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Current Position (since 01/2023)

Senior Researcher, ETH Zürich, Center for Security Studies (CSS)

Affiliated Researcher, Uppsala University, Department of Peace and Conflict Research (DPCR)

Previous Professional Positions

Assistant Professor, Uppsala University, DPCR	01/20 - 12/22
SNSF Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Uppsala University, DPCR	01/17 - 12/19
Scientific Assistant/PhD candidate, ETH Zürich, CSS	09/11 - 12/16
Researcher, ETH Zürich, CSS: New Risks Research Unit	02/10 - 08/11
Staff member, Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, Human Security Division	06/08 - 12/09

Education

ETH Zürich , PhD in Comparative and International Studies, PhD Committee: Andreas Wenger, Lars-Erik Cederman, Carsten Schneider	09/11 - 09/16
University of Zürich , MA in Political Science (Minor: International Law)	10/01 - 06/06

Research Grants ($\approx$ USD 1.88 mio)

Humanitarian Crisis Detection With Nightlight , Co-PI, with EPFL, Humanitarian Action Challenges Grant, ETH Zürich/ETH4D (USD 600'000)	2025-26
Nighttime Light Anomaly Detection for Armed Conflicts , Co-PI, with UZH, Research Grant, CIS, ETH Zürich (USD 10'000)	2024
The Dynamics of Restraint in Civil War , Co-PI, with Uppsala University, Project Grant, Swedish Research Council (USD 540'000)	2021-24
Ceasefires and the Dynamics of Violence in War Zones , Co-PI, with ETHZ, Project Grant, Swedish Research Council (USD 430'000)	2019-22
Where is the Conflict Zone? PI, Advanced Postdoc Mobility Fellowship Swiss National Science Foundation (USD 150'000)	2019
Peacekeeping and Postwar Violence , PI, Early Postdoc Mobility Fellowship Swiss National Science Foundation (USD 150'000)	2017-18

Awards

NEPS Medal, Best Publication in Peace Science, for “Legacies of Violence” (<i>JCR</i>)	2019
Nils Petter Gleditsch JPR Article of the Year Award, for “Incentives and Opportunities”	2014

