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CONTACT INFORMATION

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Political Behavior and Communication, Political Psychology, Media, Computational Social Science, Quantitative Research Methods.

EDUCATION

May 2021 HABILITATION FOR ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

Italian National Scientific Habilitation (Postdoctoral Lecture Qualification) for Associate Professor in Political Science.

June 2017 Ph.D. European University Institute

EUI Doctor of Political and Social Sciences. Thesis title: "Bridging Troubled Water: Electoral Availability in European Party Systems in the Aftermath of the Great Recession (2009-2014). An Application of Bayesian Ideal Point Estimation".

Examining board: Prof. Alexander H. Trechsel (European University Institute, supervisor), Prof. Hanspeter Kriesi (European University Institute), Prof. Russell J. Dalton (University of California),

Prof. David Farrell (University College Dublin)

July 2013 M.Res. European University Institute

EUI Master of Research in Sociology and Political Science.

Prof. Alexander H. TRECHSEL · European University Institute

July 2012 M.Sc. University of Siena

Siena Univ. Master of Science in Comparative Politics.

Prof. Paolo Bellucci · University of Siena

March 2010 M.Sc. Bocconi University

Bocconi Univ. Master of Science in Economics.

May 2007 B.Sc. University of Perugia

Perugia Univ. Laurea Triennale (eq. Bachelor of Science) in Economics.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Sept 2022 – Present Ambizione Fellow

Lucerne Univ.

Principal Investigator at the project "Political Misinformation in the Digital Age" funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation (Ambizione grant). Department of Political Science, University of Zurich.

Dec 2018 – Aug 2022 Post-doctoral researcher and lecturer

Lucerne Univ.

Post-doctoral Researcher at the project "Media, Information Consumption and Politics" funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation. Principal Investigator and advisor: Prof. Alexander H. Trechsel.

Jan 2018 – June 2019 Post-doctoral researcher

Lucerne Univ.

Post-doctoral Researcher at the project "Personalization of Politics between Television and the Internet", Department of Political Science, University of Lucerne. Advisor: Prof. Diego Garzia.

Sept 2016 – Nov 2018 Senior Researcher and Lecturer (Oberassistant)

Lucerne Univ.

Department of Political Science, University of Lucerne. Advisor: Prof. Alexander H. Trechsel.

MONOGRAPHS AND EDITED VOLUMES

De Angelis, A., Farhart, C. E., Merkley, E., Stecula, D. A., eds. (2022). *Political Misinformation in the Digital Age During a Pandemic: Partisanship, Propaganda, and Democratic Decision-Making*. Lausanne: Frontiers Media SA. doi: 10.3389/978-2-88976-454-9. [OA link]

Garzia, D., da Silva, F., and De Angelis, A. (2021). *Leaders without Partisans: Dealignment, media Change, and the Personalization of Politics.* Colchester: Rowman & Littlefield/ECPR Press.

De Angelis, A. (2017). Bridging Troubled Water: Electoral Availability in European Party Systems in the Aftermath of the Great Recession (2009-2014). European University Institute Dissertation. doi: 10.2870/711165.

PUBLICATIONS

De Angelis, A., Farhart, C. E., Merkley, E., Stecula, D. A. (2022). *Editorial: Political Misinformation in the Digital Age During a Pandemic: Partisanship, Propaganda, and Democratic Decision-Making*. Frontiers in Political Science, o1 June 2022. [OA link]

Silva, F., Garzia, D., and De Angelis, A. (2021). From Party to Leader Mobilization? The Personalization of Voter Turnout. Party Politics, Vol. 27(2): 220-233. [Published version; a post featured on Democratic Audit]

Garzia, D., da Silva, F., and De Angelis, A (2021). *Partisan dealignment and the personalisation of politics in West European parliamentary democracies*, 19612018. West European Politics, forthcoming. [Published version, a post featured on the LSE blog]

De Angelis, A. (2020). *How Voters Distort their Perceptions and Why this Matters*. In: Suhay, E., Grofman, B., and Trechsel, A., *The Oxford Handbook of Electoral Persuasion*, pp. 946-976. [Published version; pre-print]

Michel, E., Garzia, D., da Silva, F. and De Angelis, A. (2020). *Leader Effects and Voting for the Populist Radical Right in Western Europe*. Swiss Political Science Review, Vol. 26(3): 273-295. [Published version; pre-print]

De Angelis, A., Colombo, C., and Morisi, D. (2020). *Taking Cues from the Government: Heuristic versus Systematic Processing in a Constitutional Referendum*. West European Politics, Vol. 43(4): 845-868. [Published version, pre-print, a post featured on the LSE blog]

Garzia, D., da Silva, F., and De Angelis, A (2020). Image that Matters: News Media Consumption and

Party Leader Effects on Voting Behavior. The International Journal of Press/Politics, Vol. 25(2): 238 - 259. [Published version]

Morisi, D., Colombo, C. and De Angelis, A. (2019). *Who is afraid of a change? Ideological differences in support for the status quo in direct democracy.* Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties, Vol. 31(3): 309-328. [Published version].

