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## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### Education

**Ph.D., Political Science.** University of California, Los Angeles. December 2015.

*Committee:* Barbara Geddes, Daniel Posner, Ellen Lust, Leonard Binder, and Rogers Brubaker  
*Dissertation:* *Electoral Institutions, Ethnicity, and Clientelism: Authoritarianism in Jordan.*

**M.A. Political Science,** University of California, Los Angeles. 2010.

**B.A. Political Science and History.** University of California, San Diego. 2005.  
*Cum Laude and High Honors.*

**University of California Education Abroad Program in France.** 2003-2004.  
Le Mirail Université de Toulouse & L'Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Toulouse

### Positions

**2021-Present, Post-Doctoral Research Fellow,** Political Science Department, University of Gothenburg, Sweden

**2015-2021, Post-Doc/Senior Research Fellow,** Program on Governance and Local Development, University of Gothenburg, Sweden

**Spring, 2014 Visiting Research Fellow,** Department of Political Science, Yale University

**2012 Research Assistant, The Center for Strategic Studies,** University of Jordan

**2009-2011 Research Assistant, Professor Rogers Brubaker,** Department of Sociology – University of California, Los Angeles

### Publications

With Mara Revkin. In Press. “No Peace Without Punishment? Reintegrating Islamic State Collaborators in Iraq.” *The American Journal of Comparative Law*.  
[https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=3832730](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3832730)

With Mara Revkin. 2021. “Retribution or Reconciliation? Attitudes Towards Rebel Collaborators After Conflict.” *American Journal of Political Science*. Winner of the Franklin L. Burdette/Pi Sigma Alpha Best Paper Award for APSA 2019. <https://doi.org/10.1111/ajps.12673>

With Adam Harris, Karen Ferree, Boniface Dulani, Ellen Lust, Erica Metheney, and Cecilia Ahsan. 2021. “Elections in the Time of Covid-19: The Triple Crises Around Malawi’s 2020 Presidential Elections.”

*Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties.*

With Ellen Lust and Gibran Okar. 2021. "Voting for Islamists: Mapping the Role of Religion." *The Oxford Handbook of Politics in Muslim Societies*, edited by Melani Cammett and Pauline Jones. DOI: 10.1093/oxfordhb/9780190931056.001.0001

With Adam Harris, Karen Ferree, Boniface Dulani, Ellen Lust, Erica Metheney, and Cecilia Ahsan. 2021. "Stigma, Trust, and Procedural Integrity: Covid-19 Testing in Malawi." *World Development*.

With Lindsay Benstead. 2021. "Female Electability in the Arab World: The Advantages of Intersectionality." *Comparative Politics*.

With Lindsay Benstead and Ellen Lust. "Does it Matter What Observers Say? The Impact of International Election Monitoring on Legitimacy." 2020. *Mediterranean Politics*. 1-22.

With Ellen Lust, Boniface Dulani, Karen Ferree, Adam Harris, and Erica Metheney. 2020. "The ABCs of Covid-19 Prevention in Malawi: Authority, Benefits and, Costs of Compliance." *World Development*. 137: 105167.

With Lindsay J. Benstead, Pierre F. Landry, Ellen M. Lust, and Dhafer Malouche. 2017. "Using Tablet Computers to Implement Surveys in Challenging Environments." *Survey Practice*.

Kao, Kristen. 2017. "Review: *The Arab Spring: Pathways of and Reform*." By Jason Brownlee, Tarek Masoud, and Andrew Reynolds. New York: Oxford University Press, 2015." *Perspectives on Politics*.

Kao, Kristen. 2012. "Jordan." *Cultural Sociology of the Middle East, Asia, and Africa*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

## **Working Papers and Book Proposals**

Kao, Kristen. "Electoral Institutions and Social-Identity Based Clientelism in Jordan." Working paper. Draft available upon request. **Revise and Resubmit at Political Research Quarterly**.

With Ellen Lust, and Lise Rakner. "Poverty and Clientelism: Do the Poor Demand Clientelism?" 2017. *The Program on Governance and Local Development Working Paper Series*, University of Gothenburg. <http://gld.gu.se/media/1310/kao-lust-rakner-money-machine-final.pdf> **Revise and Resubmit at World Development**.

With Ferree, Karen, Boniface Dulani, Adam S. Harris, Ellen Lust, Cecilia Ahsan Jansson, and Erica Metheney. "Disease Threat, Stereotypes, and Covid-19: An Early View from Malawi and Zambia." 2021. *The Program on Governance and Local Development Working Paper Series*, No. 36, University of Gothenburg. <http://gld.gu.se/media/2009/gld-working-paper-36.pdf> **Revise and Resubmit at Comparative Political Studies**.

