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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Disciplinary: Political Economy, Public Policy, Economic Sociology

Theoretical: Ideational Approaches, Coalitional Politics, Business Power

Substantive: Digitalization, European Integration, Economic Policy

Methodological: Computational Methods, Regression, Discourse Network Analysis, Process Tracing

CURRENT POSITION

University of Vienna, Department of Political Science

Post-Doctoral Researcher

2021-

VISITING POSITIONS

WZB Berlin

Visiting Researcher (1 month)

2023

Alexander von Humboldt Institute for Internet and Society

Visiting Researcher (4 months)

2020

Humboldt University Berlin

Visiting Researcher (5 months)

2020

EDUCATION

European University Institute

PhD in Political and Social Sciences

Thesis: Ideas, Politics, and Technological Change: Essays on the Comparative Political Economy of Digital Capitalism

2017-2021

Committee: Dorothee Bohle, Anton Hemerijck, Anke Hassel, Andrea Herrmann

European University Institute

Master of Research

2018

University of Toronto

Semester abroad

2016

Goethe University of Frankfurt

Master of Arts, Sociology (final grade: 1.0)

2015-2017

University of Oslo

Semester abroad

2014

University of Augsburg

Bachelor of Arts, Social Sciences (final grade: 1.14)

2011-2015

PUBLICATIONS¹

Journal Articles

- Nachtwey, O., & **Seidl, T.** (2024). The Solutionist Ethic and the Spirit of Digital Capitalism. *Theory, Culture & Society*, 41(2), 91–112. <https://doi.org/10.1177/02632764231196829>
- Seidl, T.**, & Schmitz, L. (2023). Moving on to not fall behind? Technological sovereignty and the ‘geo-dirigiste’ turn in EU industrial policy. *Journal of European Public Policy*, 1-29. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13501763.2023.2248204>
- Seidl, T.** (2023). Commodification and Disruption: Theorizing Digital Capitalism. *Weizenbaum Journal of the Digital Society*, 3(1), 1–35. <https://doi.org/10.34669/wi.wjds/3.1.2>
- Obendiek, A. S., & **Seidl, T.** (2023). The (False) promise of solutionism: Ideational business power and the construction of epistemic authority in digital security governance. *Journal of European Public Policy*, 1–25. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13501763.2023.2172060>
- Schmitz, L., & **Seidl, T.** (2023). As Open as Possible, as Autonomous as Necessary: Understanding the Rise of Open Strategic Autonomy in EU Trade Policy. *JCMS: Journal of Common Market Studies*, 61(3), 834–852. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jcms.13428>
- Seidl, T.** (2023). Investing in the knowledge economy: The comparative political economy of public investments in knowledge-based capital. *European Journal of Political Research*, 62(3), 924–944. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1475-6765.12546>
- Seidl, T.** (2022). The politics of platform capitalism: A case study on the regulation of Uber in New York. *Regulation & Governance*, 16(2), 357–374. <https://doi.org/10.1111/rego.12353>
- Marengo, M., & **Seidl, T.** (2021). The discursive construction of digitalization: A comparative analysis of national discourses on the digital future of work. *European Political Science Review*, 13(3), 391–409. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S175577392100014X>
- Laurer, M., & **Seidl, T.** (2020). Regulating the European Data-Driven Economy: A Case Study on the General Data Protection Regulation. *Policy & Internet*, 13(2), 257–277. <https://doi.org/10.1002/poi3.246>
- Roos, U., & **Seidl, T.** (2015). Im »Südwesten« nichts Neues? Eine Analyse der deutschen Namibiapolitik als Beitrag zur Rekonstruktion der außenpolitischen Identität des deutschen Nationalstaates. *Zeitschrift Für Friedens- Und Konfliktforschung*, 4(2), 182–225. <https://doi.org/10.5771/2192-1741-2015-2-182>

Special Issues

- Falkner, G., Heidebrecht, S., Obendiek, A., & **Seidl, T.** (2023). Digital Sovereignty—Rhetoric and Reality. *Journal of European Public Policy*. Forthcoming.

