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### SHORT PROFILE

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- 12/2020: PhD (summa cum laude) in Political Science, Goethe University Frankfurt am Main
- Currently: Postdoctoral Fellow at the Chair of International Relations, University of Potsdam
- Current research project: Digitalization in peace processes – communication strategies and local inclusion
- Research interests: Conflict Resolution and Peacebuilding, Digitalization and Peacekeeping, United Nations, Public Diplomacy and Social Media, Transitional Justice, Multi-Method Research, Simulations

### PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

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since 04/2020	<b>University of Potsdam</b> , Potsdam, Germany Postdoctoral Fellow (100%), Faculty of Economics and Social Sciences, Chair of International Relations
10/2013 – 04/2020	<b>Goethe University</b> , Frankfurt, Germany Research Fellow and Lecturer (50%), Department of Political Science, Chair of International Institutions and Peace Processes
03/2019 – 04/2019	<b>University of Liberia</b> , Monrovia, Liberia Research stay (2 months), Visiting Researcher, Kofi Annan Institute for Conflict Transformation
09/2015 – 06/2016	<b>Columbia University</b> , New York, USA Research stay (10 months), Fulbright Visiting Researcher, Department of Political Science, host: Michael W. Doyle
Since 09/2014	<b>German Armed Forces Command and Staff College</b> , Hamburg, Germany Guest Lecturer and Subject Matter Expert, Modules "UN Peacekeeping Operations" and "UN-Staff Officer Course"

### ACADEMIC EDUCATION

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04/2014 – 03/2020	Ph.D. (summa cum laude) in Political Science (Dr. phil.) Goethe University Frankfurt am Main <i>Day of defense: 18.12.2020</i> <i>Title of the dissertation: Patterns of Sustaining Peace. A Systematic Comparative Case Analysis of Institutional Configurations and their Impact on Peacebuilding Success.</i> <i>Reviewers: Tanja Brühl (TU Darmstadt), Claudius Wagemann (Goethe University Frankfurt), Margit Bussmann (University Greifswald)</i>
10/2010 – 06/2013	Master of Arts International Studies / Peace and Conflict Studies (Grade 1,3) Faculty of Social Sciences, Goethe University Frankfurt am Main
02/2010 – 07/2010	Visiting Student, University of Southampton, United Kingdom
10/2007 – 11/2010	Bachelor of Arts Political Science (Grade 1,3) Faculty of Social Sciences, Goethe University Frankfurt am Main
10/2006 – 07/2011	Master of Arts, English Studies, Spanish and Cultural Anthropology (Grade 1,1) Faculty of Modern Languages, Goethe University Frankfurt am Main

## PUBLICATIONS

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Total number of publications: 11

Publications with peer review: 7

Overall IF: 7.015

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[Google Scholar Profile](#)

## JOURNAL ARTICLES (Peer reviewed)

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1. Ruppel, S. & **Leib, J.** (2022). [Same but Different: The Role of Local Leaders in the Peace Processes in Liberia and Sierra Leone](#), *Peacebuilding*, online first. (IF: 1.750)
2. **Leib, J.** & Ruppel, S. (2021). [The Dance of Peace and Justice: Local Perceptions of International Peacebuilding in West Africa](#), *International Peacekeeping*, 28(5), 783-812. (IF: 3.000)
3. Ruhe, C., **Leib, J.**, Weidmann, N.B. & Bussmann, M. (2020). [Empirisch-analytische Friedens- und Konfliktforschung in Deutschland: Ein Kommentar zur Evaluation durch den Wissenschaftsrat](#), *Zeitschrift für Friedens- und Konfliktforschung*, 9(2), 443-454.
4. **Leib, J.** & Ruppel, S. (2020). [The learning effects of United Nations simulations in political science classrooms](#), *European Political Science*, 19(3), 336-351. (IF: 1.756)
5. **Leib, J.** (2019). [The security and justice approach in Liberia's peace process: mechanistic evidence and local perception](#), *Peace Economics, Peace Science and Public Policy*, 25(4), 1-6. (IF: 0.509)
6. **Leib, J.** & Ruppel, S. (2019). [Studentische Lerneffekte in Simulationen der Vereinten Nationen](#), *Zeitschrift für Friedens- und Konfliktforschung*, 8(1), 99-111.
7. **Leib, J.** (2016). [Shaping peace: an investigation of the mechanisms underlying post-conflict peacebuilding](#), *Peace, Conflict & Development*, Issue 22: 25-76.

