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EDUCATION

- 2000–2005 **University of Zurich**, PhD; thesis title: *Eisenhower, Kennedy, and Political Cooperation in NATO: Western Reactions to Khrushchev's Foreign Policy*
Supervisors: Prof. Kurt R. Spillmann; Prof. Andreas Wenger
- 1992–1999 **University of Zurich**, lic. phil. (M.A.); thesis title: *'Dean of the World': McGeorge Bundy's Einfluss als Nationaler Sicherheitsberater auf die amerikanische Aussenpolitik, 1961–1963*
Supervisors: Prof. Kurt R. Spillmann; Prof. Andreas Wenger
Major: History; Minors: Political Science (International Relations), International Law.

WORK EXPERIENCE

- 7/2004– **Center for Security Studies**, ETH Zurich (Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich)
Senior Researcher, responsible for Center's participation in the Parallel History Project on NATO and the Warsaw Pact (PHP) and the "International History of NATO Project," research on the European neutrals and the early Helsinki process, 1969–75.
- 1999–2004 **Center for Security Studies**, ETH Zurich (Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich)
Researcher, responsible for the Center's participation in the "Parallel History Project on NATO and the Warsaw Pact" (PHP) and the "International History of NATO Project".
- 1997–2001 **Caritas Schweiz**: Representative of an international relief organization at interviews with asylum seekers, conducted by the Swiss authorities.

TEACHING

- 2007 "International Cold War History," Colloquium, University of Zurich, History Department
- 2006 "The Transformation of the Transatlantic Partnership: West–West Relations 1945–2006"
Lecture and Colloquium, University of Zurich, International Relations
- 1996 History, KS Hohe Promenade, KS Freudenberg, and KS Winterthur (high-schools)

UNIVERSITY POLITICS

- 1999–2007 Representative of PhD students and academic staff at Humanities Department, ETH Zurich
- 2002 / 2004 Member of Appointment Committees for Chairs on "International Conflict Analysis" and "European Politics" at ETH Zurich

FOREIGN RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- United States: US National Archives, College Park, MD (7 months); Library of Congress, Washington, DC (2 week); John F. Kennedy Library, Boston, MA (2 months); Dwight D. Eisenhower Library, Abilene, KS (3 weeks), Harry S. Truman Library, Independence, MO (1 week); Yale University Library, New Haven (1 week); National Security Archive, Washington, DC (1 week), Georgetown University Library, Washington, DC (2 weeks).
- United Kingdom: British National Archives / Public Record Office, Kew, London (7 weeks), University of Oxford (2 days), University of Birmingham (3 days)
- Germany: Federal Archives, Koblenz (2 week), Political Archives of the Foreign Office, Berlin (4 weeks); Federal Military Archives, Freiburg i.Br. (3 weeks); Foundation Party and Mass Organizations in the German Federal Archive, Berlin (1 week)
- Belgium: NATO Archives, Brussels (4 weeks); Paul-Henri Spaak Foundation, Brussels (2 week)
- Netherlands: Dutch National Archives, The Hague (1 week)

