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## Research Interests

Political behavior, comparative politics, political sociology, quantitative methodology

## Academic Positions

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| <b>Postdoctoral Researcher</b><br>University of Lucerne  | 2022 - current |
| <b>PhD Researcher</b><br>European University Institute   | 2018 - 2023    |
| <b>External Lecturer</b><br>University of Lucerne  | 2022           |
| <b>Visiting PhD Researcher</b><br>London School of Economics & Political Science<br>Host: Dr. Chris Anderson | 2021           |

## Education

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| <b>Ph.D. in Political and Social Sciences</b><br>European University Institute<br>Supervisor: Dr. Hanspeter Kriesi       | 2023 |
| <b>M.Res. in Political and Social Sciences</b><br>European University Institute  | 2019 |
| <b>M.Sc. in Social Sciences</b><br>Carlos III-Juan March Institute, University Carlos III of Madrid<br>First Class       | 2018 |
| <b>B.A. in Political Science and Public Management</b><br>Pablo de Olavide University (Seville, Spain)<br>Suma Cum Laude | 2016 |
| <b>B.A. in Law</b><br>Pablo de Olavide University (Seville, Spain)<br>Suma Cum Laude                                     | 2015 |

## Working Papers

Blinded by Out-group Hatred. Why does Radical Right Party Entry Reduce its Voters' Satisfaction with Democracy? ([preprint](#)) *with Morgan Le Corre Juratic*

Boost or Backlash? The Heterogeneous Effects of Parliamentary Representation on Satisfaction with Democracy (*working paper available upon request*)

Does New Party Entry Increase Electoral Turnout? Quasi-Experimental Evidence from the 2015 Spanish Local Elections (*working paper available upon request*)

Disruptive Elections and their Implications for Satisfaction with Democracy (*working paper available upon request*)

## Work in Progress

The Politicization of Digitalization: How Political Parties Structure Nascent Conflicts over Digitalization Issues *with Mathilde M. van Ditmars & Alexander H. Trechsel*

Can Parties Mobilize Voters over Digitalization Issues? A Field Experiment with a Voting Advice Application *with Mathilde M. van Ditmars & Alexander H. Trechsel*

The Political Conflict potential of Digitalization *with Mathilde M. van Ditmars & Alexander H. Trechsel*

The Spillover Effects of Center-periphery Dynamics on Politically Disenfranchised Regions *with Alberto López-Ortega and Javier Padilla*

The Downstream Effect of a Disliked Candidate Winning Elections on Democratic Attitudes *with Morgan Le Corre Juratic*

Does Losing Affect Democratic Attitudes and Preferences among Rank-and-File Political Candidates? A Comparative Study in 27 Elections *with Erick Padilla*

## Research Grants

Small Grant Aarhus University (35,000 DKK), *with Morgan Le Corre Juratic* 2024  
Aarhus University

UniLu FoKo Funding (12,231 CHF), *with Alberto López-Ortega and Javier Padilla* 2023  
University of Lucerne

Mission Funding for Research Activities (2,547€). *With Morgan Le Corre Juratic.* 2022  
European University Institute

## Research Projects

*As Principal Investigator*

The Downstream Effect of a Disliked Candidate Winning Elections on Democratic Attitudes 2024

Small Grant Aarhus University – Political Science Department. PIs: Álvaro Canalejo-Molero (EUI) and Morgan Le Corre Juratic (EUI).

The Spillover Effects of Center-periphery Dynamics on Politically Disenfranchised Regions 2023

UniLu FoKo Funding. PIs: Álvaro Canalejo-Molero (EUI), Alberto López-Ortega (VU) and Javier Padilla (CUNY).

[NewRadRight](#) – see [Pre-Analysis Plan](#) 2022

EUI Mission Funding for Research Activities. PIs: Álvaro Canalejo-Molero (EUI) and Morgan Le Corre Juratic (EUI).

#### *As Member of the Research Team*

Postdoctoral Researcher · [DIGIPOL](#) 2022 - current  
Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF). PI: Alexander Trechsel (UNILU).

Research Assistant · [SOLID](#) 2020 - 2021  
ERC Synergy Grant. PIs: Hanspeter Kriesi (EUI), Waltraud Schelkle (LSE), and Maurizio Ferrera (UniMi).

Research Assistant · [POLCON](#) 2019 - 2020  
ERC Advanced Grant. PIs: Hanspeter Kriesi (EUI).

Research Assistant · [EUANDI2019](#) 2019  
European Union's Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme 2014 - 2020. PIs: Lorenzo Cicchi (EUI), Diego Garzia (UNILU), Alexander H. Trechsel (UNILU) and Elie Michel (UNILU).

