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- Appointments** **Assistant Professor of International Relations** since 08/2016
▪ University of Zurich, Department of Political Science
- Postdoctoral Research Fellow** 08/2015 - 07/2016
▪ Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government
▪ Fellowship: 'Empirical Studies of Gender and Political Violence',
International Security Program, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs &
Women and Public Policy Program
- Consultant** since 09/2009
▪ Human Rights Data Analysis Group, San Francisco, CA
- Education** University of Mannheim, Germany 2011 - 2015
Graduate School of Economic & Social Sciences
▪ Dr. rer. soc. (PhD) Political Science (*summa cum laude*)
▪ Title: *Repression in the Digital Age: Communication Technology and the Politics of State Violence*
▪ Examiners: Sabine Carey, Nikolay Marinov, Nils Weidmann
▪ (date of defense 12/2014, diploma received 03/2015)
– 2014-2016 Walter Isard Award for Best Dissertation in Peace Science (international)
– German Dissertation Award 2015 (Deutscher Studienpreis)
– Foundation for Communication and Media Studies Dissertation Prize 2016
- University of Essex, UK 2008 - 2009
▪ Master of Science, Human Rights & Research Methods (*with Distinction*)
– Deborah Fitzmaurice Memorial Prize, by the Essex Human Rights Centre
- University of Konstanz, Germany 2005 - 2008
▪ Bachelor of Arts, Political & Administrative Science
- Publications**
- Journal articles** Gohdes, Anita R: Studying the Internet and Violent Conflict, *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, 35(1), 89-106. **2018**.
- Birrir, Jóhanna K. & Anita R Gohdes: Voting in the Shadow of Violence: Electoral Politics and Conflict in Peru, *Journal of Global Security Studies*, 3(2): 181-197. **2018**.
- Gohdes Anita R & Sabine C Carey: Canaries in a coal-mine? What the killings of journalists tell us about future repression *Journal of Peace Research*: 54 (2):157-174. **2017**.
▪ Runner-up for the Nils Petter Gleditsch *JPR Article of the Year Award*, 2017
- Gohdes, Anita R: Bringing perpetrator and victim identities into empirical ethnic conflict research, *Ethnopolitics*: 16(1): 28-33. **2017**.
▪ reprinted in: *Ethnic Politics and Conflict/Violence: State of the Field and New Directions*, Erika Forsberg, Jóhanna K. Birrir and Christian Davenport (eds), Routledge.

Gohdes, Anita R: Pulling the Plug: Network Disruptions and Violence in Civil Conflict, *Journal of Peace Research*: 52(3): 352-367. 2015.

Price, Megan E; Anita R Gohdes & Patrick Ball: Documents of war: Understanding the Syrian conflict, *Significance*: 12(2): 14-19. 2015.

Gohdes, Anita R & Megan E Price: First Things First: Assessing Data Quality before Model Quality, *Journal of Conflict Resolution*: 57(6): 1090-1108. 2013

Landman, Todd; David Kernohan & Anita R Gohdes: Relativizing human rights: A new system for country ranking, *Journal of Human Rights*: 11(4): 460-485. 2012.

Book chapters

Manrique-Vallier, Daniel; Megan Price & Anita Gohdes: Multiple recapture techniques for estimating casualties in armed conflict, In Taylor Seybolt, Baruch Fischhoff, and Jay Aronson (eds), *Counting Civilian Casualties: An Introduction to Recording and Estimating Nonmilitary Deaths in Conflict*, pp. 77-93. New York: Oxford University Press. 2013.

Landman, Todd & Anita Gohdes: A matter of convenience: challenges of non-random data in analyzing human rights violations in Peru and Sierra Leone, In Taylor Seybolt, Baruch Fischhoff, and Jay Aronson (eds), *Counting Civilian Casualties: An Introduction to Recording and Estimating Nonmilitary Deaths in Conflict*, pp. 165-182. New York: Oxford University Press. 2013.

Technical reports

August 2016 Price, Megan, Anita Gohdes & Patrick Ball: Technical Memo for Amnesty International Report on Deaths in Detention. Commissioned by *Amnesty International*. 2016.

- Covered by the CNN, Deutsche Welle

August 2014: Price, Megan; Anita Gohdes & Patrick Ball: Updated Statistical Analysis of Documentation of Killings in the Syrian Arab Republic, Commissioned by the *Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights*. 2014.