Work in Progress

- Seidl, T.** (2023). Review Essay: Charting the Contours of the Geo-Tech World. Revise and Resubmit at *Geopolitics*.
- Seidl, T.** (2023). Polanyi and List Meet in Brussels. Digital Sovereignty and EU Digital Policymaking. Unpublished Manuscript.

¹Links to additional materials (data, code, etc.) can be found at <https://www.timoseidl.com/publications>

- Bremer, B., Bürgisser, R., Bulfone, F., & **Seidl, T.** (2023). Are people willing to pay for the twin transitions? Media discourse and citizen attitudes towards green and digital industrial policies. Unpublished Manuscript.
- Bulfone, F., Di Carlo, D., & **Seidl, T.** (2023). EU Industrial Policy and National Growth Models. Unpublished Manuscript.
- Schmitz, L., & **Seidl, T.** (2023). The Politics of Constraints EU Industrial Policy under Limited State Capacity. Unpublished Manuscript.

Book Chapters

- Nachtwey, O., Truffer, J., & **Seidl, T.** (2023). Der solutionistische Geist des digitalen Kapitalismus. In T. Carstensen, S. Schaupp, & S. Sevignani (Eds.), Theorien des digitalen Kapitalismus. Arbeit, Ökonomie, Politik und Subjekt (pp. 458–475). Suhrkamp.
- Nachtwey, O., & **Seidl, T.** (2020). Ideologie und der Geist des digitalen Kapitalismus. In W. Nienhäuser & W. Matiaske (Eds.), Ökonomie und Ideologie (pp. 235–265). Metropolis.
- Seidl, T.** (2017). Kompatibilität statt Reduktion: Zur Idee einer Interdisziplinären Anthropologie als soziologischem Selbst- und Fremdver(un)sicherungsraum. In G. Wagner (Ed.), Die Provokation der Reduktion: Beiträge zur Wissenschaftstheorie der Soziologie (pp. 201–232). Harrassowitz.
- Laurer, M., & **Seidl, T.** (2017). Eine Stabilitäts- und Wettbewerbsunion der Regierungen: Zur Rekonstruktion grundlegender Handlungsregeln deutscher Eurokrisenpolitik. In U. Roos (Ed.), Deutsche Außenpolitik: Arenen, Diskurse und grundlegende Handlungsregeln (pp. 13–47). Springer VS.

Other Academic Publications

- Schmitz, L., & **Seidl, T.** (2022). Protecting, Transforming, and Projecting the Single Market. Open Strategic Autonomy and Digital Sovereignty in the EU's Trade and Digital Policies. SocArXiv. <https://doi.org/10.31235/osf.io/wjb64>
- Seidl, T.** (2021). Commodification and Disruption: Theorizing Digital Capitalism. EIF Working Paper. <https://eif.univie.ac.at/downloads/workingpapers/wp2021-02.pdf>
- Seidl, T.** (2021). Ideas, Politics, and Technological Change: Essays on the Comparative Political Economy of Digital Capitalism [Dissertation, European University Institute]. <https://cadmus.eui.eu/handle/1814/69757>
- Nachtwey, O., & **Seidl, T.** (2020). The Solutionist Ethic and the Spirit of Digital Capitalism. SocArXiv. <https://doi.org/10.31235/osf.io/sgjzq>
- Nachtwey, O., & **Seidl, T.** (2017). Die Ethik der Solution und der Geist des digitalen Kapitalismus. Institute for Social Research Working Paper (11). <http://www.ifs.uni-frankfurt.de/wp-content/uploads/IfS-WP-11.pdf>
- Laurer, M., & **Seidl, T.** (2014). Das doppelte Ziel der deutschen Eurokrisenpolitik. Weltrends, 22(99), 120–126.

