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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Since Aug. 2017	Postdoctoral Researcher , Wellbeing Programme, Centre for Economic Performance (CEP), London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE)
2016 - 2017	Postdoctoral Researcher , Political Economics and CREW - Center for Research in Economics and Well-Being, University of Basel
2008 - 2017	Lecturer Snowsports (part-time) for the University of Basel and for Youth+Sport
2015	Researcher , KOF Swiss Economic Institute, ETH Zürich (Civil Service, two months)
2011 – 2015	Research Assistant / PhD Student , Faculty of Business and Economics, University of Basel
2009 – 2010	Junior Research Assistant (part-time) to Alois Stutzer, University of Basel

EDUCATION

2011 – 2015	PhD in Economics (<i>summa cum laude</i>), University of Basel, Switzerland Dissertation: “Life Satisfaction, Behavioral Economics and Public Policy: Four Essays on the Identification of Utility Misprediction and the Evaluation of Tobacco Control Policies” supervised by Alois Stutzer and Bruno S. Frey
2009 – 2011	Master of Science in Business and Economics , University of Basel, Switzerland
2010 – 2011	Exchange Semester , Department of Economics, Lund University, Sweden
2005 – 2008	Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy and Economics , University of Basel, Switzerland

RESEARCH GRANTS, AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

2017	Award of the Swiss Positive Psychology Association for the best dissertation Swiss National Science Foundation Early Postdoc.Mobility Fellowship (18 months), “Beliefs, Utility Misprediction, and Decision-Making: Empirical Analyses Based on Predicted Subjective Well-Being”
2013	Johann-Jakob Speiser-Scholarship for excellent young researchers 2013
2012	Grant of the WWZ Forum (12 months), “Smoking Bans and Life Satisfaction”
2011	Young Scientists Advancement Award 2010 of the Basel private bankers for an outstanding master thesis, 3rd prize

RESEARCH VISITS

2015	Freie Universität Berlin (FU) , Germany (by invitation of Ronnie Schöb, one week)
2013	London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) , UK (by invitation of Richard Layard and Nattavudh Powdthavee, two months)

PUBLICATIONS, WORKING PAPERS AND WORK IN PROGRESS

Publications	<p>Smoking Bans, Cigarette Prices and Life Satisfaction. <i>Journal of Health Economics</i>, 44:176-194, 2015 (with Alois Stutzer)</p> <p><i>Media coverage:</i> Tages-Anzeiger, Blick, Uni Nova, News.ch, 20 Minuten, Basellandschaftliche Zeitung, Aargauer Zeitung, Thurgauer Zeitung</p> <p>(Mis-)Predicted Subjective Well-Being Following Life Events. Forthcoming in the <i>Journal of the European Economic Association</i> (with Alois Stutzer)</p>
Working papers	<p>Overoptimistic Entrepreneurs: Predicting Wellbeing Consequences of Self-Employment. IZA Discussion Paper No. 11098. Bonn: IZA (with Nick Powdthavee and Alois Stutzer)</p> <p>Subjective Well-Being and Public Policy. IZA Discussion Paper No. 11102. Bonn: IZA (with Alois Stutzer)</p> <p>Tobacco Control Policies and Smoking Behavior in Europe: More than Trends? Mimeo, University of Basel (with Alois Stutzer)</p> <p>Home Sweet Home: (Mis-)Belief About the Extent to Which Home Ownership Makes People Happy. Mimeo, University of Basel</p>
Book reviews	<p><i>Happiness Explained: What Human Flourishing Is and What We Can Do to Promote It</i> by Paul Anand. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2016. Reviewed for <i>Global Policy</i>, 4th November</p>
Media articles	<p>Rauchverbote machen zufriedener. Glücksforschung analysiert Tabakprävention aus umfassender Perspektive. <i>Tages-Anzeiger</i>, October 1, 2016 (with Alois Stutzer)</p> <p>Eine verhaltensökonomische Betrachtung der Tabakpolitik. <i>Ökonomenstimme</i>, October 12, 2016 (with Alois Stutzer)</p>
Work in progress	<p>How Paradoxical Is the Parenthood Paradox? (Mis-)Predicted Subjective Well-Being Following the Birth of a Child</p> <p>Psychological Opportunity Costs on Post-Choice Utility (with Fanny Brun and Benjamin Scheibehenne)</p> <p>Do Minimum Purchase Age Laws for Tobacco Reduce Smoking? (with Armando Meier and Alois Stutzer).</p> <p>Medical Marijuana Laws and Mental Health in the US (with Jörg Kalbfuss and Alois Stutzer)</p>

