, Julia & Rodríguez, Fabricio (forthcoming). *Spatial Reconfigurations and the Promise of 'Connectivity' in the Global South: Re-imagining Development through Infrastructure in the Context of the Belt and Road Initiative*. In: Handbook on International Development and Environment, (ed. Benedicte Bull), Edward Elgar Publishing.

Demmelhuber, Thomas, Gurol, Julia & Zumbärgel, Tobias (forthcoming). *The Corona Temptation? Autocratic Linkages in Times of a Global Pandemic*. In: COVID-19 and the Arab World, (eds. Jan Völkel et al.), Routledge.

Gurol, Julia (forthcoming). *China-Maghreb Relations: South-South Cooperation or Authoritarian Advancement?* In: Handbook on China-MENA Relations (ed. Yahia Zoubir), Routledge.

Gurol, Julia & Rodríguez, Fabricio (2020). *Desintegration statt Konnektivität? Die Belt and Road Initiative als außenpolitische Herausforderung für die EU*. In: Die neue Europäische Union – Zwischen Integration und Desintegration, (ed. Andreas Grimmel), Nomos.

Panke, Diana & Gurol, Julia (2020). *Small States in the UN General Assembly - Challenges and Coping Strategies*. In: Research Handbook on the Politics of Small States (ed. Godfrey Baldacchino & Anders Wivel). Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar Publishers.

Panke, Diana & Gurol, Julia (2019). *Small States in the European Union*. In: Encyclopedia of European Union Politics (ed. Finn Laursen). Oxford University Press.

Other publications

- Gurol, Julia (forthcoming). A Friend in Need is a Friend Indeed? China-MENA Relations during COVID-19. King Faisal Center for Research and Islamic Studies.
- Gurol, Julia & Wetterich, Cita (2020). [Perspectives on Fieldwork in Security-Sensitive spaces – Insights from China and the Southern Mediterranean Area](#). *ABI Working Paper*.
- Gurol, Julia & Scita Jacopo (2020). [China’s Balancing Act in the Gulf Relies on Ties to Iran and Arab States](#). *The Arab Gulf States Institute in Washington*.
- Gurol, Julia & Scita, Jacopo (2020). [China’s Persian Gulf strategy: Keep Tehran and Riyadh content](#). *Atlantic Council*.
- Gurol, Julia & Shahmohammadi, Parisa (2019). [Projecting power westwards: China’s maritime strategy in the Arabian Sea and its ramifications for the Middle East](#). *Center for Applied Research in Partnership with the Orient (CARPO)*.
- Gurol, Julia & Shahmohammadi, Parisa (2019). [Turning interdependence into complementary action. EU-China relations in the quest to save the Nuclear Agreement](#). *Center for Applied Research in Partnership with the Orient (CARPO)*.
- Gurol, Julia (2019). [Rivals or Partners? Interdependencies between the EU and China in the Middle East](#). *Center for Applied Research in Partnership with the Orient (CARPO)*.

Conferences & Invited Talks

ECPR Joint Sessions 2022, ‘Authoritarianism across space, time and scale’, co-organized with Natalie Koch.

‘Words Matter! Reproduction and Contestation of Narratives of Supremacy in Sino-Gulf Relations’, DAVO Congress, Osnabrueck, 2021

‘The COVID-19 Temptation? Sino-Gulf Relations and Autocratic Linkages in Times of a Global Pandemic’, with Thomas Demmelhuber and Tobias Zumbrägel, DAVO Congress, Osnabrueck, 2021

‘Elite Networks and the Transregional Dimension of Authoritarianism: Sino-Emirati Relations in Times of a Global Pandemic’, with Thomas Demmelhuber and Tobias Zumbrägel, IPSA Annual Conference, 2021

‘Elite Networks and the Transregional Dimension of Authoritarianism: Sino-Emirati Relations in Times of a Global Pandemic’, ALMA Research Series, Arnold-Bergstraesser Institute Freiburg, 2021

‘Normativity and Pragmatism in Practice: EU Foreign Policy and China’s Belt and Road Initiative’, with Andreas Grimm, IB-Sektionstagung, Freiburg, 2020

‘(Un)intended revisionism? Geopolitical implications of China’s connectivity strategy’, AC21 BRI-Workshop on ‘Constructing the 21st-Century Silk Road: Southeast Asia in the Race for Connectivity and Geopolitical Interests’, Freiburg, 2020

