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| **Title of publication 1:** | **Towards a model explaining the political (in)stability and variety of regimes in the post-Soviet region.** *Comparative sociology*, 2017, vol. 16, iss. 1, pp. 66-101. (co-author M. Makarovič) | |
| **Year:**  **Abstract** (Limit: 5 lines): | 2017  The article examines the conditions of political stability and different regime trajectories in the post-Soviet region. Applying fuzzy set QCA, this article demonstrates the significance of social inclusion in political stability, while both democratic political culture andthe absence of a strong economic dependence on natural resources proved to be sufficient conditions for democracy in the EU and its neighboring countries. | |
| **Title of publication 2:** | **The importance of the political order for peace.** *Journal of aggression, conflict and peace research*, ISSN 2042-8715, 2017, vol. 9, iss. 1, pp. 24-37. (co-author V. Cepoi) | |
| **Year:**  **Abstract:** | 2017  The paper tackles the issue of security challenges in the selected states in Eurasia and, Central and Eastern Europe from the perspective of peace and politics. It is evident there are several different paths to achieve peace. However, the rule of law clearly constitutes both the necessary and sufficient conditions for peace in the selected countries. | |
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| **Year:**  **Abstract:** | 2017  With the case study of EU Volunteers in Kenya (EUROSHA), the chapter illustrates how structural changes such as development of Information and Communications Technology (ICT) demand more inclusive, diverse and bottom-up forms of Humanitarian Information Management (HIM) and a reflection on opportunities and constraints of such changes. | |
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| **Year:**  **Abstract:** | 2015  The results of the quantitative research reveal that there are no significant casual relations between peace, security and stateness on one hand and democracy on the other. Instead, democratic developments are largely influenced by the rule of law and sustainable socio-economic development. | |
| **Title of publication 5:** | **Linking relief, rehabilitation and development in South Sudan: missed opportunities of the European Commission?**. In: J. Strouhal (ed.). *Economics, law and political science: proceedings of the 4th International Conference on Economics, Political and Law Science (EPLS '15), Rome, Italy, November 7-9, 2015*, 4th International Conference on Economics, Political and Law Science (EPLS '15). pp. 167-174. | |
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| **Title of publication 6:** | **Failures of democratization in the MENA region**. In: *Second Euro-Arab Meeting for Young Researchers in Social Sciences, Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain, September 26-October 2, 2016*. | |
| **Year:**  **Abstract:** | 2016  Despite the fact that Arab uprisings of 2010/2011 initiated process of dismantling various regimes, authoritarian persistence and democratic deficit remain prevailing features of Middle East politics. By applying fuzzy-set QCA we illustrate how configurations of political, security, socio-economic and transnational variables are driving the outcomes of very nuanced regimes, and how is this related to the EU context. | |

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