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WORK EXPERIENCE

EUROPEAN CENTRE FOR SOCIAL WELFARE POLICY AND RESEARCH – VIENNA, AUSTRIA

RESEARCHER – 08/2022 – CURRENT

Social Protection and Inclusion Team

- Comparative research on different social policy topics with quantitative and qualitative methods
- Analysing comparative data on the social and financial situation of persons with disabilities for the annual European Disability Expertise (EDE) European Semester and synthesis reports
- Examining the effects of tax-benefit policy reforms (basic social security for children, minimum pension increase) with EUROMOD
- Analysing the effect of COVID-19 labour market changes on child poverty in Austria and the mitigating effect of (hypothetical) policy measures as well as automatic stabilisers
- Technical support for the development and update of the Austrian EUROMOD system and SORESI (web-based tool to simulate the social impact of policy reforms in Austria)
- Data wrangling of EU SILC survey data with STATA & R to be used as input data for EUROMOD
- Developing project proposals and coordinating submissions

JOHANNES KEPLER UNIVERSITY – LINZ, AUSTRIA

UNIVERSITY ASSISTANT (RESEARCH & TEACHING) – 08/2018 – 08/2022

Institute of Politics and Social Policy

- Modelling time-series and cross-sectional effects of political and socioeconomic variables on social policy reforms with R
- Developing new indicators for the comparison of public expenditures on disaggregated family policy instruments (OECD SOCX) and to compare the congruence of voters' social policy demands and parties' policy supplies (AUTNES)
- Compiling a new dataset containing time point and content of parental leave reforms, to analyse the effect of strategic timing
- Merging several public datasets on social policies with datasets containing political and socioeconomic indicators to enable cross-country and time-series analyses for interdisciplinary research projects
- Dissemination of research results at Austrian and international conferences and in peer-reviewed research articles
- Coordinating meetings and teaching schedules of the joint Master Programme in Comparative Social Policy with Tampere University
- Developing new course materials and independent teaching of several courses, such as 'introduction into R for social scientists'

ARBEIT PLUS - SOCIAL INTEGRATION ENTERPRISES AUSTRIA – VIENNA, AUSTRIA

PROJECT MANAGER – 05/2017 – 07/2018

- Planning and managing of joint activities with ministries, regional networks, academic institutions and European project partners
- Project acquisition and planning (Austrian Ministry of Social Affairs and Interreg Central Europe)
- Implementing the Social(i)Makers project on improving Central Europe's Social Innovation capabilities
- Developing, promoting and implementing a survey on the needs of Austrian stakeholders in the field of Social Innovation
- Supporting arbeit plus's positioning and advocacy with desk research in the field of EU and Austrian labour market policies

AUSTRIAN FEDERAL MINISTRY OF LABOUR, SOCIAL AFFAIRS AND CONSUMER PROTECTION – VIENNA, AUSTRIA

ADMINISTRATIVE TRAINEE – 03/2016 – 04/2017

Social Policy Division (V/B/3 & V/B/4)

- Joint development and coordination of the "aws Social Business Call" including impact assessment (WFA)
- Editing and coordination of research and educational publications (Sozialbericht 2015-2016, Sozialschutz in Österreich ...)
- Analysing socioeconomic data (EU SILC, microcensus, structure of earnings survey) and summarising findings for background information
- Advisory board member of the research project: 'Men and Reconciliation of Work and Family: Supporting the Path to Gender Equal Distribution of Parental Leave and Working Time'
- Substitute Austrian representative at the Indicators Sub-Group of the EU Commission's Social Protection Committee

EUROFOUND – EUROPEAN FOUNDATION FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF LIVING AND WORKING CONDITIONS – DUBLIN, IRELAND

RESEARCH TRAINEE – 09/2014 – 02/2015

Working Conditions and Industrial Relations Unit

- Analysing and summarising data of the European Company Survey and the European Working Conditions Survey for EU institutions and national governments
- Compiling and editing the SPSS syntax of the 3rd European Company Survey overview report
- Comparing paternity and parental leave systems in EU member states and take up rates for the European Observatory of Working Life
- Managing and analysing contributions of the network of correspondents
- Visualising data and proofreading of info sheets on working conditions in Europe
- Organising an expert seminar with researchers, social partners, national governments and the European Commission to map the European industrial relations

VIENNA UNIVERSITY OF ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS (WU) – VIENNA, AUSTRIA

STUDENT RESEARCH ASSISTANT – 02/2014 – 06/2014

Institute for Sociology and Social Research

- Preparing and conducting an online survey on the role of NPOs and the economisation in the civil society
- Analysing qualitative data collected in interviews with civil society stakeholders
- Literature review on the relationship and cooperation between activists and established civil society organisations