Kao, Kristen. With Kate Baldwin and Ellen Lust. "Is Authority Fungible? Legitimacy, Domain Congruence, and the Limits of Power in Africa." Draft available upon request. **Under Review**.

Kao, Kristen. "Legal Pluralism and Fragmented Sovereignty After Conflict: A Survey Experiment in Mosul." Draft available upon request. Presented at the APSA 2021; ISA 2022.

Kao, Kristen. With Ellen Lust. *Local Governance in the Middle East and North Africa*. Edited volume

proposal. Proposal draft and sample chapters available upon request.

Kao, Kristen. With Ellen Lust. “Do List Experiments Run as Expected? Examining Implementation Failure in Kenya, Zambia, and Malawi.” Draft available upon request. Presented at the European Political Science Association 2021.

## Other Publications and Policy Reports

With Abulrazzaq Al-Saiedi, Marsin Alshamary, Fotini Christia, and Jacob Shapiro. 2021. “Elections Series: Iraq – Parliamentary.” Evidence in Governance and Politics (EGAP) blog. <https://egap.org/resource/elections-series-iraq-parliamentary/>

Kao, Kristen. “Post-Conflict Reconciliation in Iraq.” 2021. Governance Uncovered Podcast. The Program on Governance and Local Development. <https://soundcloud.com/gldresearch/kristen-kao-post-conflict-reconciliation-in-iraq>

“Fears, Vulnerabilities, and Precautions over Covid-19: A Report on Citizens’ Experiences in Malawi and Zambia.” 2021. Ahsan Jansson, Cecilia; Bergman, Jennifer; Bjurnevall, Sara; Dulani, Boniface; Ferree, Karen; Fischer Madsen, Lucas; Harris, Adam; Hinfelaar, Marja; Kao, Kristen; Lust, Ellen; Metheney, Erica Ann. The Program on Governance and Local Development, University of Gothenburg.

With Ezra Karmel. 2020. “What do Jordan’s Election Results Mean?” *The Washington Post/Monkey Cage*. Available [here](#). Picked up and translated [locally](#), discussed on Al Hurra News Channel [here](#) and on Al Jazeera’s Facebook page with thousands of likes and hundreds of comments: [https://www.facebook.com/AJA.HKJordan/posts/3526902517424606?\\_rdc=1&\\_rdr](https://www.facebook.com/AJA.HKJordan/posts/3526902517424606?_rdc=1&_rdr)

With Ellen Lust, Chagai Weiss, Marwa Shalaby, Eric Vollmann, Sylvia, Bergh, Sylvia I., E.J. Karmel, Miriam Bohn, Intissar Kherigi, and Zeynep Kadirbeyoglu. 2020 The Dynamics of Decentralization in the MENA: Processes, Outcomes, and Obstacles. The Program on Governance and Local Development Working Paper No. 31, University of Gothenburg, Available [here](#).

Kao, Kristen. 2017-2021. Freedom in the World Report: Jordan. *Freedom House*.

With Mara Revkin. 2019. “How the Iraqi crackdown on the Islamic State may actually increase support for the Islamic State.” *The Washington Post*. Available [here](#).

Co-Edited with Ellen Lust, Adam Harris, and Ruth Carlitz. 2018. “Expectations, Responsiveness, and Electoral Accountability” *APSA Comparative Democratization Newsletter*. <https://gld.gu.se/media/1350/apsa-20181.pdf>

With Adam Harris and Lust, Ellen. 2018. “The Determinants of Local and National Vote Choice: Evidence from a Conjoint Experiment,” *APSA Comparative Democratization Newsletter*, 16(1), pp. 22-26. <http://gld.gu.se/media/1350/apsa-20181.pdf>

With Lise Rakner and Ellen Lust. 2018. “Money Machine: Do the Poor Demand Clientelism?” *APSA Comparative Democratization Newsletter*, 16(1): 22-26.

With Ellen Lust, & Marc Lynch. 2017. “Are Islamists making a comeback in the Middle East? Here’s why they succeed—and fail.” *The Washington Post*. Available [here](#).

Kao, Kristen. 2017. “Electoral Institutions and Ethnic Clientelism.” *APSA Comparative Politics*

*Newsletter*. 17(2): 44–50. Available [here](#).

With Lauren Baker, Ellen Lust, & Marc Lynch. 2017. “Islam in a Changing Middle East: Local Politics and Islamist Movements.” *Project on Middle East Political Science*. Available [here](#).

With Ellen Lust. 2017. “Why Did the Arab Uprisings Turn Out as They Did? A Survey of the Literature.” *Project on Middle East Democracy*. Available [here](#).

