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CONTACT INFORMATION

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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Associate Professor for Government , Department of Government, University of Vienna	Since 05/2023
Assistant Professor for Government , Department of Government, University of Vienna	09/2021 – 04/2023
Lecturer / Assistant Professor in European Politics , Department of Political Science, University College London	09/2019 – 09/2021
Programme Director of the ‘ <i>MSc in European Politics and Policy</i> ’, Department of Political Science, University College London	09/2019 – 09/2021
John F. Kennedy Memorial Fellow , Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies, Harvard University	09/2018 – 06/2019
Associate Member , Cologne Center for Comparative Politics, University of Cologne	09/2018 – 08/2019
Thyssen Postdoc Fellow , Cologne Center for Comparative Politics & Cologne Graduate School, University of Cologne	12/2016 – 08/2018

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Political Science/European Studies , London School of Economics and Political Science, European Institute, awarded with no corrections	10/2013 – 02/2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dissertation title: ‘<i>Governing Europe for the People? Citizen Representation in European Union Policy-Making</i>’• Supervision: Prof. Sara B. Hobolt, Dr. Sara Hagemann	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examination committee: Prof. Simon Hix, Prof. Will Jennings 	
Visiting Ph.D. Student , Hertie School of Governance, Berlin	02/2016 – 04/2016
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervision: Prof. Mark A. Kayser 	
M.Phil in Politics , University of Oxford, St. Antony's College	2009 – 2011
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thesis title: <i>'Building Europe for the People? The Impact of Public Opinion on Governments' Preferences in EU Constitution-Making'</i> (Grade: 79) • Supervision: Prof. Pablo Beramendi, Prof. Sara B. Hobolt 	
B.A. in Political Science , Free University of Berlin	2006 – 2009
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thesis title: <i>'European Integration Theory and the Werner Plan'</i> (Grade: 1,0) • Supervision: Prof. Tanja A. Börzel 	
Visiting Student , University of Warwick	2008 – 2009
B.A. in Philosophy & Economics , University of Bayreuth, without graduation	2005 – 2006
German 'Abitur' graduation (Grade: 1,0; achieved by 0.7% of the students)	2005
Skipped 10th grade	2003

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Project Manager with Bertelsmann Foundation , Gütersloh & Brussels	2012 – 2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developed new academic expert survey for Sustainable Governance Indicators (www.sgi-network.org) • Developed new activities on democracy & inequality • Designed new project on monitoring EU member states' social policies 	
Management Consultant with The Boston Consulting Group , Hamburg & Berlin	2011 – 2012
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worked with clients in the financial, insurance and media industries 	

GRANTS

BA/Leverhulme Small Research Grant <i>'The Role of Issue Salience in the Rhetoric of International Negotiations'</i> (total project sum: £9,957), co-investigator, grant recipient: Julian Hörner	09/2023 – 08/2025
European Research Council Starting Grant <i>'Multidimensional Representation:</i>	09/2023 –

<i>Enabling An Alternative Research Agenda on the Citizen-Politician Relationship (MULTIREP)</i> (total project sum: ~€1,498,727), principal investigator	08/2028
Fritz Thyssen Foundation project grant <i>'Rebels in Representative Democracy: The Appeal and Consequences of Political Defection in Europe'</i> (total project sum: ~€280,000), co-investigator, grant recipient: Sven-Oliver Proksch	10/2018 – 09/2021
Fritz Thyssen Foundation postdoc project grant <i>'Measuring and Explaining Governments' Ideal Points in European Union Economic and Social Policy-Making'</i> (total project sum: ~€81,860), principal investigator	12/2016 – 11/2018

