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### AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Political Sociology, Political Violence, Civil Society, Political Protest, Repression, Civil War, Emotions

### ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- Since 2020 Institute for Interdisciplinary Research on Conflict and Violence, Bielefeld University, Germany  
*Postdoctoral Researcher*
- 07/2022 Department of Politics and International Relations, University of York, UK  
*Visiting Fellow*
- 05-07/2017 Department of Political Science, University of Jaffna, Sri Lanka  
*Visiting Fellow*

### OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2015-2016 Governance and Peacebuilding Unit, UNDP Kosovo  
*Program Officer*
- 2015 Police Affairs Department, OSCE Mission to Serbia  
*Project Officer*

### EDUCATION

- 2016-2020 Scuola Normale Superiore, Florence, Italy  
*PhD in Political Science & Sociology* (highest distinction)  
Dissertation: “Micro-Mobilization Processes during Civil Wars: The Case of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam”, Supervision: Prof. Dr. Donatella Della Porta, Prof. Dr. Lorenzo Bosi
- 2014-2015 Institute for Peace Research and Security Studies, University of Hamburg, Germany

*M.A. in Peace and Security Studies* (summa cum laude)

- 2011-2013 University of Fribourg, Switzerland  
*M.A. in Culture, Politics and Religion in Plural Societies* (summa cum laude)
- 2007-2011 University of Zurich, Switzerland  
*B.A in German Literature and Linguistics, Philosophy and Political Science* (summa cum laude)

### THIRD PARTY FUNDING

- 2024-2026 “The German Peace Movement in the Context of the Ukraine War: Changes in internal Discourse and Conflicts of Interpretation”, German Foundation for Peace Research (co-leadership with Priska Daphi), 150.000 EUR
- 2022 “Onlinetool for the Visualization of Protest Activities”, Research Institute Social Cohesion, Germany, Scientific Transfer Project (co-application with Jan Matti Dollbaum, Priska Daphi und Sebastian Haunss), 17.000 EUR, <https://www.protestdata.eu>

### SCHOLARSHIP

- 2016-2010 Four-year full Scholarship for Doctoral Studies in Political Science and Sociology, Scuola Normale Superiore
- 2011-2013 M.A. Excellence Scholarship, Swiss Study Foundation

### PUBLICATIONS

#### Peer reviewed Journal Articles

- 2024 Dollbaum, Jan Matti, Meier, Larissa, Daphi, Priska and Haunss, Sebastian. Forthcoming. “Protest Types and Protester Profiles: testing meso-micro Associations between Event Characteristics and Participant Attitudes”. *Acta Politica*.
- 2023 Meier, Larissa. 2023. “Understanding Non-Participation in Armed Groups during the Sri Lankan Civil War”, *Social Problems*, online first.
- 2022 Gregor Wiedemann, Jan Matti Dollbaum, Sebastian Haunss, Priska Daphi, and Larissa Daria Meier. 2022. A Generalized Approach to Protest Event Detection in German Local News. In Proceedings of the Thirteenth Language Resources and Evaluation Conference, Marseille, France. European Language Resources Association, pp. 3883–3891.
- Meier, Larissa. 2022. “Between Coercion and Representation: Exploring Variation in Support Relations between Tamil Civilians and the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE)”. *Participation and Conflict* 15(1), pp. 157-174.
- Meier, Larissa. 2022. “Spatiotemporal Variation in Armed Group Recruitment