PUBLICATIONS

- Andreas Wenger, Christian Nuenlist, and Anna Locher, "New Perspectives on NATO History," in *NATO in the 1960s: Challenges beyond Deterrence*, ed. Andreas Wenger, Christian Nuenlist, and Anna Locher (London: Routledge, 2006), pp. 3–12.
- Christian Nuenlist, "Into the 1960s: The Role of NATO in East-West Relations, 1958–63," in *NATO in the 1960s: Challenges beyond Deterrence*, ed. Andreas Wenger, Christian Nuenlist, and Anna Locher (London: Routledge, 2006), pp. 67–88.
- Andreas Wenger, Christian Nuenlist, and Anna Locher (eds.), *NATO in the 1960s: Challenges beyond Deterrence* (London: Routledge, 2006).
- Christian Nuenlist and Anna Locher, "Drifting Apart? Restoring the NATO Consensus, 1956–72," in *Transatlantic Relations at Stake: Aspects of NATO, 1956–72*, ed. Christian Nuenlist and Anna Locher (Zurich: Center for Security Studies, 2006), pp. 9–19.
- Christian Nuenlist and Anna Locher (eds.), *Transatlantic Relations at Stake: Aspects of NATO, 1956–72* (Zurich: Center for Security Studies, 2006).
- Christian Nuenlist, "Eisenhower, Kennedy, and Political Cooperation in NATO: Western Reactions to Khrushchev's Détente Policy" (unpublished Ph.D. thesis, University of Zurich, February 2005, 550pp.).
- Anna Locher and Christian Nuenlist, "What Role for NATO? Conflicting Western Perceptions of Détente, 1962–66," *Journal of Transatlantic Studies* 2, no. 2 (Autumn 2004), pp. 185–208.
- Anna Locher and Christian Nuenlist, "Reinventing NATO: Canada, Détente, and the Future of NATO, 1962–66," *International Journal* [Toronto] 58, no. 2 (Spring 2003), pp. 283–302.
- Christian Nuenlist, "Cold War Generals: The Warsaw Pact Committee of Defense Ministers, 1969–90," Parallel History Project on NATO and the Warsaw Pact [<http://www.isn.ethz.ch/php>] (May 2001), 23pp.
- Christian Nünlist, *Kennedys Rechte Hand: McGeorge Bundy's Einfluss als Nationaler Sicherheitsberater auf die amerikanische Aussenpolitik, 1961–63* (Zurich: Center for Security Studies, 1999). 229p.
- Christian Nünlist and Patrick Kaufmann, „Die Verhandlungen zwischen den USA und dem Iran zur Beendigung der Geiselnahme von 1979–1981“ in *Internationale Verhandlungsprozesse in Theorie und Praxis*, ed. Thomas Bernauer et al. (Zürich: IPZ, 1996), pp. 24–64.

EDITED DOCUMENT COLLECTIONS

ON WEBSITE OF PARALLEL HISTORY PROJECT (PHP), www.isn.ethz.ch/php:

- Bulgarian Arms Delivery to Third World Countries* (September 2006, with Jordan Baev)
- War Plans and Alliances in the Cold War: Threat Perceptions in the East and West* (June 2006, with Vojtech Mastny et al.).
- Records of the Meetings of the Warsaw Pact Deputy Foreign Ministers* (September 2005, with Csaba Békés and Anna Locher).
- Allied Military Allied Missions in Potsdam, 1946–90* (July 2005, with Christopher Winkler and Anna Locher).
- GDR Military Intelligence* (July 2005, with Anna Locher).
- An Inside History of the Warsaw Pact: Documentary Companion to A Cardboard Castle* (April 2005, with Vojtech Mastny, Malcolm Byrne, and Anna Locher).
- War on Tito's Yugoslavia? The Hungarian Army in the Early Cold War* (February 2005, with László Ritter and Anna Locher).
- China and Eastern Europe from the 1960s to the 1980s* (December 2005, with Anna Locher).
- Secret Warfare: Operation Gladio and NATO's Stay Behind Armies* (November 2005, with Daniele Ganser).
- The Secret Journal Militärwesen, 1964–89* (October 2004, with Anna Locher).
- The Future Tasks of the Alliance: NATO's Harmel Report, 1966-67* (July 2004, with Paul Marsden and Anna Locher).
- Superpower under Pressure: The Secret Speech of Minister of Defence Marshal Zhukov in East Berlin, March 1957* (January 2004).
- Stasi Intelligence on NATO* (November 2003, with Bernd Schaefer).
- Brezhnev's Crimea Meetings in the 1970s* (August 2003, with Jordan Baev and Anna Locher).
- Submarine Incursions in Swedish Waters* (December 2002, with Krister Wahlbäck and Anna Locher).
- China and the Warsaw Pact under Mao and Khrushchev* (October 2002).
- Polish Plans to Attack Denmark* (October 2002, with Anna Locher).
- Warsaw Pact Generals in Polish Uniforms: Oral History Interviews* (September 2002, with Vojtech Mastny and Anna Locher).
- The 1961 Berlin Crisis and Soviet Preparations for War in Europe* (September 2002, with Matthias Uhl and Anna Locher).
- Lifting the Veil on Cosmic: Declassified U.S. and British Documents on NATO Military Planning and Threat Assessments of the Warsaw Pact* (May 2002, with Bill Burr, Robert Wampler, and Anna Locher).
- European Cities Targeted for Nuclear Destruction: Hungarian Documents on the Soviet Bloc War Plans, 1956–71* (November 2001, with Imre Okvath and Anna Locher).

