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Education and Academic Positions

2017–today	**Postdoc**, Chair of Economics, ETH Zurich, Switzerland
2021–today	**Research Manager**, Prof. Dina Pomeranz, University of Zurich, Switzerland
2012–2017	**PhD in Public Administration**, University of Lausanne, Switzerland Thesis Title: Social Preferences Online, in the Lab, and in the Field (Supervisor: Prof. Christian Thöni)
2012	**Research assistant**, Busara Center for Behavioral Economics, Nairobi, Kenya
2009–2011	**MA in Economics**, University of Zurich, Switzerland Masters Thesis: Stress and Economic Choice - The link between stress, time preferences and religion (Supervisor: Prof. E. Fehr and Dr. J. Haushofer)
2005–2008	**BA in Economics**, University of Zurich, Switzerland Bachelors Thesis: The Influence of subliminal stimuli on contributions in public good experiments (Supervisor: Prof. E. Fehr and Dr. F. Schneider)

Professional Experience

2019–today	Associate, Policy Analytics, Zurich, Switzerland
2010–2012	Behavioral Economics Consultant, FehrAdvice & Partners AG, Zurich, Switzerland
2009	Intern, Deutsche Bank, Bremen, Germany
2008–2009	Intern, econcept AG, Zurich, Switzerland

Teaching Experience

2021–today	ETH Zurich, Lecturer, CAS Technology and Public Policy (with Adina Rom)
2020–today	Zurich University of Applied Sciences, Lecturer, Impact Evaluations (with Adina Rom)
2017–today	Swiss Distance Learning University, Teaching assistant to Prof. Holger Herz, Behavioral Economics
2018–2021	Kalaidos University of Applied Sciences Switzerland, Lecturer, Experimental Methods and Industrial and Organizational Psychology
2012–2017	University of Lausanne, Teaching assistant to Prof. Christian Thöni, Microeconomics for Lawyers
2015	University of Lausanne, Teaching assistant to Prof. Christian Thöni, Empirical Methods for Lawyers

Publications

Grieder, M., Kistler, D., Schmitz, J. (2020). Environmental Decision Making in Small Companies: A Behavioral Economics Perspective. In E. Quah & R. Schubert (Eds.), Sustainability and Environmental Decision Making (pp. 123). Singapore: Springer Singapore.

Kistler, D., Thöni , C., Welzel, C. (2017). Survey Response and Observed Behavior: Emancipative and secular values predict pro-social behaviors. *Journal of Cross-Cultural Psychology, 48,* 461-489.

Efferson, C., Lalive, R., Cacault, M. P., Kistler, D. (2016). The evolution of facultative conformity based on similarity. *PLoS ONE 11* (12): e0168551.

Working Papers

Baig-Ansari, N., Khan, M., Kistler, D., Mansoor Khan, R., Rom, A. (2021). Testing Behavioral Interventions to Reduce Violence against Health Care Staff in the Emergency Department in Two Hospitals in Pakistan.

Grieder, M., Kistler, D., Schmitz, J. (2020). Fostering Sustainability by Nudging Environmental Decisions in SMEs - A Field Experiment in Switzerland.

Grieder, M., Kistler, D., Schmitz, J. (2022). How sludge undermines nudges: Evidence from a RCT with SMEs in Switzerland

Grieder, M., Kistler, D., Schmitz, J. (2022). The Hidden Benefits of Corporate Social Responsibility

Herz, H., Kistler, D., Zehnder, C., & Zihlmann C. (2022). Hindsight Bias and Trust in Government: Evidence from the United States

Kistler, D., Thöni , C., Su, N. (2022). Salience in Public Goods Games.

Kistler, D. (2017). Positive Effects of High-Quality, Community-Based Child Care. Evidence from a Lab-in-the-Field Experiment in Colombia.

Work in progress

Fostering pro-environmental behavior in humanitarian aid workers (with M. Grieder and J. Schmitz)

Awards and Grants

2015	Impact Award by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) and ETH-NADEL for the project "Professional and comprehensive community childcare in Las Ferias" in cooperation with Vivamos Mejor (50.000 CHF)

Languages

German	Mother tongue
English	Fluent
French	Good command
Italian	Good command
Spanish	Good command

Additional Skills

Software	Stata, R, zTree, Limesurvey, Qualtrics
Programming	Python, CSS, HTML, JavaScript, PHP