

Curriculum Vitae

Valentin Klotzbücher

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Current position

- Postdoctoral Researcher | University of Freiburg, Department of Economics, since 2023

Previous positions

- Research and Teaching Assistant | University of Freiburg, Department of Economics, 2018–2022
- Freelance Data Scientist | Expert Network GmbH/Roland Berger (remote), 2022
- Research Assistant | European Central Bank, Financial Research Division, 2015–2016

Education

- Dr.rer.pol. (Ph.D. in Economics) | University of Freiburg, 2022
- M.Phil. Economics and Finance | Bocconi University, 2017
- M.Sc. Economics | University of Freiburg, 2016
- B.Sc. Economics | University of Freiburg, 2012

Publications

- “Young people’s mental and social distress in times of international crisis: evidence from helpline calls, 2019-2022”, with Marius Brühlhart and Rafael Lalive. *Scientific Reports* 13, 11858 (2023). [Stata code](#) [PNAS News Feature](#)
- “Mental health concerns during the COVID-19 pandemic as revealed by helpline calls”, with Marius Brühlhart, Rafael Lalive and Stephanie Reich. *Nature* 600: 121-126 (2021). [PDF](#) [Stata code](#) [Behind the paper](#) [Coronapod](#) [Nature News&Views](#)
- “Class warfare: Political exclusion of the poor and the roots of social-revolutionary terrorism, 1860-1950”, with Tim Krieger and Daniel Meierrieks. *Defence and Peace Economics* 32(6): 681-697 (2021). Also published in: *On Terrorist Groups — Formation, Interactions, Survivability and Attacks* (eds.: K. Gaibulloev and T. Sandler, Routledge, 2023). [Replication files](#)
- “Lost in lockdown? COVID-19, social distancing, and mental health in Germany”, with Stephanie Reich (née Armbruster). *Covid Economics, Vetted and Real-Time Papers* 22: 117-153 (2020)

Teaching

Master-level, in English

- Migration Economics, 2024
- Econometric Analysis of Conflict Data with R, 2023
- Topics in Institutional Economics, 2020-2023
- Global Economic Governance, 2019
- Economics of Conflict (with Stata tutorial), 2018
- Advanced Microeconomics (Game Theory), 2018
- Intermediate Econometrics, 2014

Bachelor-level, in German

- Microeconomics, 2019–2023
- Law and Economics, 2019-2023
- Macroeconomics, 2011–2013

Thesis supervision

- Bachelor's and master's theses in economics (approx. 7 per year), 2018–2024

Other activities

- Field Specialist/Research Evaluation Manager for “The Unjournal”, 2024
- Co-organizing FRIAS junior researcher conference “Understanding the Rise of Autocrats in the 21st Century: Digital Propaganda, Populism, and (Hybrid) Warfare”, 2024
- Peer-review: Reviewed submissions for *Economics and Human Biology*, *Scientific Reports*, *SSM Population Health*, *Humanities and Social Sciences Communications*, *Journal of Personality*, *PeerJ*
- Organized the Association of Freiburg Economists (FWW) research seminar, 2019–2021
- Organized the lecture series “Unternehmens- und Unternehmensgeschichten” with local business leaders for Bachelor students, 2018–2024

Grants & awards

- Friedrich-August-von-Hayek-Preis (university award for outstanding doctoral theses in economics, donated by Deutsche Bank AG), 2023
- Swiss National Science Foundation/NCCR LIVES ‘Seeds of LIVES’, funding for “Covid-19, stay-at-home orders, and revealed vulnerability: Evidence from crisis helplines” (with Marius Brühlhart, Rafael Lalive, and Stephanie Reich), 2020
- Bocconi University merit-based fellowship, 2016–2017
- Friedrich-August-von-Hayek-Preis (master), 2017

Conference & seminar presentations

- Economics of Mental Health Workshop | London, UK, 2023
- Meeting of the Young Political Economists in Europe | Wengen, Switzerland, 2023
- 38th Columbia University COVID-19 Virtual Symposium, 2022
- Economics Brown Bag Seminar | Würzburg, Germany, 2021
- 19th Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference | The Hague, Netherlands, 2019
- 4th Workshop on Insights into Political Economy | Bayreuth, Germany, 2021

- 11th Beyond Basic Questions Workshop | Gengenbach, Germany, 2018
- 3rd Workshop on Insights into Political Economy | Berlin, Germany, 2018
- European Public Choice Society Annual Meeting | Budapest, Hungary, 2017

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