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**EMPLOYMENT**      Assistant Professor, Political Science, University of Amsterdam, 2015-  
Visiting Professor, Political Science, Yale University, fall 2017  
Visiting Professor, Graduate School of Law, Kobe University, spring 2015  
Research Assistant Professor, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University, 2012-2014  
Postdoctoral Research Associate, Empirical Studies of Conflict Project, Princeton University, 2011-2012

**EDUCATION**      Ph.D. in Political Science, University of Tokyo, 2013  
M.A. in International Relations, University of Tokyo, 2007  
Visiting Research Fellow, Yale University, 2008-2011  
B.A. in Language and Area Studies, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies, 2005  
International Program Diploma, Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris, 2004

**ARTICLES**      *Publications:*  
Abbey Steele, Christopher Paik, and Seiki Tanaka. Forthcoming. "Constraining the Samurai: Rebellion and Taxation in Early Modern Japan." *International Studies Quarterly*.  
Seiki Tanaka Forthcoming. "Aging Gracefully? Why Old Autocrats Hold Competitive Elections." *Asian Journal of Comparative Politics*.  
Seiki Tanaka, Atsushi Tago, and Kristian Skrede Gleditsch. (2017). "Seeing the Lexus for the Olive Trees? Public Opinion, Economic Interdependence, and Interstate Conflict." *International Interactions*. 43(3): 375-396.  
Seiki Tanaka. (2016). "The Microfoundations of Territorial Disputes: Evidence from a Survey Experiment in Japan." *Conflict Management and Peace Science*. 33(5): 516-538.  
Seiki Tanaka. (2016). "Retirement Planning for Dictators: Explaining the Introduction of Competitive Elections." *International Relations of the Asia-Pacific*. 16(1): 1-25.  
Seiki Tanaka and Masanori Yoshikawa. (2013). "Establishing Good Governance in Fragile States through Reconstruction Projects – Lessons from Iraq." *Brookings Global Economy and Development Working Paper*. 56: 1-23.

*Selected Working Papers:*

“Does Taxation Lose Its Role in Contemporary Democratization? State Revenue Production Revisited in the Third-Wave Democratization.” Co-authored with Junko Kato. Revise and Resubmit.

“What Explains Low Female Political Representation? Evidence from Survey Experiments in Japan.” Co-authored with Rieko Kage and Frances Rosenbluth. Under Review.

“The Impact of Municipal Mergers on Local Public Spending: Evidence from Remote-Sensing Data” Co-authored with Steve Pickering and Kyohei Yamada. Under Review.

“Spurred by Threats or Afraid of War? A Survey Experiment on Costs of Conflict in Support for Military Action.” With Kristian Skrede Gleditsch and Atsushi Tago. Under Review.

“Does Knowledge Matter? Survey Evidence for Knowledge-based, Self-interested Welfare Attitudes in South Korea.” With Sijeong Lim. Under Review.

“Globalization and Multi-faced Welfare State Attitudes: Evidence from South Korea.” With Sijeong Lim. Under Review.

“Does Regressive Taxation without Democratic Accountability Contribute to Human Development? The Effect of Recent Trends in State Revenue Production in Developing Countries.” Co-authored with Junko Kato. July 2017.

“Positive and Negative Attitudes Towards Immigrants: Evidence from Survey Experiments in Japan.” Co-authored with Rieko Kage and Frances Rosenbluth. June 2017.

*Policy Brief and News Articles:*

Steve Pickering, Seiki Tanaka, and Kyohei Yamada. 2014. “How Tweets Helped Predict the Vote in the Tokyo Gubernatorial Election.” *Monkey Cage, Washington Post*. February 10, 2014.

Steve Pickering, Seiki Tanaka, and Kyohei Yamada. 2014. “In Tokyo Elections, Twitter Reveals Voter Preferences in a Way Surveys Do Not.” *Monkey Cage, Washington Post*. February 5, 2014.

*Publications in Japanese:*

Seiki Tanaka. 2010. “The European Union’s Economic Sanctions against African Countries: A Quantitative Analysis of the Initiation of Economic Sanctions.” *International Relations* [Kokusaiseiji]. 159.

Jun Saito and Seiki Tanaka. 2009. “Official Development Aid and Support for Democratization.” *International Development Studies* [Kokusai Kaihatsu Kenkyu]. 18(2).

Seiki Tanaka and Mitsugi Endo. 2009. “Democratization and Public Opinion in Africa.” *International Social Science* [Kokusaishakaikagaku]. 58.

Seiki Tanaka and Taku Yukawa. 2009. “Are Economic Sanctions Ineffective? Sanctions against One-Party, Military, and Personal Regime.” *Leviathan*. 44.

**AWARDED  
GRANTS AND  
FELLOWSHIPS**

Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO): Stimulerend Europees Onderzoek (Encouraging European Research) Funds, 2017.

Amsterdams Universiteitsfonds, 2016. With Livia Schubiger and Abbey Steele.

LSE Research Infrastructure and Investment Fund, 2016. With Livia Schubiger and Abbey Steele.

University of Amsterdam PETGOV Research Fund, 2016. With Sijeong Lim.

Murata Science Foundation Research Grant, 2015. With Rieko Kage and Frances Rosenbluth.

Mitsubishi Foundation Research Grant, 2015. With Rieko Kage and Frances Rosenbluth.

