Curriculum Vitae

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Academic Appointments

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Assistant Professor, International Organization and Multi-level Governance Leiden University's Institute of Security and Global Affairs Wijnhaven, Turfmarkt 99, 2511 DP The Hague, The Netherlands	2023 –
Education	
 Ph.D. University of Oxford, International Relations M.Phil University of Oxford, International Relations B.A. University of Wisconsin-Madison, Political Science 	2020 2015 2013
Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles	
"Licensed Detection Agents: The Case for Financial Crime Bounty Hunters," Berkeley Business Law Journal [Pre-print].	2026
"Into the Ether or the State? Legibility Theory and the Cryptocurrency Markets" (with Jack Seddon), <i>Business & Politics</i> [Link].	2024
"Supranational Detectives? Transnational Market Abuse and the Politics of Surveillance Delegation in the EU," <i>Journal of European Public Policy</i> [Link]	2022
"Market Structure and Disempowering Regulatory Intermediaries: Insights from U.S. Trade Surveillance," <i>Regulation & Governance</i> [Link].	2021
"The Proliferation of Multilateral Development Banks," <i>The Review of International Organizations</i> , 14(1): 107-145 [Link].	2019
Book Chapters	
"Remittances and the Regulatory State," in <i>The Oxford Handbook of Remittances</i> , Oxford University Press	Forthcoming
"Changing Capital Market Structure and Regulatory Challenges: Trends in Equity and Foreign Exchange Markets," in <i>The Oxford Handbook of Institutions of International Economic Governance and Market Regulation</i> , Oxford University Press, eds. Eric Brousseau, Jean-Michel Glachant, and Jérôme Sgard (with Walter Mattli). [Link]	2019
"The FX Race to Zero: Electronification and Market Structural Issues in Foreign Exchange Trading," in <i>Global Algorithmic Capital Markets</i> , Oxford University Press, ed. Walter Mattli (with Dan Marcus). [Link]	2019

Commissioned Academic Reports

"Effective Leadership in International Organizations," World Economic Forum Council on Institutional Governance Systems (with Ngaire Woods, Shubhra Saxena Kabra, Nina Hall, Yulia Taranova, Hugo Batten). [Link]	2015
Working Papers	
"International Detection Networks"	In Progress
"Chasing the Smugglers: Private Financial Institutions as Enforcers of Global Trade Security"	In Progress
"The Legibility Paradox: States, Private Actors, and the Politics of Information Provision" (with Jack Seddon)	In Progress
"Variations in Sanction Evasion Tactics: An Open-Source Analysis" (with Arash Pourebrahimi)	In Progress
"Public Sentiment and Sanctions Events: A Statistical Analysis" (with Graig Klein and Nicholas Donaldson)	In Progress
"Varieties of Surveillance: Offensive and Defensive Tactics"	In Progress
Other Publications	
False Positive (<u>Substack</u>): Regularly writing essays on finance, crime, and global economic governance for 525 subscribers in 50 countries (as of 28 August 2025).	Ongoing
"The Unknown History of U.S. Trade Surveillance," Investor Amnesia [Link]	2022
"Show me (where you got) the money: New AML Rules Promise to Upend Real Estate," <i>Corporate Compliance Insights</i> [Link]	2022
"The challenges of using software to detect financial crime," FCPA Blog [Link]	2022
"Multilateral development banks have always been vulnerable to political interference," <i>The Financial Times</i> [Link].	2018
"Market Abuse Regulation (MAD II): Old Problems, New Markets" with Alex Fahy. Bovill Limited [Link].	2016
"Kony 2012: How Not to Talk About Africa," Real Clear Politics [Link].	2012
"Arab Spring Lessons from the Maldives," Real Clear Politics [Link].	2012
"Implicit Negritude in The Dark Child," Inquiries Journal [Link].	2012
"Somali Piracy: Causes and Consequences," Inquiries Journal [Link].	2012
"Parliamentary style questioning keeps leaders in check," <i>The Daily Cardinal</i> [Link].	2012