## MONOGRAPHS

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8. **Leib, J.** (2021). [Patterns of Sustaining Peace. A Systematic Comparative Case Analysis of Institutional Configurations and their Impact on Peacebuilding Success](#). Dissertation. Frankfurt am Main: Goethe University Frankfurt.

## CHAPTERS IN EDITED VOLUMES

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9. Brühl, T., **Leib, J.**, Peltner, A. & Ruppel, S. (2018). [Die Vereinten Nationen simulieren: „MainMUN“ als fächerübergreifendes Planspiel der Weltpolitik](#). In: M. Schedelik, T. Engartner & M.T. Messner (eds.). *Planspiele in der sozialwissenschaftlichen Lehre: Theorie und Praxis aus der Hochschule*. Schwalbach/Ts: Wochenschau Verlag: 181-191.

## OTHER PUBLISHED WORK

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10. **Leib, J.** (2019). [Ist die Welt wirklich friedlicher geworden? Ein Blick auf statistische Trends im Konfliktgeschehen weltweit](#), *Forschung Frankfurt*, Issue 1.2019, 62-66.
11. **Leib, J.** (2010). *Quo Vadis Peacekeeping? Der Konflikt in Darfur und die „Responsibility to Protect“*. Saarbrücken: VDM.

## WORKING PAPER

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How Justice Becomes Part of the Deal: Pre-Conditions for the Inclusion of Reconciliation Provisions in Peace Agreements.

The Sustaining Peace Scale: Conceptualizing Peace in the Aftermath of Violent Conflict.

Doomed to Fail? Local Conflict Environment Mechanisms and Their Influence on Sustaining Peace.

Communicating Peace Through the Pandemic: How COVID-19 Changed Digital Communication and Self-Legitimation of the UN Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS).

## AWARDS

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- 10/2021 [Best Dissertation Award](#)  
United Nations Association of Germany (DGVN)  
for *Patterns of Sustaining Peace* (€1,000)
- 10/2021 [Aquila ascendens Young Researcher Award for Security Policy](#), third place  
DialogForum Sicherheitspolitik
- 02/2014 Josef Esser Award  
Goethe University Frankfurt  
Best Master thesis in Political Science
- 07/2011 Dagmar Westberg University Award  
Goethe University Frankfurt  
Outstanding Master thesis on the literature, culture, or history of Great Britain

## RESEARCH FUNDING

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- 2022 German Foundation for Peace Research (DSF)
  - Pilot Study “#Peacekeeping: Ambivalences of digital communication strategies of the UN Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS)”
  - Principal Investigator and Project Lead, Volume: €28,792
  - *Proposal submitted in May 2021, decision pending*
- 2021 Swiss National Science Foundation (SNF)
  - Workshop “International QCA Expert/Paper Development Workshops”
  - Project Co-Lead with Johannes Meuer (ETH Zurich), Manuel Fischer (EAWAG), Sofia Pagliarin (Erasmus University Rotterdam), Ryan Rumble (Jönköping University), Christian Rupietta (University of Wuppertal), Volume: CHF 12,600
- 2021 Potsdam Graduate School (PoGS)
  - Funding for a research assistant in the project “Digitalization in Peacekeeping”
  - Principal Investigator and Project Lead, Volume: €2,000

## SCHOLARSHIPS & TRAVEL GRANTS

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*Total amount of scholarships and travel grants acquired: €78,500*

- 07/2020 Potsdam Graduate School (PoGS) travel grant for the Essex Summer School (€1,250)
- 06/2019 – 09/2020 Mentee in the “Mentoring Hessen” funding line “ProAcademia” for the promotion of women in science and business
- 06/2019 Frankfurt Graduate Center Social Sciences (GRASOC) travel grant for a conference in The Hague, Netherlands (€400)

02/2019 – 04/2019	DAAD short-term scholarship for doctoral students for field research in Sierra Leone and Liberia (€7,480)
09/2018	Frankfurt Graduate Center Social Sciences (GRASOC) travel grant for a conference in Hamburg (€400)
04/2018	DAAD travel grant for a conference in San Francisco, USA (€1,629)
11/2014 – 10/2017	Full Predoctoral Fellowship, Polytechnic Society Foundation Frankfurt am Main (fellowship, plus research and travel expenses, ~ €51,000)
08/2017	ECPR Funding Grant for the Summer School in Methods and Techniques (€415)
09/2015 – 06/2016	Predoctoral Fellowship, Fulbright Commission, for a research stay as Visiting Scholar at Columbia University in New York, USA (€14,400)
03/2016	DAAD travel grant for conference in Atlanta, USA (€1,500)

