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Jens Herpolsheimer did his BA and MA in African Studies at Leipzig University with study and research stays respectively at the *Science Po* in Bordeaux and the *Centro de Estudos Internacionais* of ISCTE-IUL (CEI-IUL) in Lisbon. Subsequently, continuing research initiated during his masters, he has worked on cooperation dynamics of the Community of Portuguese-Speaking Countries (CPLP) in different fields. Since 2016, Jens Herpolsheimer has been a researcher at the Collaborative Research Centre (SFB 1199) “Processes of Spatialization under the Global Condition”, at Leipzig University. In this context, he is currently pursuing his PhD, focusing on interventions in crisis-ridden Guinea-Bissau. He is especially interested in the politics and interventions of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) and the African Union (AU), as well as their complex interaction, and their engagement with several other regional or international actors, such as the CPLP, the European Union, and the United Nations. These issues reflect also his more general research interests, including politics, peace and security in Africa, Lusophony, as well as comparative regionalism.

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