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## RESEARCH FOCUS

Behavioral and Experimental Economics, Early Childhood Development, Social Norms, Ethics of Market Design and Psychology of Economic Behavior

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## EDUCATION

### Ph.D. Candidate in Economics | International Max Planck Research School & Cologne Graduate School

10/2023 – present | Focus on Behavioral Economics | Supervisors: Matthias Sutter, Axel Ockenfels

### Visiting Scholar | Research Institute for Policy Evaluation and Design, UTCC, Bangkok

09/2025 | Invited by Weerachart T. Kilenthong

### M.Sc. in Social- and Economic Psychology | University of Cologne

2021-2023 | Final Grade: 1.4 (best 5%) | Master Thesis: “An Empirical Study of Price Demand Dynamics: Insights from a Local Brewery” (1.1) | Supervisors: Eldad Davidov, Jörg Breitung

### B.Sc. in Economics | University of Cologne

2018-2021 | Final Grade: 1.4 (best 10%) | Bachelor Thesis: “Digitalisierung in Deutschland: Eine empirische Analyse“ (1.3) | Supervisors: Jörg Breitung, Philipp Hansen

### Visiting Student | Duquesne University, Pittsburgh

Winter Term 2019-2020 | GPA: 3.85 | Selected Classes: Current Problems in International Politics, Political and Economic Geography, Philosophy of the Environment, Black Mirror and Philosophy

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## EXPERIENCE

<b>2023 – now</b>	<b>Research Fellow</b> , Experimental Economics Group, Max Planck Institute for Research on Collective Goods
<b>2024</b>	<b>Teaching Assistant</b> , Summer Academy ‘Game Theory in Practice’, German Academic Scholarship Foundation (Studienstiftung)
<b>2021 – 2023</b>	<b>Research Assistant</b> , Experimental Economics Group, Max Planck Institute for Research on Collective Goods
<b>2022 – 2023</b>	<b>Research Assistant</b> , Chair of Economics and ECONtribute Cluster, University of Cologne
<b>2020 – 2021</b>	<b>Student Assistant</b> , Institute of German Economy (IW)
<b>2019</b>	<b>Tutor</b> in Statistics, Chair of Statistics, University of Cologne
<b>2019</b>	<b>Student Assistant</b> , Institute for Economic Policy (iwp), University of Cologne

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## PRESENTATIONS

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- 2025 Applied Micro and CSEB Early Ideas Workshop, University of Cologne  
MPI-NHH Workshop, FAIR NHH, Bergen, and Max Planck Institute, Bonn  
Human Capital Development Seminar, Research Institute for Policy Evaluation and Design, Bangkok  
Experimetrics and Behavioral Economics, Workshop CIMEO Sapienza University Rome, Soletto  
MPI-CREEED Workshop, CREEED University Amsterdam, and Max Planck Institute, Bonn  
EEG Workshop in Behavioral Economics, Max Planck Institute, Bonn  
Behaviorally Smart Institutions, IMPRS Summer School, Ellwangen
- 2024 Empirical Analysis of Social and Legal Institutions, IMPRS Topics Workshop, University of Bologna  
Behavioral and Experimental Economics, Summer School by the European Economics Review in Crete  
RCTs in the Social Sciences, Summer School, University of Stavanger  
MPI-NHH Workshop, Max Planck Institute, Bonn, and FAIR NHH, Bergen  
Credence Goods, Behavior and Incentives, Winter School and (Un-)ethical Behavior in Markets, Summit,  
University of Innsbruck  
Behaviorally Smart Institutions, IMPRS Summer School, Bamberg
- 2023 IMPRS-UPF Topics Workshop, University Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona  
Experimental and Behavioral Economics Workshop, Ca' Foscari University, Venice  
Behaviorally Smart Institutions, IMPRS Summer School, Konstanz

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## AWARDS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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Joachim Herz Add-on Fellowship for Interdisciplinary Science and Transfer	~15,000€
Germany Scholarship (Deutschlandstipendium)	~9,000€
Deans' List for Students in Economics, University of Cologne	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place
Scholarship for Studies Abroad, German Academic Exchange Service	~3,500€
Gifted Education Program for Highschoolers, High School Rodenkirchen, Cologne	

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## LIST OF ONGOING WORK

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### **Early Childhood and It's Determinants**

Joint work with S. Boonmanunt, W. Kilenthong and M. Sutter

*This paper investigates early childhood development and its determinants in a vulnerable sample from a developing country, focusing on the prevalence and evolution of developmental delays and the role of caregiver characteristics, including economic preferences, personality traits, parental investment, parenting style, and behavioral. Our research contributes to understanding both timing and causes of developmental delays in early childhood, offering evidence to inform early interventions and policy design.*

### **Residential Parking Policies: Acceptance, Compliance, and Fairness**

*In cooperation with the local government, this project examines residential parking policies in Cologne, analyzing how the redistribution of public space in favor of residents affects acceptance, compliance, and perceptions of fairness. Combining survey data, a policy framing experiment, and administrative records, the study assesses the economic, social, and sustainability implications of this policy change and its communication.*