Publications

Publications in Peer-Reviewed Journals

- 2026** Sticher, Valerie; Corinne Bara, Jenniina Kotajoki, Lars Bromley, Thierry Crevoisier, Emanuele Dalsasso, Olivier Dietrich, Karsten Donnay, Filip Dorm, Manuel Fiol, Xi Li, Mikael Hiberg Naghizadeh, Corey Scher, Jamon Van Den Hoek, Konrad Schindler, Devis Tuia and Jan Dirk Wegner, [Advancing Conflict Research and Response Through Satellite-Derived Data](#). *Nature*.
- 2026** Bara, Corinne and Maurice P. Schumann, [Ceasefires and Civilian Targeting in Civil War](#). *Journal of Peace Research*, Online First.
- 2026** Gledhill, John; Allard Duursma, Jenna Russo, Oisín Tansey, Richard Caplan, Jessica Di Salvatore, David Teiner, Ibrahim Bangura, David Curran, Maximillian Stoller, Emma Birikorang, Tom Buitelaar, Sara Hellmüller, and Corinne Bara, **Keeping the Study of Peacekeeping Relevant: Exploring Peace Missions in Times of Institutional Change**. *International Peacekeeping*, Forthcoming.
- 2025** Bara, Corinne and Valerie Sticher, [The Rural Limits of Conflict Monitoring Using Nighttime Lights](#). *Humanities and Social Sciences Communications* 12(905).
- 2025** Bara, Corinne and Maurice P. Schumann, [Who, What, and Where? Linking Violence to Civil Wars](#). *Research & Politics* 12(1): 1-9.
- 2025** Hellmüller, Sara; Fanny Badache, Corinne Bara, Richard Caplan, Cedric de Coning, Ferdinand Kwaku Danso, Marco Donati, Allard Duursma, Tânia Felicio, Ibrahim Fraihat, Courtney J Fung, Monica Herz, Annika Hilding Norberg, Tetsuro Iji, Mateja Peter, Margaux Pinaud, Lisa Reefke, Bilal Salaymeh, Ekaterina Stepanova, Maximilian Stoller, Shuhrat Sulaymanov, Stephanie Williams, Xinyu Yuan, [Rethinking UN Peace and Security Engagements in a Changing World](#). *International Affairs* 102(1).
- 2024** Hellmüller, Sara; Tan, Xiang-Yun Rosalind and Corinne Bara. [What is in a Mandate? Introducing the UN Peace Mission Mandates \(UNPMM\) Dataset](#). *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 68(1): 166-192.
- 2023** Schumann, Maurice P. and Corinne Bara. [A New Era: Power in Partnership Peacekeeping](#). *International Studies Quarterly* 67(3): sqad037.
- 2023** Bara, Corinne and Govinda Clayton. [Your Reputation Precedes You: Ceasefires and Cooperative Credibility During Civil Conflict](#). *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 67(7-8), 1325-1349.
- 2023** Clayton, Govinda; Håvard Mogleiv Nygård, Håvard Strand, Siri A Rustad, Claudia Wiehler, Tora Sagård, Peder Landsverk, Reidun Ryland, Valerie Sticher, Emma Wink and Corinne Bara, [Introducing the ETH/PRIO Civil Conflict Ceasefire Dataset](#). *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 67(7-8), 1430-1451.
- 2023** Duursma, Allard; Corinne Bara, Nina Wilen, Sara Hellmuller, John Karlsrud, Kseniya Oksamytna, Janek Bruker, Susanna Campbell, Salvator Cusimano, Marco Donati, Han Dorussen, Dirk Druet, Valentin Geier, Marine Epiney, Valentin Geier, Linnea Gelot, Dennis Gyllensporre, Annick Hiensch, Lisa Hultman, Charles T. Hunt, Rajkumar Cheney Krishnan, Patryk I. Labuda, Sascha Langenbach, Annika Hilding Norberg, Alexandra Novosseloff, Daniel Oriesek, Emily Paddon Rhoads, Francesco Re, Jenna Russo, Melanie Sauter, Hannah Smidt, Ueli Staeger and Andreas Wenger, [UN Peacekeeping at 75: Achievements, Challenges, and Prospects](#). *International Peacekeeping* 30(4): 415-476.
- 2022** Bara, Corinne and Joakim Kreutz. [To Buy a War but Sell the Peace? Mercenaries and Post-Civil War Stability](#). *Security Studies* 31(3): 417-445.

- 2021** Bara, Corinne; Annekatrin Deglow and Sebastian van Baalen. [Civil War Recurrence and Postwar Violence: Towards an Integrated Research Agenda](#). *European Journal of International Relations* 27(3): 913-935.
- 2021** Bara, Corinne; Govinda Clayton and Siri Aas Rustad. [Understanding Ceasefires](#). *International Peacekeeping* 28(3): 329-340.
- 2020** Bara, Corinne. [Shifting Targets: The Effect of Peacekeeping on Postwar Violence](#). *European Journal of International Relations* 26(4): 979-1003.
- 2020** Bara, Corinne and Lisa Hultman. [Just Different Hats? Comparing UN and Non-UN Peacekeeping](#). *International Peacekeeping* 27(3): 341-368.
- 2018** Bara, Corinne. [Legacies of Violence: Conflict-specific Capital and the Postconflict Diffusion of Civil War](#). *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 62(9): 1991-2016.
- 2014** Bara, Corinne. [Incentives and Opportunities: A Complexity-Oriented Explanation of Violent Ethnic Conflict](#). *Journal of Peace Research* 51(6): 696-710.

