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### CONTACT INFORMATION

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### ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

**Harvard University**, Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA  
Department of Government  
*Lecturer*  
*College Fellow*

July 2020 - Present  
July 2018 - June 2020

**Tufts University**, Medford, Massachusetts, USA  
Center for International Environment and Resource Policy  
*Research Affiliate*

July 2016 - June 2018

**Princeton University**, Princeton, New Jersey, USA  
Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies  
*Researcher*

September 2017 - June 2018

### EDUCATION

**University of Oxford**, Oxford, Oxfordshire, UK

D.Phil., Politics (2020)

- Title: "Splitting the Check: A Political Economy of Climate Policy"
- Advisor: Nancy Bermeo
- Readers: Ben Ansell, Larry Jacobs

M.Sc., Politics Research, awarded with Distinction (2013)

- Title: "Geography, Accessibility, and Civil War Duration"
- Advisor: Nancy Bermeo

**Brown University**, Providence, Rhode Island, USA

A.B., Political Science (2009)

### ARTICLES

L. Giordano, H. Boudet, A. Gard-Murray (2020). "Local adaptation policy responses to extreme weather events." *Policy Sciences*.

A. Rutherford, D. Harmon, J. Werfel, A. Gard-Murray, S. Bar-Yam, A. Gros, R. Xulvi-Brunet, & Y. Bar-Yam (2014). "Good Fences: The Importance of Setting Boundaries for Peaceful Coexistence." *PLoS ONE* 9(5).

A. Herdağdelen, W. Zuo, A. Gard-Murray, & Y. Bar-Yam (2013). "An Exploration of Social Identity: The Geography and Politics of News-Sharing Communities in Twitter." *Complexity* 19(2): 10-20.

### REPORTS

T. Alam, M. Luomi, Y.J. Baek, T. Coburn, A. Gard-Murray, N.S. Hendriyetty, C.J. Kim, C.F. Kutscher, J. Logan, R. McGrath, W. Toor (2020). "COVID-19 Recovery: How the G20 Can Accelerate Sustainable Energy Transitions in the Power Sector by Supporting the Private Sector." T20 2020 Policy Brief, Taskforce 2: Climate Change and Environment.

BOOK MANUSCRIPT "Who Will Pay to Save the Planet? A Political Economy of Climate Change Mitigation."  
(in progress)

BOOK CHAPTERS

A. Gros, A. Gard-Murray, & Y. Bar-Yam (2015). "Conflict in Yemen: From Ethnic Fighting to Food Riots" in P. Vos Fellman, Y. Bar-Yam, A.A. Minai, eds., *Conflict and Complexity*, Springer.

A. Gard-Murray & Y. Bar-Yam (2015). "Complexity and the Limits of Revolution: What Will Happen to the Arab Spring?" in P. Vos Fellman, Y. Bar-Yam, A.A. Minai, eds., *Conflict and Complexity*, Springer.

A. Rutherford, M. Lim, R. Metzler, D. Harmon, J. Werfel, S. Bar-Yam, A. Gard-Murray, A. Gros, & Y. Bar-Yam (2015). "The Geography of Ethnic Violence" in P. Vos Fellman, Y. Bar-Yam, A.A. Minai, eds., *Conflict and Complexity*, Springer.

WORKING PAPERS

"De-Risking Decarbonization: Shifting Costs from Present Losers to Future Winners."

"Mitigating Mitigation: How Labor Protection Strengthens Climate Policy."

"Pocketbook Preferences: How Sector of Employment Affects Support for Climate Policy."