- Covered by the New York Times, The Guardian, BBC, Washington Post, FiveThirtyEight, Vox.com

Gohdes, Anita: Different convenience samples, different stories: The case of Sierra Leone, *The Human Rights Data Analysis Group at Benetech*, Palo Alto. 2010.

Further publications

Gohdes, Anita: Understanding Journalist Killings as Acts of Localized Repression, *Mobilizing Ideas Symposium*, 18 Oct 2017.

Anita Gohdes & Sabine Carey: 1300 Tote: Wenn Journalisten getötet werden leidet das ganze Land, *Frankfurter Allgemeine Sonntagszeitung*, 4 Jun 2017

Gohdes, Anita & Sabine C. Carey: We examined more than 1,300 journalist killings between 2002 and 2013. Here's what we learned., *Washington Post - Monkey Cage*, 28 Mar 2017.

Gohdes, Anita: Internet Shutdowns During Political Unrest Are Becoming Normal – And It Should Worry Us, *Political Violence at a Glance*, 16 Sept 2016.

Gohdes, Anita: From repressing digital content to repressing people, *Internet Policy Review*, 30 July 2016.

Megan Price, Anita Gohdes, Jay D. Aronson, and Christopher McNaboe. Re: Civilian deaths from weapons used in the Syrian conflict. *BMJ: British Medical Journal*, Rapid Response, vol. 351, Sept 2015.

Gohdes, Anita: When Internet access becomes a weapon, *Washington Post - Monkey Cage*, 24 Feb 2015.

Price, Megan & Anita Gohdes: Searching for Trends: Analyzing Patterns in Conflict Violence Data, *Political Violence at a Glance*, 2 Apr 2014.

Gohdes, Anita & Sabine C. Carey: Protest and the Outsourcing of State Repression, *Political Violence at a Glance*, 26 Feb 2014.

Gohdes, Anita: Book Review, *Insincere Commitments: Human Rights Treaties, Abusive States and Citizen Activism*, by Heather Smith-Cannoy (2012), *Journal of Peace Research* 50(2): 259-64. 2013.

Gohdes, Anita: Book Review, *Campaigning for Justice: Human Rights Advocacy in Practice*, by Jo Becker (2013), *Journal of Peace Research* 50(4): 533-39. 2013.

Awards

- 2014-2016 Walter Isard Award for Best Dissertation in Peace Science, Peace Science Society (international) 2016
- Foundation for Communication and Media Studies Dissertation Prize, Universität Mannheim 2016
- Dina Zinnes Award 2015 (SSIP Section) of the International Studies Association 2016
- Deutscher Studienpreis 2015 (1. Place, German Dissertation Prize), Körber Stiftung 2015
- Deborah Fitzmaurice Prize, Essex Human Rights Centre for the best MA student 2009

Grants & Scholarships

- Digital Democracy Lab, Swiss National Science Foundation (CHF 236,355) (Co-PI. PI: Fabrizio Gilardi) 2018–2020
- Two grants for Summer School for Women in Political Methodology Graduate Research Council, University of Zurich (CHF 20,000), (w/ Malu Gatto, Denise Traber, Mariken van der Velden) 2017/2018
- Travel Grant to attend the Visions in Methodology Conference (€1200) 2014
- ISA Travel Grant awarded for the Annual Convention in Toronto (\$350) 2014
- E.ON Ruhrgas Scholarship, Norwegian Research Council (€6000) 10-12/2012
- Full scholarship, CDSS Mannheim (declined) (€9600) 2012 - 2013
- ECPR Winter School Travel and Accommodation Grant (€250) 2012
- Doctoral scholarship, German Research Foundation (DFG) (€16800) 2010 - 2011
- Postgraduate scholarship for the UK, *Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes* (€14560) 2008 - 2009
- Scholarship, *Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes* 2008 - 2009
- Short-term grant, *German Academic Exchange Service* (DAAD) (€1920) 2007

Advisory/Editorial Boards

- Advisory board, *Uppsala Conflict Data Program* (UCDP) since 11/2017
- Editorial Board, *Journal of Peace Research* since 07/2017
- Expert Working Group, *OHCHR* SDG indicator on conflict-related deaths (16.1.2) since 09/2017
- Scientific Advisory board, *PreView - Conflict Prediction Project* German Federal Foreign Office since 07/2017
- Advisory board, *CorrelAid - Datenanalyse für den guten Zweck.* since 11/2015