## ORGANIZATION OF WORKSHOPS AND GUEST TALKS

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Workshop Convener	<p>International QCA Expert Workshop &amp; International QCA Paper Development Workshop, ETH Zurich, December 13-15, 2021</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Co-Convener (with Manuel Fischer, Johannes Meuer, Sofia Pagliarin, Ryan Rumble, Christian Rupietta)</li> <li>○ Funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation (amount: 12,600 CHF)</li> </ul> <p>“Empirical Research on Peace and Conflict”, virtual workshop of the German Association of Peace and Conflict Studies’ (AFK) working group Empirical Peace and Conflict Research, September 23-24, 2021</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Co-Convener (with Constantin Ruhe)</li> </ul>
Organized Guest Talks	<p>“Security Policy in Times of Crisis”, by former Ambassador Martin Kobler, University of Potsdam, January 26, 2022</p> <p>Lecture Series “Transformations of our World – the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”, Berlin, November 8 – December 6, 2021</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Co-Convener (with Andrea Liese, Thomas Dörfler, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), Engagement Global)</li> </ul>

## PEER REVIEW

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Journals	Journal of Peace Research (1), International Journal of Communication (1)
Publishers	Springer Publishing House (1)

## FIELDWORK AND ARCHIVAL RESEARCH

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03/2019 – 04/2019	Liberia: Interviews with experts in international peacebuilding and local reconciliation processes in Monrovia, as well as leading a survey on local perceptions of the peace process.
01/2019 – 02/2019	Sierra Leone: Interviews with experts in international peacebuilding and local reconciliation processes throughout the country, as well as leading a nationwide survey on local perceptions of the peace process.
10/2018 – 11/2018	USA: Archive research on documents of the UN peace missions in Cambodia and Sierra Leone in the UN Archives in New York, as well as interviews with members of international organizations in New York and Washington, D.C.

## PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

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02/2022	Online Qualitative Data Collection: Methods, Technology and Ethics ECPR Winter School in Methods and Techniques
08/2021	Advanced Qualitative Data Analysis, ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques
07/2021	Survival Analysis and Event History Modelling, Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis
03/2021	Applied Regression Analysis: Estimation, Diagnostics, and Modelling ECPR Winter School in Methods and Techniques
08/2020	Qualitative Data Analysis & Introduction to NVivo ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques
07/2020	Introduction to Quantitative Text Analysis, Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis
03/2018	Advanced Topics in Set-Theoretic Methods and QCA, ECPR Winter School in Methods and Techniques
08/2017	Process-tracing I: Foundations and Guidelines & Process-tracing II: Evidence and empirical testing in practice, ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques
08/2011	Qualitative Comparative Analysis and Fuzzy Sets, ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques
Languages	German ( <i>native</i> ), English ( <i>fluent</i> ), Spanish ( <i>basic</i> ), French ( <i>basic</i> )
Software	R, RStudio, fs/QCA, NVivo, ArcGIS, WordPress, Adobe Creative Cloud (Photoshop, Illustrator, Lightroom)

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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Since 01/2021	Organizational Team, <a href="#">International QCA Workshop Series</a> with Johannes Meuer (ETH Zurich), Manuel Fischer (EAWAG), Sofia Pagliarin (Erasmus University Rotterdam), Ryan Rumble (Jönköping University), Christian Rupietta (University of Wuppertal)
Since 09/2019	Co-Speaker, AFK working group <a href="#">Empirical Peace and Conflict Research</a> German Association of Peace and Conflict Studies, with Constantin Ruhe (Goethe University Frankfurt)

## UNIVERSITY SERVICES

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Since 10/2020	Member in the Faculty Council Faculty of Economics and Social Sciences, University of Potsdam
Since 02/2021	Member in the appointment committee W3 “Chair in Public Participation and Open Government”, University of Potsdam
2018/2019	Member in the appointment committee W1 “Chair in Political Science or Sociology with a Focus on Radicalization and Violence Research”, Goethe University Frankfurt
2017	Member in the appointment committee W1 (tenure track) “Chair in Political Science with a Focus on Methods of Quantitative Empirical Social Research”, Goethe University Frankfurt

