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EDUCATION

- 2012 – 2017 **Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies**, Geneva (Switzerland)
PhD in International Relations/ Political Science, *Summa Cum Laude*
- Dissertation title: *Harnessing the Ring of Fire: Impacts of Clean Energy Regime Complex on Barriers to Geothermal Development in Indonesia and the Philippines*
 - Committee: Liliana Andonova (Chair), Cedric Dupont, Henry Lee
 - 2014/2015 Doctoral Exchange Programme, International Relations with **Sciences Po**, Paris
- 2010 – 2012 **Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies**, Geneva (Switzerland)
M.A. in International Relations/ Political Science
- Thesis title: *Overcoming Impasses: A Temporal Analysis of Cooperation Facilitators in the Mekong River Basin*
- 2003 – 2007 **University of Iowa**, Iowa City (USA)
B.A. Dual Major in International Studies, and Journalism and Mass Communication
- 2006/2007 Semester exchange program at Université Sorbonne Nouvelle – Paris 3 and University of London Institute, Paris (France)

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2023—Current **Brown University**— Providence, RI (USA)
Postdoctoral Research Associate in the Watson Institute Climate Solutions Lab working with Professor Jeff Colgan, 2023-2024
Visiting Fellow, 2024-Present
- 2020 – 2023 **University of Toronto** – Toronto, (Canada)
Primary Affiliation, 2020- 2023, Non-resident Affiliated Postdoctoral Fellow at the Environmental Governance Lab in the Department of Political Science working with Professor Matthew Hoffmann
- Northwestern University**— Evanston, IL (USA)
Joint affiliation, 2021 – 2023, Visiting Scholar in the Department of Political Science working with Professor Karen Alter
- 2016 **University of Cambridge** – Cambridge (UK)
Visiting Doctoral Researcher in the Judge Business School, Energy Policy Working Group, working with Professor David Reiner
- 2015-2016 **Harvard University**— Cambridge, MA (USA)
Doctoral Research Fellow in the Kennedy School of Government’s Sustainability Science Program, Energy Technology Innovation Policy (ETIP) research group working with Professor Henry Lee and Professor Jay Rosengard
- 2014 – 2016 **Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies** – Geneva (Switzerland)
Lead PhD researcher working under Principal Investigator: Professor Liliana Andonova for SNIS-funded project titled “Access to Clean Energy Technology for the Green Economy in Developing Countries”
- 2014 – 2015 **Sciences Po**— Paris (France)
Visiting Research Fellow, Centre d’études et de recherches internationales (CERI), working with Professor François Bafoil, CNRS/CERI

TEACHING AND MENTORSHIP EXPERIENCE

- 2024 **Brown University** – Providence, RI (USA)
Second Reader for graduate student International and Public Affairs Honors Thesis
First Reader: Deborah Gordon
- 2024 **Lawrence Berkeley National Lab** – Berkeley, CA (USA)
DOE Climate Smart Women Energy Leader’s Program Mentor for Indonesia Team
- 2023 **DePaul University**– Chicago, IL (USA)
Lecturer, Department of Sociology
Social Methods course
- 2023 **Johns Hopkins University**—Baltimore, MD (USA)
Capstone Project Mentor, Graduate student project on EV Charging Policy
Energy Policy and Climate Program, Faculty: Daniel Zachary
- 2016-2017 **Tufts University**– Somerville, MA (USA)
Teaching and Research Assistant, Fletcher School
Global Political Economy course, Instructor: Nancy Hite-Rubin
- 2013 **Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies** – Geneva (Switzerland)
Teaching Assistant, Department of International Relations/Political Science
Global Environmental Governance course, Instructor: Liliana Andonova
Qualitative Methods course, Instructor: Emily Meierding

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

- Chelminski, K. (2025) “Sparking Adaptation: The Politics of Reforming Effective Interconnection Regimes in Massachusetts and New York.” *Energy Research & Social Science* (Article in production).
- Chelminski, K., Andonova, L. and Y. Sun (2022) Emergence and Structuring of the Regime Complex for Clean Energy. *Global Governance* 28(4), 587-616. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1163/19426720-02804005>
- Chelminski, K. (2022) Climate Finance Effectiveness: A Comparative Analysis of Geothermal Development in Indonesia and the Philippines. *Journal of Environment & Development* 31(2): 139-167.

ARTICLES UNDER REVISION, REVIEW OR IN PREPARATION

- Chelminski, K. “Contesting the Just Transition: Comparing lithium extraction and geothermal development on Ancestral land in the Global South.” Article under review.
- Chelminski, K., Larsen, M., Colgan, J. “How climate salience disrupts global financial governance: Vertical and horizontal models of change.” Article under review.
- Chelminski, K., Wei, G, Belloc, G.P. “Lights Out on Climate Vulnerability: A Systematic Examination of Inequitable Grid Reliability in Urban U.S. Cities.” Article under review.
- Chelminski, K. “The Changing Landscape of Climate Finance.” Article in preparation.

