ONLINE APPENDIX: All Tarred with the Same Brush? A Comparative Study of Populist Support Predicting Conspiracy Thinking during the COVID-19 Pandemic

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Questionnaire and Descriptive Information

Dependent Variables

We rely on two variables to operationalize conspiracy thinking: Covid Conspiracy Beliefs and Generic Conspicay Mentality. Both variables are created by using an additive scale. Figure A.1 demonstrates that while the Generic Conspicay Mentality index has higher values of Cronbach's alpha (>0.8 for all countries), the Covid Conspiracy Beliefs index performs well enough, with a Cronbach's alpha higher than 0.7. We have therefore included the scales as dependent variables in our analysis. Table A.1 demonstrates the averages of the indexes across countries.

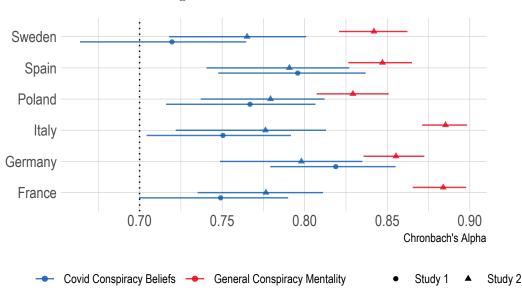


Figure A.1: Scale Performance

CI's calculated with a 1000 bootstrap samples

Independent Variables

We rely on four variables to operationalize support for populist and extremist parties (i.e. to test our first hypothesis):

- Propensity to Vote for Populist Party measured by the question form 0 to 10 how likely are you ever to vote for [party], where 0 means never and 10 means certainly vote for this party.
- Populist Party ID measured by the question if you feel close to a party, respondents that indicated to feel close to a populist party received a score of 1, others a score of 0.
- Populist Vote Recall measured by the question for which party you voted for during the last national elections, respondents that indicated that they voted for a populist party received a score of 1, others a score of 0.
- Populist Vote Intention measured by the question for which party you aim to vote were there national elections tomorrow, respondents that indicated that they would vote for a populist party received a score of 1, others a score of 0.

Tables A.2 and ?? demonstrate the averages across countries.

Table A.1: Descriptive Information - DV

Country	Study	Variable	Mean Value	St.Dev	Min.Value	Max.Value
Germany	Study 1	Covid Conspiracy Beliefs	0.64	1.06	0	4
France	Study 1	Covid Conspiracy Beliefs	0.62	1.00	0	4
Italy	Study 1	Covid Conspiracy Beliefs	0.59	0.98	0	4
Poland	Study 1	Covid Conspiracy Beliefs	1.19	1.04	0	4
Spain	Study 1	Covid Conspiracy Beliefs	0.73	1.01	0	4
Sweden	Study 1	Covid Conspiracy Beliefs	0.50	0.93	0	4
Germany	Study 2	Covid Conspiracy Beliefs	0.57	0.99	0	4
France	Study 2	Covid Conspiracy Beliefs	0.67	1.05	0	4
Italy	Study 2	Covid Conspiracy Beliefs	0.55	0.93	0	4
Poland	Study 2	Covid Conspiracy Beliefs	1.27	1.06	0	4
Spain	Study 2	Covid Conspiracy Beliefs	0.70	1.03	0	4
Sweden	Study 2	Covid Conspiracy Beliefs	0.52	0.96	0	4
Germany	Study 2	Conspiracy Mentality	5.64	2.03	0	10
France	Study 2	Conspiracy Mentality	6.41	1.87	0	10
Italy	Study 2	Conspiracy Mentality	6.46	1.82	0	10
Poland	Study 2	Conspiracy Mentality	6.71	1.75	0	10
Spain	Study 2	Conspiracy Mentality	6.90	1.73	0	10
Sweden	Study 2	Conspiracy Mentality	5.75	1.77	0	10

We rely on eight measures to operationalize distance between themselves and the incumbent government party/parties. We look at the mean and median ideological distance from the government parties as determined by the respondents as well as determined by the sample based on the left-right scale as well as based on a covid policy specific scale to test our second hypothesis. These eight measures are only available for study 1. Tables A.3 and ref{tab:ivh2-2} demonstrate the averages across countries.