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

Best Article Award 2018 , European Politics & Society Section of the American Political Science Association, awarded for article 'Government Responsiveness in the European Union: Evidence from Council Voting' published in <i>Comparative Political Studies</i> (33 articles were nominated)	06/2018
Nomination for 'German Study Prize' 2018 (only Ph.D. thesis from political science nominated as one of the 11 best theses in the social sciences defended in 2017), Germany's biggest doctoral thesis award	05/2018
John F. Kennedy Memorial Fellowship 2018/19 , Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies (Harvard University) (\$60,000)	03/2018
1st Prize in the LSE 'Europe in Question' Discussion Paper Series Doctoral Paper Competition 2014-2015 (£500)	05/2015
Ernst Haas Dissertation Fellowship (\$1,200), European Union Studies Association	04/2014
Ph.D. Scholarship of the UK Economic and Social Research Council (~£23,000 per annum), awarded with <i>Advanced Quantitative Methods</i> enhancement	2013 – 2016
Member of 'FutureLab Europe' , European Policy Centre, Brussels (Connects young people with outstanding EU expertise with European decision-makers)	2013 – 2018
1st Prize in the European Charlemagne Youth Prize , awarded by the European Parliament and the 'Society for the Conferring of the International Charlemagne Prize' to European online magazine 'Europe & Me' (www.europeandme.eu); co-founder and editor of the magazine	05/2011
'Hölderlin scholarship' (€15,000) & 'Overseas scholarship' (~€8,000), German	2009 – 2011

National Academic Foundation, for M.Phil at the University of Oxford

Scholarship of the German Academic Exchange Service (~€7,000), for full academic session at University of Warwick 2008 – 2009

Fellow at the ‘Studienkolleg zu Berlin’, Hertie Foundation, Berlin 2007 – 2008
(International one-year study & practice programme on European questions)

2nd Prize in the ‘German Study Prize’ (€2,000), *together with Tim Heemsoth* 05/2007
(Germany’s biggest student research competition)

Scholarship of the German National Academic Foundation 2006 – 2011
(~0,5% of German students receive this merit-based scholarship)

2nd Prize in the History Competition of the German Federal President 10/2005
(€ 1,000), 1380 competition entries

DECLINED OPPORTUNITIES

UK Economic and Social Research Council research project grant 10/2021
‘Multidimensional Representation: Measurement, Standards and Importance’
(total funding sum: £783,854), principal investigator [*grant was non-transferable to University of Vienna*]

Promotion to **Associate Professor in European Politics**, University College London [*declined due to move to University of Vienna*]

University Professorship for Politics of the European Union, University of Salzburg [*declined*]

REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES

2023 ‘The Rhyme and Reason of Rebel Support: Exploring European Voters’ Attitudes Towards Dissident MPs’, in: *Political Science Research and Methods*. (with Dominik Duell, Lea Kaftan, Sven-Oliver Proksch and Jonathan Slapin)

2023 ‘Communicating the Rift: Voter Perceptions of Intra-Party Dissent in Parliaments’, in: *Journal of Politics*, 85:1, pp. 76-91. (with Dominik Duell, Lea Kaftan, Sven-Oliver Proksch and Jonathan Slapin)

2023 ‘Majority Representation and Public Legitimacy: Survey-Experimental Evidence from the European Union’, in: *European Journal of Political Research*, 62, pp. 285-307. (with Jens Wäckerle)

