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WORK EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, European Research Council (ERC) project

June 2023 - present

Research team member in the ERC-funded project 'Participation and Representation in the Digital Age' led by PI Prof. Jennifer Oser (Ben-Gurion University). Focus on data collection and harmonization.

Research Assistant, Israel Science Foundation (ISF) project

October 2021 - present

Researcher in the ISF-funded project 'The Impact of Macroeconomic Policy Rules on Popular Discourse and Preferences' led by Dr. Ronen Mandelkern (Tel Aviv University). Focus on quantitative text analysis.

Research Assistant, ISF-funded project

October 2019 - September 2022

Researcher in the ISF-funded project 'Israel's Growth Strategy in the Post-Fordist Era: Ideology, Security and Economy' led by Prof. Arie Krampf (The Academic of Tel Aviv-Yaffo). Focus on data collection, analysis, and contributing to a co-authored publication.

Head of Research Department at JGive

Apr 2017 - Apr 2022

Researcher in a growing Israeli start-up with a focus on business plans, marketing, and data analysis.

PROJECTS

Dissertation

Supervised by Professor Yotam Margalit, I study the effect of migration options on individuals' political behavior. Specifically, I focus on how possibilities of global mobility affect individuals' perception of citizenship, such as national attachment, political participation, and democratic attitudes. This project relates to a broader research agenda of understanding the evolving inter-relations between globalization and democracy .

EDUCATION

2021 - present	PhD candidate (Political Science) at Tel Aviv University, Israel	(GPA: 95).
2018 - 2020	M.sc. in Economics at Bayreuth University, Germany	(GPA: 1.8, Gut).
2017 - 2019	MA in Economic History at Bayreuth University, Germany	(GPA: 1.6, Gut).
2014 - 2017	BA in Philosophy, Political Science and Economics (PPE) at Tel Aviv	University, Israel
	(GPA: 89).	

Publications and Working Papers

Krampf, Arie, Uri Ansenberg, and Barak Zur (2022). "Bringing Politics Back In: Embedded Neoliberalism in Israel during Rabin's Second Government". In: *Israel Studies Review* 37.2, pp. 1–35.

Zur, Barak. "How Does Geographical Labor Mobility Shape Political Preferences? A Cross-Sectional Analysis" (working paper).

SELECTED CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

Mandelkern, Ronen, Zur Barak, and Yuval Hirshoren (2023). "Corpus Building in a Specific Policy Domain, How to Sort the Wheat from the Chaff?":. Presenting in *The Annual Conferences of the Israeli Political Science Association (ISPSA)*, February 2023, Tel Aviv University.

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

2023 An academic grant for exceptional grades from the social science department at TAU.

2021 A fully-funded scholarship for a 4-year Ph.D. program at Tel Aviv University.

2019 An Erasmus scholarship for an exchange semester at the University of Southampton, England.

2016 An Erasmus scholarship for an exchange semester at the University of Konstanz, Germany.

SKILLS

Data Skills Python, R, Stata, Github.

Languages Hebrew (mother tongue), English (proficient user), German (intermediate user).