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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF SUSSEX (2015 – 2016): MA MIGRATION STUDIES (70%)

Migrants and Society: Global Transformation, Managing Migration: Law, Governance and Politics, Displacement and Humanitarian Response, Activism for Development Studies

- **Linköping University (2016):** Remesco Spring School: Interrogating the 'refugee crisis'
- **University of the Aegean (2015):** Summer School: Borders Cultures, Migration
- **Odysseus Network (Free University Brussels) (2014):** Summer School: EU Law on Immigration and Asylum

UNIVERSITY OF GRONINGEN (2010 - 2014): BA INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS & INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATION (7,8%)

European Law, International Law, International Relations Theory, International Trade Theory, International Monetary Relations, Development Studies Introduction, Religious Pluralism in Europe, Political Theory, World History

- **Radboud University & NL Institut Marokko, Rabat (2013 -2014):** Minor: Social Studies of Morocco (8,0)
- **Kapodestrian University, Athens (2013):** Minor: Modern Greek History (8,5)

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

RESEARCHER ARNOLD BERGSTRAESSER INSTITUT: THE POLITICAL ECONOMY OF WEST AFRICAN MIGRATION GOVERNANCE (WAMIG)

FEBURARY 2019 – DECEMBER 2019

Responsible for carrying out two months fieldwork on migration policy making in Niger and Senegal. Identifying stakeholders and conducting 73 interviews. Analyzing interviews using MAXQDA and writing reports, policy briefs and Op-eds. Presenting findings in in Senegal, Niger, Ghana, Belgium and Germany.

RESEARCHER UNU-CRIS & VUB: AFRICAN MIGRATION ROOT CAUSES AND REGULATORY DYNAMICS

OCTOBER 2017 – NOVEMBER 2018

Coordinating and planning of one-year research project on interests in migration policy making in West Africa. Conducting four months field research in Ghana and Senegal; identifying relevant stakeholders, collecting 82 interviews while conducting a part-time internship at UNODC Regional Office in Dakar. Analyzing data using Nvivo and drafting an academic paper as well as policy briefs. Presenting the research on numerous occasions.

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

- **COMMUNICATION OFFICER:** European Council on Refugees and Exiles, September 2017
- **COMMUNICATION ASSISTANT** European Council on Refugees and Exiles, August 2016 – July 2017
- **RESEARCH AND COMMUNICATION ASSISTANT:** Jiyon Foundation for Human Rights, February – May 2015
- **CAMPAIGN ASSISTANT:** Self-organized Citizen Initiative Stop TTIP, October 2014 – January 2015
- **STUDENT RESEARCH PROJECT:** Sub-Saharan Migrants as political actors in Rabat, Morocco (NIMAR), November 2013-January 2014
- **STUDENT RESEARCHER:** Tax Justice Network Netherlands, January - June 2012
- **SOCIAL ASSISTANT (CIVIL SERVICE):** Entraide Pierre Valdo – Accommodation for asylum seekers, September 2009 – July 2010

PRESENTATIONS

- **"Making migrants in Niger: Externalization and the Making Of Subjectivities"**, European Association of Social Anthropologists (EASA), Lisbon, 21 – 24 July

- **“Donor influence in the West-African migration governance – To the benefit of whom?”**, Guest Lecture, University of Ghent, 17.03.2020
- **„Senegal: Lokale und europäische Interessen im Konflikt“**, re-Launch Migration.Control Website, Suedblock Aquarium, Berlin 06.02.202
- **“Externalization and the making of subjectivities in Niger and its integration into the international mobility regime”**, Conference/Workshop: Postcoloniality and Forced Migration, Aalborg University Campus Copenhagen, 12.12.2019
- **“The external dimension of EU migration policy”**, Guest Lecture of the MA course EU External Policies, University of Ghent, 06.12.2019
- **“The Political Economy of Migration Governance in Senegal”**, WAMIG Dissemination Event, FES Senegal, 26.11.2019
- **„Migrationspolitik in Westafrika: Lokale und europäische Interessen im Konflikt“**, MEDAM-Workshop, Berlin, 29.10.2019
- **“The Political Economy of Migration Governance in Niger”**, WAMIG Dissemination Event, LASDEL Niamey, 18.09. 2019
- **„The People and the Donors. Drivers of Migration Policy interests in West-African Democracies“** IMISCOE Conference, Malmo, 26.06.2019
- **„Strategie für die “Festung Europa”? Externalisierung in der europäischen Migrationspolitik“**, Workshop mit Meral Zeller (Pro Asyl), Volkshochschule Essen, 23.05.2019
- **“Stakes, impacts and research gaps of the IOM in West Africa”**, Workshop, University of Oxford, 02.02.2019
- **“The external dimension of EU migration policy”**, Guest Lecture of the MA course EU External Policies, University of Ghent, 14.12.2018
- **“Externalization inside out: Senegal and Ghana and the making of the nation migration policy”** Kritnet Netzwerktreffen. Berlin, 5.11.2018
- **“Europäisches Grenzregime.”** Workshop mit Meral Zeller (Pro Asyl). Attac Europakongress. Kassel, 6.10.2018
- **“Externalization inside out: The cases of Ghana and Senegal.”** Brown Bag Lunch at the European Council on Refugees and Exiles (ECRE), Brussels, 26.09.2018
- **“EU Cooperation and Migration Policy Development in West-Africa.”** European Consortium for Political Research (ecpr) Conference. Hamburg, 25.08.2018

PUBLICATIONS

- Franzisca Zanker, Judith Altrogge, Kwaku Arhin-Sam, and Leonie Jegen (2019): [Challenges in EU-African Migration Cooperation: West African Perspectives on Forced Return](#); MEDAM Policy Brief 2019/5
- Leonie Jegen and Franzisca Zanker (2019) [Spirited away: The fading importance of resettlement in the emergency transit mechanism in Rwanda](#), ECPDM Guest Blog, 28th October
- Leonie Jegen and Franzisca Zanker (2019) [European dominance of migration policy in Niger: On a fait les filles avant la mère](#), MEDAM Policy Brief 2019/3 ([en français](#))
- Leonie Jegen and Franzisca Zanker (2019) [Op-ed: Libya: Humanitarian Solutions Won't Solve Political Problems](#), European Council on Refugees and Exile (ECRE), 20th September.
- Ilke Adam, Florian Trauner, Leonie Jegen, Christof Roos (2019): [West African Interests in \(EU\) Migration Policy](#), UNU Institute on Comparative Regional Integration Studies
- Florian Trauner, Leonie Jegen, Ilke Adam, Christof Roos (2019): [The International Organization for Migration in West Africa: Why Its Role is Getting More Contested](#), UNU Institute on Comparative Regional Integration Studies

LANGUAGES

LANGUAGE	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	Writing
ENGLISH	C2	C2	C2	C2	C2
FRENCH	C2	C1	C1	B2	B1

(German native speaker)