Asahi Glass Research Grant, 2015. With Kristian Skrede Gleditsch and Atsushi Tago.

Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS): Grant-in-Aid for Scientific Research (B), 2015. With Junko Kato.

Nomura Foundation Research Grant, 2015. With Junko Kato.

Japan Foundation Japan-America Collegiate Exchange and Travel Program, 2014.

Japanese Association of Electoral Studies International Joint Research Grant, 2013. With Steve Pickering and Kyohei Yamada.

Governance, Development and Political Violence Summer Training Workshop, University of California Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation, 2011.

Alexander Hamilton Center Fourth Annual Graduate Conference on Political Economy, NYU, May 2011.

The Konosuke Matsushita Memorial Foundation Research Grant, 2010-2011.

Global Studies Program Research Grant, University of Tokyo, 2010-2011.

Academic Exchange Program Research Grant, University of Tokyo, 2009-2010.

The Fox International Fellowship, Yale University, 2008-2009.

German and European Studies Field Work Grant, University of Tokyo, 2005.

**ONGOING  
PROJECTS**

“Contact Hypothesis Revisited.” – grant received and data collection in process.

“Growth and Prosocial Behavior.” With Livia Schubiger and Abbey Steele – grant application in process.

“Care-giving and Support for Immigration: Evidence from Germany, Japan, and the US.” With Margaret E. Peters, Rieko Kage, and Frances Rosenbluth – data collection completed; data analysis in process.

“Media, Politics, and Public Perceptions.” With Taka-aki Asano, Yui Nishimura, and Atsushi Tago – data collection completed; data analysis in process.

**TEACHING**

University of Amsterdam:

MA: The Microfoundations of Conflicts, 2016, 2017

MA: Politics of Foreign Aid and Development, 2015, 2016

BA: Varieties of Democracy and Democratization, 2015, 2016

PPLE: Democracy, Welfare States and Democratization (Introduction to Comparative Politics), 2016, 2017

Yale University:

BA: Microfoundations of Japanese Politics, 2017

Syracuse University:

MA(704): Quantitative Skills in International Relations, Syracuse University, 2012

BA(400): Japanese Political Economy and Development, Syracuse University, 2014

BA(300): The Politics of Poverty, Syracuse University, 2014

BA(300): Japanese Political Economy and Development, Syracuse University, 2014

BA(132): Global Community, Syracuse University, 2014

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

Journal Reviewer:

*American Journal of Political Science; British Journal of Political Science; Comparative Political Studies; Conflict Management and Peace Science; Economics & Politics; International Relations of Asia-Pacific; International Studies Quarterly; Japanese Journal of Political Science; Journal of Conflict Resolution; Journal of Peace Research; Journal of Politics.*

Grant Reviewer:

*Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF).*

Symposium Organizer:

*International Symposium on Political Consequences of Taxation*, University of Tokyo, 2017.

Workshop Coordinator:

*Moynihan Research Workshop*, Syracuse University, 2013.

*Komaba International Politics Workshop*, University of Tokyo, 2009.

**PRESENTATIONS**

ESPAnet Conference. September 2017.

American Political Science Association Annual Conference. September 2017.

European Political Science Association Annual Meeting. June 2017.

Leiden University Institute of Political Science. April 2017.

International Studies Association Annual Convention. February 2017.

University of Tokyo International Symposium on Political Consequences of Taxation. January 2017.

University of Amsterdam Seminar on Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences. October 2016.

UCLA Global Forum. May 2016.

Yale University Council on East Asian Studies Lecture Series. November 2015.

American Political Science Association Annual Conference. September 2015.

Kobe University Workshop on Comparative Politics. May 2015.

Kobe University Workshop on International Relations. April 2015.

American Political Science Association Annual Conference. September 2014.

European Political Science Association Annual Meeting. June 2014.

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference. April 2014.

Syracuse University Moynihan Research Workshop. October 2013.  
European Political Science Association Annual Meeting, June 2013.  
New England Political Science Association Annual Meeting. May 2013.  
Syracuse University Public Administration Ph.D. Seminar. April 2013.  
Kobe University Workshop on International Relations. April 2013.  
International Studies Association Annual Convention. April 2013.  
Syracuse University Moynihan Institute East Asia Program. March 2013.  
Syracuse University Moynihan Research Workshop. February 2013.  
Syracuse University African Scholars Union. January 2013.  
Syracuse University Political Science Research Workshop. November 2012.  
Brookings Institution. September 2012.  
American Political Science Association Annual Conference. September 2012. (Canceled)  
European Political Science Association Annual Meeting. June 2012.  
International Studies Association Annual Convention. April 2012.  
Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference. April 2012.  
Essex University Workshop on the Advancing the Scientific Study of Conflict and Cooperation. March 2012.  
Kobe University Workshop on International Relations. September 2011.  
NYU Alexander Hamilton Center Graduate Conference on Political Economy. May 2011.  
University of Tokyo Komaba International Politics Workshop. July 2011.  
Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference. April 2009.

**MEMBERSHIP** American Political Science Association  
European Political Science Association  
International Studies Association

**OTHER** Research Consultant, Innovations for Poverty Action, 2012-2013  
**PROFESSIONAL** Research Consultant, Japanese International Cooperation Agency, 2012-2013  
**POSITIONS** Policy Analyst, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan, 2008