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| INTERESTS                  | Economic History • Political Economy • Economic Geography  |
| ACADEMIC ROLES             | Department's Graduate Teaching Assistance Coordinator • Programme Leader MSc Development Economics and Emerging Markets • Member of the Department Teaching Committee • Department's Contact on the Impact of AI on Assessment • First Aider   |
| RESEARCH PROFILES          | <a href="#">Google Scholar</a> • <a href="#">ORCID: 0000-0002-9394-6262</a>  |
| PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS | <p>"Can Growing Wine Cause Rural Development? Evidence from Baden-Württemberg."<br/><i>with Fabian Wahl. Forthcoming at European Review of Economic History</i></p> <p>"You Reap What You Know: Appropriability and the Origin of European States"<br/><i>with Fabian Wahl. European Journal of Political Economy, 2023, 79</i></p> <p>"The Fetters of Inheritance? Equal Partition and Regional Economic Development"<br/><i>with Fabian Wahl. European Economic Review 2021, 136</i></p> <p>"The Origins of Agricultural Inheritance Traditions"<br/><i>with Fabian Wahl. Journal of Comparative Economics 2021, 49 (3), pp 660–674</i></p> <p>"Early and Medieval Periods in German Economic History"<br/><i>with Fabian Wahl. Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Economics and Finance, 2020</i></p>  |
| WORKING PAPERS             | <p>"How Britain Unified Germany: Trade Routes and the Formation of the Zollverein"<br/><i>with Nikolaus Wolf. CEPR Discussion Paper no. 13634. R &amp; R at Journal of Economic History</i></p> <p>"Constructive Destruction? How Allied Bombing facilitated Germany's Rise to Riches"<br/><i>with Hans-Joachim Voth and Fabian Wahl</i></p> <p>"Safer but poorer in numbers: Violence and spatial misallocation in the Jim Crow South"<br/><i>with James P. Choy</i></p> <p>"Identity, instability, and investors: An empirical investigation of the home bias" <i>with Fabian Wahl. German Research Foundation's Priority Programme 1859 "Experience and Expectation. Historical Foundations of Economic Behaviour" working paper 35</i></p> <p>"The Geological Origins of Civilization"<br/><i>with Andreas Link and Fabian Wahl</i></p> <p>"Britain has had Enough of Experts? Political Persuasion and Social Media"<br/><i>with Giacomo de Luca and Paulo Santos Monteiro. York Discussion Papers in Economics 21/01</i></p> |

- RESEARCH GRANTS**
- Jan 2024–June 2024** Leverhulme Trust fellowship, 37,017 £  
 “Wars are breakpoints: Evidence from the Strategic Dispersal of German Industry”
- 2019–2022** German Science Foundation grant project no. 415959381, 87,081 Euro  
 “Origins and Consequences of Regional Identity: Evidence from Historical Differences in Political Instability and Fragmentation among German States”  
*with Kai Gehring and Fabian Wahl (principal investigator)*
- 2014, 2016 & 2017.** Conference grants by Wirtschaftswissenschaftliche Gesellschaft Berlin
- 2012.** Humboldt-Universität support fund for media usage in research and teaching *with Nikolaus Wolf (PI)*
- OTHER PUBLICATIONS (NOT PEER REVIEWED)**
- [“Raising a child to 18 in the UK costs more than £200,000 – here’s why”](#)  
*with Isabelle Huning. The Conversation 30.11.2023*
- EDUCATION**
- 2012–May 2018.** Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany  
 PhD Economics. Advisor: Nikolaus Wolf. External Reviewer: Barry Eichengreen  
 Thesis: “Economic Geography and its Effect on the Development of the German States from the Holy Roman Empire to the German Zollverein”
- 2009–2012.** Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany  
 MSc in Information Systems, September 2012  
 Thesis: “Implementation of dela(x)- a collaborative tool for historical statistics”
- 2007–2009.** Universität Paderborn, Germany  
 BSc in Business Computing, September 2009  
 Thesis: “The quality of random number generators and their application at the simulation project d<sup>3</sup>fact”
- RESEARCH VISITS**
- Spring 2024.** Visiting Scholar at Pompeu Fabra Barcelona  
 Economics Department. Host: Marta Reynal Querol
- Fall 2015.** Visiting Scholar at University of California at Berkeley  
 Economics Department. Host: Barry Eichengreen
- INVITED TALKS & CONFERENCES**
- 2025.** Association for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Culture (ASREC) at George Mason • German Economic History Society (GSWG) in Berlin • Economic History Society at Glasgow • University of Halle
- 2024.** Second City History and Economics Meeting at Birmingham • University of Bielefeld
- 2023.** First Bolzano Workshop on Historical Economics, London School of Economics • University of Manchester • Association for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Culture (ASREC) at Boston • ‘The Economic Effects of Free Trade Agreements’ workshop at the University of Surrey • European Historical Economics Society at Vienna
- 2022.** Institutional & Organizational Economics Academy at Cargèse, France • European Historical Economics Society at Groningen
- 2021.** Institutional & Organizational Economics Academy • Cliometric Society Annual Conference at Or-

ange County (both cancelled due to Covid-19)

**2020.** Cliometric Society Annual Conference at Orange County (cancelled due to Covid-19)

**2019.** Association of Religion, Economics and Culture (ASREC) at Boston, European Society of Economic History in Paris • National Systems of Economy or European Integration at Manchester • University of Nottingham • Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin • Understanding State Capacity at Manchester