Book Reviews

- Seidl, T.** (2022). Lehdonvirta, Vili (2022). Cloud Empires: How digital platforms are overtaking the state and how we can regain control. MA, USA: The MIT Press. *Regulation & Governance*, 16(4), 1424–1425. <https://doi.org/10.1111/rego.12493>

Seidl, T. (2020). Appadurai, Arjun & Alexander, Neta (2020). Failure. Cambridge: Polity Press. *Economic Sociology: European Electronic Newsletter*. https://econsoc.mpifg.de/40764/06_BookReviewsEconsoc-NL_21-2_March2020.pdf

Newspaper Articles & Blog Posts

Marenco, M., & **Seidl, T.** (2021). Opportunity or threat? How discourses on digitalisation vary across European countries. LSE EUROPP Blog. <https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/europpblog/2021/08/23/opportunity-or-threat-how-discourses-on-digitalisation-vary-across-european-countries/>

Seidl, T. (2020). The Techlash in Times of Corona. HIIG Blog. <https://www.hiig.de/en/the-techlash-in-times-of-corona/>

Seidl, T. (2018). Die Linke und der Geist des digitalen Kapitalismus. *Oxi Magazin*.

Roos, U., & **Seidl, T.** (2015). Time to Call Things as They Are. *The Namibian*.

GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Erasmus Scholarship

for studies at Humboldt University (~1500€)

2021

DAAD PhD Grant

for studies at the European University Institute (~55000€)

2017-2020

DAAD Strategic Partnership Stipend

for studies at the University of Toronto (~4500€)

2017

Young Scholar Research Grant, University of Augsburg

for fieldwork in Namibia (~1000€)

2015

Eramus Scholarship

for studies at the University of Oslo (~1500€)

2014

Scholarship of the German National Academic Foundation

awarded to ~0,5% of German students

2013-2017

HONORS & AWARDS

Thesis of the month

European University Institute

2021

TEACHING

Courses

Digital Capitalism and (EU) Digital Policymaking

M.A. Course, University of Vienna, *Evaluation:*

Summer 2024

Key Controversies in European Integration

B.A. Course, University of Vienna, *Evaluation:*

Summer 2024

The Twin Transitions: The EU's Climate and Digital Policies

B.A. Course, University of Vienna, *Evaluation: 1.7 (1-5 scale)*

Winter 2023/24

Key Controversies in European Integration

B.A. Course, University of Vienna, *Evaluation: 1.7 (1-5 scale)*

Winter 2023/24

CPE - An Integrated, Hands-on Introduction Using R

B.A. Course, University of Vienna, *Evaluation: 1.2 (1-5 scale)*

Summer 2023

Key Controversies in European Integration

B.A. Course, University of Vienna, *Evaluation: 1.2 (1-5 scale)*

Summer 2023

B.A. Course, University of Vienna, <i>Evaluation: 1.2 (1-5 scale)</i>	
The Twin Transitions: The EU's Climate and Digital Policies	Winter 2022/23
B.A. Course, University of Vienna, <i>Evaluation: 1.2 (1-5 scale)</i>	
Key Controversies in European Integration	Winter 2022/23
B.A. Course, University of Vienna, <i>Evaluation: 1.3 (1-5 scale)</i>	
Digitalization and the EU: Ideas, Politics, and Policy	Summer 2022
B.A. Course, University of Vienna, <i>Evaluation: 1.3 (1-5 scale)</i>	
Key Controversies in European Integration	Summer 2022
B.A. Course, University of Vienna, <i>Evaluation: 1.3 (1-5 scale)</i>	
The Twin Transitions: The EU's Climate and Digital Policies	Winter 2021/22
B.A. Course, University of Vienna, <i>Evaluation: 1.5 (1-5 scale)</i>	
Key Controversies in European Integration	Winter 2021/22
B.A. Course, University of Vienna, <i>Evaluation: 1.4 (1-5 scale)</i>	
Politics of Platform Capitalism	Summer 2021
M.A. Course, University of Vienna, <i>Evaluation: 1.1 (1-5 scale)</i>	
Digital Power Europe	Summer 2021
M.A. Course, University of Vienna, <i>Evaluation: 1.5 (1-5 scale)</i>	
Key Controversies in European Integration	Summer 2021
B.A. Course, University of Vienna, <i>Evaluation: 1.2 (1-5 scale)</i>	
Introduction to Comparative Political Economy	Summer 2020
B.A. Course, Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf,	