Articles in the Pipeline

- 2026*** Suykens, Bert; Corinne Bara and Aynul Islam “Violent Politics: The Political Violence in Bangladesh (PVB) Dataset.” *Journal of Peace Research*: * Accepted.
- 2026*** Bara, Corinne; David Randahl, Sebastian Van Baalen and Johan Brosché, “Crossing the Rubicon: Explaining and Predicting Extreme Civil Wars.” *International Organization*: * Under Review.

Book Chapters

- 2022** Bara, Corinne, “Non-UN Peacekeeping.” In: Han Dorussen (ed.), *Handbook on Peacekeeping and International Relations*. Cheltenham: Edward Elgar Publishing.
- 2020** Bara, Corinne. “Forecasting Civil War and Political Violence.” In: Jasper, U., M. Dunn Cavelty A. Wenger (eds.), *The Politics and Science of Prevision: Governing and Probing the Future*. Abingdon: Routledge.

Working Papers

Do LLMs get the Treatment? Testing the Limits of Large Language Models in Replicating Survey Experiments, single-authored

Nightwatch: Detecting Local Conflict Onset with Nighttime Light in Ukraine, with Valerie Sticher (ETH Zürich), Filip Dorm, Emmanuele Dalsasso (EPFL Lausanne)

Strategic wartime reconstruction: Rewarding loyalty or winning hearts and minds?, with Kit Rickards and Valerie Sticher (ETH Zürich)

The Impact of Quick Impact Projects in UN Peacekeeping, with Thaddäus Braun (Graduate Institute Geneva)

Capturing Spatio-Temporal Diffusion Effects of Peacekeeping Interventions, with Thomas Chadeaux and Thomas Schincariol (Trinity College Dublin)

The Subnational Effects of UN Police on the Protection of Civilians, with Charles Hunt (University of Melbourne) and Nina M. Cadorin (ETH Zürich)

Datasets and Software

R Package *ucdplink*: integrates battle and war-related violence data collected by the Uppsala Conflict Data Program (UCDP) and links them to civil wars. With Maurice P. Schumann.

UN and Non-UN Peacekeeping Dataset: Author of a novel monthly dataset on military and police personnel in non-UN (and UN) missions. With Lisa Hultman.

ETH/PRIO Civil Conflict Ceasefire Dataset: Contributor to an original collection of ceasefire agreements in all civil wars 1989-2018. With Govinda Clayton and others.

Violent Politics in Bangladesh Contributor to an event dataset with uniquely detailed coding of violent actors in Bangladesh, 1991-2018. With Bert Suykens and Aynul Islam.

Policy Publications

2025 Bara, Corinne, “Protection of Civilians in Partnership Peacekeeping.” *IPI Issue Brief*. New York: International Peace Institute (IPI).

2023 Bara, Corinne and Maurice P. Schumann. “Partnership Peacekeeping Works: What Does this Mean in a Divided World?” *IPI Global Observatory*. New York: International Peace Institute (IPI).

2023 Bara, Corinne. “UN Peacekeeping.” *CSS Analyses in Security Policy*, No. 330. ETH Zürich: Center for Security Studies (CSS).

2015 Bara, Corinne. “Time to Abandon the Greed-Grievance Debate.” *ISN Blog*, ETH Zürich, International Relations & Security Network (ISN).

2014 Bara, Corinne. “India and the Democratic Civil Peace.” *ISN Dossier*, ETH Zürich, International Relations & Security Network (ISN).

