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CONTACT INFORMATION

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APPOINTMENTS

Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam , Amsterdam, NL Assistant Professor (<i>Tenured</i> since 2020)	2019 - current
Bocconi University , Milan, IT Visiting Professor	2020
University of Zurich , Zurich, CH Postdoctoral Researcher	2017 - 2019
Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam , Amsterdam, NL PhD. Candidate & Junior Lecturer	2013 - 2017
University of North Carolina , Chapel Hill, USA Visiting Scholar	Fall 2015
University of Oxford , Oxford, UK Visiting Scholar	Spring 2015
University of Amsterdam , Amsterdam, NL Junior lecturer & various research assistant positions	2010 - 2013

EDUCATION

Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam , Amsterdam, NL PhD., Political Science Dissertation: Political “Frenemies”. Party Strategies, Electoral Competition & Coalition Cooperation Defended: 17-12-2017 Supervisors: prof. dr. Barbara Vis (promoter), dr. Gijs Schumacher Committee: prof. dr. B.J.J. Crum, prof.dr. H. Klüiver, prof.dr. S.L. de Lange, prof.dr. S.O. Proksch, prof.dr. C.E. de Vries, dr. W. van Atteveldt	2013 - 2017
Universiteit van Amsterdam , Amsterdam, NL MSc., Social Science (MPhil) (<i>GPA of 8 out of 10</i>) Specializations: Quantitative Methods and Comparative Political Behavior Thesis: Electoral Costs of Welfare Retrenchment? An Examination of Voters’ Reaction to Pension Cuts Supervisor: prof. dr. Catherine E. de Vries	2011 - 2013
Universiteit van Amsterdam , Amsterdam, NL BSc., Political Science (<i>GPA of 8 out of 10</i>)	2008 - 2011

GRANTS

PI: NWA Small Projects Grant Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO) <i>When words do the trick: The effect of rhetorical strategy on the perceived legitimacy of political decision-making.</i>	2020 €50k
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	Work-Package Co-Leader: H2020 Grant European Research Council <i>OPTED: Observatory for Political Texts in European Democracies - A European Research Infrastructure</i>	2020 €2.2m
	PI: ISR Research Grant Institute for Societal Resilience, VU Amsterdam <i>Gloves Off or Dovetailing Interests? The Role of Rhetorical Strategies in Political Negotiations</i>	2020 €5k
	PI: Innovation Grant (VENI) Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO) <i>Promised is Promised. Unfolding the Electoral Ramifications of Political Compromise</i> (VI.veni.191R.006).	2019 €250k
	Center for International Studies, University of Zurich & ETH Zurich, Zurich, CH Funding for organizing the Zurich Summer School for Women in Political Methodology 2017 and 2018	2018 CHF 5k
	Graduate Research Campus, University of Zurich, Zurich, CH Funding for organizing the Zurich Summer School for Women in Political Methodology 2017 and 2018	2017, 2018 CHF 20k
	Graduate Research Campus, University of Zurich, Zurich, CH Funding for organizing Workshop on Challenger Parties, March 2018	2017 CHF 6k
	Graduate School of Social Science, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Amsterdam, NL Scholarship for excellent PhD Candidates to fund schooling and research visits.	2015 €4k
	ACCESS EUROPE, Amsterdam, NL Scholarship for excellent PhD Candidates to fund schooling and research visits.	2015 €2k
	PI: Research Talent Grant Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO) <i>Holding Governments Accountable in Times of Austerity: An Experimental Study of Voters' Responses to Changes in Social Benefits</i> (declined).	2013 €250k
	Research Master Conference Award, University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, NL Award for excellent research master students to attend a scientific conference.	2013 €150,-
AWARDS	Best Paper Award in Section in Computational Communication Science, General Conference of the International Communication Association 2021.	2021
	Awarded Best Researcher in Social Sciences Award <i>Vrije Universiteit</i> Amsterdam, Amsterdam, NL	2021
	Nominated for the Best Researcher in Social Sciences Award <i>Vrije Universiteit</i> Amsterdam, Amsterdam, NL	2020
	Nominated for the Best Dissertation in Social Sciences Award <i>Vrije Universiteit</i> Amsterdam, Amsterdam, NL	2019

Best Paper Award in Section in Political Communication, 2018
General Conference of the International Communication Association 2018 Prague.