## TEACHING SUMMARY

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Breadth	18 completed courses on international relations, comparative politics, and social science methods o 18 courses in university teaching methods ( <i>Hochschuldidaktik</i> )
Levels	Undergraduate and graduate level
Teaching institutions	University of Potsdam (since 2020) Goethe University Frankfurt (2014-2020) German Armed Forces Command and Staff College (since 2014)
Theses supervision	15 BA Theses (10 as second reader), 4 Master Theses (7 as second reader)
International Relations & Comparative Politics	International Security Policy Mission Accomplished? Effectiveness of International Peace Operations United Nations Lessons learned? The Challenges of International Conflict Resolution Preparation for the National Model United Nations Current Topics in Civil War Research International Institutions Transitional Justice in Theory and Practice The Challenges of Peace Processes
Methods	Research Design in International Relations ( Introduction to Academic Research

## DIDACTIC AND CAREER TRAINING

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Since 04/2020	Several career development workshops Potsdam Graduate School (PoGS), courses included Management of Research Data, Grant Proposal Writing, Gender-Diversity-Approaches for University Teaching, Digitalization of University teaching, Inverted Classroom Model
10/2013 – 06/2015	Certificate of Didactics of Higher Education Comprehensive training in didactics of university teaching (21 ECVET-points), Interdisziplinäres Kolleg Hochschuldidaktik, Goethe University Frankfurt
10/2014 – 02/2015	eLearning Certificate Digital Media in Educational Processes Qualification program by studiumdigitale, the central eLearning facility at Goethe University Frankfurt

## MEMBERSHIPS

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Since 2020	Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS)
Since 2019	German Association of Peace and Conflict Studies (AFK)
Since 2020	Network of European Peace Scientists (NEPS)
Since 2016	United Nations Association of Germany (DGVN)
Since 2015	International Studies Association (ISA)

## INVITED TALKS

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2018	ETH Zurich	“The more (not always) the merrier: The hidden mechanisms of power-sharing institutions and their influence on stable peace”, Invited Roundtable, International QCA Expert Workshop
2018	University of Birmingham	“The hidden mechanisms of power-sharing institutions and their influence on stable peace”, Invited Roundtable, Methodological Advances in the Study of Civil War and Political Violence
2018	Uppsala University	“Third-party interventions in armed conflicts: a closer look at causal patterns, dependencies and consequences for civilians”, Invited Roundtable, Ending Atrocities Workshop
2017	ETH Zurich	“Making Peace Last – A Systematic Comparative Case Analysis of Successful Post-Conflict Peacebuilding”, Invited Roundtable, International QCA Expert Workshop
2017	Fridtjof Nansen Academy for Political Education	“Lessons learned? Current Challenges of International Conflict Settlement by the United Nations”

## CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

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2022	ISA Annual Convention, Nashville
2021	ISA Virtual Annual Convention IPSA World Congress of Political Science ECPR General Conference DVPW-Kongress EISA Workshops, WS “Global Governance in the Digital Age” 9th International QCA Expert Workshop, Zurich Annual Workshop of the German Association for Peace and Conflict Studies Methods Working Group
2020	Workshop on Conflict Dynamics, Oxford DVPW-Sektionstagung Internationale Beziehungen, Freiburg 8th International QCA Expert Workshop, Zurich Annual Workshop of the German Association for Peace and Conflict Studies Methods Working Group, Berlin
2019	ISA Annual Convention, Toronto APSA Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C. 19th Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference, The Hague 7th International QCA Expert Workshop, Zurich Annual Workshop of the German Association for Peace and Conflict Studies Methods Working Group, Bonn
2018	ISA Annual Convention, San Francisco ECPR Joint Session of Workshops, Nicosia IPSA World Congress of Political Science, Brisbane ECPR General Conference, Hamburg Ending Atrocities Workshop, Uppsala 6th International QCA Expert Workshop, Zurich Workshop: Methodological Advances in the Study of Civil War and Political Violence, Birmingham Annual Workshop of the German Association for Peace and Conflict Studies Methods Working Group, Hamburg

- 2017 ISA Annual Convention, Baltimore  
5th International QCA Expert Workshop, Zurich  
Annual Workshop of the German Association for Peace and Conflict Studies Methods Working Group, Mannheim
- 2016 ISA Annual Convention, Atlanta  
MPSA Annual Conference, Chicago  
APSA Annual Meeting, Philadelphia  
Peace Science Society (International) Annual North American Meeting, South Bend  
Annual Workshop of the German Association for Peace and Conflict Studies Methods Working Group, Konstanz
- 2015 ISA Annual Convention, New Orleans  
IAPSS World Congress, London
- 2014 Annual Conference of the International Association for Peace and Conflict Studies, Manchester  
Post-Graduate Research Conference "Institutions in International Studies", Bradford