Control Variables

As control variables, the following demographics are measured:

- Gender is measured as sex. The answer categories are Male (value of 1), Female (value of 0), and No answer (value of 999).
- Age is measured using age in years.
- Education is measured as the highest successfully completed level of education using 9 categories: Doctorate, Post-doctorate or equivalent Completed, Incomplete Secondary Education, Less than primary, Postgraduate Education Completed, Primary education, Secondary Education, Some University or Vocational Certification, Vocational or Professional Certification Completed. We treat this variable as continues.
- Employment Respondents were asked which category of employment Full-time employed, Part-time employed, Entrepreneur, Unemployed and searching for a job, Unemployed

and not searching for a job or incapacitated, Housewife/Househusband or else, Retired, Student or full-time education — applied most to them.

- Income Respondents were questioned on their monthly income wether they are Coping on
 present income, Finding it difficult on present income, Finding it very difficult
 on present income, Living comfortably on present income.
- Religion Respondents were asked how often they attend religious services on a seven-point scale ranking from never (value of 1) till every day (value of 7).

Tables A.5, A.6, A.7, A.8, A.9, A.10, A.11, A.12, and A.17 demonstrate the averages across countries.

In addition, we control for the following political attitudes of the respondents:

- Trust Index Respondents were asked on an 11-point scale how much they trust others, parliament, local government, the police, the health care system, the judiciary, and the EU, with 0 being no trust and 10 full trust. These measures are taken together in an additive scale with a Cronbach Alpha value over 0.75.
- Economic Left-Right Positions Respondents were asked on an 11-point scale whether the state should intervene in the economy (value of 0) or let the market determine the econome (value of 10).
- Progressive-Conservative Positions Respondents were asked on an 11-point scale whether immigrants should be able to keep their own culture (value of 0) or fully assimilate (value of 10).
- Position toward Women Working Respondents where asked on as 5-point Likert scale whether they fully disagree (value of 1), disagree (value of 2), are neutral value of 3), agreeing value of 4), or fully agreeing (value of 5) with the statement "Men should have more right to work than women when jobs are scarce".
- Position on Climate Change Respondents were asked On a 0-10 scale, do you believe that climate change will have a null or very limited impact on the lives of future generations or that its impact will be dramatic?.
- Evaluation of the Economy Respondents where asked on a 5-point scale if they think their economic situation deteriorated (value of 1) or improved (value of 5).
- Prospects for the Economy Respondents where asked on a 5-point scale if they think their economic situation will deteriorate (value of 1) or will improve (value of 5).

Tables A.14, A.15, A.16, and A.17 demonstrate the averages across countries.

Table A.2: Descriptive Information - Independent Variables for H1 (1)

Country	Study	Variable	Mean Value	St.Dev	Min.Value	Max.Value
Germany	Study 1	Populist Party Identity	0.09	0.28	0	1
France	Study 1	Populist Party Identity	0.12	0.32	0	1
Italy	Study 1	Populist Party Identity	0.13	0.34	0	1
Poland	Study 1	Populist Party Identity	0.17	0.37	0	1
Spain	Study 1	Populist Party Identity	0.10	0.30	0	1
Sweden	Study 1	Populist Party Identity	0.29	0.46	0	1
Germany	Study 1	Populist Vote Intention	0.10	0.30	0	1
France	Study 1	Populist Vote Intention	0.14	0.35	0	1
Italy	Study 1	Populist Vote Intention	0.14	0.34	0	1
Poland	Study 1	Populist Vote Intention	0.18	0.39	0	1
Spain	Study 1	Populist Vote Intention	0.11	0.31	0	1
Sweden	Study 1	Populist Vote Intention	0.22	0.41	0	1
Germany	Study 2	Populist Party Identity	0.10	0.30	0	1
France	Study 2	Populist Party Identity	0.13	0.33	0	1
Italy	Study 2	Populist Party Identity	0.11	0.32	0	1
Poland	Study 2	Populist Party Identity	0.17	0.38	0	1
Spain	Study 2	Populist Party Identity	0.09	0.28	0	1
Sweden	Study 2	Populist Party Identity	0.31	0.46	0	1
Germany	Study 2	Populist Vote Intention	0.11	0.31	0	1
France	Study 2	Populist Vote Intention	0.14	0.35	0	1
Italy	Study 2	Populist Vote Intention	0.12	0.32	0	1
Poland	Study 2	Populist Vote Intention	0.18	0.39	0	1
Spain	Study 2	Populist Vote Intention	0.11	0.32	0	1
Sweden	Study 2	Populist Vote Intention	0.22	0.42	0	1
Germany	Study 2	PTV for Populist Party	2.55	3.40	0	10
France	Study 2	PTV for Populist Party	3.38	3.35	0	10
Italy	Study 2	PTV for Populist Party	2.76	3.25	0	10
Poland	Study 2	PTV for Populist Party	2.84	3.57	0	10
Spain	Study 2	PTV for Populist Party	2.61	3.39	0	10
Sweden	Study 2	PTV for Populist Party	3.75	3.80	0	10
Germany	Study 2	Populist Vote Last Election	0.10	0.31	0	1
France	Study 2	Populist Vote Last Election	0.13	0.34	0	1
Italy	Study 2	Populist Vote Last Election	0.14	0.34	0	1
Poland	Study 2	Populist Vote Last Election	0.27	0.45	0	1
Spain	Study 2	Populist Vote Last Election	0.09	0.28	0	1
Sweden	Study 2	Populist Vote Last Election	0.19	0.40	0	1

