

# Julian Langer

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DATE OF BIRTH 27.05.1987

EDUCATION **University of Zurich, Department of Economics**  
PhD Economics, Sep. 2013 until July 2020.  
Advisor: Prof. Dr. Joachim Voth

**University of California, Berkeley, Haas School of Business**  
Visiting Student from Sep. 2016 until Aug. 2018.  
Host: Prof. Dr. Noam Yuchtman

**University of Bayreuth**  
MA Philosophy & Economics, Nov. 2011 until Sep. 2013.  
BA Philosophy & Economics, Oct. 2007 until Nov. 2011.

EMPLOYMENT **University of Zurich, Department of Economics**  
*Post-Doc, Feb. 2022 –.*

**Harvard University, Harvard Law School, Access to Justice Lab**  
*Post-Doctoral Fellow, Aug. 2020 until Jul. 2021.*  
Host: Prof. Dr. James Greiner

**Berlin Social Science Center, Economics of Change Unit**  
*Visiting Researcher, Aug. 2021 until Jan. 2022.*  
Host: Prof. Dr. Steffen Huck

**Bayreuth University, Chair of Empirical Economic Research**  
*Research Assistance, Oct. 2011 until Sep. 2013.*  
Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Mario Larch

RESEARCH INTERESTS *Political Economy (of Finance), Law and Economics, Behavioral Economics, Text-as-Data.*

PUBLICATIONS *Income and democracy: Evidence from system GMM estimates, in: Economics Letters 116(2) (2012): 166–169, with Benedikt Heid and Mario Larch.*

WORK IN PROGRESS **Decriminalizing Poverty: The Effects of Short-Term Incarceration on Human Life**, with Andreas Beerli, April Faith-Slaker, James Greiner, and Michel Maréchal.  
**Narratives in the Great Depression.**  
**Financial Scandals and Extremism: Evidence from the Dreyfus Affair**, with Noam Yuchtman and Joachim Voth.  
**Technology Transfer and Economic Growth**, with Bruno Caprettini.  
**Reason in Revolt? – Enlightenment and the French Revolution.**  
**Trends and Cycles in Central Bank Policy**, with Sebastian Doerr.

INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES	<p><b>PhD Representative</b>, Dept. of Economics, University of Zurich, Sep. 2014 until Sep. 2018.</p> <p><b>Organizer: PhD Breakfast Workshop</b>, Sep. 2018 until Mar. 2019, Dept. of Economics, University of Zurich.</p> <p><b>Member of Recruitment Committee</b>, Professorship of Development and Emerging Markets, University of Zurich, Sep. 2015.</p>
APPROVED RESEARCH PROJECTS	<p><b>NOMIS Foundation Project Grant</b> (7.480.591 CHF): Decriminalizing Poverty (with Andreas Beerli, April Faith-Slaker, James Greiner, and Michel Maréchal, Jul. 2021 until Jul. 2025).</p> <p><b>NOMIS Foundation Feasibility Grant</b> (300.000 CHF): Decriminalizing the Poor: The Effects of Abolishing Cash Bail (with Andreas Beerli, April Faith-Slaker, James Greiner, and Michel Maréchal, Aug. 2020 until Jul. 2021).</p> <p><b>SNF Postdoc Mobility Grant</b>: The Effect of Incarceration on Political Participation and Attitudes, Aug. 2020 until Jan. 2022.</p> <p><b>UZH Candoc Stipend</b>: When is a Nation? The Origins and Persistence of National Identity in France, Sep. 2017 until Sep. 2018.</p>
ORGANISATION OF CONFERENCES	<p>2019. Zurich Workshop in Political Economy and Development.</p> <p>2015. Zurich Workshop in Economics.</p>
TEACHING	<p><b>University of Zurich</b></p> <p>Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Fall 2019. Programming Practices for Economists, <b>Curriculum Design &amp; Lecturer</b>.</p> <p>Fall 2015. Cultural Economics, <b>Teaching Assistant</b>, Lecturer: Hans-Joachim Voth.</p> <p>Spring 2014. Development Economics, <b>Teaching Assistant</b>, Lecturer: Hans-Joachim Voth.</p> <p>Spring 2014. Quantitative Economic History, <b>Teaching Assistant</b>, Lecturer: Ulrich Woitek.</p> <p><b>University of Bayreuth</b></p> <p>Fall 2014. Seminar: Political Economy of Africa, <b>Lecturer</b>.</p> <p>Fall 2012. Advanced Microeconomic Research, <b>Teaching Assistant</b>, Instructor: Stefan Napel.</p> <p>Spring 2012. Political Philosophy, <b>Teaching Assistant</b>, Lecturer: Matthew Braham.</p> <p>Spring 2009, Spring 2010. Essay Writing and Presentations, <b>Instructor</b>.</p>
ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS	<p>2018. Zurich Workshop in Political Economy and Development.</p> <p>2017. Berkeley Political Economy Lunch Seminar.</p> <p>2015. Zurich Workshop in Economics.</p>
REFEREEING	<p><i>Economic Journal</i> (3x).</p>
SUPERVISED STUDENTS	<p>Aurel Mäder (BA Thesis) – UZH Semester Prize in Fall 2019.</p>
PRIZES, AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS	<p>2020. Bank for International Settlements (BIS) Research Fellowship.</p> <p>2019. UBS International Center of Economics in Society Scholarship.</p> <p>2018. Elected Fellow of the Center for Reproducible Science.</p> <p>2018. Department of Economics Dissertation Completion Grant.</p> <p>2017. UZH GRC Travel Grant.</p> <p>2013. German National Academic Foundation Scholarship.</p> <p>2011. Award for best undergraduate thesis in the Philosophy &amp; Economics programme.</p>
MEMBERSHIPS	<p>European Economic Association, American Economic Association.</p>

PERSONAL SKILLS

**Programming:** *Julia, Keras, Python, R, Stata.*  
**Distributed Computing:** *Apache Spark, Hadoop.*  
**Version Control:** *Git.*

LANGUAGES

*German (native), English (fluent), French (intermediate).*

REFERENCES

*Joachim Voth, Professor of Macroeconomics and Financial Markets, University of Zurich, [voth@econ.uzh.ch](mailto:voth@econ.uzh.ch)*  
*Noam Yuchtman, Professor of Managerial Economics and Strategy, LSE, [n.yuchtman@lse.ac.uk](mailto:n.yuchtman@lse.ac.uk)*