

## Gerda Asmus

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RESEARCH INTERESTS      Development Economics, Political Economy, Economic History

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CURRENT POSITION      **Research Associate**, Heidelberg University      09/2015 – present  
Faculty of Economics and Social Sciences  
Chair of International and Development Politics  
(Maternity Leave: September – December 2020)

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PREVIOUS POSITIONS      **Research Assistant** to Prof. Till Bärnighausen      03 – 11/2017  
Heidelberg Institute of Public Health

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VISITING RESEARCH STAYS      **University of California San Diego, USA**      10/2019 – 04/2022  
**Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel**      02 – 04/2018 and 02 – 07/2019  
**College of William & Mary and AidData, USA**      01 – 02/2016

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EDUCATION      **Heidelberg University**, Germany      10/2017 – present  
Ph.D. candidate, Economics  
– Thesis Topic: Essays in political economy and development  
– Adviser: Prof. Axel Dreher  
  
**Maastricht University** and      09/2013 – 08/2014  
**United Nations University**, The Netherlands  
Dual-degree: MSc in Public Policy and Human Development  
– Thesis Topic: The endogeneity of political violence  
– Advisers: Prof. Lutz Krebs, Prof. David M. Van Slyke  
  
**RMS Reims Management School** and      09/2009 – 07/2013  
**ESB Business School Reutlingen**, France & Germany  
Dual-degree: BSc in International Management

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ADVANCED TRAINING      Graduate Course (auditor): Remote Sensing I & II,      01/2020 – 06/2020  
UCSD (Gordon C. McCord & Susanne Benz)  
  
Ph.D. Course: Geospatial Economics I & II,      10/2018 – 01/2019  
Leibniz University Hannover (Richard Bluhm)  
  
Summer School: Econometrics of Panel Data and Network Analysis,      08/2017  
HU Berlin (Jeffrey Wooldridge & Steven Durlauf)  
  
Short Course: Applied Econometrics with R and Monte Carlo      05/2017  
Simulations, TU Braunschweig (Richard Bluhm)  
  
Ph.D. Courses in Economics, University of Mannheim      09 – 12/2015

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PUBLICATIONS (REFEREED)      [1] Community delivery of antiretroviral drugs: A non-inferiority matched-pair pragmatic cluster-randomized trial in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania (with Pascal Geldsetzer, Joel M. Francis, David Sando, Irene A. Lema, Eric Mboggo, Happiness Koda, Sharon

UNDER REVIEW [2] Does India Use Development Finance to Compete With China? A Subnational Analysis (with Vera Z. Eichenauer, Andreas Fuchs, & Bradley Parks) [Kiel Working Papers, 2189, June 2021]

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WORK IN PROGRESS [3] State Capacity and Local Economic Development: The Russian State in the Urals (with Raphaël Franck)  
[4] The Emergency: British detention camps and the rise of female political activism in Kenya (with Richard Bluhm & Tobias Korn)

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COLLECTED WORKS [5] BRICS and Foreign Aid (with Andreas Fuchs & Angelika Müller) intended for publication in The World Scientific Reference on the Economies of the BRIC Countries (edited by Edward Mansfield & Nita Rudra), World Scientific Publishing

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SHORT ARTICLE [6] Russia's foreign aid re-emerges (with Andreas Fuchs & Angelika Müller),  
blog article on AidData's The First Tranche

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PROFESSIONAL SERVICE Refereeing: Review of International Organizations, European Journal of Development Research, Spring Meeting of Young Economists (SMYE) 2019 & 2020 selection committee

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TEACHING EXPERIENCE **Heidelberg University**  
Undergraduate tutorials: Macroeconomics, A. Dreher (in German)  
– Winter 2016/17, Winter 2017/18, Winter 2018/19  
Graduate tutorials: Institutional Economics, C. Bjørnskov (in English)  
– Winter 2016/17 and Summer 2018  
Other: Co-supervision of bachelor and master theses, seminar papers  
– Winter 2016/17 – today

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CONFERENCE, WORKSHOP & SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS **2021:** Beyond Basic Questions Workshop (BBQ), Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies (IOS) Seminar  
**2020:** Economic History Graduate Webinar (YSI), Graduate Economic History Seminar (LSE), Joint Micro and Development Economics Seminar (UCSD), Omni-Methods-Group Seminar (UCSD)  
**2019:** European Public Choice Society (EPCS), Summer Workshop on the Economic History and Historical Political Economy of Russia (U Wisconsin-Madison–CREECA), Workshop on Geodata and Economics (U Hamburg), Verein für Socialpolitik Entwicklungsökonomischer Ausschuss (VfS AEL), Annual Meeting of the Economic History Association (EHA), European Historical Economics Society Conference (EHES), Research Seminar UNU-MERIT/ Maastricht Graduate School of Governance, International Political Economy Society (IPES)  
**2018:** EPCS, Spring Meeting of Young Economists, VfS AEL, BBQ  
**2017:** BRICS and the Global Economy (National U of Singapore), EPCS, IPES, VfS AEL, BBQ, DIAL Development Conference, Tracking International Aid and Investment from Developing and Emerging Economies

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CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION      **2017: Tracking International Aid and Investment from Developing and Emerging Economies**  
(Program Committee) and Verein für Socialpolitik Entwicklungsökonomischer Ausschuss  
(VfS AEL) (Local Organizing Committee)

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GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS      **Ph.D. Scholarship of the Israeli Council for Higher Education**, stipend for a one year research fellowship at Hebrew University of Jerusalem (NIS 80,000)  
**Erasmus Study Mobility Grant**, monthly stipend for undergraduate studies at Reims Management School in France  
**Excellence Initiative of the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (FoF4)**, grant for workshop funding (EUR 5,000)  
**AidData (College of William & Mary)**, grant for workshop funding (USD 8,000)

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SKILLS      Statistical Programming and Markup Language: R, Stata, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X  
Applications: ArcGIS, QGIS, RStudio  
Languages: German (native), Russian (native), English (fluent), French (fluent), Spanish (beginner)

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