- The U.S. Air Raid on Libya in April 1986: A Confidential Soviet Account* (November 2001, with Bernd Schaefer).
Records of the Warsaw Pact Political Consultative Committee (May 2001, with Vojtech Mastny and Anna Locher).
Records of the Warsaw Pact Committee of the Ministers of Defense (May 2001, with Vojtech Mastny).
Taking Lyon on the Ninth Day? The 1964 Warsaw Pact Plan for Nuclear War in Europe and Related Documents (May 2000, with Vojtech Mastny and Anna Locher).

FORTHCOMING PUBLICATIONS

- Christian Nuenlist, *Eisenhower, Kennedy, and Political Cooperation in NATO: Western Reactions to Khrushchev's Foreign Policy, 1955–1963* (under review).
- Christian Nuenlist, "Switzerland, the European Neutrals, and the Early CSCE Process, 1969–1975," in *At the Roots of the European Security System: The Early Helsinki Process Revisited, 1965–75*, ed. Andreas Wenger, Vojtech Mastny, and Christian Nuenlist (London: Routledge, 2007).
- Andreas Wenger, Vojtech Mastny, and Christian Nuenlist, *At the Roots of the European Security System: The Early Helsinki Process Revisited, 1965–75* (London: Routledge, 2007).
- Anna Locher and Christian Nuenlist, "Containing the French Malaise? The Role of NATO's Secretary General, 1958-1968," in *NATO and the Warsaw Pact: Intra-bloc Tensions*, eds. Ann Heiss and S. Victor Papacosma (Kent, OH: Kent University Press, 2007).
- Anna Locher and Christian Nuenlist, "What Role for NATO? Conflicting Western Perceptions of Détente, 1962-66," in *NATO, the Warsaw Pact, and Détente, 1965-1972*, ed. Ennio di Nolfo et al. (Stanford University Press, 2007).
- Christian Nuenlist, "Die NATO, Berlin und Ost-West-Détente: Westliche Konsultationen während der Berlinkrise von 1958 bis 1961," in *Krisen im Kalten Krieg*, ed. Bernd Greiner, Christian Müller, and Dierk Walter (Hamburg: HIS Verlag, 2007).
- Christian Nuenlist, "McGeorge Bundy," "Paul-Henri Spaak," "Switzerland," "The Warsaw Pact," "Camp David," "The Paris Summit," "The Spirit of Camp David," all in *Encyclopedia of the Cold War*, ed. Spencer Tucker (Santa Barbara, CA: ABC Clio, 2007).
- Christian Nuenlist, "NATO and the Early Days of the Warsaw Pact: Western Political Consultations on Khrushchev's Foreign Policy in 1955," in *The Warsaw Pact: From Its Foundings to Its Collaps, 1955–91*, ed. Christian Ostermann and Winfried Heinemann (Berlin: Christoph Links Verlag, 2007).
- Christian Nuenlist, "W. Randolph Burgess," in *Encyclopedia of NATO*, ed. Gordon Craig (Santa Barbara, CA: ABC Clio, forthcoming in 2008).
- Christian Nuenlist and Anna Locher, "Dirk Stikker," in *Encyclopedia of NATO*, ed. Gordon Craig (Santa Barbara, CA: ABC Clio, forthcoming in 2008).

