

# Doctoral Programme Newsletter



## November 2019

Dear GIGA Doctoral Students,

The year is slowly coming to an end. The last courses of our winter term are currently taking place, which also means that we will soon begin with the planning of the summer term programme. Should you have any specific suggestions, please let us know.

In this newsletter, So Young is reporting from her fieldwork and our new visiting doctoral researcher Julian Goetz is introducing himself.

Please save some important dates that are still coming up this year: the General Assembly will take place on 27 November – new student representatives will be elected, so we hope that many of you are going to participate (and also volunteer to run as StudRep!). And, of course, we look forward to our last Jour

Fixe of the year (11 December) and the GIGA Christmas Party, which will take place on 13 December – hope to see many of you there!

Best wishes,  
Maren

P.S. Are you going on a conference trip or research stay? Did you come across an interesting job announcement or summer school? This newsletter lives on your Input just send an email to [paula.denker@giga-hamburg.de](mailto:paula.denker@giga-hamburg.de).



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## News

The DP Winter Term programme is more than halfway through and you hopefully enjoyed the seminars you participated in. Besides participating at the GIGA seminars our doctoral students have been very present at various conferences.

[Leonardo Bandarra](#) organized and participated in the meeting of the [FES Working Group on Latin America \(AKLA\) on culinary cultures in Latin America](#) between the 11<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> of October. He also started to teach a course on “Nuclear Weapons in World Politics” at the University of Hamburg.

Between the 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> of October, [Jayane Maia](#) attended the conference [“The Public and Democracy in the Americas”](#) which took place in Bogotá, Colombia. The conference was organized by LAPOP and the Department of Political Science/Observatorio de la Democracia at the Universidad de Los Andes. She presented a poster called “Political Manifestation of the Brazilian Conservatism: Religious Affiliation and Attitudes towards Democracy”.

The ARD approached [Hager Ali](#) for a [Faktencheck](#) for the German TV Talkshow “Maischberger” about the Turkish/Kurdish relationship. Other than that, she was an external academic reviewer and juror for the Bundesverband für Sicherheitspolitik at several Universities for their Thesis Competition “Goldene Eule” - the winners will be announced in November.

Hager was furthermore in Budapest at the Central European University to do research on Party System Stability for a chapter in her dissertation and a side-project. For this reason, she has gotten in touch with several authors and researchers on the subject.

After her fieldwork at the beginning of 2019, [Anna Fünfgeld](#) has headed again to Brazil this month for some more fieldwork.

[Jan Klenke](#) has held two seminars at the “Haus Rissen” for aspirant German air force officers on the topic of “geopolitics and climate change” last month, informing them about the impact of climate change on both military strategic-considerations and the political implications of depletion of water resources, coastal flooding, and land degradation for foreign policies of several countries including India, Brazil and China.

[Viviana Garcia Pinzon](#) participated in the Conference [Building Sustainable Peace: Ideas, Evidence, and Strategies](#) between November 8<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> at the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame. She presented the paper: “The role of local agency and transnational migration in peacebuilding and violence containment: evidence from Northern El Salvador”.

Last but not least, [Medha](#) has submitted her thesis to the University of Kiel. Congratulations, Medha!

## Spotlight on ... So Young Chang on fieldwork

Annyounhaseyo! Greetings from Seoul!

I am carrying out four weeks of fieldwork for the “Every Immigrant Is an Emigrant” project where we are aiming to understand the process of how migration policies are developed. For this task, I am conducting interviews with a variety of actors and stakeholders to be able to triangulate the information and understand the full map of roles and interactions. I began by meeting with researchers who gave me a sense of the big picture and since then have been interviewing NGOs, human rights bodies, policymakers, politicians, and lawyers.

It is very satisfying to empathise with all the different actors and start to develop an empirical – rather than ideological – basis for thinking about how to improve policy. I was surprised to learn that many aspects of Korea’s immigration policy are adapted from German precedents. Now with a new perspective of German policymakers as unexpected “norm pioneers”, I plan to pay closer attention to the local news when I am back in Berlin.

Please let me know if you would like to chat regarding the insider/outsider positionality of conducting research in your “Heimat” as a researcher from a foreign research institute!



I took this photo while visiting the National Assembly offices to interview a politician. Having studied migration for so long, it can seem like the most important topic in the world, but this bulletin board – with posters advertising seminars on everything from the Green New Deal to university admissions to suicide prevention – was a humbling reminder that there are so many pressing issues to tackle. My challenge now will be to situate “migration policy” among all the myriad, and sometimes competing, priorities.

Best regards,

So Young

## Spotlight on ... new Visiting Doctoral Researcher

*Julian Goetz*

Dear All,

My name is Julian Götz, MSc in Economic Development and Growth, and currently a 3<sup>rd</sup> year PhD researcher at the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London.



There, I am supervised by Matteo Rizzo and Antonio Andreoni. I will be staying at the GIGA

as a visiting doctoral researcher from November 2019 to April 2020.

In my PhD research, I am exploring the impact of artisanal and small-scale mining (ASM) on rural livelihoods and poverty reduction in Tanzania with particular attention to the political economy of the sector's labour market.

For this reason, I am deeply interested in questions related to informality and labour markets in Sub-Saharan Africa, structural transformation and mixed methods research designs

## Jobs and Career Opportunities

### [Head of research group](#)

University of Münster and University of Bonn  
 Deadline: 25 November 2019

### [Postdoctoral Researcher – Voices from the Civil Conflict in Cameroon](#)

University of Oxford  
 Deadline: 29 November 2019

### [Lecturer in Politics](#)

The University of Manchester  
 Deadline: 25 November 2019

### [Postdoctoral Research Assistant](#)

Queen Mary University of London – School of Politics & International Relations  
 Deadline: 25 November 2019

### [Researcher for Arms control, disarmament and proliferation](#)

Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik  
 Deadline: 24 November 2019

### [Postdoctoral Researcher on Project: “Enhancing Diversity to Overcome Resistance Evolution \(ENDORSE\)”](#)

University of Stirling  
 Deadline: 28 November 2019

### [POLS International Relations](#)

The American University in Cairo  
 Deadline: 29 December 2019

### [Senior Lecturer in Political Science](#)

University of Gothenburg – Department of Political Science  
 Deadline: 24 November 2019

### [Research Fellow \(China Institute\)](#)

SOAS University of London – Centre of Chinese Studies  
 Deadline: 20 November 2019

## Save the date

25 November 2019	<b>Seminar:</b> Global Approach to CAS Series I, Dr. Patrick Köllner
27 November 2019	<b>General Assembly</b> of GIGA doctoral students
4 December 2019	<b>Colloquium:</b> Tom Konzack
2 December 2019	<b>Seminar:</b> Global Approach to CAS Series II, Dr. André Bank
11 December 2019	<b>DP Jour Fixe</b>
13 December 2019	<b>GIGA Christmas Party</b>