Table A.3: Descriptive Information - Independent Variables for H2 (1)

Country	Variable	Mean Value	St.Dev	Min.Valu	Max.Value
German	Ideological Distance from Median Government Position (R)	1.74	2.1	0.00	10.0
France	Ideological Distance from Median Government Position (R)	2.37	2.4	0.00	10.0
Italy	Ideological Distance from Median Government Position (R)	3.26	2.7	0.00	10.0
Poland	Ideological Distance from Median Government Position (R)	3.51	2.7	0.00	10.0
Spain	Ideological Distance from Median Government Position (R)	2.83	2.6	0.00	10.0
Sweden	Ideological Distance from Median Government Position (R)	2.78	2.5	0.00	10.0
German	Ideological Distance from Mean Government Position (R)	1.63	1.9	0.00	10.0
France	Ideological Distance from Mean Government Position (R)	2.37	2.4	0.00	10.0
Italy	Ideological Distance from Mean Government Position (R)	2.88	2.4	0.00	10.0
Poland	Ideological Distance from Mean Government Position (R)	3.51	2.7	0.00	10.0
Spain	Ideological Distance from Mean Government Position (R)	2.83	2.6	0.00	10.0
Sweden	Ideological Distance from Mean Government Position (R)	2.78	2.5	0.00	10.0
German	Ideological Distance from Median Government Position (S)	0.99	1.5	0.00	5.0
France	Ideological Distance from Median Government Position (S)	1.80	1.5	0.00	6.0
Italy	Ideological Distance from Median Government Position (S)	2.72	1.7	0.00	7.0
Poland	Ideological Distance from Median Government Position (S)	3.22	1.9	0.00	8.0
Spain	Ideological Distance from Median Government Position (S)	2.18	1.8	0.00	7.0
Sweden	Ideological Distance from Median Government Position (S)	2.25	1.6	0.00	6.0
German	Ideological Distance from Mean Government Position (S)	1.15	1.4	0.30	5.3
France	Ideological Distance from Mean Government Position (S)	1.81	1.5	0.03	6.0
Italy	Ideological Distance from Mean Government Position (S)	2.43	1.6	0.49	6.5
Poland	Ideological Distance from Mean Government Position (S)	2.95	1.8	0.38	7.6
Spain	Ideological Distance from Mean Government Position (S)	2.13	1.7	0.16	6.8
Sweden	Ideological Distance from Mean Government Position (S)	2.31	1.6	0.12	6.1

Table A.4: Descriptive Information - Independent Variables for H2 (2)