BOOK REVIEWS

- Christian Nuenlist, „Die Berlinkrise, Kennedy und die Kubakrise [The Berlin Crisis, Kennedy, and the Cuban Missile Crisis] (by Christof Münger),“ *Journal of Cold War Studies* 8, no. 2 (2006): 159–61.
- Christian Nuenlist, "The Berlin Wall Crisis: New Perspectives on Cold War Alliances (by John Gearson and Kori Shake), *Journal of Cold War Studies* 7, no. 4 (2005): 162–64.
- Christian Nuenlist, „Kennedy in Berlin: Politik, Kultur und Emotionen im Kalten Krieg [Kennedy in Berlin: Politics, Culture, and Emotions in the Cold War] (by Andreas W. Daum),“ *Journal of Cold War Studies* 9, no. 1 (2007): 124–6.
- Christian Nuenlist, "The Divided West: European Security and the Transatlantic Relationship (Tuomas Forsberg and Graeme P. Herd),” *Journal of Transatlantic Studies* (forthcoming in 2007).
- Christian Nuenlist, "The War Council: McGeorge Bundy, the NSC, and Vietnam (by Andrew Preston),” *Cold War History* (forthcoming in 2007).

REFEREE ACTIVITY

- Journal of Transatlantic Studies
Cold War History
Journal of American History

PAPERS PRESENTED AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

- 2006 **The Strained Relationship: European–American Relations from Suez to Iraq**, Zurich, 7–9 September 2006. Paper on “Divergent Visions and Consultation Failures: NATO and the Middle East, 1948–1958.”
- 2006 **Annual SHAFR Conference**, 23–25 June 2006, Lawrence, KS. Paper on “Switzerland, the Neutrals, and the Early Helsinki Process, 1969-1975.”
- 2006 **Annual Meeting of the Transatlantic Studies Association (TSA)**, Dundee, 12–15 June 2006. Panel organizer (“Bipartisanship, Domestic Opposition, and Transatlantic Relations during the Cold War”) and paper on “A Melancholy Job: Adlai E. Stevenson and the NATO Summit in 1957.”
- 2006 **Cold War Crises**, 17–19 May 2006, Hamburg. Paper on “NATO Consultations during the Berlin Crisis, 1958–1961.”
- 2005 **At the Roots of the European Security System: Thirty Years since the Final Helsinki Act**, Rüslikon/Zurich, 6–9 September 2006. Academic organizer and paper on “What Role for a Small Neutral Country? Switzerland’s Role in the Early CSCE Process.”
- 2005 **Annual TSA Meeting**, 11–14 July 2005, Nottingham. Panel organizer (“NATO in the Cold War”) and paper on “The Most Successful Alliance in World History? NATO’s Transformation from a Military Defense Organization into a Political Clearinghouse in the 1950s-1960s.”
- 2005 **Annual SHAFR Conference**, 23–25 June 2005, College Park, MD. Panel organizer (“Caring for Transatlantic Relations: NATO Personalities in the 1950s-1960s”) and paper on “Pen Pals: Dean Acheson, Dirk Stikker, and NATO Problems, 1958–61”
- 2005 **The Warsaw Pact: From Its Founding to Its Collapse, 1955-91**, 26–27 May 2005, Washington, DC. Paper on “NATO and the Early Days of the Warsaw Pact: Western Political Consultations on Khrushchev’s Foreign Policy, 1955.”
- 2004 **NATO in the 1960s: Challenges beyond Deterrence**, 26–28 August 2004, Zurich, Switzerland. Academic organizer and paper on “Into the 1960s: The Role of NATO in East-West Relations, 1959–63.”
- 2004 **Annual TSA Meeting**, 11–15 July 2004, Dundee. Paper on “NATO Secretary General in a Time of Testing: Spaak, Stikker, Brosio and the French Challenge 1958–68”(with Anna Locher).
- 2004 **NATO and the Warsaw Pact: Intra-bloc Tensions**, 23–24 April 2004, Kent, Ohio. Paper on “Containing the French Malaise? The Role of NATO’s Secretary General, 1958-1968” (with Anna Locher)
- 2003 **The Year 1968 and Austria**, 7–9 October 2003, Vienna. Discussant.
- 2003 **Great Expectations: Kennedy’s Thousand Days**, 21–23 August 2003, Berlin, Germany. Paper on “Transatlantic Debates on the Rise and Fall of Détente, 1961–63.”
- 2003 **NATO, the Warsaw Pact, and the European Nonaligned, 1949–1975: Threat Assessments, Doctrines and War Plans**, 12–14 June 2003, Spitsbergen, Norway. Discussant.
- 2003 **Annual SHAFR Conference**, 4–6 June 2003, Washington, DC. Panel organizer (“Shaping Alliance Behavior: The Role of Small Allies in the Cold War Alliances Paper”) and paper on “How to React to Khrushchev’s Detente Policy? NATO Consultations on Disarmament and European Security, 1955–58.”
- 2002 **NATO, the Warsaw Pact, and Détente, 1965–1972**, 26–28 September 2003, Dobbiaco, Italy. Paper on “No Easy Road to Détente: Conflicting NATO Perceptions in View of Détente, 1963-66” (with Anna Locher).
- 2001 **Eastern Europe and Western Europe in the Cold War, 1953–65**, 18–20 October 2001, Essen, Germany. Discussant.
- 2001 **The Cold War in the Mediterranean**, 5–6 October 2001, Cortona, Italy. Discussant.
- 2000 **3rd Annual Conference of the Partnership for Peace Consortium of Defense Academies and Security Studies Institutes**, Tallin, Estonia, 19–21 June 2000, Co-Founder of “Archives Working Group” (with Vojtech Mastny), discussant at “Military History” and “Publications” working groups.
- 1999–2005 **Annual Workshops of the Parallel History Project (PHP)** in Graz (1999), Zurich (2000, 2002), Florence (2001), Vienna (2003), Urbino (2004), and Rome (2005).