Talks & Conferences

Invited Talks

- University St Gallen, School of Economics and Political Science (sched) 10/2018
- University of Gothenburg, V-Dem Institute (sched) 09/2018
- London School of Economics, Conflict Research Group 03/2018
- University of Essex, Department of Government 03/2018
- ETH Zurich, Institute of Science, Technology and Policy 11/2017
- University of Southern California, Networked Democracy Lab 11/2017
- Webster University, Vienna, International Relations Department 10/2017
- Universität Duisburg-Essen, Institut für Politikwissenschaft, 06/2017
- Uppsala University, Department of Peace and Conflict Research 03/2017
- Harvard Kennedy School, Women and Public Policy Program Seminar 02/2016
- Yale University, International Relations Workshop 01/2016
- Harvard Kennedy School, Belfer Center International Security Seminar 01/2016
- UK Home Office/British Academy/Gallup International/Walk Free, London 05/2014
- German Institute for Economic Research (DIW), Berlin 01/2011, 08/2013
- Peace Research Institute Oslo, Centre for the Study of Civil War 03/2012, 12/2012

Public-audience Talks

- Körber Forum/DLF, 'Cyberkrieg: Das Internet im Kriegarsenal moderner Diktatoren' 10/2016
- University of Amsterdam, 'Digital Dictatorship or Freedom Technology?' 09/2016
- Friedensakademie Rheinland-Pfalz: 'Repression 2.0: Das Internet im Arsenal moderner Diktatoren' 07/2015
- re:publica 2015, Berlin: 'Pics or it didn't happen: How does the Internet change what we know about violence in conflict?' 05/2015
- re:publica 2015, Berlin: Roundtable: 'Cybersecurity' 05/2015
- 31st Chaos Communication Congress, Hamburg: 'Information Control & Strategic Violence' 12/2014

Conferences

- American Political Science Association (APSA) 2010*, 2013*, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018
- European Political Science Association (EPSA) 2012, 2013, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018
- IPSA International Conference: 'Political Science in the Digital Age' 2017
- International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Convention 2014, 2015, 2016
- Peace Science Society (international) 2016, 2017
- Peace Science Society – ISA joint conference 2013
- European Peace Science Conference (Jan Tinbergen) 2012
- Joint Statistical Meetings (JSM) 2011*, 2014*

[*Paper presented by co-author]

Invited Workshops	▪ Patching the Liberal World Order, Jean Monnet Workshop, University of Pittsburgh	07/2018
	▪ Forecasting political violence, University College London	05/2018
	▪ Media Exposure and Opinion Formation, Center for International Studies, University of Southern California	11/2017
	▪ Empirical Studies of Autocracy, University of Konstanz	09/2017
	▪ State Restrictions of Civil Society and the Free Flow of Information Global Governance Institute, University College London	05/2017
	▪ Authoritarian Power and Practices in the Digital Age Department of Political Science, University of Amsterdam	09/2016
	▪ ISA Workshop on Conceptualization & Measurement of Female Combatants School of International Service, American University	05/2016
	▪ Mortality and Population Data in Humanitarian Crises Radcliffe Institute, Harvard University	03/2016
	▪ Workshop on Mobile Data Collection and Human Rights Harvard Humanitarian Initiative, Harvard Law School	10/2015
	▪ New Faces in Political Methodology Quantitative Social Science Initiative, Pennsylvania State University	04/2015
	▪ Visions in Methodology Conference, McMaster University, Canada	05/2014
	▪ Workshop on 'Communication, Technology and Political Conflict' Department of Political Science, Yale University, New Haven	11/2013
	▪ Creating Conflict Data: Practices and Standards: Conflict Consortium Workshop Center for Political Studies, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor	10/2013
	▪ Conference on Ethnic Politics and Electoral Democracy NCCR Democracy Project, University of Zurich, Switzerland	06/2012
	▪ Conference on improving analysis of political violence II Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame	07/2011
	▪ Conference on the Global Economic Cost of Conflict (GECC) German Institute for Economic Research (DIW), Berlin	01/2011
	▪ Conference on improving analysis of political violence I Department of Political Science, Yale University, New Haven	09/2010
	▪ Conference on casualty recording and estimation in times of conflict Center for Human Rights Science, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh	10/2009