- 2023 'Do Parties' Representation Failures Affect Populist Attitudes? Evidence from a Multinational Survey Experiment', in: *Political Science Research and Methods*, 11, pp. 347-362. (with Bruno Castanho Silva)
- 2022 'Government Rhetoric and the Representation of Public Opinion in International Negotiations', in: *American Political Science Review*, early view (with Jens Wäckerle and Sven-Oliver Proksch)
- 2022 'Populism and Candidate Support in the US: The Effects of "Thin" and "Host" Ideology', in: *Journal of Experimental Political Science*, early view. (with Bruno Castanho Silva and Fabian Neuner)
- 2022 'The Populist Marketplace: Unpacking the Role of "Thin" and "Thick" Ideology', in: *Political Behavior*, 44, pp. 551-574. (with Fabian G. Neuner)
- 2021 'Electoral Competitiveness and Responsiveness: Rational Anticipation in the EU Council', in: *Journal of European Public Policy*, 29:1, pp. 42-60. (with Fabio Franchino and Mark A. Kayser)
- 2021 'Multidimensional Representation', in: *American Journal of Political Science*, 65:4, pp. 862-876. (with Fabio Wolkenstein)
- 2020 'Contestation and Responsiveness in EU Council Deliberations', in: *Journal of European Public Policy*, 27:3, pp. 362-381. (with Sara B. Hobolt)
- 2019 'Public Deliberations in the Council of the European Union: Introducing and Validating the DICEU Approach', in: *European Union Politics*, 20:3, pp. 511-533. (with Sara B. Hobolt)
- 2019 'Representing the Compromise: How Institutions Serve Government Support Coalitions in European Union Policy-Making', in: *European Journal of Political Research*, 58:4, pp. 1129-1151. (with Fabio Franchino)
- 2019 'Testing the Validity of Automatic Speech Recognition for Political Text Analysis', in: *Political Analysis*, 27:3, pp. 339-359. (with Sven-Oliver Proksch and Jens Wäckerle)
- 2019 'Territorial Representation and the Opinion-Policy Linkage: Evidence from the European Union', in: *American Journal of Political Science*, 63:1, pp. 197-211.
- 2018 'Modes of Government Responsiveness in the European Union: Evidence from Council Negotiation Positions', in: *European Union Politics*, 19:1, pp. 52-74.
- 2018 'Dodging the Bullet: How Crises Trigger Technocrat-Led Governments', in: *European Journal of Political Research*, 57:2, pp. 450-72. (with Giulia Pastorella)
- 2017 'Government Responsiveness in the European Union: Evidence from Council Voting', in: *Comparative Political Studies*, 50:6, pp. 850-67. (with Sara Hagemann and Sara B. Hobolt)

Winner of the APSA European Politics & Society Section 'Best Article Award' 2018

2015 'Public Opinion and the Crisis: The Dynamics of Support for the Euro', in: *Journal of European Public Policy*, 22:2, pp. 238-256. (with Sara B. Hobolt)

BOOK CHAPTERS, STUDIES & OTHER PUBLICATIONS

2019 'Europe's Choice. Populist Attitudes and Voting Intentions in the 2019 European Election', Gütersloh: Bertelsmann Foundation. (with Cristóbal Rovira Kaltwasser and Robert Vehrkamp)

2017 'A Populist Moment? Populist Attitudes of Voters and Non-Voters before the German Federal Election 2017', Gütersloh: Bertelsmann Foundation. (with Robert Vehrkamp)

2013 'Divided Democracy – Political Participation and Satisfaction with Democracy before the German Federal Elections 2013', Gütersloh: Bertelsmann Foundation. (with Thomas Petersen, Dominik Hierlemann, Robert Vehrkamp) [translated from German]

2012 'Heinrich Malzahn (1884-1957)', in: Mielke, Siegfried/Heinz, Stefan (eds.): *Officials of the German Metalworker Association in the Nazi State. Resistance and Prosecution*, Berlin: Metropol Verlag, pp. 416-419. [translated from German]

2008 'Diagnosis Marginal Utility – The Compatibility of Work and Life from an Economic Perspective Using the Example of Clinicians', in: German Study Prize (eds.): *Approaches, Models, and Ideas for the Compatibility of Work and Life*, Wiesbaden: VS Verlag, pp. 203-226. (with Tim Heemsoth) [translated from German]

2007 'The European Economic and Monetary Union and Functionalist Hypotheses. 'A natural candidate for spill-over' in the 1970s?', in: Börzel, Tanja A. (ed.): *Berlin Term Papers on European Integration*. [translated from German]

WORK IN PROGRESS

2023 'Political Representation as Communicative Practice', in: *Cambridge Elements in Politics and Communication*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, under contract. (with Fabio Wolkenstein)