**2018.** The Life & Legacy of Douglass North at George Mason University Arlington • World Economic History Congress at MIT • University of Hohenheim • University of Manchester • Lancaster PhD Summer School on Applied Micro Economics

**2017.** Agliocliometrics III at Cambridge University • Society for Institutional and Organizational Economics at Columbia New York, CAGE • EHES & IAS Summer School on Geography • Institutions and Economic Growth in History at University of Warwick • European Historical Economics Society Biannual Meeting at Tübingen • University of Paderborn • University of Münster

**2016.** WEast Eastern European Economic History Initiative Conference at Prague • Verein für Socialpolitik at Augsburg

**2015.** University of Washington, Boston College • City University of New York • University of California at Berkeley • The University of Chicago Booth School of Business • University of California at Davis • Warwick Economic Growth Summer Workshop • London School of Economics

**2014.** Fresh Meeting at Trinity College

**ORGANIZED EVENTS** **2024.** Inaugural Economic History & Political Economy cluster workshop "Cities and the Wealth of Nations"

**2022.** Local host of an Economics Network teaching workshop

**2014.** "Catching up or falling behind? Institutions, geography and economic development of Eastern Europe in the long-run"

**REFEREEING** Quarterly Journal of Economics (2x), Journal of Economic History (3x), European Review of Economic History (5x), Journal of Economic Geography, Routledge (2x)

**TEACHING AWARDS** **2022.** Aronson Teaching Prizes (departmental) in four categories: most engaging lecturer first year, second year, best delivered module in the first year "Historical Perspectives on Economic Growth" (joint) and in the second year for "Economic Growth and Development: A twentieth century European Perspective"

**2021.** Aronson Teaching Prizes (departmental) in four categories: most engaging lecturer first year, and second year categories, best delivered module first year (joint) and second year categories • Nominated for the Vice-Chancellor's Teaching Award, Early Career category.

**2019.** Aronson Teaching Prize for best designed 1st year undergraduate module for "Historical Perspectives on Economic Growth" (joint)

**2018.** "Preis für gute Lehre" for the best seminar at the School for Business and Economics at Humboldt-

Universität zu Berlin, "The Economic History of the State" (joint)

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE** **In York.** "Foundations of Economic History" 1<sup>st</sup> year undergraduate lecture, Semester one 2023/24 • "Principles of Development Economics and Emerging Markets" MSc. lecture & seminar, Semester one 2023/24 • "Python in Economic Research", PhD seminar, Autumn Term 2019 & 2021 (York) • "Geographic Information Systems for Economic Research, PhD seminar, Autumn Term 2018 and Spring Term 2023 • "Development Economics: Theory and Empirics", M.Sc., lecture & seminar, Spring terms 2021–23, joint • "International Economic Growth & Development", 3<sup>rd</sup> year undergraduates, lecture & seminar, Autumn to Spring terms 2019–23 • "Historical Perspectives on Economic Growth", 1<sup>st</sup> year undergraduates, lecture & seminar, Spring terms 2018–22 • "Economic Growth and Development: A twentieth century European Perspective", 2<sup>nd</sup> year undergraduates, lecture & seminar, Spring terms 2018–21 • "Historical Perspectives on Economic Growth", 1<sup>st</sup> year undergraduates, seminar accompanying lecture, Autumn Term 2018, joint • "Bubbles, Panics & Crashes: Causes and Consequences of Financial Crises", 3<sup>rd</sup> year undergraduates, seminar accompanying lecture, Autumn Terms 2018, joint • "Economic Data Analysis", 1<sup>st</sup> year undergraduates, Lectures, Spring Term 2018, joint

**In Berlin.** • "The Economic History of the State", M.Sc. Seminar, Summer Term 2017, joint • "Applied Growth Theory", M.Sc. seminar, Summer Term 2016 • "European Economic History 1918–today", M.Sc. tutorial, Summer Term 2016, joint • "Agglomeration Economics", M.Sc. seminar, Summer Terms 2015 & 2017 • "The Economic History of the German Empire 1881–1914", M.Sc. seminar, Summer Term 2015 • "The Economic History of Prussia", "Advanced International Trade", M.Sc. tutorial, Summer Terms 2013, 2014, and 2017, joint • B.Sc. & M.Sc. seminar, Winter Term 2014/15 • "Methods in Economic History", M.Sc. seminar, Summer Term 2014, joint • "European Historical Statistics" [German], • "Data Management and Empirical Economics", M.Sc. seminar, Summer Term 2013 • "Large Data sets in Economic History", M.Sc. seminar, Winter Term 2012/13, joint • "Spatial Economics", M.Sc. seminar, Winter Term 2012/2013, joint

**FORMER ACADEMIC ROLES** Departmental seminar co-organizer (2021–2023) • Departmental Technology Champion (2020–2023) • Department's Library Representative (2018–2023) • Member of the Workload Model Group (2022–23) • Member of the Department Research Committee (2021–23)

**LANGUAGE SKILLS** German, mother tongue • English, almost native • Spanish, basics • French and Italian, basics in reading

**COMPUTER SKILLS** Python (esp. Geopandas, OpenCV) • OpenAI •  $\text{\LaTeX}$  • Stata • R • QGIS • Java • SQL (incl. Oracle, MySQL and PostgreSQL, PostGIS) • Mathematica • AMPL

**MEMBERSHIP** American Economic Association • Economic History Association • European Historical Economic Society • Royal Economic Society • German Economic Association

**PRIVATE INTEREST** Computer Science • Literature • World History

**PERSONAL** Married, one child (b. 2022)