De Sio, L., De Angelis, A, and Emanuele, V. (2017). *Issue yield and party strategy in multi-party competition*. Comparative Political Studies, Vol. 51(9): 1208-1238. [Published version; pre-print]

Garzia, D., Trechsel, A.H., and De Angelis, A. (2017). *Voting Advice Applications and Electoral Participation: A Multi-Method Study*. Political Communication, Vol. 34(3): 424-443. [Published version; pre-print]

Garzia, D. and De Angelis, A. (2016). *Partisanship, Leaders Evaluations and the Vote: Disentangling the new Iron Triangle in Electoral Research*. Comparative European Politics, Vol. 14 (5): 604-625. [Published version]

Garzia, D., Trechsel, A.H., De Sio, L., and De Angelis, A. (2015). euandi: Project Description and Datasets Documentation. Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies (RSCAS) Research Paper Series. Research Paper No. RSCAS 2015/01. Link: http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2553919 [23 February 2016]

Garzia, D., De Angelis, A., and Pianzola, J. (2014). *The Impact of Voting Advice Applications on Electoral Participation*. In: Garzia, D. and Marschall, S. (Eds.), *Matching Voters with Parties and Candidates: Voting Advice Applications in a Comparative Perspective*. Colchester (UK): ECPR Press.

De Angelis, A. and Garzia, D. (2013). *Individual level dynamics of PTV change across the electoral cycle*. Electoral Studies, Vol. 32 (4): 900 - 904. [Published version]

Bellucci, P., and De Angelis, A. (2013). *Government Approval in Italy: Political Cycle, Economic Expectations and TV Coverage*. Electoral Studies, Vol. 32 (3): 452 - 459. [Published version]

GRANTS AND DISTINCTIONS

Sept 2022 - Aug 2026 Swiss National Science Foundation Ambizione Grant

Ambizione

Swiss National Science Foundation, Ambizione Grant. Project: Political Misinformation in the Digital Age (PZooP1-201817). CHF. 636,417.

Nov 2020 - Nov 2021 Swiss National Science Foundation SPARK Grant

SPARK

Swiss National Science Foundation, SPARK Grant. Project: Algorithmic Newsfeeds and Democracy (CRSK-1-106503). CHF. 96,200. Co-applicants: Prof. Alexander H. Trechsel and Dr. Alessandro Vecchiato.

Jan-Apr 2016 Visiting Scholar Fellowship, Oxford University

Oxford Univ.

Visiting Scholar at Nuffield College, Oxford University.

Sep-Dec 2015 Fulbright-Schuman Grant, NYU

NYU

Fulbright-Schuman award jointly financed by the Directorate-General for Education and Culture of the European Commission and the United States Department of State (€ 10,000). Social Media and Political Participation Lab, New York University, Wilf Family Department of Politics.

July 2015 Visiting Researcher — GESIS - EUROLAB

Eurolab

Visiting researcher at the European Data Laboratory for Comparative Social Research, GESIS - Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences in Cologne (Germany). Details *here*. Reference: Prof. Dr. Ingvill C. Mochmann · GESIS - Eurolab

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE AND INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Jan 2020 – Present Associate Editor for Frontiers In Political Science

Frontiers Associate Editor for Frontiers In Political Science, Gold Open-Access peer-reviewed scientific jour-

nal

Sept 2019 – Present Initiator of the R User group in Lucerne.

Lucerne Univ. Initiator of the local R User group in Lucerne, in collaboration with the Graduate School of

Lucerne.

Sept 2018 – Present Co-Founder LUMACSS - Lucerne Master in Computational

Social Science

Lucerne Univ. Co-Initiator of the Lucerne Master in Computational Social Science (LUMACSS), in partnership

with the Harvard's Berkman Klein Center for Internet and Society. Scientific advisor and design

of the program structure.

SUPERVISION OF JUNIOR RESEARCHERS

Jan 2017 – Present Thesis supervision

Lucerne Univ. Main supervisor for four BA-level and nine MA-level theses on various themes in political com-

munication, comparative politics, and political sociology.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

A running list of courses with syllabi and evaluations available here.