- among Former Members of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam". *Sociological Forum* 37(2), pp. 510-532.
- 2021 Peña, Alejandro, Meier, Larissa and Nah, Alice. 2023. "Exhaustion, Adversity, and Repression: Emotional Attrition in High Risk Activism". *Perspectives on Politics* 21(1), pp. 27-42.
- 2020 Meier, Larissa. 2020. "An Intersectional Approach to the Understanding of Patterns of Marginalization among Ex-combatants with Disabilities in Sri Lanka.". *Conflict, Security & Development* 20(4), pp. 441-465.
- 2019 Meier, Larissa. 2019. "The Strategic Use of Emotions in Recruitment Strategies of Armed Groups: The Case of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam", *Studies in Conflict & Terrorism* 44(12), pp. 1148-1166.
- Articles without peer Review & Book Chapters
- 2023 Meier, Larissa; Dollbaum, Jan Matti; Daphi, Priska and Haunss, Sebastian. 2023. „Verdrängung oder Mobilisierung? Eine vergleichende Analyse zur Auswirkung erfolgreicher/prominenter Protestbewegungen auf urbane Protestaktivitäten am Beispiel von Pegida, Legida und Stuttgart 21”, in: Salheiser, Axel, Alexopoulou, Maria, Yendell, Alexander and Meier, Christian (eds.): *Gesellschaftlicher Zusammenhalt im Licht multipler Aus- und Einschlüsse – Perspektiven, Befunde, Tendenzen*. Konstanz: Campus.
- Meier, Larissa. 2023. „Gewaltdynamik und reziproke Eskalation im Protestgeschehen als Weg der Radikalisierung“. Bürger & Staat, 3/23. Bundeszentrale für politische Bildung, pp. 121-129.
- 2022 Meier, Larissa and Daphi, Priska. 2022. „Friedensbewegung und Krieg: Warum konnte die Ostermarschbewegung kaum von der öffentlichen Empörung über den russischen Angriffskrieg auf die Ukraine profitieren?“, *Forschungsjournal Soziale Bewegungen* 35(4), pp. 580-595.
- 2016 Meier, Larissa. 2016. "OSCE Peacekeeping", in: Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy at the University of Hamburg/IFSH (ed.): OSCE-Yearbook 2015, Baden-Baden.
- Other Publications
- 2023 Haunss, Sebastian; Daphi, Priska; Dollbaum, Jan Matti; Grimm, Jannis; and Meier, Larissa. „Klimaproteste in Deutschland – wenig Abgrenzung zwischen den Protestgruppen“. ipb blog, 25.04.2022.
- 2022 Meier, Larissa. 2022. "Vom ersten Ostermarsch zu Pegida – die vielfältige Protestgeschichte der Bundesrepublik". *Forschungsjournal Soziale Bewegungen* 35(3), pp. 567-571.
- Meier, Larissa; Daphi, Priska and Haunss, Sebastian. 2022. "Stoppt die Kriege - Abrüstung und Deeskalation jetzt!" – Eine Befragung der TeilnehmerInnen am Ostermarsch in Bielefeld. ipb working paper series, #/2022. Berlin: ipb.
- 2021 Meier, Larissa; Dollbaum, Jan Matti; Daphi, Priska and Haunss, Sebastian. "Protest als Ausdruck politischer Unzufriedenheit? Krisenerzählungen und ihre fragwürdige empirische Relevanz". *FGZ Wissenschaftsblog*, 11.10.2021.
- 2015 Meier, Larissa. 2015. "A Role for OSCE Peacekeeping: From the 1992 Helsinki Guidelines to the Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine", CORE Working Paper

No. 27. Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy at the University of Hamburg.

### Work in Progress

- R&R Meier, Larissa, Dollbaum, Jan Matti, Daphi, Priska and Haunss, Sebastian. “Varieties of Resistance against the Radical Right: Explaining divergent Trajectories of Counter-Mobilization in two German Cities”.
- R&R Daphi, Priska, Dollbaum, Jan Matti, Meier, Larissa, and Haunss, Sebastian. “Local Protests: A more Comprehensive Picture?”.
- Review Meier, Larissa, Peña, Alejandro and Nah, Alice. “Relational Adversity and the Experience of Political Activism in High Risk Environments”.
- Review Meier, Larissa and Peña, Alejandro. “From Autonomy to Collusion: Patterns of Hybrid Repression and Human Rights Activism”.
- Preparation Meier, Larissa and Dollbaum, Jan Matti. “Left-Right Street Confrontations: Asymmetrical Issue Contestation in Protest-Counterprotest Dynamics”.