VIENNA UNIVERSITY OF ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS (WU) – VIENNA, AUSTRIA

PROJECT RESEARCH ASSISTANT – 06/2013 – 01/2014

NPO Competence Centre

- Conducting, transcribing and analysing semi-structured interviews with civil society actors
- Desk research on civil society and democratic quality of Austria for the CIVICUS Civil Society Index Rapid Assessment

BDV AUSTRIA - ASSOCIATION OF SOCIAL ENTERPRISES IN AUSTRIA – VIENNA, AUSTRIA

TRAINEE – 04/2012 – 06/2012

- Literature research on impact analysis of social enterprises and active labour market instruments as preparation for bdv's positioning
- Managing communication with member organisations and external stakeholders

GESIS – LEIBNIZ INSTITUTE FOR THE SOCIAL SCIENCES – MANNHEIM, GERMANY

STUDENT RESEARCH ASSISTANT – 07/2011 – 01/2012

Department for Monitoring Society and Social Change

- Analysing time use data collected by the German Federal Statistical Office
- Cleaning and preparing data of physical reactions and emotions collected with an ambulatory assessment gadget

● **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

08/2018 – CURRENT

PHD IN POLITICAL SCIENCE Johannes Kepler University

- Independent analyses of EU and OECD social policy systems with a focus on family policy
- Developing new measurements and indicators to analyse different aspects of the family policy-making process (demands & supply, output, outcome)
- Completion of several courses on quantitative and qualitative data analysis (time-series cross-sectional, multi-level models, categorical data, policy experiments, case studies)

Expected graduation October 2025

Thesis The politics of family policy making

08/2012 – 06/2016 Linz, Austria, Tampere, Finland, Vilnius, Lithuania

MASTER OF SOCIAL SCIENCES - JOINT MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME "COMPARATIVE SOCIAL POLICY AND WELFARE"

Johannes Kepler University & University of Tampere & Mykolas Romeris University

1. Comparative analyses of Austrian, Lithuanian, Finnish welfare systems
2. Policy fields: labour market policy, family policy, pension policy and gender
3. Quantitative and qualitative methods
4. Supranational Social Policy-Making

Final grade Final grade: A |

Thesis "Political ideas and the use of part-time work as policy instrument" - honorary mention at the Upper Austrian Chamber of Labour Research Prize 2016

- Comparative Politics
 - Quantitative and qualitative methods
 - International comparison of social policy systems
 - Ethics and social philosophy
- (Parts of the bachelor completed at the University of Mannheim and Otto-Friedrich University Bamberg)

Final grade Final grade: A-B | **Thesis** "The effect of civil society and the democratic quality"

FURTHER TRAINING

2022 EUROMOD Training
2019 Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis

- Panel Data Analysis for Comparative Research
- Causal Inference and Experiments in the Social Sciences

2017 Academy on Social and Solidarity Economy: The Future of Work (ITCILO)
2017 Summer School on Methods for Computational Social Science 2017 (GESIS)
2015 Radio Fro Basisworkshop
2015 Alpbach Summer School 'European Health Care and Social Systems in Transition' (Medical University of Vienna)
2014 Summer School on Gender Economics and Society (Collegio Carlo Alberto, ITCILO)
2014 E-learning course on 'sustainable and fair procurement' (Südwind)
2008 Level 2 Induction Award in Supporting People with a Learning Disability

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): **GERMAN**
Other language(s):

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken production	Spoken interaction	
ENGLISH	C2	C2	C1	C1	C1

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user

SKILLS

Data
R (proficient) | EUROMOD (proficient) | STATA (proficient) | MAXQDA (intermediate) | Git (intermediate) | Python (beginner)

Text
Office (Microsoft, Libre und Google) | Quarto (proficient) | R Markdown (intermediate) | LaTeX (intermediate) | zotero (proficient)

Web
Wordpress (beginner) | html (beginner) | Shiny web apps (beginner)

PUBLICATIONS

Journal articles (peer reviewed)

Wiß, T., & Wohlgemuth, F. (2023). The politics of disaggregated family policy: The role of party ideology and women's political representation in governments. *Social Policy & Administration*, 1–18. <https://doi.org/10.1111/spol.12934>

Walenta-Bergmann, C., & Wohlgemuth, F. (2023). Representing Society? Development of Austrian Party-Voter Issue Salience in Social Policy. *Österreichische Zeitschrift Für Politikwissenschaft*, 52(1), 1–17. <https://doi.org/10.15203/ozp.4016.vol52iss1>

Policy reports

Birtha, M., & Groß-Wohlgemuth, F. (2025). *European Semester 2024 mainstreaming disability equality*. Report for the European Commission European Disability Expertise.

