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HIGHER EDUCATION

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, USA, 2009-2015
PhD, Political Science and International Relations, 2015
MA, Economics, 2012

Peking University, Beijing, China, 2012-2013
Peking University School of International Studies (affiliated)
Inter-University Program for Chinese Language Studies, Tsinghua University

San Andrés University, Latin American School of Social Sciences (FLACSO),
Buenos Aires, Argentina, 2007-2009
MA, International Relations and Negotiations

Leipzig University, Germany, 1997-2003
BA, MA, Communications

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Knaack, P. and Gruin, J. (2020). From shadow banking to digital financial inclusion: China's rise and the politics of epistemic contestation within the Financial Stability Board. *Review of International Political Economy*.

Jones, E. and Knaack, P. (2019). Global financial regulation: shortcomings and reform options. *Global Policy*, 10 (2), 193-206.

Gruin, J. and Knaack, P. (2019). Not just another shadow bank: Chinese authoritarian capitalism and the 'developmental' promise of digital financial innovation. *New Political Economy*, 1-18.

Gruin, J., Knaack, P. and Xu, J. (2018). Tailoring for Development: China's Post-Crisis Influence in Global Financial Governance. *Global Policy*, 9(4), 467-478.

Knaack, P. (2017). An Unlikely Champion of Global Finance: Why is China Exceeding International Banking Standards? *Journal of Current Chinese Affairs*, 46(2), 41-79.

Knaack, P. (2015). Innovation and Deadlock in Global Financial Governance: Transatlantic Coordination Failure in OTC Derivatives Regulation. *Review of International Political Economy*, 22(6), 1217-1248.

Knaack, P. and S. Katada (2013). Fault Lines and Issue Linkages at the G20: New Challenges for Global Economic Governance. *Global Policy*, 4(3), 236-246.

Bouzas, R. and P. Knaack (2009). The Inter-American Development Bank and Half a Century of Regional Integration in Latin America and the Caribbean. *Integration & Trade*, 13, 15-26.

Policy Papers, Book Chapters, Articles under Review

Volz, U., P. Knaack, J. Nyman, L. Ramos & J. Moling (2020). *Inclusive Green Finance: From Concept to Practice*. Alliance for Financial Inclusion and SOAS, University of London.

Knaack, P, M. Miller & F. Stewart (2020): *Reverse Mortgages, Financial Inclusion, and Economic Development : Potential Benefit and Risks*. World Bank Policy Research Working Paper.

Knaack, P. (2020). Bolivia: Pulling in two directions - the developmental state and Basel standards. In Jones (ed), *The Political Economy of Bank Regulation in Developing Countries*. Oxford UP.

Beck, T., Jones, E., and Knaack, P. (2018). *Basel standards and developing countries: A difficult relationship*. Published in Vox CEPR Policy Portal, OMFIF Bulletin, and International Banker.

Knaack, P. (2018). A Web Without a Center: Network Power and Coordination Failure in Public Global OTC Derivatives Governance. In: E. Helleiner, S. Pagliari, I. Spagna (eds.), *Governing the World's Biggest Market: The Politics of Derivatives Regulation After the 2008 Crisis*. Oxford UP.

Jones, E., Beck, T., and Knaack, P. (2018). *Room to Manoeuvre: How Developing Countries Can Tailor Basel Standards*. Oxford: GEG Policy Brief.

Knaack, P. (2017). Regulatory Networks Versus Trade Negotiations: Addressing Transatlantic Coordination Failure in Financial Regulation. In: J.B. Velut, L. Dalingwater, V. Boulet & V. Peyronel (eds.), *Understanding Mega-Free Trade Agreements: The Political and Economic Governance of New Cross-Regionalism*. Routledge.

WORK EXPERIENCE (SELECTION)

January 2020 – **American University**, United States

Adjunct Professorial Lecturer

Taught the gateway course Global Inequality and Development for undergraduate students at the School of International Service. Switched from classroom to zoom over the course of the semester, adjusting teaching methods accordingly and invited guest speakers from DC and Kenya.