"UK Membership in the European Union: Undermining Parliamentary Sovereignty?" <i>Inquiries Journal</i> [Link].	2011
"U.S. should help address Mexican drug wars," <i>The Daily Cardinal</i> [Link].	2011
"Cuts to foreign aid won't solve the deficit," <i>The Daily Cardinal</i> [Link].	2011
"Relations with Egypt compromise democracy," <i>The Daily Cardinal</i> [Link].	2011
"European Union suffers identity crisis," The Daily Cardinal [Link].	2011
Awards, Fellowships, and Grants	
Grant to Host Workshop (€8,500), Independent Social Research Foundation	2025
Kiem Grant for New Interdisciplinary Project (€10,000), Leiden University	2025
Conference Travel Grant (\$1,060), Institute for Humane Studies	2024
Hayek Fund for Scholars (\$500), Institute for Humane Studies	2019
Event Grant to host Conference (£500), Rothermere American Institute	2019
Norman Chester Travel Grant (£300), University College, Oxford	2019
Old Members' Trust Grant (£350), University College, Oxford	2019
Hayek Fund for Scholars (\$385), Institute for Humane Studies	2019
Second place (£200), Doctoral Researcher Award, Management and Social Sciences Category, Association of British Turkish Academics	2019
Joint Runner-up (£100), Oxford Uehiro Prize in Practical Ethics, Department of Philosophy, University of Oxford	2019
Old Members' Trust Grant (£350), University College, Oxford	2018
Royal Bank of Canada Travel Grant (£1,000), the Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford	2018
Santander Academic Travel Grant (£1,000), the University of Oxford	2018
Hayek Fund for Scholars (\$750), Institute for Humane Studies	2018
Oxford-Radcliffe Ph.D. Scholarship (~£100,000), University College, Oxford	2017
Travel Grant to Manila, Philippines (£1,000), St. John's College, Oxford	2015
Travel Grant to Washington, D.C. (£1,000), St. John's College, Oxford	2014
Robert A. Kilmarx Award for Best Paper on Military, Intelligence or National Security, Center for the Study of the Presidency and Congress	2013

Hedley Bull Prize in International Politics for best marks in international relations coursework in a calendar year, University of Sydney	2012
Presidential Fellowship to represent the University of Wisconsin at the Presidential Fellows Program and complete a research paper, University of Wisconsin-Madison	2012
Service to the Field	
Referee:	
 The Review of International Organizations (x3) 	
- The Review of International Political Economy	
- Regulation & Governance	
Applied Economic LettersNew Political Economy	
New Political EconomyGlobal Studies Quarterly	
 Global Studies Quarterly Humanities and Social Science Communications 	
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Presentations	
"Chasing the Smugglers: Private Firms and Export Control Enforcement"	
International Political Economy Society Annual Meeting (UCLA)	2025
"International Detection Networks"	
 ORCHID Presentation Series (Leiden University) 	2025
 Diplomacy and Global Affairs Presentation, Leiden University 	2025
 International Political Economy Society Annual Meeting (EUI) 	2024
- Global Transformation and Governance Challenges Conference	2024
(Leiden University)	2024
 ORCHID Presentation Series (Leiden University) 	2024
"Licensed Detection Agents: A Proposal for Financial Crime Bounty Hunters"	
Money Laundering Research Network	2024
 International Association on Regulation & Governance Conference 	2024
(University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School)	
DC Fintech Week	2024
 Sanctions and Remittances Conference (Leiden University) 	2024
"Into the Ether or the State? Legibility Theory and the Cryptogurrancy Markets?"	
"Into the Ether or the State? Legibility Theory and the Cryptocurrency Markets"	
 Guest Lecture for "Politics of Financial Regulation" Class at University of St. Gallen 	2025
"Supranational Detectives? Transnational Market Abuse and the Politics of Surveillance Delegation in the EU"	
 Global Transformation and Governance Challenges Conference (Leiden University) 	2023
"Surveillance Games: The International Political Economy of Combatting Financial Crime"	
DC Fintech Week (Georgetown University)	2021 2019