2022 'Challenging the Challengers: Do Intraparty Divisions Help Parties Fight Electoral Threats from New Parties?' (with Dominik Duell, Lea Kaftan, Sven-Oliver Proksch and Jonathan Slapin)

2022 'Determinants of Public Opinion Support for a Full Embargo on Russian Energy in Germany' (with Bruno Castanho Silva and Jens Wäckerle)

2022 'TITLE BLINDED FOR REVIEW' (with Markus Kollberg and Ben Lauderdale, under review with *Journal of Politics*)

- 2021 'Who Gets Represented? (Un)equal Representation in the European Union'
- 2021 'TITLE BLINDED FOR REVIEW' (with Jack Blumenau and Fabio Wolkenstein)
- 2021 'Multidimensional Women's Representation' (with Fabio Wolkenstein)
- 2021 'It's the Economy, Stupid! Governments Are (Normally) Responsive to Public Opinion When Voting in the EU Council'

CONSULTANCY PROJECTS

'Populism Barometer', Bertelsmann Foundation (project sum to date, excl. survey costs: €27,931) 2015 – 2021

- Preparation, questionnaire design and implementation of annual surveys on populist, anti-EU and anti-globalization attitudes of German voters (with Infratest Dimap)
- Preparation, questionnaire design and implementation of 12-country European elections study on populist attitudes (with YouGov for 2019 European Parliament elections)
- Analysis and design of conjoint, framing and item-count/list survey experiments

TEACHING

'Master's Seminar', dissertation preparation seminar for master students, University of Vienna (student evaluation: 1.3 on scale from 1.0 to 5.0) 2022 – 2023

'Political Attitudes and Public Opinion', advanced lecture for undergraduate students, University of Vienna (student evaluation: 1.4 on scale from 1.0 to 5.0) 2022 – 2023

'Causal Inference for Observational Data', methods seminar for doctoral students in the social sciences, University of Vienna (student evaluation: 1.4 on scale from 1.0 to 5.0) 2021 – 2022

'Political Representation', seminar for master students, University of Vienna (student evaluation: 1.0 on scale from 1.0 to 5.0) 2021 – 2022

'The European Union, Globalisation and the State', module for master students, University College London (student evaluation: 4.42 on scale from 5.0-1.0, department mean 4.22) 2021

'The European Union: Institutions and Politics', core course module on master programme 'MSc in European Politics and Policy', University College London (student evaluation: 4.82 on scale from 5.0-1.0, department mean 4.18) 2020

<i>'The European Union, Globalisation and the State'</i> , module for master students, University College London (no student evaluation due to covid-19)	2020
<i>'The European Union: Institutions and Politics'</i> , core course module on master programme 'MSc in European Politics and Policy', University College London (student evaluation: 4.23 on scale from 5.0-1.0, department mean 3.96)	2019
<i>'Advanced Quantitative Analysis: Experiments and Causal Inference'</i> , advanced methods graduate course, University of Cologne (student evaluation: 1.4 on scale from 1.0-5.0)	2018
<i>'Political Behaviour and Representation in Europe'</i> , advanced undergraduate course, University of Cologne (student evaluation: 1.6 on scale from 1.0-5.0)	2017 – 2018
<i>'Politics and Institutions in Europe'</i> , undergraduate course, LSE, Government Department (student evaluation: 1.5 on scale from 1.0-5.0)	2014 – 2015
<i>'What Kind of Europe? Crisis, Reform and the International Role of the EU'</i> , LSE Summer School (student evaluation: 97% 'good/very good')	2014

SUPERVISION

PhD: Markus Kollberg (UCL)

Dissertations: Master (15x), Bachelor (4x)