PHD SUPERVISION Co-Supervisor 2020-2026
PhD Project of Daniël Schut, *Vrije Universiteit* Amsterdam, Amsterdam, NL

Co-Supervisor 2019-2022
PhD Project of Christian Pipal, University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, NL

PUBLICATIONS

van der Velden, M.A.C.G., & de Kleer, D. (*Accepted for special issue*). Sticks in a Bundle are Unbreakable? The Effect of Polarization on Parties' Willingness to Compromise in 4 European Democracies, 1995 - 2013. *Politics in the Low Countries*.

van der Velden, M.A.C.G., & Loecherbach, F. (*Accepted for special issue*). Epistemic Overconfidence in Algorithmic News Selection. *Media & Communication*.

van der Velden, M.A.C.G., & Rebasso, I. (*Forthcoming*). Affect, Politics, and Media. In *Routledge Handbook of Emotions and Media*.

van der Velden, M.A.C.G. & Loecherbach, F. (*Forthcoming*). News Coverage in Policy and Politics. In *Handbook of Content Analysis*.

Van Atteveldt, W., **van der Velden**, M.A.C.G. & Boukes, M. (2021). Evaluating Methods of Sentiment Analysis: Comparing Manual Annotation, Crowd-Coding, Dictionary Approaches, and Machine Learning Algorithms. *Communication Methods & Measures*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/19312458.2020.1869198>

A.C. Gatto, M., Gohdes, A. R., Traber, D., & **van der Velden**, M. A.C.G. (2020). Selecting in or Selecting Out? Gender Gaps and Political Methodology in Europe. *PS: Political Science & Politics*, 53(1), 122-127.

Schumacher, G., Hansen, D., **van der Velden**, M. A.C.G., & Kunst, S. (2019). A new dataset of Dutch and Danish party congress speeches. *Research & Politics*, 6(2), 2053168019838352.

Bischof, D., & **van der Velden**, M. A.C.G. (2019). The Use and Usefulness of p-Values in Political Science: Introduction. *Swiss Political Science Review*, 25(3), 276-280. *Debate with Justin Esarey, Simon Hug, Susumu Shikano, Marco Steenbergen, and Vera Troeger*.

van Atteveldt, W., Welbers, K., & **van der Velden**, M. A.C. G. (2019). Studying Political Decision Making With Automatic Text Analysis. In *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics*.

van der Velden, M. A.C.G., Schumacher, G., & Vis, B. (2018). Living in the past or living in the future? Analyzing parties' platform change in between elections, the Netherlands 1997–2014. *Political Communication*, 35(3), 393-412.

WORKING PAPERS

van der Velden, M.A.C.G. & Schumacher, G. "Drifting Apart or Sticking Together? An Analysis of Party Platform Changes in 8 Western European Countries." (currently

Revise and Resubmit at Political Science Research & Methods)

van der Velden, M.A.C.G. “Flirting for Coalition Participation? The Importance of Inter-Party Communication for Coalition Formation.” (presented at General Conference of EPSA 2017 and ICA 2018, to be submitted July 2018)

Won Best Paper Award in Political Communication Section at ICA 2018 (currently Reject and Resubmit at American Political Science Review).

GRADUATE COURSE WORK	Agent Based Modeling, University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam	Fall 2016
	Maximum Likelihood Estimation, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill	Fall 2015
	Political Behavior, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill	Fall 2015
	Political Communication, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill	Fall 2015
	Formal Modeling in Political Science, Duke University, Durham	Fall 2015
	Panel Data, University of Oxford, Oxford	Spring 2015
	Causal Inference, University of Oxford, Oxford	Spring 2015
	Automated Content Analysis, University of Oxford, Oxford	Spring 2015
	Exponential Random Graph Modeling, ECPR Winter School, Vienna	Febr. 2014
	Quantitative and Qualitative Methods, <i>Vrije Universiteit</i> Amsterdam	Dec. 2013
TEACHING	Senior Teaching Qualitication <i>Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam</i> , Amsterdam, NL	2021
	University Teaching Qualitication <i>Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam</i> , Amsterdam, NL	2015
	Graduate Course Data Visualization <i>Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam</i> , Amsterdam, NL	Fall 2019, 2020
	Master Course News Impacts in the Digital Age <i>Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam</i> , Amsterdam, NL	Fall 2020
	Bachelor Hall Lectures News & Journalism <i>Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam</i> , Amsterdam, NL Average Student Evaluation: 4 (out of 5)	Spring 2019, Fall 2019
	Bachelor & Master Theses <i>Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam</i> , Amsterdam, NL	2019-Current
	MACIS Teaching Colloquium ETH Zurich, Zurich, CH	Spring 2018
	Master Seminar Framing Public Policy University of Zurich, Zurich, CH	Spring 2018 , Fall 2017
	Workshop on Webscraping Zurich Summer School for Women in Political Methodology, Zurich, CH	Summer 2017
	Bachelor Seminar Framing Public Policy University of Zurich, Zurich, CH Average Student Evaluation: 5.5 (out of 6)	Fall 2017
	Bachelor Seminar Introduction to Political Science	Fall 2014