Teaching Training

Teaching Competence Plus	2022-2023
Advanced Teaching Training, University of Vienna (15 ECTS)	
Introduction to Teaching in Higher Education,	2018-2019
Basic Teaching Training, European University Institute (4 days)	

Supervision

Master's thesis, University of Vienna	2023
Title: ' <i>The potential and risks of cryptocurrency donations in development cooperation'</i>	
Master's thesis, University of Vienna	2023
Title: ' <i>The Policy Debate Surrounding the Digital Markets Act: A discourse network analysis'</i>	
Master's thesis, University of Vienna	2023
Title: ' <i>Collective organization of workers in the platform economy. An analysis of the actors and strategies of worker representation in food delivery services in Austria and Germany'</i>	

Resources

- What makes a good term paper? Five Hitchcock Rules. Available at <https://www.timoseidl.com/blog/what-makes-a-good-term-paper>
- Artificial Intelligence Guidelines. Available at <https://www.timoseidl.com/misc/seidl-ai-course-policy.pdf>

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talks/Workshops (Selection)

University of Erfurt, 2023
 University of Cambridge, 2023
 WZB Berlin, 2023

University of Oxford, 2023
University of Vienna, 2022
University of Duisburg-Essen, 2022
Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich, 2021
Virtual EU Seminar, 2021
European University Institute, 2021
University of Zurich, 2021
Humboldt University of Berlin, 2020
LABORA19 Berlin, 2019
University of Cologne, 2018
University of Milan, 2018

Academic conferences

CES: 2021, 2022, 2023

DGS: 2018

DVPW-IB: 2023

ECPR: 2018, 2020, 2022

ECPR-SGEU: 2022

GIG-ARTS: 2019

SGS: 2017

ÖGS: 2017

SASE: 2022

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Reviewer

Big Data & Society, Comparative Political Studies, Competition & Change, Digital, Environmental Innovation and Societal Transitions, European Policy Analysis, Journal of Common Market Studies, Journal of Contemporary European Studies, Journal of European Integration, Journal of European Public Policy, Industrial Relations, Politics & Governance, Regulation & Governance, Review of International Political Economy, Review of Policy Research, Swiss Journal of Sociology, Zeitschrift für Politikwissenschaft

Organizer

Politics and Culture of Digital Capitalism (PCDC) Reading Group

2022-

Co-founder and co-convenor

SASE Panel 'With Great Power Comes Great Responsibility. Tech Power and Tech Ideology in Digital Capitalism'

2022

Co-Organizer

Workshop 'What is Social Democracy and what is it good for?', European University Institute

2019

Co-Organizer

Political Economy Working Group, European University Institute.

2018-2020

Co-Chair

DGS Panel 'Max Weber and the study of 21st century capitalism'

2018

Co-Organizer

COMPETENCES

Programming & Formatting Languages.

R (advanced), Python (intermediate), Stata (basic), Quarto (advanced), Latex (basic), Typst (intermediate)

Software

Discourse Network Analyser, MAXQDA, Github, Gephi, Zotero, Tableau, Microsoft Office

Languages

German (native), English (TOEFL: 118 of 120 points), Italian (basic), Latin & Ancient Greek (basic reading proficiency)

Further Training

Web Scraping and Text Mining (with Paulo Serodio), Causal Inference (with Elias Dinas), Interviewing (with Jennifer Welsh), Qualitative Comparative Analysis (with Claudius Wagemann), Network Analysis (with Paulo Serodio), Text Analysis (with Inaki Sagarzazu), The Political Economy of Public Policy (with Christel Koop), Evolutionary Anthropology (with Daniel Haun and Peter Kappeler)

REFERENCES

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