With Ruth Carlitz, Pierre Landry, Ellen Lust, and Lise Rakner. 2017. “Beyond the State: Measuring Governance at the Community Level.” *APSA Comparative Democratization Newsletter*. 17(2): 26–29. Available [here](#).

With Adam Harris, Ellen Lust, Jens Ewald, and Peter Holmgren. 2017. “Governance in Service Delivery in the MENA.” *World Bank*. Available [here](#).

Kao, Kristen. 2017. “Jordan: Negotiating Political, Economic, and Social Minefields.” *IEMed Mediterranean Yearbook*. 2017. *European Institute of the Mediterranean*. Available [here](#).

Kao, Kristen. 2016. “How Jordan’s Election Revealed Enduring Weaknesses in its Political System.” *The Washington Post*. Available [here](#).

Kao, Kristen. 2015. “Do Jordan’s Tribes Challenge or Strengthen the State?” *The Washington Post*. Available [here](#).

Kao, Kristen. 2012. “Jordan’s Ongoing Election Law Battle.” *Sada*. Washington, DC: Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. Available [here](#).

## **Research Grants and Educational Scholarships**

### ***Post-PhD Funding***

Participating Researcher. A Study of the Implementation of Sweden’s Feminist Foreign Policy in Partner Countries. With Ann Towns (P.I.), Elin Bjarnegård, and Katarzyna Jezierska. 2022-2023.  
Funders: The Expert Group for Aid Studies (EBA – a Swedish government committee)  
Award Amount: 1,000,000 SEK (110,405 USD).

Principal Investigator. From Revenge to Forgiveness: Strengthening Durable Peace in Post-Conflict Societies. With Michael Bang Petersen and Kristin Fabbe. 2019-2022.  
Funders: Riksbanken Jubileumsfond and the Folke Bernadotte Academy  
Award Amount: 3,570,000 SEK (412,000 USD).

Principal Investigator. To Punish or To Pardon? Attitudes Towards Justice and Reintegration for Swedes who Cooperated with the Islamic State. With Peter Esaiasson. 2020-2022.  
Funder: Wilhelm & Martina Lundgrens Vetenskapsfond.  
Award Amount: 66,000 SEK (7,800 USD).

Co-Principal Investigator. Refugee Migration and Cities: Social Institutions, Political Governance and Integration in Jordan, Turkey and Sweden (SIPGI). With Andrea Spehar (Co-PI), Josepha Wessels, Mine Eder, and Isabell Schierenbeck. 2019-2025.

Funder: Vetenskapsrådet (Swedish Research Council)  
Award Amount: 17,700,000 SEK (2,000,000 USD).

Co-Principal Investigator. Governance and Local Development in the Middle East and North Africa. Edited Volume, 2018-2022. With Ellen Lust (Co-PI).

Funder: Hicham Alaoui Foundation.

Award Amount: 1,718,100 SEK (200,000 USD)

Co-Principal Investigator. Can partnerships between local government and civil society organizations build environmentally-conscious behaviors? Experimental evidence on recycling in Lebanon. With Salma Mousa (Co-PI). 2020-2022.

Funder: Hicham Alaoui Foundation

Award Amount: 13,500 USD from within the Hicham Alaoui Foundation funding listed above

Researcher. Gendered Panels and Legislative Legitimacy in the Middle East and North Africa. With Marwa Shalaby (Co-PI), Ellen Lust (Co-PI), and Chagai Weiss. 2019-2022.

Funder: Carnegie Corporation of New York,.

Award Amount: 3,000,000 SEK (350,000 USD).

Co-Principal Investigator. “Reintegrating Rebel Collaborators After Conflict” 2018. With Mara Revkin.

Funder: The Program on Governance and Local Development

Award Amount: 26,000 SEK

Participating Researcher. Challenges and Opportunities of Urbanization in Tanzania, Zambia, and Kenya, 2017-2020. With Ellen Lust, Boniface Dulani, Adam Harris, and Pierre Landry.

Funder: FORMAS.

Award Amount: 9.1 million SEK (991,115 USD)

Participating Researcher. Social Institutions and Governance: Lessons from Sub-Saharan Africa, 2017-2021. With Ellen Lust, Adam Harris, Boniface Dulani, and Pierre Landry.

Funder: Vetenskapsrådet (Swedish Research Council)

Award Amount: 7.8 million SEK (860,000 USD).

Principal Investigator. Middle East and North Africa Workshop Research Grant, 2015-2016.

Funder: American Political Science Association

Award: Two weeks funded in Qatar and Kuwait plus \$1,000 grant for data coding

Participating Researcher. Governance and Service with Ellen Lust, Adam Harris, and Boniface Dulani, 2016.

Funder: World Bank

Award Amount: 10,969 USD

### ***PhD Funding***

Alice Belkin Memorial Scholarship, 2014.

