

EDUCATION

- Sept. 2017 – Okt 2023 PhD, Department of Anthropology and Sociology, *Geneva Graduate Institute*. Thesis on: “Lithium Trajectories in Bolivia and Beyond: Encounters Against the Supply Chain”.
- Sept. 2014 – Dec. 2016 Master of Arts in World Society and Global Governance, *University of Lucerne*. Thesis on market-based biodiversity conservation in Peru.
- Sept. 2010 – June 2013 Bachelor of Arts in Sociology, Social Policy and Social Work, Minor in Economics, *University of Fribourg*. Thesis on vocational education and training projects in Benin.
- Sept. 2008 – June 2009 First year in Computer Science. *Federal University for Science and Technology Zurich*.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- Feb. 2024 – currently Postdoc and lecturer in economic anthropology, Institute of Social Anthropology, *University of Bern*.
- Mar. 2022 – Sept 2023 Research Assistant and Lead of Critical Research, Project Green Dealings (greendealings.com), funded by the Swiss Network for International Studies, Center for International Environmental Studies, *Geneva Graduate Institute*.
- Oct. 2021 – Feb. 2022 Teaching assistant, Department of Anthropology and Sociology, *Geneva Graduate Institute*.
- Oct. 2017 – Sept. 2021 Research Assistant Project LITHIUM, funded by Swiss National Science Foundation, Center for International Environmental Studies, *Geneva Graduate Institute*.

HONORS & AWARDS

- 2016 M.A. Thesis award, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Lucerne.

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-reviewed journal articles

- 2023 “What should ‘we’ do? Subjects and scales in the double-bind between energy transition and lithium extraction”, *The Extractive Industries and Society*, 101376. With Morgan Scoville-Simonds.

- 2022 “Mining indigenous territories: Consensus, tensions and ambivalences in the Salar de Atacama”, *Extractive Industries and Society* 9, 101047. With Mauricio Lorca, Manuel Olivera, Melisa Escosteguy, Morgan Scoville-Simonds, and Marc Hufty.
- 2020 “Lithium transformations: An unfinished story”, *Transformations* 33: p. 27-47.
- 2017 “The imperial rationality within BioTrade: A contribution to the neoextractivism debate”, *Alternautas* 4(2): 76-91.

Blog articles

- 2023 “Debate: Turning lithium into batteries and cars?”, lithiumworlds.com/turning-lithium-into-batteries-and-cars.
- 2022 “Do we need lithium to save the planet? Dilemmas of mining and energy transition”, lithiumworlds.com/dilemmas-of-mining-and-energy-transition.
 “Mining Indigenous Territories – Agree to disagree?”, lithiumworlds.com/mining-indigenous-territories.
- 2021 “Shapes of Salt: Peering over Nico’s shoulder”, lithiumworlds.com/shapes-of-salt.
 “Defending Lithium: On the Streets with Protesters in Potosí”, lithiumworlds.com/defending-lithium.

RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- October 2023 Conception and organization of the “Governing Batteries?” international workshop and conference, held on 26-27 October 2023 at the Geneva Graduate Institute, Switzerland.
- May 2023 Guest lecture for environmental engineers “On the social sustainability of lithium”, held at the Technical University of Braunschweig on May 15, 2023, with Morgan Scoville-Simonds.
- July – October 2022 Conception and organization of the “Lithium Crossroads” international congress, held on 24-25 October 2022 at the Universidad Nacional de San Martín in Buenos Aires, Argentina.
- Dec. 2020 – May 2021 Conception and coordination of a project proposal for the *Swiss Network for International Studies Call 2021*. The submitted project “Green Dealings? – Negotiating lithium between South America and Europe for batteries that fuel a just energy transition” was accepted for funding (Dec. 2021 – Nov. 2023).
- June 2021 Collaboration in a project submission for the *Leading House Partnership Grants 2021*. The proposed project “Lithium battery negotiations between South America and Europe: Towards a network and research agenda for a sustainable and just energy transition” was accepted for funding (Jan. 2022 – Dec. 2023).
- Aug. 2019 – Feb. 2022 Thesis fieldwork on the state project for lithium industrialization in Bolivia (3 field trips, totaling 9 months).
- July – Aug 2019 Research assistant for SNSF project *The Food That Will Feed the World*, led by Prof. Mark Goodale, University of Lausanne.
- Aug. – Sept. 2018 Research assistant for SNSF project proposal *The Food That Will Feed the World*, led by Prof. Mark Goodale, University of Lausanne.