Spring 2021 Research Design in Quantitative Perspective, Module II

Lucerne Univ. Lecturer, master seminar "Research Design in a Quantitative Perspective, Module II". Advanced and design based inference, regression, experimental design, instrumental variables, difference-in-

difference, regression discontinuity.

Jan 2021 Data Access and Regulation

Uni Milan

MA-level course on "Data Access and regulation". Ethics and regulation of digital data and web mining, mining data from the web in R, Reproducibility, Git and Github, HTML language, URLs, HTTP protocol (GET, POST), CSS and XPath selectors, JSON and XML, regexprs, R programming,

web-based REST APIs.

Fall 2020 Research Design in Quantitative Perspective

Lucerne Univ. Lecturer, master seminar "Research Design in a Quantitative Perspective". Comparative, statistical, and experimental method, endogeneity, measurement error, and selection bias. The course

includes applied sessions where students can familiarize with statistical methods using R.

Spring 2020 Replication seminar: Doing Research in Practice

Lucerne Univ. Lecturer, Master-level seminar "Replication Seminar: Doing Research in Practice". The purpose of the seminar is to facilitate the task of students that are keen on developing an empirical project in their Master theses. This seminar is designed to fill the gap between the students final works and the classic methods seminars, while offering a service to the scientific community to contrast

the replication crisis, by double-checking and re-testing published scientific evidence.

Feb 2020 Introduction to R for Data Science

Campus Lucerne PhD-level workshop "Introduction to R for Data Science".

Jan 2020 Data Access and Regulation

Uni Milan MA-level course on "Data Access and regulation". Ethics and regulation of digital data and web

mining, mining data from the web in R, Reproducibility, Git and Github, HTML language, URLs, HTTP protocol (GET, POST), CSS and XPath selectors, JSON and XML, regexprs, R programming, web-based REST APIs.

June 2019 Replicable Research and Reporting in R

Lucern Univ.

Instructor, PhD-level workshop "Replicable Research and Reporting in R". Replication crisis and the importance of replicability in research. Structuring large research projects to achieve full replicability; reporting in R markdown; introduction to using Git and Github.

May 2019 Advanced Regression Analysis in R

Lucern Univ.

Instructor, PhD-level workshop "Advanced Regression Analysis in R". Main topics: Generalized Linear Model with linear and non-linear relations, using Monte Carlo simulations to predict arbitrary quantities of interest.

Jan 2019 – May 2019 Replication Seminar: Doing Research in Practice

Lucerne Univ. Lecturer, Master-level seminar "Replication Seminar: Doing Research in Practice".

Oct 2018 Introduction to R for Data Analysis

Luzern Hochschule Instructor, Master-level workshop "Introduction to R for Data Analysis". R workshop providing an introduction to the R programming language. Main topics: R operators, data types, functions, control structures, data manipulation (base R and dplyr), basic statistical analysis, elements of more advanced issues (generalized linear model, Bayesian hierarchical modeling, text mining, research replicability).

Sept 2018 – Dec 2018 Research Design in a Quantitative Perspective

Lucerne Univ.

Lecturer, master seminar "Research Design in a Quantitative Perspective".

Sept – Dec 2018 Introduction to Political Sociology

Lucerne Univ.

Lecturer, master seminar "Introduction to Political Sociology". This seminar focuses on the fundamental socio-economic conflicts affecting the development of political systems, encouraging students to reflect on the most salient factors of political change in order to foster their understanding of contemporary social and political divisions. A key concept in the seminar's discussion is represented by social cleavages. Students are guided through the classic account of cleavage politics (Lipset and Rokkan 1967), in order to understand the fundamental social cleavages in industrial societies, before moving on to the more recent research on political change in post-industrial societies. The last part of the seminar digs into the erosion of the representative function of European party systems and the recent populist uprising.

Apr 2018 R workshop

Graduate School of Lucerne (GSL)

Instructor, PhD workshop "Introduction to R for Data Analysis". R workshop providing an introduction to the R programming language. Main topics: R operators, data types, functions, control structures, data manipulation (base R and dplyr), basic statistical analysis, elements of more advanced issues (generalized linear model, Bayesian hierarchical modeling, text mining, research replicability).

Jan 2017 – May 2018 Replication Seminar

Lucerne Univ.

Lecturer, master "Replication Seminar". The purpose of the seminar is to facilitate the task of students that are keen on developing an empirical project in their Master theses.

Jan 2017 – May 2018 Comparing Media Systems

Lucerne Univ.