Award Amount: 4,000 USD

Doctoral Dissertation Writing Grant, 2014-2015.

Funder: Political Science Department, University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)

Award: Tuition of 13,000 USD plus a stipend of 19,925 USD.

Charles F. Scott Fellowship, 2013-2014.

Award: Tuition of 13,000 USD plus stipend of 15,000 USD

Travel Research Engagement Grant, Kuwait, 2013. “Comparing Jordanian and Kuwaiti Electoral Systems.”

Funder: Project on Middle East Political Science

Award Amount: 3,000 USD

Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant, 2012. “Voter Expectations of Candidates in Parliamentary Elections in the Middle East,” Jordan and Kuwait.

Funder: The National Science Foundation (US)

Award Amount: 11,990 USD

“Electoral Institutions in Jordan and Kuwait,” 2011-2012.

Funder: Boren National Security and Education Fellowship

Award Amount: Tuition of \$13,000 plus stipend of 9,383 USD

Dissertation Grant, 2010-2011.

Funder: American Center for Oriental Research

Award: Room and board for 6 months in Jordan plus stipend of 10,200 USD

Summer Dissertation Proposal Development Grant – Syria & Jordan, 2010. “Voting for Islamism vs Tribalism.”

Funder: Social Science Research Council (US)

Award Amount: 5,000 USD

Summer Research Mentorship Grant, Syria, 2009. “The Saliency of Ethnic Identity in Displacement: Iraqi Refugees in Syria.”

Funder: Political Science Department, UCLA

Award Amount: 5,000 USD

Foreign Language & Area Studies Fellowship, Advanced Arabic/Middle East Studies, 2008-2011.

Funder: Department of Education (US)

Award: Tuition for 3 years of 12,500 USD plus stipend for 3 years of 15,000 USD.

Critical Language Scholarship, Intensive Intermediate Arabic Summer Program, Oman, 2008.

Funder: United States Department of State

Award: 3 months of room and board in Oman

Summer Fieldwork Grant, Egypt, 2008.  
Funder: Political Science Department, UCLA  
Award Amount: 4,500 USD

Fulbright Scholar Program, Egypt, 2006-2007. “Islamic Education and the Cultivation of National Identity.”  
Funder: Institute of International Education  
Award Amount: 20,000 USD

## Teaching Experience

*Advised 10 masters students and 1 undergraduate student; I am currently advising 2 masters students*

**2021 International Administration & Policy, “Local Responses to Conflict Resolution Approaches”**  
University of Gothenburg, *International Administration & Global Governance Masters Program*

**2021 American Political Science Association, “Virtual Survey Methods” (free seminar to attend for the more than 100 PhD students who signed up) <http://web.apsanet.org/mena/wp-content/uploads/sites/6/2021/04/MENA-Virtual-Research-Methods-Seminar.pdf>**

**2021 & 2020 Theoretical and Historical Perspectives on Global Governance, “Localizing Global Migration Governance”**  
University of Gothenburg, *International Administration & Global Governance Masters Program*

**2019 Co-Leader – Governance and Service Delivery in the Global South**  
University of Gothenburg, *Department of Political Science Doctoral Program*

**2017 Co-Leader – Governance and Service Delivery in the Global South**  
University of Gothenburg, *Department of Political Science Doctoral Program*

**2011 Teaching Assistant – Great Powers in the Middle East**  
Professor Steven Spiegel – University of California, Los Angeles, Undergraduate Course

**2011 Teaching Assistant – Introduction to American Politics**  
Professor Lynn Vavreck – University of California, Los Angeles, Undergraduate Course

**2010 Teaching Assistant – African Politics**  
Professor Daniel Posner – University of California, Los Angeles, Undergraduate Course

**2009 Course Grader – Crisis Decision Making in US Foreign Policy**  
Professor Katja Favretto – University of California, Los Angeles, Undergraduate Course

**2007 Teaching Assistant – International Relations of the Middle East**  
Professor Leonard Binder – University of California, Los Angeles, Undergraduate Course

## Datasets

- With Mara Redlich Revkin, 2021, “Replication Data for: Retribution or Reconciliation? Post-Conflict Attitudes Toward Enemy Collaborators”, <https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/OONBF6>, Harvard Dataverse, V1, UNF:6:YKwH5bNHRj9P1Y3Z7/whZw== [fileUNF]