 European Political Science Association Conference (Queen's University Belfast) Martlets Society Speakers Series (University of Oxford) Department of Politics and International Relations (University of Oxford) 	2019 2018
"Power and the Panopticon: The Political Economy of National Trade Surveillance Systems"	
 Rothermere American Institute (University of Oxford) Political Economy of Finance Conference (University of Oxford) 	2019 2019
"The Ethical Dilemma of Disclosing Offshore Accounts" - Uehiro Prize in Practical Ethics Competition (University of Oxford)	2019
"Effective Leadership in International Organizations" - Presentation to Ambassadors to the OECD (British Embassy in Paris)	2018
"The Proliferation of Multilateral Development Banks" - Department of Politics and International Relations (University of Oxford)	2017
"Market Abuse Regulation (MAD II): Old Problems, New Markets" - Bovill Limited, London	2016
"The Drone Dilemma: Veto Players, Moral Hazard and Decision-Making"	
Presidential Fellows Program, Washington, D.C.	2013
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 Presidential Fellows Program, Washington, D.C. Teaching Experience Instructor, Economics of Safety and Security Bachelor's in Safety and Security Studies (Leiden University) Rational choice theory; behavioural economics; international trade; 	
 Presidential Fellows Program, Washington, D.C. Teaching Experience Instructor, Economics of Safety and Security Bachelor's in Safety and Security Studies (Leiden University) Rational choice theory; behavioural economics; international trade; capital markets; game theory; economic statecraft Instructor, Thesis Course: Financial Crime and Sanctions Evasion Bachelor's in Safety and Security Studies (Leiden University) Qualitative methodology; causal inference; hypothesis testing; process 	2025, 2026
 Presidential Fellows Program, Washington, D.C. Teaching Experience Instructor, Economics of Safety and Security Bachelor's in Safety and Security Studies (Leiden University) Rational choice theory; behavioural economics; international trade; capital markets; game theory; economic statecraft Instructor, Thesis Course: Financial Crime and Sanctions Evasion Bachelor's in Safety and Security Studies (Leiden University) Qualitative methodology; causal inference; hypothesis testing; process tracing; case studies; data analysis; interview techniques Instructor, Thesis Lab I & II Master's in International Relations and Diplomacy (Leiden University) Positivist and Interpretivist research methods; hypothesis testing; case 	2025, 2026

Seminar Leader, 'Politics of Policymaking' Master's in Public Policy, The Blavatnik School of Government, Oxford. State capacity; legislative systems; interest-group politics; bureaucracy; principal-agent problems; corruption; international relations theory	2019
Lecturer, 'Business and Entrepreneurship' Summer course for two groups (16-17 and 18-24 years old). Supply chains; market analysis; business plans; risk analysis; ethical business practices; regulatory obligations	2019
Lecturer, 'Brexit, Tea, and Yellow Umbrellas: The International Politics of Sovereignty' Undergraduate Summer Course at Oxford for students from The Chinese University of Hong Kong.	2018
Lecturer, 'The International Politics of Sovereignty' Undergraduate Summer Course at Oxford for students from The Chinese University of Hong Kong.	2015
Fieldwork Experience	
Amsterdam, Leiden, The Hague (Interviews) Bonn, Germany (Interviews) Frankfurt, Germany (Interviews) Paris, France (Interviews) Amsterdam and The Hague, Netherlands (Interviews) Toronto, Canada (Interviews and Archival Research) New York, NY, United States (Interviews and Archival Research) Washington, D.C., United States (Interviews) London, United Kingdom (Interviews) London, United Kingdom (Interviews) Manila, Philippines (Interviews and Archival Research) Washington, D.C. (Interviews and Archival Research) London, United Kingdom (Interviews) Professional Memberships	2024 2019 2019 2019 2019 2018 2018 2018 2017 2015 2014 2014
International Association on Regulation & Governance Standing Group on the EU, European Consortium for Political Research International Fraud Group (network of professionals specializing in anti-fraud) Practitioner Experience	2024 – 2022 – 2019 –
 Manager, Forensic & Financial Crime, Deloitte (Amsterdam) Led independent assessments of financial institutions' controls against money laundering and terrorist financing; Advised firms on enterprise-wide risk assessments, responses to regulatory notices, organizational matters, and the operational effectiveness of financial crime controls. 	2022 - 2023

Associate Director, Advisory, Exiger (Washington, D.C.)

2021 - 2022

- Led independent audits and investigations of global financial institutions' anti-money laundering controls;
- Advised global banks on their financial crime policies, procedures, auditing standards, and sanctions compliance.

Associate Director, Anti-Money Laundering, UBS (New York)

2020 - 2021

- Managed 45 staff conducting Anti-Money Laundering reviews of approximately 6,000 high-risk clients;
- Responsible for investigating negative news, sanctions exposure, and suspicious transactional activity;
- Acted as a Subject Matter Expert (SME) on Know-your-customer compliance within UBS Global Wealth Management.

Associate, Bovill Limited (London)

2013 - 2015

- Performed onsite inspections of global banks' AML controls in London, Bermuda, and Malta on behalf of the U.S. Department of Justice and UK Financial Conduct Authority;
- Led the firm's advisory on the EU Market Abuse Regulation (MAR) and assisted with the design of trade surveillance systems.

Research Intern, Parliament of New South Wales (Sydney)

2012

- Conducted policy research on environmental protection legislation.

Research Intern, UK House of Lords (London)

2011

Conducted policy research on various legislative proposals.

Languages

English (native); Spanish (intermediate); Dutch (beginner)

Academic References

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