Research Internship · [¿Por qué odiamos la política?](#) 2015  
Center of Andalusian Studies (CEA). PIs: Ernesto Ganuza (IESA-CSIC) and Joan Font (IESA-CSIC).

Research Collaborator · [Parlamentarios y Sociedad](#) 2015  
Spanish Ministry of Economy. PIs: Xavier Coller (UPO).

Research Collaborator · [ICOSOP](#) 2014  
Andalusian Government. PIs: Xavier Coller (UPO) and Jean Baptiste Harguideguy (UPO).

#### **Teaching**

[Political Culture](#) 2024

Undergraduate level, University of Lucerne

[Electoral Behavior and Party Competition: Continuity and Change in WE](#) 2023

Graduate level, University of Lucerne

[Comparative Western European Party Systems: Continuity and Change](#) 2022

Undergraduate level, University of Lucerne

#### **Conference Presentations & Invited Talks**

Annual Congress of the Swiss Political Science Association (SPSA) 2024  
St. Gallen, Switzerland

EU Commission - Joint Research Centre (JRC) DIGCLASS Workshop 2023  
Seville, Spain

UZH-DSI Digital Democracy Workshop 2023

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| Zurich, Switzerland   |      |
| 29th Conference of the Council for European Studies (CES),<br>Reykjavik, Iceland                      | 2023 |
| 5th Annual COMPTExT Conference<br>Glasgow, United Kingdom   | 2023 |
| UniLu PolSem Brown Bag Seminar<br>Lucerne, Switzerland  | 2023 |
| 80th Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference (MPSA),<br>Chicago, US                   | 2023 |
| CERIUM-FMSH New Challenges to Democracy Workshop<br>Montréal, Canada                                  | 2022 |
| 118th Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (APSA)<br>Montréal, Canada         | 2022 |
| 12th Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association (EPSA)<br>Prague, Czech republic | 2022 |
| Research Workshop in European Studies - LSE European Institute<br>London, UK                          | 2021 |
| 11th Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association (EPSA)<br>Online                 | 2021 |
| 12th European Graduate Network Conference<br>Online   | 2021 |
| The Transformation of European Politics Workshop - EUI<br>Online                                      | 2020 |
| 6th Leuven-Montréal Winter School on Elections<br>Montréal, Canada                                    | 2020 |
| EUI Political Behaviour Colloquium<br>Florence, Italy   | 2020 |
| 1st Spanish Congress of the European Social Survey<br>Madrid, Spain                                   | 2018 |

### **Complementary Academic Formation**

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| Oxford Spring School in Advanced Research Methods<br>Oxford University            | 2023 |
| Introduction to Teaching in Higher Education<br>European University Institute     | 2020 |
| 6th Leuven-Montréal Winter School on Elections<br>University of Montréal (Canada) | 2020 |

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| RECSM-UPF Summer School in Survey Methodology<br>Pompeu-Fabra University (Barcelona, Spain) | 2019 |
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## Scholarships & Awards

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| Erasmus+ Scholarship for Visiting PhDs<br>European Commission  | 2021        |
| ‘Salvador de Madariaga’ predoctoral Scholarship<br>Spanish Ministry of Education and European Commission | 2018 - 2022 |
| UC3M scholarship of excellence for graduate studies<br>University Carlos III of Madrid (Spain)           | 2017 - 2018 |
| Best GPA of the Promotion Award<br>University Pablo de Olavide (Spain)                                   | 2016        |
| Grant for Beginner Researchers<br>University Pablo de Olavide (Spain)                                    | 2014        |
| Best GPA of the Promotion at the First Course Award<br>University Pablo de Olavide (Spain)               | 2011        |

## Professional Service

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| Discussant of the panel <i>Democratic Expansion, Protests and Compulsory Voting</i><br>118th APSA   | 2022        |
| Chair of the panel <i>Electoral Rules and Voter Turnout</i><br>11th EPSA                            | 2021        |
| Co-organiser of the <a href="#">Political Behaviour Colloquium</a><br>European University Institute | 2020 - 2021 |

## Technical Skills

**Programming Languages:** R (advanced), Python (beginner)  
**Statistical Softwares:** RStudio, Stata, SPSS, Excel  
**Surveys:** Qualtrics  
**Version Control System:** GitHub  
**Text Processors:** Quarto, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Office  
**Reference Management:** Zotero

## Languages

English (proficient)  
 Spanish (native)  
 Italian (advanced)  
 French (beginner)