METHODS SKILLS & TRAINING

<i>Machine Learning: Applications and Opportunities in Social Science Research</i> , ICPSR Summer School	2020
<i>Questionnaires for Cross-Cultural Surveys</i> , GESIS Summer School	2019
<i>Bayesian Models for Social Sciences II: Advanced Topics</i> , ICPSR Summer School	2017
<i>Time Series Analysis II: Advanced Topics</i> , ICPSR Summer School	2017
<i>Text Analysis Workshop using QUANTEDA</i> , LSE Department of Methodology	2017
<i>EITM 'Theoretical Foundations of EITM'</i> , University of Mannheim	2016
<i>Factorial Survey Experiments</i> , Social Science Research Centre Berlin	2015
<i>Dimension Reduction in R</i> , Essex Summer School	2015
<i>Multivariate Analysis and Measurement</i> , LSE	2015
<i>Pooled Time-Series Cross-Sectional Analysis</i> , Essex Summer School	2014

<i>Bayesian Analysis in the Social Sciences</i> , Essex Summer School	2014
<i>Causal Inference for Experimental and Observational Studies</i> , LSE	2014
<i>Intermediate Social Statistics</i> , University of Oxford	2010 – 2011
<i>Quantitative Text Analysis</i> , ECPR Summer School, Ljubljana	2010
<i>Econometrics</i> , University of Warwick	2008 – 2009

INVITED TALKS, PANELS & WORKSHOPS

<i>'Unelected Representatives and their Claims' workshop</i> , University of Trondheim	05/2023
<i>'Party Research Seminar'</i> , University of Gothenburg	05/2023
<i>'Representation and Citizens' Political Beliefs and Behaviors' workshop</i> , University of Basel	03/2023
<i>'Kolloquium des Instituts für Sozialwissenschaften'</i> , Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf	01/2023
<i>'ECPR Summer School on Parliaments'</i> , Institute of Social Sciences of the University of Lisbon	07/2022
<i>'Challenges for Western Democracies' lecture series</i> , University of Trier	07/2022
<i>'Kolloquium New Research in Comparative Politics'</i> , University of Basel	04/2022
<i>'UC Berkeley European Politics Working Group'</i> , University of California, Berkeley	01/2022
<i>'International Institutions: Backlash and Resilience' workshop</i> , University of Zurich	12/2021
<i>'CS-UL Political Science Seminar'</i> , University of Lisbon	12/2020
<i>'International Studies Seminar Series of the Department of Politics and Public Administration'</i> , University of Konstanz	12/2020
<i>'European Governance Colloquium'</i> , Hertie School of Governance	11/2020
<i>'Political Behaviour Seminar Series'</i> , London School of Economics and Political Science	06/2020
<i>'Research Talk'</i> , Aarhus University	01/2020
<i>'Comparative Research on Political Elites' conference</i> , Hertie School of Governance, Berlin	11/2019
<i>'Institutskolloquium des IPW'</i> , University of Hannover	07/2019
<i>'Hertie Fellows Summit'</i> , Hertie Foundation, Berlin	06/2019
<i>'European Conference 2019'</i> , Harvard University	03/2019

'Theoretical and Methodological Innovations in Comparative Politics' workshop, University of Cologne	11/2018
'Populist Attitudes in Comparative Perspective' workshop, University of Bamberg	06/2018
'Understanding Responsiveness in European Union Politics' workshop, Lorentz Center, University of Leiden	02/2018
'Politicising and De-Politicising the European Union' workshop, King's College London	12/2017
'Causes, Faces and Consequences of Populism in the Global Political Context: Ugly, Bad, and Sometimes Good?' workshop, Team Populism, Inter-University Center for Advanced Studies Dubrovnik	09/2017