### INVITED TALKS

- 2024 Input Speech “Zivilgesellschaft unter Druck: (Globale) Protestbewegungen, Repression und Erfolgsbedingungen”, Evangelische Akademie Hofgeismar, Germany  
Input Speech, “Fruchtbare Streit? Über den Umgang mit gesellschaftlichen Konflikten”, Bayerische Museumsakademie, Germany
- 2023 Round Table “Terror für das Klima”, Schader Foundation, Germany.  
Moderation and Input, Round Table “Activist Voices from Ukraine and the Ukrainian Diaspora”, University of Bremen, Germany
- 2022 Public Lecture, “Repression, Risk, and Activism”, Centre for Applied Human Rights, University of York, UK  
Alumnae Speech, Inauguration Academic Year, Scuola Normale Superiore, Italy
- 2020 Guest Lecture, “Violence and Emotions”, PhD Research Class, Scuola Normale Superiore, Italy

### CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

- 2023 Annual Conference of the Institute for the Study of Protest and Social Movements Berlin, Germany  
ECPR General Conference, Charles University Prague, Czech Republic  
ECPR Joint Session, Science Po Toulouse, France
- 2022 Workshop, Polarization and Social Cohesion in Democracies, University of Frankfurt, Germany  
ECPR General Conference, University of Innsbruck, Austria
- 2021 Workshop, The Rise of Grassroots Radicalism and its Political Effects, WZB Berlin, Germany

- Annual Conference of the Institute for the Study of Protest and Social Movements, Berlin (online), Germany
- ECPR General Conference, (online)
- Conference, Schwindet der Grundkonsens? Identitätskonflikte und politische Partizipation in ziviler Gesellschaft, University of Göttingen (online), Germany
- 2019 European Sociological Association General Conference, University of Manchester, UK
- International Europeanist Conference, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain
- 2018 ECPR General Conference, University of Hamburg, Germany

#### TEACHING (FULL COURSES)

Bielefeld University, Germany

- 2024 *Peace – Concepts and Contestations* (MA) (Convener)
- 2023/2024 *Narratives of Violence* (MA) (Convener)
- 2022/2023 *Transnational Activism and War* (MA) (Convener)
- 2022 *Conflict Theory and Research* (MA) (Convener)

Supervision: First supervisor two MA thesis (2023)

International Studies Institute Florence, Italy

- 2020 *Radicalization – Theories and Case Studies* (BA) (Convener)

#### PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT & MEDIA

Contributions, interviews, and expert opinions for *Arte*, *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung*, *Deutschlandfunk*, *Norddeutscher Rundfunk (NDR)*, *Süddeutsche Zeitung*, *Schweizer Radio und Fernsehen (SRF)*, *Westdeutscher Rundfunk (WDR)*, *ZDF*

#### ACADEMIC SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Conference and Workshop Organization

- 2022 *Methods of Social Movement Research: New Developments and Recurring Questions*, Annual Conference of the Institute for the Study of Protest and Social Movements, September 15–16, 2022, Berlin, Germany.
- Field Research in Risk Areas/with Vulnerable Groups*, PhD Workshop. Annual Conference of the Institute for the Study of Protest and Social Movements, September 15–16, 2022, Berlin, Germany.
- 2021 *Recent Advances in the automated Gathering and Analysis of Protest Event Data*, Online Workshop, October 15, 2021.

*Relational Adversity*, Workshop, July 20–21, Centre for Applied Human Rights, University of York, UK.

University and Profession

Since 2023 Member of the Ethics Committee, Bielefeld University

Since 2021 Member of the Institute for the Study of Protest and Social Movement, Berlin

Manuscript Reviewer: *Acta Politica*, *Civil Wars*, *Critical Sociology*, *Current Sociology* *Participation and Conflict*, *Studies in Conflict and Terrorism*, *Sociological Forum*, *Qualitative Sociology*

Memberships: European Political Science Association, German Sociological Association

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

Languages German (Native), English (Fluent), French (Working Knowledge), Italian (Intermediate), Spanish (Intermediate)

PC Skills MS Office Expert User (Word, Excel, PowerPoint), MAXQDA (Advanced); NVivo (Intermediate); R (Intermediate); Lime Survey (Intermediate)