Service

Service in professional organizations

▪ Working Group Co-Chair: 'International Relations, Swiss Political Science Association	since 2018
▪ Section Program Co-Chair: 'Ethnicity, Nationalism, & Migration Studies' (ENMISA), International Studies Association	2017-2018

Panel & workshop organization

▪ Pre-Workshop Organisation, Peace Science Society Conference 2017 'War and the Internet: new research on cyber and communications technology' (w. Nadiya Kostyuk)	2017
▪ Panel Organisation: '(Mis)informed Citizens in Autocracies', 113th APSA Annual Meeting, San Francisco. (w/ Nils Weidmann)	2017
▪ Panel Organisation: 'Contentious politics and the Internet', 112th APSA Annual Meeting, Philadelphia. (w/ Molly Roberts)	2016

- Panel Organisation: ‘Strategic state repression between conflict and political order’, 2015
111th APSA Annual Meeting, San Francisco.

Reviews

Journals: *American Political Science Review, American Journal of Political Science, International Organization, Journal of Peace Research, Journal of Conflict Resolution, British Journal of Political Science, World Politics, Comparative Political Studies, International Studies Quarterly, International Security, Conflict Management and Peace Science, International Interactions, New Media and Society, Foreign Policy Analysis, World Development, European Union Politics, Politics & Gender, Swiss Political Science Review, State Crime, Government and Opposition, Zeitschrift für Friedens- und Konfliktforschung*

Publishers: *Oxford University Press*

Grants: *Deutsche Stiftung Friedensforschung*

Teaching

Zurich Summer School

- Organisation of the ‘Zurich Summer School for Women in Political Methodology’ 2017, 2018
(w/ Malu Gatto, Denise Traber and Mariken van der Velden)
- Teaching module: Programming Functions in R

University of Zurich

- Kernkompetenz Internationale Beziehungen (Intro to IR) (BA) Fall 2019
- Capstone Course: Analyzing Human Rights Violations in Kenya (MA) Fall 2017/Spring 2018
- Communication Technology, Protest, and Conflict (MA) Spring 2017
- Bachelorarbeit, Internationale Beziehungen: Politische Gewalt (BA) Spring 2017
- Spezialisierung, Internationale Beziehungen: Politische Gewalt (BA) Fall 2016

University of Mannheim

- Thesis Colloquium (BA) Spring 2014
- The Politics of Human Rights (BA Proseminar, BA Hauptseminar) Fall 2012, 2013
- STATA Helpdesk for BA dissertations (BA) Spring 2013
- Data Analysis Tutorial (BA) Spring 2013
- Human Rights Methods (BA) Spring 2012

University of Essex

Human Rights Methods Summer School

- Module on ‘Counting civilian casualties’ 2016, 2017

Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis

- TA, Introduction to Quantitative Methods (Sona Golder) 2012
- TA, Mixed Methods Research (Jason Seawright) 2011

University of Konstanz

- TA, International Politics (Gerald Schneider) Fall 2007

Affiliations

International Studies Association, American Political Science Association, European Political Science Association European Network of Conflict Researchers, Swiss Political Science Association, Peace Science Society

Previous Positions	▪ University of Mannheim	
	Postdoctoral Researcher	08/2014 - 08/2015
	Doctoral Researcher and Lecturer	2012 - 2014
	▪ Peace Research Institute Oslo, Norway	
	Visiting Researcher, Centre for the Study of Civil War	9/2012 - 12/2012
	Member, CSCW Human Rights, Governance and Conflict Working Group	2011-2012
▪ World Bank		
Consultant, Fragile & Conflict-Affected Countries Group	09/2011 - 10/2011	
▪ Humboldt University Berlin		
Doctoral Researcher, Berlin Graduate School of Social Sciences	2010 - 2011	
▪ University of Konstanz		
Managing Editor, European Union Politics Journal	2007 - 2008	

Languages German (native), English (native), French (advanced)

Software R, Python, STATA, Quantum GIS, SQL, Netlogo, L^AT_EX, bash, GNU make, html/css.