- With Ellen Lust; Boniface Dulani; Karen Ferree; Adam Harris; Erica Metheney. “Supplementary Data for: The ABCs of Covid-19 Prevention in Malawi: Authority, Benefits, and Costs of Compliance”, <https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/KLHFBI>, Harvard Dataverse, UNF:6:q10MgwT9A6kRUR4mw4bIrQ== [fileUNF]
- With Ellen Lust, Boniface Dulani,, Adam Harris, Karen Ferree, and Erica Ann Metheney. “The First GLD-IPOR Covid-19 Survey in Malawi.” The Program on Governance and Local Development, University of Gothenburg: 2020. [www.gld.gu.se](http://www.gld.gu.se)
- With Ellen Lust, Boniface Dulani,, Adam Harris, Karen Ferree, Erica Ann Metheney, and Marja Hinfelaar. “The First GLD-SAIPAR Covid-19 Survey in Zambia.” The Program on Governance and Local Development, University of Gothenburg: 2020. [www.gld.gu.se](http://www.gld.gu.se)
- With Lust, Ellen; Landry, Pierre F.; Harris, Adam; Dulani, Boniface; Metheney, Erica Ann; Nickel, Sebastian; Carlitz, Ruth; Gakii Gatua, Josephine; Jöst, Prisca; Mechkova, Valeryia; Mujenja, Maxim Fison; Tengtenga, John; Grimes, Marcia; Ahsan Jansson, Cecilia; Alfonso, Witness; Nyasente, Dominique; Ben Brahim, Nesrine; Jordan, Jenna; Bauhr, Monika; Boräng, Frida; Ferree, Karen; Hartmann, Felix; and Lueders, Hans. “The Local Governance and Performance Index (LGPI) Household Survey 2019: Kenya, Malawi, Zambia.” The Program on Governance and Local Development, University of Gothenburg: 2020. [www.gld.gu.se](http://www.gld.gu.se).
- With Lust, Ellen; Harris, Adam; Landry, Pierre F.; Dulani, Boniface; Zgambo, Atusaye; Chiweza, Asiyati; Kayuni, Happy; Muriaas, Ragnhild L.; Rakner, Lise; Wang, Vibeke; Benstead, Lindsay; Hartmann, Felix; and Nickel, Sebastian. “The Local Governance Performance Index (LGPI) Malawi Truncated Dataset.” Program on Governance and Local Development, University of Gothenburg: 2016. [www.gld.gu.se](http://www.gld.gu.se).
- With Ellen Lust and Lindsay Benstead. “Jordanian Post-Election Survey (JPES).” The Transitional Governance Project: 2014. [www.gld.gu.se](http://www.gld.gu.se)

## **Selected Presentations and Invited Talks**

- “Challenges for Democracy in Post-Conflict Settings” presentation to the Youth International Think Tank, Lindholmen Visual Arena, Gothenburg, November 23, 2021.
- “Legal Pluralism and Fragmented Sovereignty After Conflict” Uppsala University and The Folke Bernadotte Academy (Swedish Government Agency for Peace, Security and Development) “Ending Islamist Civil Wars” Research Workshop, Stockholm, Sweden, October 8-10, 2021.
- “To Punish or to Pardon? Attitudes Towards Justice and Reintegration for Europeans Who Cooperated with the Islamic State,” Development Economics Seminar Series in the Department of Economics at GU, April 8, 2021.
- Served as an “Ignite” Speaker for a Policy-Research Day with SIDA, the Swedish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Folke Bernadotte Academy (Swedish Government Agency for Peace, Security and Development), The International Crisis Group, and others, Stockholm, Sweden, October 11, 2021.
- “Retribution or Reconciliation: Post-Conflict Attitudes Towards Enemy Collaborators” University of California, San Diego, Comparative Politics Workshop, Dec 2, 2020.
- “From Revenge to Forgiveness: Strengthening Durable Peace in Post-Conflict Societies.” The Folke Bernadotte Academy, (Swedish Government Agency for Peace, Security and Development), Stockholm, Sweden, February 6, 2020.
- “Retribution or Reconciliation? Attitudes Toward Rebel Collaborators in Iraq.” Middle East Initiative, Harvard Kennedy School, Boston, USA, December 9, 2019. Hosted by Tarek Massoud.
- “On Lineage and Authority: Compliance, Participation and Contributions in Malawi’s Matrilineal and Patrilineal Communities” and “Retribution or Reconciliation? Attitudes Toward Rebel Collaborators in Iraq” APSA, Washington, DC, 2019.
- “To Punish or to Pardon? Attitudes Toward Rebel Collaborators in Iraq.” Presented at the Copenhagen



Business School Inequality Platform in the Department of International Economics, Government and Business, Copenhagen, Denmark, June 6, 2019.