Lecturer, master seminar "Comparing Media Systems". The purpose of the seminar is to understand the evolution of media systems in the Western world. The seminar traces the change of the media environment from the appearance of the Radio, to broadcast TV, to cable and satellite TV, to the Internet and the spreading of new media. Special attention is devoted to understanding the connections between the media and the formation of citizens' opinions.

Sept 2017 – Dec 2017 Research Design in a Quantitative Perspective

Lucerne Univ.

Lecturer, master seminar "Research Design in a Quantitative Perspective" [co-instructor Prof. Alexander H. Trechsel]. In this seminar the students are guided through some of the most fundamental social science methods: the comparative, the statistical, and the experimental method.

Sept 2017 – Dec 2017 Introduction to Political Sociology

Lucerne Univ.

Lecturer, master seminar "Introduction to Political Sociology".

Jan 2017 – May 2017 Introduction to Political Communication Research

Lucerne Univ.

Lecturer, master seminar "Introduction to Political Communication Research". Students are introduced to Political Communication research by replicating in class a selection of recent papers. The substantive contribution of the proposed papers is reviewed in the light of replicated findings, empirical extensions and robustness tests using replication data.

Sept 2015 – Jul 2016 STATA tutor — EUI

EUI STATA research software tutor of the European University Institute. Details *here*.

Oct 2014 Teaching training — EUI

EUI Teaching in higher education course offered by the European University Institute.

CONFERENCE PAPERS AND INVITED TALKS

Lucerne 2022

May 2022 Algorithms and Democracy. Open lecture series, 3rd of May 2020, University of Lucerne.

Neuchatel 2020

March 2020

Computational Social Science: a tale of three revolutions. Invited talk at the University of Neuchatel, part of the 'Digital Skills Ateliers' , 5th of March 2020, University of Neuchatel.

ISPP 2019

July 2019

Three papers presented: From group to leader-follower dynamics of electoral mobilization?: The decline of partisan attachments and the personalization of Voter Turnout; Reassessing charismatic leadership: Leader effects and voting for the populist radical right; and Tell me what I want to hear: disentangling the relationship between cognitive styles, media preferences, and attitudinal polarization. 42nd Annual Conference of the International Society of Political Psychology, Lisbon, 12-15 July 2019.

June 2019

Tell me what I want to hear: disentangling the relationships between cognitive styles, media preferences and attitudinal polarization. Paper presented at the 9th Annual Conference of the European Political Science Assiciation, Belfast 20-22 June 2019.

EPSA 2019

July 2019

Tell me what I want to hear: disentangling the relationships between cognitive styles, media preferences and attitudinal polarization. Paper presented at the 9th Annual Conference of the European Political Science Assiciation, Belfast 20-22 June 2019.

WPSA 2018

March 2018

Making Up One's Political Mind. Party Cues vs. Self-Persuasion in the Brexit Referendum. Co-authored with Alexander H. Trechsel, Davide Morisi, Diego Garzia, and Kristjan Vassil. Paper presented at the 2018 WPSA conference, San Francisco CA, 30 March 2018.

WPSA 2018

March 2018

Making Up One's Political Mind. Party Cues vs. Self-Persuasion in the Brexit Referendum. Co-authored with Alexander H. Trechsel, Davide Morisi, Diego Garzia, and Kristjan Vassil. Paper presented at the 2018 WPSA conference, San Francisco CA, 30 March 2018.

SPSA 2018

February 2018

Panem et Circenses: Soft and Hard News TV Coverage in Berlusconi's Italy. Paper presented at the 2018 Swiss Political Science Association conference, Geneva, 5-6 February 2018.

SISP 2017

September 2017

Panel organizer: Words that Matter: Exploring the Pitfalls and Opportunity of Studying Political Text. Panel organized for the 2017 Italian Political Science Association conference, Urbino, 14-16 September 2017.

SISP 2017

September 2017

The Words that People Want: A Quantitative Text Analysis of the Five Stars Movement's Political Discourse. Paper presented at the 2017 Italian Political Science Association conference, Urbino, 14-16 September 2017.

EPSA 2017

June 2017

Bridging Troubled Water: Electoral Availability in European Party Systems in the Aftermath of the Great Recession (2009-2014). An Application of Bayesian Ideal Point Estimation. Paper presented at the 2017 EPSA conference, Milan,22-24 June 2017.

POPE 2017

Feb 2017

Taking cues from the government? The effect of heuristic cues versus policy arguments in the Italian constitutional referendum. With Celine Colombo (University of Zurich) and Davide Morisi (European University Institute), paper presented at the conference "Referendum costituzionale 2016. Elettori, partiti e media nella "Seconda Repubblica", organized by the standing group on Parties, Public Opinion and Elections (POPE) of the Italian Society of Political Science (SISP) and the Italian Society of Electoral Studies (SISE), Rome (La Sapienza University), 9-10 February 2017.