BOOK MANUSCRIPTS

- Chelminski, K. (2025) *Governing Energy Transitions: A Study of Clean Energy Regime Complex Effectiveness on Geothermal Development in Indonesia and the Philippines*. Cambridge University Press: NY. [In production, Forthcoming September].

BOOK CHAPTERS

- Andonova, L., Castro, P. and K. Chelminski (2018) Transferring technologies: The polycentric governance of clean energy technology. Ch. in *Governing Climate Change: Polycentricity in Action?*. Cambridge University Press.
- Chelminski, K. (2018) “Fossil fuel subsidy reform in Indonesia: The Struggle for Successful Reform,” chapter in *Politics of Fossil Fuel Subsidy Reform*, eds. H. van Asselt and J. Skovgaard, Cambridge University Press.

Andonova, L. and K. Chelminski (2015) “UNEP,” chapter in *Edward Elgar Encyclopedia of Global Environmental Politics and Governance*, P. Pattberg and F. Zelli (eds), Edward Elgar.

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS

Grants and Fellowships

- 2024 Swiss National Science Foundation (SNF) Open Access Grant for Book Manuscript Publication
- 2023 DOE VTO Clean Transportation Challenge, *Community-Driven EV Charging Deployment in Underserved Communities, Bronx is Breathing: Reimagining a Cleaner Hunts Point*, PI: Joy Gardner, co-PI: K. Chelminski, (\$1.7M)
- 2023 American Political Science Association Travel Grant
- 2019 Swiss National Science Foundation (SNF) Postdoc.Mobility Fellowship, *Polycentrism and the rise of emerging economies in driving clean energy: A comparative case study of China and Brazil*
- 2017 Académie suisse des sciences humaines et sociales (ASSH) Travel Grant
- 2017 International Studies Association Travel Grant
- 2015-2016 Harvard University Kennedy School Doctoral Research Fellowship in Sustainability Science
- 2015-2016 Swiss National Science Foundation (SNF) Doc.Mobility Fellowship, *Geothermal Energy Technology Development in Indonesia and the Philippines: The Intersection of Clean Energy Governance and Domestic Policy Interests*
- 2015-2016 Albert Gallatin Fellowship for International Affairs

Awards and Scholarships

- 2017 Summa Cum Laude honors for PhD dissertation and defense
- 2015-2016 Academic Scholarship – Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies
- 2010-2011 Academic Scholarship – Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies
- 2006-2007 Jacob E. Reizenstein Scholarship
- 2004-2007 Dean’s List – University of Iowa

PRESENTATIONS

- 2025 “Lights Out on Climate Vulnerability: A Systematic Examination of Inequitable Grid Reliability in Urban U.S. Cities,” Paper to be presented at ISA, March 2.
- 2024 “Lights Out on Climate Vulnerability: A Systematic Examination of Inequitable Grid Reliability in Urban U.S. Cities,” Paper to be presented at APPAM, November 22.
- 2024 “The Politics of Effective Interconnection Regimes for Clean Energy Transitions,” Paper presented at APSA, September 6.
- 2024 “Governance, Contestation, and the Just Transition: Comparing lithium extraction and geothermal development on Ancestral lands” Paper presented at ISA, April 6.
- 2023 “Governance, Contestation, and the Just Transition: Comparing lithium extraction and geothermal development on Ancestral lands” Paper presented at APSA, September 1.
- 2023 “Deconstructing Norms of Resettlement in the Just Energy Transition,” Paper presented at Climate Pipeline Workshop, Brown University Climate Solutions Lab, May 19.
- 2022 “The Rise of the Global South and Multipolarity in Clean Energy Governance,” Paper presented at the Powering East Asia Conference, June 24.
- 2021 “Rebalancing the Established Institutional Order: The Rise of Global South in Driving Clean Energy Development,” Working paper presented at Harvard Pipeline Project, October 29.
- 2021 “Rebalancing the Established Institutional Order: The Rise of Global South Institutions in Driving Clean Energy Development.” International Studies Association Annual Convention, April 6-9, Virtual.
- 2020 “Rebalancing the Established Institutional Order: The Rise of Global South Institutions in Driving Clean Energy Development,” Working research presented at the University of Toronto EGL Series, December 4.
- 2019 “Epistemic Legitimation in Complex Governance System: The Case of Renewable Energy Governance,” Working paper (with Liliana Andonova and Yixian Sun) presented at ISA, March 25-28.
- 2017 “Removing barriers to geothermal energy development in Indonesia and the Philippines: An examination of international development assistance effectiveness,” Working paper presented at the ISA, February 22-25.
- 2016 “The politics behind Indonesia’s Fossil Fuel Subsidy Reforms,” Working paper presented at the SEI/Lund Workshop “Politics of Fossil fuel subsidy reform in Indonesia”, Stockholm, June 16-17.

