# Twitter: Gender Balance in PhD jury

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knitr::opts_chunk$set(
  fig.width = 7, fig.height = 5,
  fig.path = 'figures/',
  fig.align = "center",
  size = "tiny",
  echo = TRUE,
  eval = TRUE,
  warning = FALSE,
  message = FALSE,
  results = TRUE,
  comment = "")
options(scipen = 3) ## Max number of digits for non-scientific notation
```

```
requiredLib <- c(
   "knitr",
   "readxl",
   "dplyr",
   "ggplot2",
   "hrbrthemes")
for (lib in requiredLib) {
   if (!require(lib, character.only = TRUE)) {
     install.packages(lib, )
   }
   require(lib, character.only = TRUE)
}</pre>
```

## Original tweet

@G\_\_\_Fischer

Country Year of PhD defense Gender Number of women/men in your jury

#### **Dataset**

The answers were manually recorded with the kind help of @Zhou\_Xu\_ into an excel file PhD\_twitter\_stat.xlsx.

```
raw.data <- read_excel("~/Documents/Twitter_gender_balanced/PhD_twitter_stat.xlsx")
kable(head(raw.data, n = 5), caption = "First 5 lines of the excel file")</pre>
```

Table 1: First 5 lines of the excel file

country	year	gender	women	men
UK	2010	M	0	2
Ireland	2018	M	0	3
USA	1998	$\mathbf{F}$	1	3
USA	2006	M	2	2
UK	1996	$\mathbf{M}$	2	3

```
# clean manual record errors
raw.data$gender[raw.data$gender=="W"] <- "F"
raw.data$gender[raw.data$gender=="H"] <- "M"
raw.data$country[raw.data$country=="france"] <- "France"</pre>
# count by country and gender
country.gender <- raw.data %>% count(country, gender)
raw.data$prop.w <- 100 * raw.data$women/(raw.data$women + raw.data$men)
prop.year.w <- aggregate(raw.data$prop.w, by = list(raw.data$year), FUN = mean)</pre>
prop.year.w.F <- aggregate(raw.data$prop.w[raw.data$gender=="F"], by = list(raw.data$year[raw.data$gend
prop.year.w.F$gender <- "F"</pre>
colnames(prop.year.w.F) <- c("year", "prop.w", "gender")</pre>
prop.year.w.M <- aggregate(raw.data$prop.w[raw.data$gender=="M"], by = list(raw.data$year[raw.data$gend
prop.year.w.M$gender <- "M"</pre>
colnames(prop.year.w.M) <- c("year", "prop.w", "gender")</pre>
prop.year.w.gender <- rbind(prop.year.w.F, prop.year.w.M)</pre>
t.country <- table(raw.data$country)</pre>
raw.data.country <- subset(raw.data, country %in% names(t.country[t.country > 50]))
prop.year.w.country <- aggregate(raw.data.country$prop.w, by = list(raw.data.country$year, raw.data.cou
colnames(prop.year.w.country) <- c("year", "country", "prop.w")</pre>
```

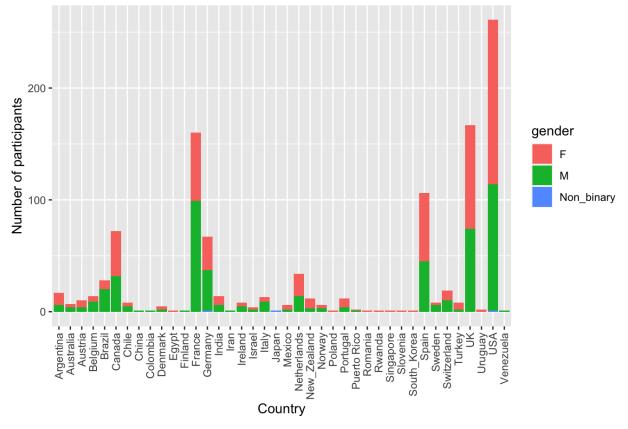
```
# total number of jury members
raw.data$members <- raw.data$women + raw.data$men</pre>
```

- The total number of recorded participants was 1083 and included 559 women, 521 men and 3 non-binary persons.
- The answers came from 40 different countries.
- PhD were defended between 1974 and 2020.
- The total number of members per jury ranged from 1 to 10.

### **Plots**