- “Leveraging Localism: Local Origins, Ethnicity, and Electoral Choice in Malawi” American Political Science Association, Boston, MA, 2018.
- Variation in Exposure to Rebel Governance and Preferences for Transitional Justice: Experimental Evidence from Iraq.” Graduate Institute International Relations/Political Science Colloquium Series, The Graduate Institute, Geneva, December 4, 2018.
- “Money Machine: Do the Poor Demand Clientelism?” Southern Africa Labour and Development Research Unit, University of Cape Town, November 7, 2018.
- “Competing or Complementary? Gender, Islamism, and Ethnicity in Elections.” International Studies Association, Baltimore, MD, 2017 & APSA, San Francisco, CA, 2017.
- “Community-Driven or Self-Interested Voters? A Conjoint Experiment on Vote Buying and Identity in Malawi.” Quality of Government Annual Conference, Budapest, Hungary, 2017 & European Political Science Association, Milan, Italy, 2017.
- “Electoral Institutions and Ethnic Clientelism in Jordan.” APSA, Philadelphia, 2016, & MENA Research Group University of Gothenburg, 2016 & European Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Brussels, Belgium, 2016.
- “The Parliamentary Puzzle: Why Vote in an Autocracy?” Dissertation Launchpad, UCLA. 2015. (A research presentation to a general public audience after 10 weeks of help from a presentation coach.) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZUsqdbE8Axw>

## **Panels, Workshops, and Conferences Organized**

Organized Meeting: “SIPGI Steering Committee,” Virtual, December 13, 2021.

Participants: David McKenzie (World Bank), Ayhan Kaya (Istanbul Bigli University), Wendy Pearlman (Northwestern University), Ellen Lust (University of Gothenburg), Josepha Wessels (Malmö University), Daniel Masterson (University of California, Santa Barbara), Ezgi Irgil (University of Gothenburg), Alexander Jung (University of Gothenburg), Andrea Spehar (University of Gothenburg), Isabell Schierenbeck (University of Gothenburg), Mine Eder (Boğaziçi University, Turkey), Joseph Anderson (University of Gothenburg)

Organized Panel: “Clientelism and Formal Political Institutions in Developing Countries,” APSA, October 2, 2021

with Dominika Koter, Adam Auerbach, Horacio Larreguy, Anders Woller, Mogens K. Justesen, Jacob Gerner Hariri, Mariela Daby and Mason W. Moseley

Co-organized Panel: “Governance, Law, and Conflict: Legal Pluralism in Post-Conflict Settings,” APSA, October 2, 2021.

Participants: Liana Eyres (Rice University), Mara Revkin (Georgetown University), Jennifer Murtashvili (University of Pittsburgh), Tanisha Fazal (University of Minnesota), Robert Blair (Brown University), Manuel Moscoso (Brown University), Andrés Vargas (Yale University), and Michael Weintraub (Universidad de los Andes/PRIO)

Organized Panel: “The State and Traditional Governance Nexus: Empirical Evidence from Africa,” APSA, September 28 2021.

Participants: Kate Baldwin, Ellen Lust, Lauren MacLean, Peter Van der Windt, Martha Wilfahrt, Natalie Letsa, Soeren Henn, George Ofosu, and Sarah Brierley.

Leader of “Understanding and Measuring Punishment, Revenge, and Forgiveness in Post-Conflict Settings” workshop. February 19, 22, & 23, 2021.

Participants: Kristin Fabbe (Harvard University) and Michael Bang Petersen (Aarhus University), Michael McCullough (University of California; San Diego); James Gibson (Washington University); Daniel Posner (University of California, Los Angeles); Everett Worthington (Virginia Commonwealth University); Alexandra Hartman (University College London); Muslih Irwani (Salahaddin University-Erbil, Iraq); Karin Dyrstad (Norwegian University of Science and Technology); Salma Mousa (Yale University); Fotini Christia (Massachusetts Institute of Technology); and Marsin Alshamary (Brookings Institution).

Co-Leader of “Governance and Local Development in the Middle East and North Africa” weekly seminar series with Ellen Lust. September 22 – December 15, 2021.

Presentations from: Christina Parreira (Harvard University); Steven Brooke with Monica Komer (University of Wisconsin, Madison); Aytug Sasmaz (Harvard University) with Julia Clark (World Bank) and Alexandra Blackman (NYU Abu Dhabi); Prisca Jöst (University of Gothenburg); Marika Sosnowski (University of Melbourne), Intissar Kherigi (Jasmine Foundation); Ahmed Al Mukheini (Independent Researcher – Oman); Kristen Kao (University of Gothenburg) and Salma Mousa (Yale University) and Ala’ Alrababa’h (Stanford University); Marwa Shalaby (University of Wisconsin, Madison) with Carolyn Barnett (Princeton University); Lindsay Benstead (Portland State University); Matt Buehler (University of Tennessee); Sylvia Bergh (International Institute of Social Sciences) with Francesco Colin (Erasmus University).