	<i>Vrije Universiteit</i> Amsterdam, Amsterdam, NL Average Student Evaluation: 4.5 (out of 5)	
	Bachelor Seminar Academic Writing in Political Science University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, NL Average Student Evaluation: 8.5 (out of 10)	Spring 2013
	Bachelor Seminar Introduction & Intermediate Statistics University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, NL Average Student Evaluation: 9 (out of 10)	Spring 2013
	Bachelor Seminar Introduction to Political Science University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, NL Average Student Evaluation: 8.5 (out of 10)	Fall 2012
CONFERENCE & INVITED TALKS	European Consortium for Political Research	2014, 2015, 2018
	European Political Science Association	2014, 2016-2020
	Midwest Political Science Association	2015, 2017, 2018
	Elections, Public Opinion & Parties	2016, 2020
	International Communication Association	2018-2020
	<i>Deutsche Vereinigung für Politikwissenschaft</i>	2018
	Invited Workshop on Party Competition, University of Vienna	2015
	Toronto Political Behavior Workshop, Ryerson University	2015
	Manifesto Project User Conference, WZB	2015, 2018
	Text Analysis Workshop, Amsterdam	2016
	Invited Workshop on Responsible Party Model in Times of Dealignment, KU Leuven	2016
	Invited Workshop on Party Competition in European Multi-Level Systems, University of Mannheim	2017
	Meetings of the Party Congress Research Group	2017, 2018
	Invited Workshop on POLTEXT Incubator,	2018
	Centre for Social Sciences, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest	
	Invited Talk Chair of Comparative Political Behavior Humboldt University Berlin	2019
	Keynote Network Institute	2019
	<i>Vrije Universiteit</i> , Amsterdam Hot Politics Lab University of Amsterdam	2020
SERVICES	Chair of PhD Club	2020
	Department of Communication Science, <i>Vrije Universiteit</i> Amsterdam, Amsterdam, NL	
	Chair & Member of Works Council	2019-current
	Faculty of Social Sciences, <i>Vrije Universiteit</i> Amsterdam, Amsterdam, NL	
	Co-founder and organizer of the <i>Zurich Summer School for Women in Political Methodology</i> , Zurich, CH	2017-2019
	The Summer School is targeted at early-career women researchers (mainly in the social (political) sciences) as a means of addressing gender gaps in computational methods.	
	Co-founder of EPSA's Women's Breakfast	2018
	A network that seeks to promote women in political methodology in Europe through	

training, networking opportunities and mentorship. During EPSA 2018, Vienna, we have our first women caucus meeting, co-organized with prof.dr. Orit Kedar (president of EPSA) and prof. dr. Vera Troeger (editor of PSRM).

Postdoctoral Representative 2017 - current
Department of Political Science, University of Zurich, Zurich, CH

Member of the Graduate Council 2015
Faculty of Social Science, *Vrije Universiteit* Amsterdam, Amsterdam, NL
Representing interests of PhD Candidates and organizing workshops on grant writing, poster making and presenting at academic conferences.

ProVU PhD Day Organization 2014
Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Amsterdam, NL
Organization of a PhD workshop-day for all PhD candidates in the Netherlands (300 participants) around the theme ‘communicating science’.

Reviewer for the *American Political Science Review*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of Politics*, *Party Politics*, *Political Communication*, *Political Science Research & Methods*, *Research & Politics*, *Journal of Media Psychology*, *Political Psychology*, *Journal of Communication*, and *Digital Journalism*.

SOFTWARE

Software Statistics: R, Python
Survey Research: Qualtrics
Convenience Sample Recruitment: Figure8, Amazon MTurk
Text processors: L^AT_EX, Markdown

LANGUAGE

Dutch: Mother tongue
German: Fluent (C2)
Farsi: Beginner (A1)
English: Fluent
Spanish: Passive (B1)