

Curriculum Vitae

Dr Claudia Zilla

- Born 1973 in Buenos Aires, Argentina
- Political scientist with a regional focus on Latin America, especially South America

Professional Positions

- Since 2005 at the German Institute for International and Security Affairs / Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik (SWP), Berlin
- Since 2019 Senior Fellow, Research Division The Americas, SWP, Berlin
- 2012–2019 Head of the Research Division The Americas, SWP, Berlin
- 2005–2012 Research Associate, Research Division The Americas, SWP, Berlin

- Since 2024 Individual Member of the Board of the Arbeitsgemeinschaft Deutsche Lateinamerikaforschung ([ADLAF e.V.](#))
- Since 2023 Member of the editorial board of [IBEROAMERICANA](#). América Latina - España - Portugal
- 2014–2015 Fritz Thyssen Fellow, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
- 2002/3 Coordinator and Lecturer of the Master's programme "European Political Studies" at the Heidelberg Center for Latin America of the Heidelberg University in Santiago de Chile
- 1998–2002 / 2003–2005 Stud. Research Assistant / Research Associate at the chair of Prof. Dr Dieter Nohlen at the Institute of Political Science, Heidelberg University

Education

- 2010 PhD in Political Science (Dr rer. pol.), Heidelberg University.
Doctoral thesis: *'Democracy' in the discourse of political parties. Argentina and Chile in comparison* ([German Book](#))
Supervisor: Prof. Dr Dieter Nohlen und Prof. Dr Klaus von Beyme
- 1993–1999 Studies (Master of Arts) of Political Science (Major), Sociology (Minor) and Psychology (Minor), Heidelberg University

Master's thesis: *Party systems in comparison: Argentina and Brazil*

Supervisors: Prof. Dr Dieter Nohlen und Prof. Dr Klaus von Beyme

- 1991–1993 Studies of Political Science at the Universidad de Belgrano, Buenos Aires

Languages (estimated CEFR level)

- Spanish: mother tongue
- German: C2
- English: C1
- Portuguese: B2
- French: A2

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