"Hard-Won Lessons: Local Mitigation and Adaptation Decisions After Extreme Weather" (with Hilary Boudet and Leanne Giordono)

"Climate Discourse in the Wake of Extreme Events" (with Hilary Boudet and Leanne Giordono)

"Hurricane Fatigue: How Clusters of Severe Storms Weaken the Relationship Between Storm Impacts and Public Interest in Climate Change" (with Michael Lerner)

"Climate Discourse and Campaign Contributions in US Congressional Hearings." (with Felix Krawatzek)

"Does Aid Buy Trust? Evidence from Poland" (with Allison Hartnett)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

|   |                        |
|---|------------------------|
| Association for Public Policy and Management Conference             | 2020 (accepted)        |
| Climate Futures Initiative, Princeton University                    | 2020                   |
| Environmental Politics and Governance Conference                    | 2019, 2020             |
| American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting              | 2017, 2018, 2020       |
| Midwest Political Science Association, Annual Meeting               | 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 |
| Western Political Science Association, Annual Meeting               | 2019, 2020             |
| The Ten Most Pressing Gaps in Research on Environmental Policy      | 2019                   |
| Nuffield Politics Graduate Student Conference, University of Oxford | 2015                   |
| International Conference on Complex Systems                         | 2011                   |

GRANTS AND AWARDS

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| The Ten Most Pressing Gaps in Research on Environmental Policy:<br>A Global Research Planning Competition, MacMillan Center, Yale University | 2019      |
| Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, Bok Center, Harvard University   | 2018      |
| Conference Travel Grant, Nuffield College  | 2013-2016 |
| Writing-Up Grant, University of Oxford   | 2017      |
| Fellowship for Academic Excellence, University of Oxford   | 2013-2016 |
| American Foundations Prize, Brown University   | 2006      |

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|---|---|--------------------------|
| TEACHING<br>EXPERIENCE                    | <b>Harvard University</b> , Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA                           |                          |
|   | Public Policy Practicum   | Fall 2020                |
|   | Politics of Climate Change  | Fall 2018, 2019, 2020    |
|   | Environmental Policy Research   | Spring 2020              |
|   | Political Economy of the Environment  | Spring 2019, 2020        |
|   | Senior Thesis Writers' Seminar  | Fall 2018, Spring 2019   |
|   | <b>University of Oxford</b> , Oxford, Oxfordshire, UK                               |                          |
|   | Political Sociology Tutorial (co-instructor)  | Spring 2016              |
|   | Environmental Politics Tutorial   | Fall 2015                |
|   | <b>New England Complex Systems Institute</b> , Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA        |                          |
| Winter and Summer Schools (co-instructor) | 2011, 2012  |                          |
| PROFESSIONAL<br>EXPERIENCE                | <b>Bob Massie for Governor</b> , Somerville, Massachusetts, USA                     | December 2017 - May 2018 |
|   | <i>Policy Advisor</i>   |                          |
|   | <b>Prof. Nancy Bermeo</b> , Oxford, Oxfordshire, UK                                 | October 2012 - May 2018  |
|   | <i>Research Assistant</i>   |                          |
|   | <b>New England Complex Systems Institute</b> , Cambridge, Mass., USA                | July 2010 - July 2012    |
|   | <i>Researcher</i>   |                          |
| SERVICE                                   | Reviewer for <i>World Politics, Climatic Change</i>                                 |                          |
|   | Coordinator, Climate Politics Working Group, Harvard University                     |                          |
|   | Undergraduate Thesis Supervisor, Harvard University                                 |                          |
|   | Guest Critic, Harvard Graduate School of Design                                     |                          |
|   | Convenor, Graduate Research Seminar, Social Sciences Division, University of Oxford |                          |
|   | Member, University Challenge Team, Nuffield College, University of Oxford           |                          |
|   | StackOverflow contributor (top 5%)  |                          |
| TECHNICAL SKILLS                          | Statistics and Data Analysis (Stata, R)   |                          |
|   | General Programming (Python)  |                          |
|   | Text Analysis (Gensim, NLTK, STM)   |                          |
|   | Geographic Information Systems (ArcGIS, QGIS)                                       |                          |
|   | Web Development (HTML, CSS, PHP, JavaScript, SQL)                                   |                          |