PhD Supervision and Committees

Micaela Wannefors, Secondary Supervisor, Uppsala University	2021-
Thaddäus Braun, Secondary Supervisor, Graduate Institute Geneva	2025-
Henrique Garbino, Pre-Defense Manuscript Conference, Swedish Defence University	2025
Nina Maureen Cadorin, PhD Committee, Oslo University	2024
Valerie Sticher, PhD Committee, Leiden University	2021
PhD Admission Committee, Uppsala University	2020-21
Claudia Wiehler, Committee Member, PhD (Aptitude) Colloquium, ETH Zürich	2020
Annkatriin Tritschoks, Pre-Defense Manuscript Conference, Uppsala University	2019

Teaching ($\approx$ 400 in-class hours)

ETH Zürich (2023-, 2012-2016), selected courses

Human-Centered AI for Social Good (Science in Perspective), with M. El-Assady, L. Schubiger, A. Duursma, S. Langenbach	2025
Researching Peace & Security (MACIS Research Seminar), with M. Dunn Cavelty and others	2024, 2025
Political Violence (MACIS Core Seminar), with A. Wenger	2016, 2024
ETH MAS Mediation in Peace Processes: Individual Lectures and Supervision	2023-25
Tutorial Methods I (MACIS Core Seminar)	2012, 2014-15

Uppsala University (2017-2022), selected courses

Quantitative Research Methods (MSSc Core Course), Convenor, Lecturer	2020-21
Theory and Research Methods (BSSc Core Course), Lectures and Seminars	2018, 2020-22
Mixed Methods, Qualitative Comparative Analysis (MSSc), Lectures	2017-19, 2021
Conflict Diffusion, International Dimensions of Conflict (BSSc, MSSc), Lectures	2018-22
Causes of War (MSSc Core Seminar), Seminars	2017-19

Supervision

MSSc/MA Thesis Supervision, Uppsala University & ETH Zürich: 20 students	2018-22, 2025
MSSc/MA Thesis Examiner, Uppsala University, Oslo University: 19 students	2017-22, 2025
BSSc Thesis Supervision, Uppsala University: 8 students	2019-20

Other Teaching

Keynote Lectures, Summer School on Ethnic Conflict and Nationalism, Belgrade	2023
University of Maryland, Guest Lecture on Partnership Peacekeeping	2023
International IDEA, Stockholm: 2-day Quantitative Data Training	2018

Service to the Profession

Chair CRS Book Prize, Conflict Research Society (CRS)	2024-
Steering Committee member, Network of European Peace Scientists (NEPS)	2020-
Governing Council member, Conflict Research Society (CRS)	2019-
Jury Member, JPR Nils Petter Gleditsch Article of the Year Award	2026
Mentor of one scholar, CRS Emerging Scholars Initiative	2025
Program Chair NEPS (Network of European Peace Scientists) Annual Conference	2022, 2025
Reviewer for Deutsche Stiftung Friedensforschung project grant	2024
Reviewer for 2 US National Science Foundation (NSF) project grants	2020, 2023
Chair, Evaluation Committee for Senior Researcher promotion, PRIO, Oslo	2022
Chair CRS Cedric Smith Prize (Graduate Student Best Paper Award)	2017-21
Reviewer for European Research Council (ERC) Consolidator Grant	2019
60+ reviews for ca. 20 different journals and book publishers, including <i>Nature</i> , <i>American Political Science Review</i> , <i>American Journal of Political Science</i> , <i>International Security</i> , <i>International Organization</i> , <i>Journal of Conflict Resolution</i>	2014-

Service to the Department

Department Governing Board, Deputy Member, Uppsala University, DPCR	2020-22
Department Equality Committee, Member, Uppsala University, DPCR	2018-22
Department Conference, Representative Mid-Level Faculty, ETH Zürich, D-GESS	2013-15