- 2016 “Redefining success in fossil fuel subsidy reform in Indonesia,” Working paper presented at the ETIP Fellows Research Seminar, Harvard Kennedy School, Cambridge, April 6.
- 2015 “Impacts of the clean energy regime complex on Indonesia’s geothermal energy evolution.” OECD Green Economy and Green Growth Forum 2015, UNEP Side Event, December 15.
- 2015 “Political economy of energy access and sustainable energy transitions in Indonesia,” Working paper presented at Energy and justice in the EU and Asia conference at CERISciences Po, Paris on October 14-15.
- 2015 “The clean energy regime complex and Indonesia’s geothermal energy evolution,” Paper presented at the 2015 International Studies Association Conference, New Orleans, USA, February 19.
- 2014 “Addressing finance in sustainable development,” Panel presentation with Yixian Sun at the 2015 Global Think Tank Summit, Graduate Institute, Geneva, December 5.
- 2014 “Overcoming barriers to clean energy technology diffusion: The case of geothermal energy in Indonesia,” Presentation at the Centre for International Environmental Studies (CIES) Brown Bag Lunch Series, Graduate Institute, Geneva, Switzerland, November 18.
- 2014 “Ambitions and realities of ‘energy for all’ in Indonesia,” presentation at the CNRS/CERI séminaire, Sciences Po, Paris, France, November 12.

INVITED TALKS

- 2025 “Comparative Energy Justice” Workshop, ISA 2025, March 1, Chicago.
- 2025 “Roundtable: Indigeneity in Africa and Asia – The Politics of Erasure and Global South Perspectives on UNDRIP”, ISA 2025, March 2, Chicago.
- 2021 “Power Perspective—Current Market Trends Impacting the Northeast Region.” S&P Global Platts: Northeast Power and Gas Markets Virtual Conference, Virtual event, May 27.
- 2020 “Achieving the Tipping Point for Renewables: Industry Perspective,” Keynote Address at the 6th Annual Northeastern University Energy Virtual Conference, September 24 - September 25
- 2020 “Energy Policy Making During a Pandemic,” Moderator for a panel with Sen. Michael J. Barrett and Rep. Thomas A. Golden, Jr. of Massachusetts, NECEC Virtual Event, June 18.
- 2019 “Ensuring DERs Improve Resilience,” SEPA panel at Solar Storage New York, December 12.
- 2019 “Solar Massachusetts Renewable Target (SMART) Program”, Panelist for GTM Forum: Solar & Storage Conference, Boston, MA, July 30.
- 2019 “Growing Pains in Storage Regulation: What You Need to Know Today to Prepare for Tomorrow” Energy Storage Summit USA, Fort Lauderdale, FL, March 3-4.
- 2018 “Surf & Turf Wars”, Panel discussion of solar and wind siting and development in Connecticut, CPES & New England Women in Energy and the Environment (NEWIEE), August 2.

SERVICE

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| Ongoing | Reviewer for <i>Global Policy, Energy Policy, Energy Research & Social Science, Extractives Industries and Society</i> |
| 2024 | Discussant, Chair, and Panel Organizer at APPAM 2024 Annual Meeting |
| 2021 | Discussant and Chair at ISA 2021 Annual Convention |

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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| 2024 – Present | Lawrence Berkeley National Lab – Berkeley, CA (US)
<i>Energy Policy Researcher III</i> |
| 2022 – 2023 | Shell Recharge Solutions/Greenlots – Chicago, IL (US)
<i>Director of Policy and Market Development, EV Charging</i> |
| 2017 – 2022 | Ameresco – Boston, MA (US)
<i>Senior Director, Policy and Strategy, Solar + Storage, 2022</i>
<i>Director, Policy and Strategy, Solar, 2021 -2022</i>
<i>Senior Manager, New Market Development, Solar PV, 2019- 2021</i>
<i>Manager, New Market Development, Solar PV, 2017-2019</i> |
| 2018 – 2020 | OffGridBox – Boston, MA (US)
<i>Disaster Relief Lead</i> |

- 2015 **International Institute for Sustainable Development**– Geneva (Switzerland)
Consultant
- 2013 **International Partnership for Energy Efficiency Cooperation/IEA**, Paris (France)
Trainee Analyst
- 2010 – 2012 **United Nations Environment Programme** – Geneva (Switzerland)
Research Assistant in the Post-Conflict & Disaster Management Branch

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

- 2021 **California Energy Storage Association (CESA)**
At-Large Board Member
- 2020– 2022 **Northeast Energy & Commerce Association (NECA)**
Board Member and Co-Chair of the Energy Efficiency and Demand Response Committee
- 2019 –2022 **New York Solar Energy Industries Association (NYSEIA)**
Secretary and Board Member, Co-Chair of Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee

SPECIALIZED TRAINING

Field research: Indonesia (2014, 2015), Philippines (2016)
Languages: English (Native)/ French (Intermediate)
Computer Software: Stata, Pajek, Gephi