SERVICE TO THE DISCIPLINE

Referee:	<i>Acta Politica, American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, British Journal of Political Science, Comparative European Politics, Comparative Political Studies, European Journal of Political Research, European Political Science, European Political Science Review, European Union Politics, Government and Opposition, Journal of Common Market Studies, Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties, Journal of European Public Policy, Journal of Politics, Journal of Public Policy, Legislative Studies Quarterly, Oxford University Press, Party Politics, Perspectives on Politics, Political Analysis, Political Behavior, Political Psychology, Political Science Research and Methods, Politics, Public Opinion Quarterly, Research and Politics, Review of International Organizations, Southern European Society and Politics, West European Politics, World Politics</i>
Grant Referee:	<i>ANR (French National Agency for Research), DFG (German Research Foundation), NWO (Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research), SNF (Swiss National Science Foundation)</i>
Prize Committee:	<i>European Union Studies Association Best Dissertation Prize 2020</i>
Organization:	Co-convener, 'Departmental Research Seminar' (since 2022), Department of Government, University of Vienna Member of local organizing committee, <i>European Consortium for Political Research '8th Conference of the Standing Group on Parliaments'</i> (2023), University of Vienna Co-founder and co-organizer, 'UCL's European Politics Series' (2020-2021), University College London

Organizer, 'Cracking EU Decision-Making: Open Controversies, Remaining Puzzles, and Novel Empirical Strategies' workshop (11/2018), Cologne Center for Comparative Politics

Co-convener, 'Microfoundations of Politics' lecture and methods workshop series (2017), Cologne Center for Comparative Politics

MEDIA COVERAGE, COMMENTARIES AND QUOTES

'How Germans Think about the War', in: *Zeit Online*, 26.02.2023 [translated from German]

'Majority and Marder', in: *Zeit Online*, 24.01.2023 [translated from German]

'Why the Christian Democrats Are on the Decline across the EU', in: *Kurier* (online), 09.12.2021. [translated from German]

'The Parties' Aversion to Ideological Plurality', in: *El País* (online), 01.11.2021. [translated from Spanish]

'The Union Will Manage without the Consent of Poland and Hungary', in: *Dziennik Gazeta Prawna* (online + print), 19.11.2020. [translated from Polish]

'The Favourite Autocrat of CDU and CSU', in: *Welt* (online + print), 03.06.2020. [translated from German]

Media coverage of study 'Europe's Choice' with Bertelsmann Foundation: 2,169 clippings in European media within three weeks, including *Arte*, *3sat*, *ARD Tagesschau*, *Süddeutsche Zeitung*, *Die Welt*, *Frankfurter Rundschau*, *El País*, April-May 2019.

Media coverage of study 'A Populist Moment?' with Bertelsmann Foundation: 1,667 clippings in German media, including television feature in *ARD Tagesthemen*, articles in *Süddeutsche Zeitung*, *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung*, *Die Welt*, *Handelsblatt*, *taz*, *Politico*, *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, *Jyllands-Posten*, July-August 2017.

'Survey on Greece: Knowledge Does Not Prevent Euroscepticism', in: *Spiegel Online*, 11.08.2015. [translated from German]

'Why Young Europeans Feel Neglected', in: *Süddeutsche Zeitung* (online), 09.05.2014. [translated from German]

MISCELLANEOUS

Software: STATA, R, Microsoft Office

Languages: English (*proficient*), German (*native*)

Blogs: Regular contributor to LSE's *EUROPP European Politics and Policy* as well as the UCL's *Europe Blog* blogs

Membership: American Political Science Association, European Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association, University Association for Contemporary European Studies

Teaching record recognitions: *Fellowship* with Advance HE UK

REFERENCES

Prof. Sara B. Hobolt, Sutherland Chair in European Institutions, *London School of Economics and Political Science* (s.b.hobolt@lse.ac.uk)

Prof. Sven-Oliver Proksch, Professor for European Politics, *University of Cologne* (so.proksch@uni-koeln.de)

Prof. Fabio Franchino, Professor of Political Science, *Università degli Studi di Milano* (fabio.franchino@unimi.it)

Prof. Simon Hix, Stein Rokkan Chair in Comparative Politics, *European University Institute* (simon.hix@eui.eu)

Prof. Will Jennings, Professor of Political Science and Public Policy, *University of Southampton* (w.j.jennings@soton.ac.uk)

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