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APPOINTMENTS

2022-	University of Utah Assistant Professor of Political Science
2021-2022	UC Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation – Smith Richardson Foundation Postdoctoral Fellow

EDUCATION

2021	University of California – San Diego Ph.D. in Political Science Committee: Stephan Haggard (co-chair), Christina Schneider (co-chair), Claire Adida, Eli Berman, David Lake
2017	M.A. in Political Science. Fields: International Politics, Comparative Politics
2015	The George Washington University B.A. in International Affairs, B.S. in Economics (Honors, summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa)

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

International Cooperation, Regional Organizations, African International Relations, Authoritarianism, International Interventions, Elite Politics, Geopolitics and Foreign Policy

BOOK MANUSCRIPT

Staying Alive: Regional Organizations and Vulnerable Leaders (book conference held Fall 2022)

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

“Protection for Hire: Cooperation through Regional Organizations” 2023. Christina Cottiero. *International Studies Quarterly*. 67(4): sqad082.

“Stabilizing Authoritarian Rule: The Role of International Organizations” 2023. Christina Cottiero and [Stephan Haggard](#). *International Studies Quarterly*. 67(2): sqad031.

“Taking the Cloth: How Religious Appeals Increase Compliance with Covid-19 Prevention Measures” 2022.

[Claire L. Adida](#), Christina Cottiero, [Leonardo Falabella](#), Isabel Gotti, [ShahBano Ijaz](#), Gregoire Phillips, and [Michael Seese](#). *Journal of Experimental Political Science*. 10(3): 367-376. (Open access)

“War of words: the impact of Russian state television on the Russian Internet” 2015. Christina Cottiero, Katherine Kucharski, Evgenia Olimpieva, and [Robert W. Orttung](#), *Nationalities Papers*. 43(4): 533-555.

WORKING PAPERS

“To Defend or Disown: Reciprocity and Biased Regional Interventions in West Africa” (Under review)

“Zombies Ahead: Explaining the Rise of Low-Quality Election Monitoring” with [Sarah S. Bush](#) and [Lauren Prather](#) (Revise & Resubmit at *The Review of International Organizations*)

“International Collaboration among Authoritarian Regimes” (IFES concept paper)

“How Low-Quality Monitors Affect High-Quality Monitors” with [Sarah S. Bush](#) and [Lauren Prather](#)

“The Rise of Authoritarian Regional International Organizations” with [Stephan Haggard](#) (UC IGCC working paper)

PAPERS AND BOOKS IN PROGRESS

Authoritarian Regional Organizations book project with [Stephan Haggard](#) and [Christina Schneider](#)

“Authoritarian Regional Institutions: The Changing International Landscape” with [Stephan Haggard](#)

“SI Introduction: Autocratic Regimes, Democratic Backsliding, and International Organizations” with [Emilie Hafner-Burton](#), [Stephan Haggard](#), [Lauren Prather](#), and [Christina Schneider](#)

“Authoritarian Regional Aid and the Stability of Authoritarian Regimes” with [Christina Schneider](#)

AWARDS, GRANTS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

2022	UCSD Social Science Dissertation of the Year Award Honorable Mention (runner-up) Princeton Niehaus Center Fellowship- Postdoctoral Research Associate (declined)
2021	Lawrence S. Finkelstein Award for Best Paper, International Studies Association International Organization Section
2020-2023	Smith Richardson Foundation-UC IGCC Grant: The Rise of Authoritarian Int’l Orgs (\$175,000) For my book project, postdoctoral fellowship, and papers co-authored with Stephan Haggard, Christina Schneider, and Lauren Prather
2020	UC Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation Dissertation Fellowship (\$25,000)
2019	USIP-Minerva Peace and Security Scholar, United States Institute of Peace – DoD (\$20,000)

	Tecle Kidane-Mariam Scholarship, Friends of the International Center at UCSD (\$2,000)
	Sanford Lakoff Research Fellowship, UCSD (\$1,729)
2018	International Institute Fellowship Travel Grant, UCSD (\$3,000)