‘New Partners for the Planet? EU-China climate relations from a role theoretical approach’, with Anna Starkmann; ISA Annual Conference, Toronto, 2019

‘New Belt, new Road – new Policies? EU-China security relations in the Middle East from a liberal (institutionalist) perspective’, ECPR General Conference, Hamburg, 2018

Panel chair ‘EU-China relations and the Belt and Road Initiative’, DVPW IB-Sektionstagung October 2020

Discussant ‘The EU and China in a changing world order’, DVPW IB-Sektionstagung October 2020

Organization ‘Authoritarianism & Democracy: Transnational and Multiscalar Perspectives on Power and Spaces of Contestation’, Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies, March 2021

‘Sustainable careers paths in German academia’, Conference of the German Political Science Association (DVPW), March 2021

Early Career Conference of the young professionals group ‘International Relations’ of the German Political Science Association (DVPW), March 2020

Field Research Experience

Saudi-Arabia (2022), Brussels (2019), China (2019), Lebanon (2017), Israel/Palestine (2016), Colombia (2016)

Teaching Experience

2022	MA seminar ‘The Russian-Ukrainian conflict: root causes, dynamics and approaches to conflict management’ (cross-site seminar, University of Freiburg)
2021	MA seminar ‘Critical Conflict Analysis’ (cross-site seminar, University of Freiburg) BA seminar ‘Introduction to International Relations’ (University of Freiburg)
2020/21	MA seminar ‘Authoritarianism in China’s Foreign Policy – Game Changer or Business as Usual?’ (University of Freiburg) BA seminar ‘Introduction to Political Science’ (University of Freiburg)
2020	BA seminar ‘Conflict Analysis: Yemen – a country in conflict’ (cross-site seminar, University of Freiburg) ‘Academic Approaches to Post-Conflict Reconstruction’ (collaborative German-Yemeni teaching project, in cooperation with the University of Sana’a, Yemen)
2019/20	BA seminar ‘EU-China-US Relations in the Context of the Belt and Road Initiative’ (University of Freiburg)
2019	BA seminar ‘Conflict Analysis’ (cross-site seminar, University of Freiburg)
2018/19	BA seminar ‘Introduction to Political Science’ (University of Freiburg)
2018	BA seminar ‘Introduction to International Relations’ (University of Freiburg)
2017/18	BA seminar ‘International and Regional Organizations’ (University of Freiburg)

Training Certificate on Teaching Methodology (Baden-Württemberg)

Awards	Teaching Award of Baden-Württemberg (2019)	50.000 EUR
	Teaching Award of the University of Freiburg (2019)	5.000 EUR

Third-Party Funding & Grants

DFG-grant for research project ‘Populist Discourses on COVID-19 in the Global South’ (PI: Prof. Dr. Sandra Destradi)	164.00 EUR
VW-Foundation grant for research project ‘Global Autocratic Collaboration in Times of COVID-19’ (PIs: Dr. Julia Gurol, Prof. Dr. Thomas Demmelhuber, Dr. Tobias Zumbrägel)	119.000 EUR
Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies – grant for conference organization	9.999 EUR
DVPW – grant for conference organization	5.000 EUR

Scientific Society Freiburg – grant for conference participation	1.150 EUR
Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst (DAAD) – grant for field research	2.652 EUR

Services to the Scientific Community

- Since 2022 Participation in the University working group ‘Gender, diversity and career development’
- Since 02/2020 Representative for digitalization in teaching and learning (‘digital ambassador’) at the faculty for social sciences, University of Freiburg
- 2021 – 2022 Early Career Advisor, Advisory Board EPICUR Alliance, University of Freiburg
- 2019 – 2020 Doctoral Representative in the Senate, University of Freiburg
- 2018 – 2020 Speaker of the early career group ‘International Relations’ of the German Association for Political Science (DVPW)

Reviews for Globalizations; Journal of Common Market Studies; American Political Science Review; Mediterranean Politics; Chinese Journal of Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies

Languages

- German (native speaker)
- English (very good knowledge, TOEFL ibT 115)
- Spanish (very good knowledge, DELE certificate C1)
- Chinese (very good knowledge, DAAD Certificate B2)
- French (good knowledge, DELF B1)
- Arabic (basic knowledge)

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