Country	Variable	Mean Value	St.Dev	Min.Valu	Max.Valu
German	Distance from Mean (R) on COVID Government Position	2.1	2.2	0.00	10.0
France	Distance from Mean (R) on COVID Government Position	2.2	2.4	0.00	10.0
Italy	Distance from Mean (R) on COVID Government Position	2.4	2.3	0.00	10.0
Poland	Distance from Mean (R) on COVID Government Position	3.4	2.7	0.00	10.0
Spain	Distance from Mean (R) on COVID Government Position	2.5	2.3	0.00	10.0
Sweden	Distance from Mean (R) on COVID Government Position	2.5	2.5	0.00	10.0
German	Distance from Median (S) on COVID Government Position	2.2	1.8	0.00	5.0
France	Distance from Median (S) on COVID Government Position	1.9	1.7	0.00	5.0
Italy	Distance from Median (S) on COVID Government Position	2.3	1.6	0.00	6.0
Poland	Distance from Median (S) on COVID Government Position	2.8	1.8	0.00	6.0
Spain	Distance from Median (S) on COVID Government Position	2.4	1.6	0.00	6.0
Sweden	Distance from Median (S) on COVID Government Position	2.4	1.8	0.00	6.0
German	Distance from Mean (S) on COVID Government Position	2.3	1.7	0.35	5.3
France	Distance from Mean (S) on COVID Government Position	1.9	1.7	0.10	5.1
Italy	Distance from Mean (S) on COVID Government Position	2.3	1.6	0.06	5.9
Poland	Distance from Mean (S) on COVID Government Position	3.0	1.9	0.22	6.2
Spain	Distance from Mean (S) on COVID Government Position	2.3	1.6	0.25	5.8
Sweden	Distance from Mean (S) on COVID Government Position	2.3	1.7	0.33	5.7

Table A.5: Descriptive Information - Demographic Controls (Categorical) (1)

Country	Study	Variable	Frequency (%)
Germany	Study 1	Female	0.507
Germany	Study 1	Male	0.493
France	Study 1	Female	0.526
France	Study 1	Male	0.474
Italy	Study 1	Female	0.514
Italy	Study 1	Male	0.486
Poland	Study 1	Female	0.524
Poland	Study 1	Male	0.476
Spain	Study 1	Female	0.514
Spain	Study 1	Male	0.486
Sweden	Study 1	Female	0.504
Sweden	Study 1	Male	0.496
Germany	Study 1	Doctorate, Post-doctorate or equivalent Completed	0.009
Germany	Study 1	Incomplete Secondary Education	0.021
Germany	Study 1	Less than primary	0.013
Germany	Study 1	Postgraduate Education Completed	0.056
Germany	Study 1	Primary education	0.038
Germany	Study 1	Secondary Education	0.602
Germany	Study 1	Some University or Vocational Certification	0.023
Germany	Study 1	University Education Completed	0.016
Germany	Study 1	Vocational or Professional Certification Completed	0.222
France	Study 1	Doctorate, Post-doctorate or equivalent Completed	0.018
France	Study 1	Incomplete Secondary Education	0.150
France	Study 1	Less than primary	0.010
France	Study 1	Postgraduate Education Completed	0.086
France	Study 1	Primary education	0.026
France	Study 1	Secondary Education	0.367
France	Study 1	Some University or Vocational Certification	0.098
France	Study 1	University Education Completed	0.132
France	Study 1	Vocational or Professional Certification Completed	0.114
Italy	Study 1	Doctorate, Post-doctorate or equivalent Completed	0.014
Italy	Study 1	Incomplete Secondary Education	0.362
Italy	Study 1	Less than primary	0.003
Italy	Study 1	Postgraduate Education Completed	0.080
Italy	Study 1	Primary education	0.019
Italy	Study 1	Secondary Education	0.370
Italy	Study 1	Some University or Vocational Certification	0.066
Italy	Study 1	University Education Completed	0.058
Italy	Study 1	Vocational or Professional Certification Completed	0.028
Poland	Study 1	Doctorate, Post-doctorate or equivalent Completed	0.008

Table A.6: Descriptive Information - Demographic Controls (Categorical) $\left(2\right)$