FIELD WORK

Nigeria	August – September, 2018; January – February, 2020
Botswana, Ethiopia	June – August 2023

MEDIA

“Russia’s Quest for Influence in Africa”

Guest panelist on the News Central TV (Nigeria) television program Secure the Continent (02/17/2023)

“Violent Extremism in West African Coastal States”

Guest panelist on the News Central TV (Nigeria) television program Secure the Continent (05/27/2022)

“Turning the Tools of the Liberal International Order Upside Down”

Guest on the Talking Policy Podcast (09/07/2021)

“Episode 116: A conversation with Christina Cottiero and Expédit Ologou”

Guest on the Ufahamu Africa Podcast (05/15/2021)

“Benin’s militant problem may worsen after last month’s election”

Guest post for the Monkey Cage at the Washington Post (05/03/2021)

“Not Free or Credible: Why Regional Election Observers Failed Chad and Benin”

Guest post for Political Violence at a Glance (04/22/2021)

SELECTED TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record, University of Utah

U= Undergraduate, G= Graduate

2022- Intro to International Relations (U), International Law (U), International Organizations (G),
 Quantitative Methods I (G)

Instructor of Record, UCSD

2019 International Law (U)

Training, UCSD

2018 Undergraduate Teaching and Learning in Political Science Course

Teaching Assistant Leading Discussion Sections, UCSD

2016-2020 International Politics and Security (G, x2), Intro to Political Science: International Relations (U),
 Intro to Political Science: Comparative Politics (U), Globalization (G),

Economic Politics and International Change: The Modern World Economy (U)

Teaching Assistant, UCSD (partial list)

2015-2021 Politics of Development (U, x2), Politics and Warfare (U, x3), Politics of Human Rights (U), Politics of Immigration (U), US Foreign Policy (U)

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

- 2022- Co-organizer (with Stephan Haggard), Authoritarian Regimes and International Institutions Working Paper Series, UC IGCC
- 2022-2023 Co-organizer, Junior Scholars in International Security, Etc. (JSISE) Virtual Workshop
- 2020-2022 Member, UCSD Political Science Department Task Force on Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion
Co-organizer, Graduate Students in International Security, Etc. (GSISE) Virtual Workshop
- Reviewer: *International Studies Quarterly, International Organization, Conflict Management and Peace Science, International Interactions, International Studies Perspectives, British Journal of Politics and International Relations, Journal of Experimental Political Science, Global Studies Quarterly, Review of International Studies, The Review of International Organizations*

INVITED, CONFERENCE, AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

- 2024 “Research Frontiers on Democratic Threats and Resilience” conference at Cornell University
“Authoritarian Influence in International Organizations” workshop at the Brookings Institution (Co-organizer and presenter)
Southern Political Science Association (authoritarian regimes mini-conference; election science mini-conference)
- 2023 “Non-liberal states and global governance: How autocracies and hybrid states are reshaping international organizations” workshop at Leiden University
American Political Science Association Annual Conference
International Studies Association Annual Conference
Virtual Workshop on Authoritarian Regimes (VWAR)
- 2022 National Endowment for Democracy workshop
American Political Science Association Annual Conference
International Studies Association Annual Conference
“Authoritarian Regimes, Democratic Backsliding, and International Organizations” workshop at UC San Diego (Co-organizer and presenter)
“The Authoritarian Turn in International Institutions” workshop at UC San Diego (Co-organizer and presenter)
- 2021 University of Texas, El Paso Dean’s Speaker Series

	American Political Science Association Annual Conference International Studies Association Annual Conference
2020	American Political Science Association Annual Conference Western Political Science Association Annual Conference Notre Dame Kellogg Institute Democracy Cluster Workshop (<i>canceled because of Covid-19</i>) International Studies Association Annual Conference (<i>canceled because of Covid-19</i>) Political Economy of International Organization (PEIO) Annual Conference
2019	American Political Science Association Annual Conference
2018	International Studies Association Annual Conference

REFERENCES

Dr. Stephan Haggard

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