PRESENTATIONS AT CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS

Invited	<p>Wellbeing Seminar, Centre for Economic Performance, LSE, UK; Behavioural Science Seminar (2016), University of Stirling, UK; Challenges in Political Economy (public lecture, 2016), University of Bayreuth, Germany; Economics Research Seminar (2015), Freie Universität Berlin, Germany</p>
2017	<p>Annual Meeting of the American Economic Association, Chicago, USA; Annual Congress of the European Economic Association, Lisbon, Portugal; International Association for Research in Economic Psychology Conference, Tel Aviv, Israel; Bernoulli Workshop in Economics and Psychology, Basel</p>
2016	<p>Annual Congress of the European Economic Association, Geneva; Annual Meeting of the European Public Choice Society, Zürich; Annual Meeting of the Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics, Lugano; 2nd Basel Workshop on Happiness and Economics, Basel; Public Finance and Political Economics IV, Workshop, Max</p>

CURRICULUM VITAE – RETO ODERMATT

	Planck Institute for Tax Law and Public Finance, Munich, Germany; Bernoulli Workshop in Economics and Psychology , Basel
2015	Annual Meeting of the Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics , Basel
2014	Annual Meeting of the Verein für Socialpolitik , Hamburg, Germany; Brown Bag Seminar , University of Basel; Bernoulli Workshop in Economics and Psychology , Basel; Zurich Workshop on Experimental and Behavioral Economic Research (poster presentation), Zurich
2013	Wellbeing Seminar (work in progress), Centre for Economic Performance, LSE, UK; Annual Congress of the European Economic Association , Gothenburg, Sweden; Annual Meeting of the European Public Choice Society , Zürich; Bernoulli Workshop in Economics and Psychology , Basel; BodenSeeForum – Wissenschaft angewandt , Insel Reichenau, Germany
2012	Annual Meeting of the Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics , Zürich
2011	Market and Happiness , Milano, Italy; Economics-Psychology Workshop , Basel; Redistribution and Well-Being , IZA Workshop, Lausanne

TEACHING, CO-TEACHING AND TEACHING ASSISTANCE

Teaching	Lecture: The Economic Approach and Its Psychological Extensions , Master Level, University of Basel
Co-Teaching	Seminar: Public Choice and Public Economics , Bachelor Level, University of Basel (with Alois Stutzer); Colloquium: Economics and Individual Well-Being , Master Level, University of Basel (with Bruno S. Frey, Margit Osterloh and Alois Stutzer)
Teaching Assistance	Workshop and Lecture Series in Law and Economics , Master Level, Universities of Basel, Zürich, Luzern and Fribourg; Seminar: Markets and Public Policy II , Master Level, Universities of Basel and Fribourg; Rational Choice , Master Level, University of Basel; Political Economics , Master Level; Public Choice and Public Economics , Bachelor Level; Introduction to Political Economics , Bachelor Level

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION AND ELSE

Languages	German (native); English (fluent); French (good)
Refereeing	American Economic Journal: Economic Policy; European Economic Review; Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization; Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics; European Journal of Political Economy; Journal of Economic Psychology; German Economic Review; European Journal of Health Economics; Journal of Evolutionary Economics; Journal of Human Capital; International Review of Economics
Conference Organization	Co-organizer of the 3 rd and 4 th Economics-Psychology Workshop, University of Basel
Departmental Service	Representative of the assistants in the commission responsible for the curriculum (2010-2014) Representative of the assistants in the university sports commission (2010-2015)
Honorary office	Member of the board of trustees of the “Zschokke-Stiftung” (2010-2016)

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