```
# stacked barplot by country and gender
ggplot(country.gender, aes(fill=gender, y=n, x=country)) +
    geom_bar(position="stack", stat="identity") +
    theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90, vjust = 0.5, hjust=1)) +
    ggtitle("Country and gender of participants") +
    ylab("Number of participants") +
    xlab("Country")
```

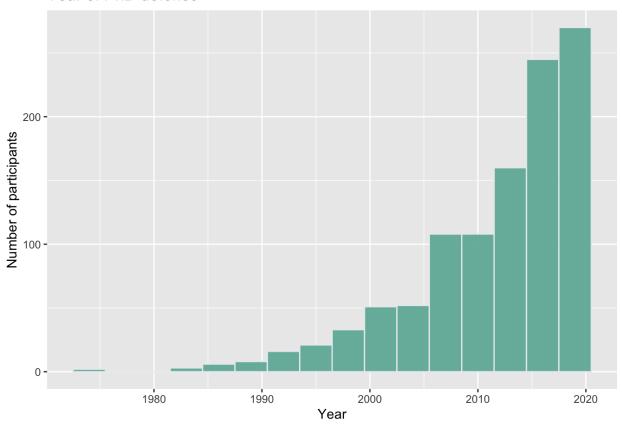
### Country and gender of participants



```
# hist year
ggplot(raw.data, aes(x=year)) +
  geom_histogram(binwidth=3, fill="#69b3a2", color="#e9ecef", alpha=0.9) +
  ggtitle("Year of PhD defense") +
```

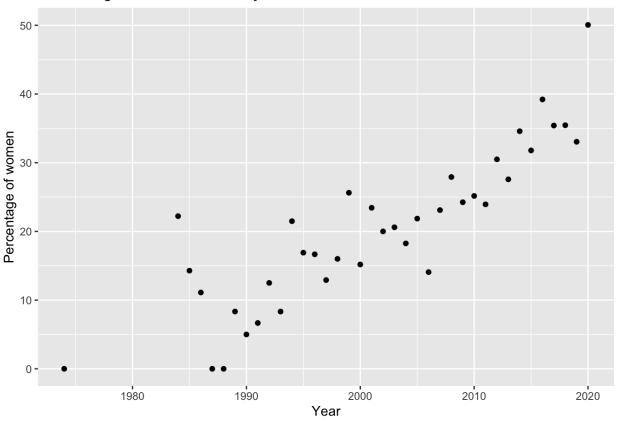
```
ylab("Number of participants") +
xlab("Year")
```

### Year of PhD defense

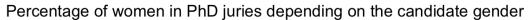


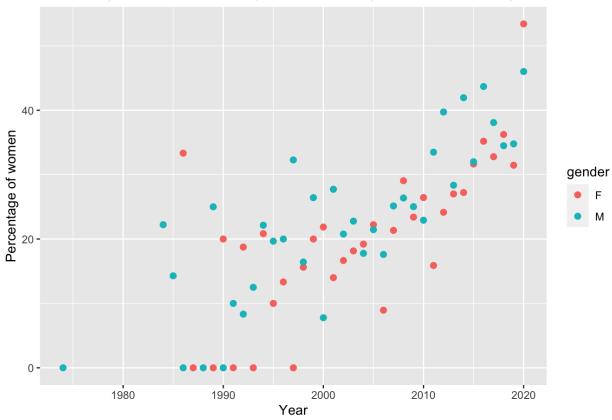
```
# percentage women in jury
ggplot(prop.year.w, aes(x=Group.1, y=x)) +
  geom_point() +
  ggtitle("Percentage of women in PhD juries") +
  ylab("Percentage of women") +
  xlab("Year")
```

### Percentage of women in PhD juries



```
# percentage women in jury depending on candidate gender
ggplot(prop.year.w.gender, aes(x=year, y=prop.w, color=gender)) +
  geom_point(size=2) +
  ggtitle("Percentage of women in PhD juries depending on the candidate gender") +
  ylab("Percentage of women") +
  xlab("Year")
```





```
# percentage of wommen in jury by country (n>50)
ggplot(prop.year.w.country, aes(x=year, y=prop.w, color=country)) +
   geom_line() +
   ggtitle("Percentage of women in PhD juries depending on country") +
   ylab("Percentage of women") +
   xlab("Year")
```