SISP 2016

Sept 2016

A Test of Media Capture by Using Machine-Learning Techniques, Evidence from Italian Television News 2010-2014. With Alessandro Vecchiato (New York University), paper presented at the 2016 Italian Society of Political Science, Milan, 15-16-17 September 2016.

ECPR 2016

Sept 2016

Geographical variations of issue attitudes? Evidence from a geo-localized Voting Advice Application. With Prof. Lorenzo De Sio (LUISS University), Professor Alexander Trechsel (Lucerne University), Dr. Diego Garzia (Lucerne University). Paper presented at the 2016 ECPR Conference, Prague 7-10 September 2016.

MPSA 2016

April 2016

How Parties Strategically Select Issues According to Issue Yield: A Case Study Linking Survey and Twitter Data. With Professor Lorenzo De Sio and Dr. Vincenzo Emanuele. Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference (7-10 April 2016, Chicago).

ECPR 2014

Sept 2014

Changing Media, Changing Voters: Investigating the Relationship between Media Fragmentation and Political Polarization in 26 European Elections (1989-2009). ECPR General Conference, Glasgow, 3 - 6 September 2014.

ISPP 2014

July 2014

Economic Voting: Investigating Accountability or Partisan Rationalization? Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, Rome (Italy), 4 - 7 July 2014.

EPSA 2013

July 2013

Media, Economics, and the Vote Function in Italy (2011-2013). Paper co-authored with Paolo Bellucci, 3^{rd} Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association, Barcelona, 20-22 June 2013.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Associate editor: Frontiers in Political Science, Politics and Governance.

Peer reviewer for academic journals: American Journal of Political Science, Journal of Politics, Political Analysis, Party Politics, West European Politics, Swiss Political Science Review, Electoral Studies, Policy and Internet, Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties, Contemporary Italian Politics.

Section chair: 2016 Graduate Student Conference, University of Tartu, Section in Comparative Politics titled "Stress testing Europe: challenges and outcomes of the economic, political, and humanitarian crisis".

Organizer EUI workshop on media effects. 6-7 June 2016, details here.

Convenor EUI Political Economy working group. Academic year 2013-2014.

CURRENT RESEARCH

Panem et Circenses: Soft and Hard News TV Coverage in Berlusconi's Italy. With Alessandro Vecchiato (Stanford University). Paper under review at the American Journal of Political Science.

Tell Me What I Want to Hear: Disentangling the relationship between cognitive styles, media preferences, and attitudinal polarization. With Alexander H. Trechsel. Working paper.

Making Up One's Political Mind. Party Cues vs. Self-Persuasion in the Brexit Referendum. With Alexander H. Trechsel, Davide Morisi. Working paper.

SHORT-TERM COLLABORATIONS AND INTERNATIONAL VISITING EXPERIENCES

Jan-Mar 2016 Junior Visiting Scholar — NUFFIELD COLLEGE

Oxford Univ. Junior Visiting Scholar at Nuffield College, University of Oxford. Advisor: Prof. Raymond Duch.

Dec 2015 – Jan 2016 Research Assistant — Societly

Societly Research assistant for Societly, the Voting Advice Application for the 2016 U.S. Democratic and Republican primaries Societly.

Jun-July 2015 Visiting Researcher — GESIS

GESIS Eurolab, Leibniz Intitute for the Social Science, Cologne, Germany.

Nov 2013 – Jun 2014 Italy Team Leader — euandi 2014

EUI Italian team leader and media referent for **eu**and**i**, the Voting Advice and community building Application for the 2014 European Parliament elections. Project details *here*.

Reference: Prof. Alexander H. Trechsel · EUI.

Jan - Feb 2013 Research Assistant — Vote Match 2013

ITANES Country expert for the 2013 Italian general elections Voting Advice Application Vote Match, in collaboration with the Italian National Election Studies Association (ITANES).

Reference: Prof. Paolo Bellucci · ITANES.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Italian Native speaker

English Proficient user: reading (C1), writing (C1), speaking (C1)

Spanish Proficient user: reading (C1), writing (C1), speaking (C1)

French Basic user: reading (B1), writing (A2), speaking (A2)

PROGRAMMING SKILLS

Proficient R, STATA, JAGS, GIT, LATEX, MARKDOWN

Used in the past Pyton, stan, matlab

GENERAL INTERESTS

Scouting \cdot bicycle travelling \cdot surfing \cdot skiing.

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