Co-Leader of “Dynamics of Decentralization” workshop March 2-3, 2020

Inputs from: Ellen Lust (UG), Marwa Shalaby (University of Wisconsin-Madison), Chagai Weiss (University of Wisconsin-Madison), Erik Vollman (Friedrich-Alexander-University of Erlangen-Nürnberg), Sylvia I. Bergh (Erasmus University Rotterdam), Ezra Karmel (University of Guelph), Miriam Bohn (Friedrich-Alexander-University of Erlangen-Nürnberg), Intissar Kherigi (Sciences Po Paris), and Zeynep Kadirbeyoglu (Bogazici University). The workshop resulted in this report: <https://gld.gu.se/media/1736/gld-working-paper-31.pdf>.

GU Political Science Department nominee to the Research Leader Initiative (REAL) 2020-2021 – 10 days of trainings on leadership techniques, management strategies, and planning of high quality research.

Organized Panel: “Power and Promotion: Local Governance in the MENA” APSA, 2020,

Participants: Steven Brooke (University of Wisconsin-Madison), Monica Komer (University of Wisconsin-Madison), Marwa Shalaby (University of Wisconsin-Madison), Sylvia Bergh (Erasmus University of Rotterdam), Francesco Colin (Erasmus University of Rotterdam), Matthew Buehler (University of Tennessee), Freddy Gerges (University of Tennessee), Scott Williamson (Stanford University), and Allison Hartnett (Harvard University)

Co-Organized Panel: “Local governance, service provision and social cohesion: Lessons from the Arab World” APSA, 2020

Participants: Alexandra Blackman, New York University – Abu Dhabi, Julia Clark, University of California, San Diego, Aytug Sasmaz, Harvard University, Prisca Jost (Mannheim University), Christiana Parreira, Stanford University, and Salma Mousa, Stanford University, Steven Brooke (University of Wisconsin-Madison), and Melani Cammett (Harvard University)

Co-Leader. *Governance and Local Development in the MENA – GLD/HAF Workshop*, Sarajevo, August 7-9, 2019.

Inputs from: Ellen Lust (UG), Julia Choucair-Vizoso (Arab Reform Initiative), Marwa Shalaby (University of Wisconsin-Madison), Lindsay Benstead (Portland State University), Robert Parks (Centre d'Études Maghrébines en Algérie), Laryssa Chomiak (Centre d'Études Maghrébines à Tunis), Jacob Mundy (Colgate University), Rabab El Mahdi (American University in Cairo),

Prisca Jost (Mannheim University), and Intissar Kherigi (Sciences Po Paris).

Organizer. Junior Researcher Working Group. 2016-2019. Department of Political Science, University of Gothenburg.

Co-Organizer. *Second GLD Annual Conference: Layered Authority*, Gothenburg, Sweden, May 31- June 1, 2018. (More than 50 participants).

Co-Organizer. *Policy Dialogue Day*, Gothenburg, Sweden, May 30, 2018. Co-organized with GLD, V-Dem, QoG and UCDP. (More than 50 participants).

Co-Organizer. *Islamists and Local Politics Workshop*, Brastad, Sweden, June 13-15, 2017: Project on Middle East Political Science (POMEPS) and the Program on Governance and Local Development at the University of Gothenburg.

Participants included: Abouzzohour, Yasmina - University of Oxford; Akinola, Olabanji - University of Guelph; Baker, Lauren - Project on Middle East Political Science; Benstead, Lindsay - Portland State University; Brooke, Steven - University of Louisville; Clark, Janine - University of Guelph; Dazey, Margot - Trinity College, University of Cambridge; el-Meehy, Asya - United Nations-ESCWA; Ghassaban Kjellén, Mina - University of Gothenburg; Isani, Mujtaba Ali - University of Muenster; Ketchley, Neil - King's College London; Lust, Ellen - University of Gothenburg; Lynch, Marc - George Washington University; Marschall, Melissa - Rice University; Noh, Yuree - University of California, Los Angeles; Revkin, Mara - Yale University; Shalaby, Marwa - Rice University; Wiesner, Hillary - Carnegie Corporation of New York; Wiltse, Evren Celik - South Dakota State University; Zeidan, Diana - École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales (EHESS).

Resultant Publication: "Islam in a Changing Middle East: Local Politics and Islamist Movements." The Program on Governance and Local Development Working Paper, 13.

Available At: <http://gld.gu.se/media/1297/islam-in-a-changing-middle-east.pdf>

Co-Organizer. *First GLD Annual Conference: Seeking Solutions*, Hindås, Sweden, May 11-12, 2017. (More than 50 participants).

