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EXPERIENCE:

2015 – Present	<i>Senior Researcher</i> ; International Security and Development Center
2013 – 2015	<i>Researcher</i> ; Stockholm International Peace Research Institute
2011 – 2012	<i>Research Associate</i> ; Dept. Development and Security, DIW Berlin

EDUCATION:

2013	<i>PhD Economics</i> – Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh, UK
2008	<i>MSc Economics</i> – University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, UK
2006	<i>BSc Economics</i> - University of Hull, Hull, UK

PUBLICATIONS:

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles:

- Brück, Tilman and **Ferguson, Neil T. N.** (2018): “Money Can’t Buy Love but Can It Buy Peace? Evidence from PEACE II.” *Forthcoming in: Conflict Management and Peace Science*.
- Esenaliev, Damir and **Ferguson, Neil T. N.** (2018): “The Impact of Job Quality on Wellbeing: Evidence from Wageworkers and the Self-Employed in Kyrgyzstan.” *Social Indicators Research 8(2): 127-155*
- **Ferguson, Neil T. N.** (2017): “Just the Two of Us? Civil Conflicts, Pro-State Militants and the Violence Premium” *Terrorism and Political Violence 29(2): 296-322*
- **Ferguson, Neil T. N.** and Michaelsen, Maren M. (2015): “Money Changes Everything? Regional Education and Deprivation Revisited.” *Economics of Education Review 48(C): 129 – 147*

Peer Reviewed Book Chapters:

- **Ferguson, Neil T. N.**, McDougal, Topher L. and Michaelsen, Maren M. (2016). “From Pax Narcotica to Guerra Publica: Explaining Civilian Violence in Mexico’s Illicit Drug War.” *In: J. Brauer and C. Anderton eds. Economic Aspects of Genocide, Mass Killing, and Their Prevention, Oxford University Press.*
- **Ferguson, Neil T. N.** and Perlo-Freeman, Samuel (2015): “A Cross-Country Analysis of Transparency: Fragility, Income and Freedom as Determinants of Government Provision of Military Expenditure Data” *In: SIPRI Yearbook 2015, Oxford University Press*
- Brück, Tilman, de Groot, Olaf J. and **Ferguson, Neil T. N.** (2014): “Measuring Security”. *In: R. Caruso and A. Locatelli eds. Understanding Terrorism: A Socio-Economic Perspective, Emerald Publishing.*

Revise and Resubmit:

- Brück, Tilman, Díaz-Botía, O. M., Ferguson, Neil T. N., Ouédraogo, J. and Ziegelhöfer, Z. (2019). “Assets for Alimentation? The Nutritional Impact of Asset-Building Programming in Niger,” *At: Journal of Development Studies*

Published Working Papers:

- Baliki, Ghassan, Brück, Tilman, **Ferguson, Neil T. N.** and Workneh Kebede, Sindu (2017): “Micro-Foundations of Fragility: Concepts, Measurement and Application.” *IZA Development Paper #11188*

- Brück, Tilman, **Ferguson, Neil T. N.**, Izzi, Valeria and Stojetz, Wolfgang (2016): "Jobs Aid Peace: A Review of the Theory and Practice of the Impact of Employment Programmes on Peace in Fragile and Conflict Affected Countries" ISDC Working Paper, September 2016
- **Ferguson, Neil T. N.** and McDougal, Topher L. (2012). "Land Inequality and Conflict Onset: Cooperative Game Theoretic Implications for Economic Policy." Post-2015 Global Thematic Consultation on Inequalities: UN Women/ UNICEF

Conference Papers:

- **Ferguson, Neil, T. N.**, Fiala, Nathan and Leroch, Martin A. (2017): "Conflict Exposure and Behaviour: Evidence from Incentivised Games and Electoral Violence in Kenya"
- Brück, Tilman, Dunker, Kai M., **Ferguson, Neil T. N.**, Meysonnat, Aline and Nillesen, Eleonora (2018): "Determinants and Dynamics of Forced Migration: Evidence from Flows and Stocks in Europe."

Policy Writing:

- Brück, Tilman, **Ferguson, Neil T. N.**, Izzi, Valeria and Stojetz, Wolfgang (2017): "Do Jobs Aid Peace? The Impact of Employment Interventions on Peace, Security and Stability." Great Insights Magazine 6(1)

SELECTED PROJECTS

2017-2020	<p>Mercy Corps: Do Jobs Build Social Stability?</p> <p>Empirical research based on incentivised behavioural experimental data collected from treatment and control groups of a Mercy Corps jobs training programme in Jordan and Lebanon.</p>
2018-2019	<p>World Bank: Identifying Priority Variables on Households, Firms and Markets for Understanding Micro-Dynamics of Food Security in Insecure Situations.</p> <p>World Bank white paper, containing reflections on the benefits and limitations of household surveys as a means to capture early onset of food crises, including recommendations on how such processes can be updated and recommendations on the variables that should be collected.</p>
2017-2018	<p>IFAD: Rural Youth in the Context of Conflict and Fragility</p> <p>Empirical research and literature review on the lives of young people living in rural areas of the world, and how these lives can be interrupted by conflict and fragility.</p>
2017-2018	<p>Mercy Corps: Return on Investment from Peacebuilding Expenditure and Security Sector Assistance</p> <p>Empirical research on the impact of US peacebuilding and security sector assistance on incidence of political violence, and on the return on investment from these investments.</p>

2016-2018 **3ie / World Food Programme:** Impact Evaluation of WFP's PRRO Programming in Niger

Empirical research on the impact of various combinations of WFP-provided assistance on children's nutrition status.

2016-2017 **ILO / PBSP / UNDP / World Bank:** Assessment of Knowledge on "Employment for Peacebuilding Programmes"

Qualitative and quantitative systematic review of knowledge on the relationship between employment programmes and social stability, focussing on analysis of programme reports from the commissioning agencies.

SELECTED CONFERENCES AND INVITED PRESENTATIONS:

- 2019
- Centre for the Study of African Economies (CSAE) Conference
- 2018
- Forced Displacement – Trends, Concepts and Patterns Workshop: Germany Development Institute
 - United Nations Economic Commission for Africa
 - International Labour Organisation (ILO)
- 2017
- World Bank Workshop on Employment Programs
 - International Institute of Social Studies
 - 13th Annual Households in Conflict Network Conference

REFEREEING

Journal of Conflict Resolution; Journal of Peace Research; Conflict Management and Peace Science; Economics of Education Review; Review of Development Economics.