July – Aug. 2018	Preliminary fieldwork for PhD research in Argentina, Bolivia, Chile (2 months).
Jan. – April 2016	Field research for M.A. thesis in San Martin and Lima, Peru (4 months).
Sept. 2013 – Feb. 2014	Applied research internship, HELVETAS project for vocational education and training in Parakou, Benin (6 months).
July – Sept. 2012	Field research for B.A. thesis in Natitingou, Benin (3 months).

INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES

2020 – present	Member of the editorial board, <i>Lithiumworlds/Mundos de Litio/Lithiumwelten</i> blog project.
<i>Journal referee</i>	
2017	<i>Conservation & Society</i>
2021	<i>Latin American Politics and Society</i>
2023	<i>Extractive Industries and Society</i> <i>Science, Technology, & Human Values</i>

CONFERENCES & OTHER ACADEMIC EVENTS

October 2023	“What should ‘we’ do? Subjects and scales in the double bind between energy transition and lithium extraction”, paper presented at the <i>Governing Batteries</i> workshop and conference, Geneva Graduate Institute, October 27, 2023.
December 2022	“When technology goes public: The technopolitical meanderings of lithium extraction in Bolivia”, paper presented at <i>4S/ESOCITE 2022</i> , University of Cholula/online, December 10, 2022.
November 2022	“Other ends of the chain: Exploring lithium battery futures between Bolivia and Norway”, paper presented at the <i>SAA Annual Meeting 2022</i> , University of Neuchâtel, November 12, 2022.
November 2022	“Anthropology and Supply Chains: Recurring Relations in Times of Crises”, panel co-organized with Anna-Sophie Hobi at the <i>SAA Annual Meeting 2022</i> , University of Neuchâtel, November 12, 2022.
July 2022	“Uncommon Explorations between Green Technologies, Climate Hopes, and the Anthropological Imagination”, panel co-organized with Pablo Ampuero Ruiz at <i>EASA2022</i> , Queen’s University Belfast, July 27, 2022.
June 2022	“Technopolitical maneuverings along the lithium (value, commodity, supply, etc.) chain in Bolivia and beyond”, paper presented at the <i>BATJUST workshop</i> , University of Agder, June 23, 2022.
May 2022	“A ‘Green Deal’ for who? The promises and pitfalls of sustainable EU-LAC commodity chains in the wake of global transformations”, panel co-organized with Anna Barrera (EU-LAC Foundation) at <i>LASA2022</i> , online, May 5, 2022.
October 2021	“Staying with the double-bind: Narrative Relations Between Energy Transition and Lithium Extraction”, paper presented at the Energy Ethics 2021 virtual conference.

- May 2021 “The lithium triangle and its (dis)contents”, paper presented at *LASA2021* virtual conference.
- May 2021 “Reshaping peoples and places: A global political ecology of lithium”, panel organized at *LASA2021* virtual conference.
- August 2020 “Of Connections and Gatherings: Lithium as a Common Element”, paper presented at *EASST/4S annual meeting* in Prague/online, 18-21 August.
- July 2020 “Lithium Futures: Narrative Relations Between Global Energy Transition and Bolivian Mineral Industrialization “. Paper presented at the *EASA2020 conference* in Lisbon/online, 20-24 July.
- June 2020 “Chemical Connections as a Matter of Scale: Reflections on an Ethnography of Lithium”, paper presented at the *Chemical Workshop* at the University College London, 06-07 June.
- March 2019 “Towards a Global Political Ecology of Lithium”, paper presented at the *Resources for a social-ecological transformation* conference, University of Innsbruck, 28 Feb - 2 March.
- May 2018 “The imperial rationality within BioTrade: The case of Sacha Inchi in the Peruvian lowlands of San Martin”, paper presented at *LASA2018*, Barcelona, 23-25 May.
- June 2018 “When the prices fall – Translating BioTrade into Neoextractivism: The Case of Sacha Inchi in the Peruvian Lowlands of San Martin”, paper presented at the *International conference of the Political Ecology Network POLLEN*, Oslo, 20-22 June.

LANGUAGES

German, English, Spanish, French (all fluent).