Co-Organizer. *Toward a Better Measurement and Understanding of Radicalization, Support for Violence, and Adherence to Political Groups*, Gothenburg, Sweden, Apr. 26, 2017. Co-organized with the UN Development Program and the Oslo Governance Centre. Participants: Endre Stiansen (UNDP), Intissar Kherigi (Comparative Political Sociology at Science Po in Paris; PhD Candidate), Maher Zoghalmi (University of Tunis; PhD Candidate in Sociology), Ellen Lust (Director of the GLD Program at the University of Gothenburg; PhD Political Science), Diab Badayneh (Professor of Sociology at Mutah University and Founder of Ibn Khaldun Center Jordan) and Khawla AlHassan (PhD, President of the Ibn Khaldun Center for Research and Studies in Jordan), Fares Braizat (CEO, NAMAS Strategic Solutions in Jordan) and Walid Al Khatib (University of Jordan).

Co-Organizer. *Measuring Radicalization*, Marseilles, France, March 15-16, 2017. Co-organized with the Center for Mediterranean Integration (CMI) and the World Bank.

## **Service to the Field or Department**

Served as a reviewer for: *American Political Science Review*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Comparative Politics*, *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Middle East Law and Governance*, *Journal of Peace Research*, *Mediterranean Politics*, *International Labor Review*, and *Studies of*

### *Comparative International Development*

2020 Served on the PhD student search committee for the University of Gothenburg Political Science Department

2019-2021 Member of the Governance and Local Development Steering Committee

2020-2021 Served as Department of Political Science (GU) nominee to the university-wide Research Leader Initiative involving 9 seminars over a year-long period

2018 Course Evaluator for “Theoretical and Historical Perspectives on Global Governance” University of Gothenburg International Administration and Global Governance Masters Program

2018 & 2021 Reviewer of APSA Centennial Grant Applications

Served as an 80% PhD Thesis Opponent for two students at the University of Gothenburg and one student at Copenhagen Business School

2016-Present Expert Coder/Report Writer for the Varieties of Democracy Institute and Freedom House for Jordan

### **Languages**

Modern Standard Arabic (Working research fluency), Levantine Arabic (Working research fluency), Egyptian Arabic (Intermediate skills), French (Intermediate skills), Swedish (Intermediate)

### **Fieldwork**

#### *Fall 2019 Jordan*

Three weeks in Jordan spent interviewing Jordanians and Syrian refugees as well as local civil society organizations and researchers working on the topic of refugee integration.

#### *Summer 2019 Tunisia*

Three weeks spent in Tunisia learning about vote buying practices and clientelism.

#### *Spring 2019 Kenya and Zambia*

Five weeks conducting fieldwork on rural-urban migration, inequalities, and local governance, running trainings for a large-N survey, and programming aspects of the survey to prepare it for launch.

#### *Spring and Fall 2018 Jordan*

Four weeks in Jordan interviewing tribal leaders, politicians, and development practitioners to update the Freedom in the World Report and inform work on tribalism in the Middle East

#### *Spring 2017 Lebanon*

Two and a half weeks in Lebanon developing contacts and collecting data as well as running interviews on local governance, refugee governance, and information on public opinion polling options in the country.

#### *Spring 2016 Malawi*

Three weeks spent implementing a nationwide survey (N=8,000) with GLD.

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*Spring 2014 Jordan*

Six weeks spent traveling throughout Jordan spent implementing a nationwide survey (N=1,500) with the Governance and Local Development Program at Yale.

*2010-2013 Amman, Jordan and Kuwait City, Kuwait*

Dissertation fieldwork including over 150 interviews with stakeholders. Completed an intensive advanced Arabic program at the Qasid Institute over the course of 6 months.

*Summer 2010 Damascus, Syria and Amman, Jordan: Social Science Research Council*

SSRC Dissertation Proposal Development Grant “Voting for Islamism versus Tribalism.” Carried out over 50 interviews in Jordan and Syria to develop my dissertation prospectus.

*Summer 2009 Damascus, Syria: UCLA Summer Research Mentorship Fellowship*

“The Salience of Ethnic Identity in Displacement: Iraqi Refugees in Syria.” Carried out 113 face-to-face surveys in Arabic with Iraqi refugees living in Syria and completed a quantitative, cross-country comparison of the results with World Values Surveys in other Arab countries.

*Summer 2008 Salalah, Oman: U.S. Department of State – Critical Language Scholarship*

Took an intensive Arabic program for three months.

*2006-2007 Cairo, Egypt: Fulbright Student Scholar Program in Cairo, Egypt*

Research Project: “Islamic Education and the Cultivation of Egyptian National Identity.”

Took courses in formal and colloquial Arabic for six months at Kalimat Institute in Mohandiseen, Cairo.