May 2019 – **World Bank**

Consultant

Conducted desk research and drafted several research papers for the Finance, Competitiveness, and Innovation Global Practice. One paper on the potential of reverse mortgages as a financial instrument for old-age financial inclusion and development reached the top 10 list of downloads at the Social Science Research Network for several weeks. Another research note focused on regulatory drivers of financial technology (fintech) adoption in developing countries around the world under the umbrella of the Bank-Fund Bali Fintech Agenda. Drafted an internal report on the economics of (digital) financial inclusion, including country notes of 16 emerging economies, drawing lessons from 7 years of the World Bank's Universal Financial Access initiative.

November 2018 – June 2019

World Bank Independent Evaluation Group

Consultant

Contributed desk and field research to several World Bank evaluations for the Independent Evaluation Group. Interviewed lead officials in the Bank and external experts on the World Bank Group's global convening power in global financial standard-setting. Evaluated state-society relations and World Bank engagement on field missions in Guatemala and Uzbekistan. Worked in team of experts at the Independent Evaluation Group contributing to cross-area performance metrics and overarching insight into Bank performance, drafted parts of the final report on the World Bank's global convening power and two case studies.

April 2016 – November 2018

University of Oxford United Kingdom

Postdoctoral Research Fellow

Research position in Global Economic Governance at the Blavatnik School of Government. The ESRC and DFID-funded research project examines how low and low-middle income countries adapt to global financial standards and explores options for developing country governments to gain voice in global financial regulatory negotiations. Responsibilities include management of a team of researchers working in nine countries, editorial assistance and peer review for an edited volume (OUP). Lead responsibility on the drafting of two policy briefs, a website, and conference presentations for policy dissemination. Organized meetings with 50+ regulators in the US, Switzerland, Cambodia, India, and Argentina as part of stakeholder engagement. In addition, work as a seminar leader in Economics for the Masters in Public Policy program.

September 2017 -

Peking University China

Visiting Scholar

Visiting scholar at the Institute of New Structural Economics at PKU. Conducted 2 months of field research on fintech and shadow banking regulation for a joint research project on China in Global Financial Regulatory Governance with the support of grants by DFID and the John Fell Fund of Oxford University Press.

January-March 2016

UCLA USA

Lecturer

Instructor of an undergraduate course in Global Governance and Conflict. This is a core course of the Global Studies Program with 200+ students. Responsibilities include syllabus development, student evaluation, and supervision of three teaching assistants.

July-September 2014

FLACSO Argentina

Lecturer

Designed and taught a graduate-level course titled "The Political Economy of China's Rise" for the Master's Program in International Relations and Negotiations at FLACSO Argentina.

August 2005 – July 2006

UNICEF Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean, Panama

Public policy consultant

Concept development, text production, layout and design of information materials on key policy issues including Free Trade Agreements and migration and their relationship to children and adolescents, both in English and Spanish. Contributed to the development and design of various publications on the Millennium Development Goals.

Languages:

German: mother tongue, fluent

English: fluent: ability to read, write and speak with ease and proficiency

Spanish: fluent: ability to read, write and speak with ease and proficiency

Chinese: advanced skills at reading, writing and speaking

Portuguese: intermediate ability to read, write and speak

French: intermediate ability to read, write and speak

Technology Skills:

Proficient in STATA, SPSS

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (SELECTION)

October 2018

California-Shanghai Innovation Dialogues: From Fintech to Insurtech in China and the US: Consumer-Facing Financial Innovation and Economic Change
“Fintech and the Future of Global Financial Regulation”

April 2018

Alliance for Financial Inclusion Conference, Siem Reap, Cambodia

Presentation of Oxford research results on how low-income countries navigate global banking standards at a workshop of the Global Standards Proportionality Working Group.

September 2017

American Political Science Association Annual Convention, San Francisco, USA

“Government Networks and Legislative Recalcitrance: The Never-Ending Too-Big-To-Fail Story”

October 2016

African Economic Research Council, Nairobi, Kenya

“Low-Income Countries Navigating Global Banking Standards”

REFERENCES

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