AWARDS AND GRANTS

- 2006 Appointed to **Executive Committee** of the **Transatlantic Studies Association (TSA)**, **Dundee/Scotland**.
- 2005 Nominated for **SHAFR Council (United States)**.
- 2003 3-month Doctoral Fellowship from the **German Historical Institute** in Washington, DC.

NEWSPAPER ARTICLES (Selection)

- UNO-Botschafter Peter Mauer zur UNO unter neuer Führung, *Zürichsee-Zeitung* (2 February 2007): 12.
- Chruschtschews Zick-Zack-Aussenpolitik, *Neue Zürcher Zeitung* (6 January 2007): 9.
- Chernobyl, Glasnost, and Disarmament, with Christopher Findlay, *ISN Security Watch* (28 April 2006)
- Der Kalte Krieg und seine Beendigung, *Neue Zürcher Zeitung* (15 April 2006): 11.
- Signal für ein kurzes Tauwetter, *Der Zürcher Oberländer* (24 February 2006): 8.
- Der traumatischste Moment der NATO, *Zürichsee-Zeitung* (20 February 2006): 8.
- Neue Perspektiven zur KSZE-Politik der Schweiz von 1972–75, *Neue Zürcher Zeitung* (26 July 2005): 13.
- Der Genfer Gipfel 1955: Nur eine Atempause, *Neue Zürcher Zeitung* (19 July 2005): 5.
- Die kurze Geschichte des Warschaupakts, with Anna Locher, *Neue Zürcher Zeitung* (14 May 2005): 9.
- Der US-Diplomat George F. Kennan starb 101-jährig, *Mittelland-Zeitung* (19 March 2005): 7.
- Helle und dunkle Seiten von Camelot: Mythos Kennedy, *Zürichsee-Zeitung* (22 November 2003): 17.
- Die sowjetische Kriegsangst von 1983, *Zürichsee Zeitung* (8 November 2003): 16.
- Das Verhältnis zwischen Kennedy, Adenauer, de Gaulle und Chruschtschow im Juni 1963, *Zürichsee Zeitung* (26 Juni 2003): 2.
- Die Kubakrise von 1962, *Der Zürcher Oberländer* (12 October 2002): 5.
- Sputnik: Der Beginn des Kalten Krieges im Weltraum, *Zürichsee-Zeitung* (4 October 2002): 12.
- Planszenarien aus dem Kalten Krieg, *Der Zürcher Oberländer* (19 April 2002): 3.
- Das Kriegsrecht in Polen – 20 Jahre danach, *Der Zürcher Oberländer* (12 December 2001): 3.
- Die amerikanisch-sowjetische Panzerkonfrontation in Berlin von 1961, *Zürichsee-Zeitung* (27 Oktober 2001): 14.
- Das “perfekte Versagen” der USA in Kubas Schweinebucht im April 1961, *Zürichsee-Zeitung* (17 April 2001): 11.