Birtha, M., Zólyomi, E., Wohlgemuth, F. & Gjylsheni, S. (2023). *Targeted measures for persons with disabilities to cope with the cost-of-living crisis*. European Parliament Policy Department for Citizens' Rights and Constitutional Affairs Directorate-General for Internal Policies PE 754.127.

Fuchs M., Wohlgemuth F. (2023). *Simulation der Anhebung der Richtsätze der Ausgleichszulage*, Final Report (de). Vienna: European Centre.

Fuchs M., Wohlgemuth F. (2023). *Simulation der Einführung einer Kindergrundsicherung in Österreich – 2022*, Final Report (de). Vienna: European Centre.

Geyer, L., Wohlgemuth, F., Scoppetta, A. & BIRTHA, M. (2023). *Peer Review Moldova Report: Social Assistance Benefit – The design of the social assistance benefit in Moldova: Improving targeting and supporting employment*. Vienna: European Centre.

Cabrita, J., & Wohlgemuth, F. (2015). *Promoting Uptake of Parental and Paternity Leave Among Fathers of the European Union*. Office for Official Publications of the European Communities.

Eurofound (2015). *Third European Company Survey – Overview report. Workplace practices – Patterns, performance and well-being*. Luxembourg: Publications Office of the European Union (Contributor)

Wohlgemuth, F., & van Houten, G. (2014). *Working conditions and job quality in the human health, residential care and social work sectors. Main findings from the 5th European Working Conditions Survey*. In: European Commission. EU Employment and Social Situation Quarterly Review - December 2014. Luxembourg: Publications Office of the European Union: p.59f.

More-Hollerweger, E., Simsa, R., Kainz, G., Neunteufl, F., Grasgruber-Kerl, R., & Wohlgemuth, F. (2014). *Civil Society Index. Rahmenbedingungen für die Zivilgesellschaft in Österreich*. Vienna.

Technical reports

Geyer, L. & Groß-Wohlgemuth, F. (2025). *The buffering effect of the Austrian tax-benefit system on child poverty during the COVID-19 pandemic*. EUROMOD Working Paper Series 02/25.

Fuchs, M. & Wohlgemuth, F. (2024). *EUROMOD Country Report Austria 2021-2024*. Joint Research Centre (JRC) of the European Commission.

Fuchs, M., Geyer, L. & Wohlgemuth, F. (2023). *EUROMOD Country Report Austria 2020-2023*. Joint Research Centre (JRC) of the European Commission.

Fuchs, M., Geyer, L. & Wohlgemuth, F. (2022). *EUROMOD Country Report Austria 2019-2022*. Joint Research Centre (JRC) of the European Commission.

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

24/04/2025 – 25/04/2025

ESPAnet Austria 2025

Paper presentation "The buffering effect of the Austrian tax-benefit system on child poverty during the COVID-19 pandemic"

20/02/2025

Annual Seminar European Disability Expertise 2025

Report presentation "Mainstreaming disability equality – trends and policies relevant to disability" with Magdi BIRTHA

04/04/2024 – 05/04/2024

ESPAnet Austria 2024

Paper presentation: "Exploring cross-country differences in family taxation to identify (implicit) family policy objectives of fiscal welfare in Europe"

11/09/2023 – 13/09/2023

Joint conference of D-A-CH political science associations (DVPW, ÖGPW, SVPW) "Dreiländertagung"

Paper presentation: "Exploring cross-country differences in family taxation - do they fit to country's family ideals?"

23/06/2022 – 25/06/2022

12th Annual Conference - European Political Science Association (EPSA)

Paper presentation: "Contextual electoral cycles in family policy making: Strategic timing of leave policies?"

24/11/2021

AuPSA Political Science Day 2021

Paper presentation: "Converging Social Policy Public and Party Issue Salience in Austria? Developing a Salience Congruence Indicator"

20/06/2021 – 24/06/2021

27th International Conference of Europeanists CES

Paper presentation: "Representing Society? Social Policy Attitudes of Political Representatives and their Electorate in Austria"

01/09/2020 – 03/09/2020

European Network for Social Policy Analysis (ESPAnet) Online PhD seminars

Paper presentation: "Contextual electoral cycles in family policy-making. Strategic timing of policy changes of parental, maternity and paternity leave instruments"

OUTREACH

19/11/2024

Presentation - study visit of the Dutch Ministry of Social Affairs and Employment

"Family policy and childcare in Austria"

28/09/2023

Presentation - study visit of the Swedish delegation of Ministry of Health and Social Affairs

"Application of EUROMOD: Simulation of a basic security benefit for children in Austria"

23/02/2022

Radio interview

"MFG – Das Zünglein an der Waage" - FROzine, Radio Fro