Policy Engagement and Advice

Folke Bernadotte Academy (Swedish govt. agency for peace, security and development), Member of the Research Working Group on peace operations	2023-
Webinar, Humanitarian and Conflict Response Institute, University of Manchester, Lecture on crisis detection with satellite data to staff and practitioners	2025
ETH-UN Forum, Zürich, Panelist “Shifting Geopolitics & the Future of Armed Conflict”	2025
Latsis Symposium ETHZ, “Science for Development & Humanitarian Action”, Poster	2025
Humanitarian Action in the Digital Age, ETH Zürich (CSS/ETH4D), Co-Organizer and Presenter, connecting researchers and humanitarian practitioners	2025
Folke Bernadotte Academy Research-Practitioner Dialogue, Stockholm, Panelist	2024
25 Years of the Protection of Civilians in UN Peacekeeping, Montreal, Presenter at a symposium convening researchers and UN PoC policy and field staff	2024
ETH-ICRC Networking Event, ETH4D, Zürich, Speaker	2024
3rd International Cooperation Forum Switzerland, FDFA/SDC, Basel, Panelist	2024
Crisis Management NOW Expo, Finnish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Helsinki, Panelist	2024
75 Years UN Peacekeeping Conference, ETH Zürich, Co-Organizer, bringing together researchers with practitioners (UN, FDFA, DDPS)	2023
Swiss Federal Data Science Strategy, OSINT Working Group, Expert	2023
Folke Bernadotte Academy Research Day, Stockholm, Presenter	2023
Rethinking UN Peace and Security Engagements in a Changing Order, ETH Zürich, Participant in a workshop connecting researchers and practitioners	2023
Folke Bernadotte Academy, lunch talk to public officials in peace policy, Stockholm	2020
RIAH Expert Panel on the Impact of Attacks on Healthcare, Geneva, Expert	2019
ETH/PRIO Ceasefire Workshop, Oslo, research-practice dialogue, Presenter	2019
Gothenburg Policy Dialogue Day, research-practice dialogue, Presenter	2018

In the Media

“Feature: Researching for peace. Searching for a more perfect harmony.” Interview in <i>Horizons: The Swiss Research Magazine</i> , 5 December 2024	2024
“Friedensmission der UNO – Berüchtigte Polizisten sollen Haitis Banden bändigen.” In- terview in Swiss Radio (SRF 4) <i>News aktuell</i> , 19 August 2024. Journalist: Ümit Yoker.	2024

Invited Academic Presentations (since 2016)

Conflict Research Society (Kent UK); Network of European Peace Scientists (Barcelona); International Studies Association (Chicago); Swiss Political Science Association (Geneva); Center for Comparative and International Studies (Zürich)	2025
GESIS – Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences (Cologne); Conflict Research Society (Edinburgh); Network of European Peace Scientists (Dublin); Swiss Political Science Association (St. Gallen)	2024
Network of European Peace Scientists (Bologna); Goethe University (Frankfurt); Hertie School (Berlin); Swiss Political Science Association (Basel); Center for Comparative and International Studies (Zürich)	2023
Network of European Peace Scientists (London); Swiss Political Science Association (online)	2022
Swiss Political Science Association (Luzern)	2020
Conflict Research Society (Brighton); Network of European Peace Scientists (The Hague), International Studies Association (Toronto), Swiss Political Science Association (ETH Zürich)	2019
International Peace Science Society (Austin, Texas); Conflict Research Society (Birmingham), American Political Science Association (Boston), Uppsala University Ending Atrocities Workshop (Uppsala), Network of European Peace Scientists (Verona)	2018
International Peace Science Society (Arizona); Zukunftskolleg of the University of Konstanz (Konstanz); Conflict Research Society (Oxford), Network of European Peace Scientists (Antwerp)	2017
International Studies Association (Atlanta); Swiss Political Science Association (Basel); Center for Comparative and International Studies (Zürich)	2016

Transferable Skills

Language Skills

German (native)
English (fluent)
Swedish (fluent)
Hindi (intermediate)
Spanish (intermediate)
French (intermediate)

Technical Skills

Programming & Data Analysis: R, Stata, Python, Google Earth Engine, LaTeX, SQL, WordPress

GIS Software: ArcGIS Pro, QGIS

Bibliometrics: VOSviewer

Qualitative Data Analysis: MAXQDA, NVivo

Graphic Design: Photoshop, GIMP