Country	Study	Variable	Frequency (%)
Poland	Study 1	Incomplete Secondary Education	0.125
Poland	Study 1	Postgraduate Education Completed	0.038
Poland	Study 1	Primary education	0.014
Poland	Study 1	Secondary Education	0.523
Poland	Study 1	Some University or Vocational Certification	0.022
Poland	Study 1	University Education Completed	0.205
Poland	Study 1	Vocational or Professional Certification Completed	0.065
Spain	Study 1	Doctorate, Post-doctorate or equivalent Completed	0.030
Spain	Study 1	Incomplete Secondary Education	0.111
Spain	Study 1	Less than primary	0.013
Spain	Study 1	Postgraduate Education Completed	0.074
Spain	Study 1	Primary education	0.128
Spain	Study 1	Secondary Education	0.279
Spain	Study 1	Some University or Vocational Certification	0.059
Spain	Study 1	University Education Completed	0.192
Spain	Study 1	Vocational or Professional Certification Completed	0.114
Sweden	Study 1 Study 1	Doctorate, Post-doctorate or equivalent Completed	0.021
Sweden	Study 1 Study 1	Incomplete Secondary Education	0.037
Sweden	Study 1	Less than primary	0.010
Sweden	Study 1	Postgraduate Education Completed	0.067
Sweden	Study 1	Primary education	0.112
Sweden	Study 1	Secondary Education	0.358
Sweden	Study 1	Some University or Vocational Certification	0.079
Sweden	Study 1	University Education Completed	0.205
Sweden	Study 1	Vocational or Professional Certification Completed	0.111
Germany	Study 1	Coping on present income	0.525
Germany	Study 1	Finding it difficult on present income	0.185
Germany	Study 1	Finding it very difficult on present income	0.098
Germany	Study 1	Living comfortably on present income	0.191
France	Study 1	Coping on present income	0.578
France	Study 1	Finding it difficult on present income	0.192
France	Study 1 Study 1	Finding it very difficult on present income	0.063
France	Study 1	Living comfortably on present income	0.168
Italy	Study 1	Coping on present income	0.515
Italy	Study 1	Finding it difficult on present income	0.252
Italy	Study 1	Finding it very difficult on present income	0.079
Italy	Study 1	Living comfortably on present income	0.154
Poland	Study 1	Coping on present income	0.674
Poland	Study 1	Finding it difficult on present income	0.158
Poland	Study 1	Finding it very difficult on present income	0.051

Table A.7: Descriptive Information - Demographic Controls (Categorical) (3)

Country	Study	Variable	Frequency (%)
Poland	Study 1	Living comfortably on present income	0.117
Spain	Study 1	Coping on present income	0.503
Spain	Study 1	Finding it difficult on present income	0.247
Spain	Study 1	Finding it very difficult on present income	0.093
Spain	Study 1	Living comfortably on present income	0.157
Sweden	Study 1	Coping on present income	0.400
Sweden	Study 1	Finding it difficult on present income	0.122
Sweden	Study 1	Finding it very difficult on present income	0.052
Sweden	Study 1	Living comfortably on present income	0.426
Germany	Study 1	doinig housework	0.068
Germany	Study 1	In education and NOT working	0.021
Germany	Study 1	In education AND working	0.026
Germany	Study 1	In paid work	0.402
Germany	Study 1	Other	0.033
Germany	Study 1	Permanently sick or disabled	0.048
Germany	Study 1	Retired	0.306
Germany	Study 1	Unemployed and actively looking for a job	0.067
Germany	Study 1	Unemployed, but not actively looking for a job	0.030
France	Study 1	doinig housework	0.048
France	Study 1	In education and NOT working	0.045
France	Study 1	In education AND working	0.010
France	Study 1	In paid work	0.508
France	Study 1	Other	0.008
France	Study 1	Permanently sick or disabled	0.022
France	Study 1	Retired	0.258
France	Study 1	Unemployed and actively looking for a job	0.082
France	Study 1	Unemployed, but not actively looking for a job	0.019
Italy	Study 1	doinig housework	0.095
Italy	Study 1	In education and NOT working	0.017
Italy	Study 1	In education AND working	0.066
Italy	Study 1	In paid work	0.409
Italy	Study 1	Other	0.039
Italy	Study 1	Permanently sick or disabled	0.006
Italy	Study 1	Retired	0.205
Italy	Study 1	Unemployed and actively looking for a job	0.127
Italy	Study 1	Unemployed, but not actively looking for a job	0.037
Poland	Study 1	doinig housework	0.060
Poland	Study 1	In education and NOT working	0.035
Poland	Study 1	In education AND working	0.066
Poland	Study 1	In paid work	0.539

Table A.8: Descriptive Information - Demographic Controls (Categorical) (4)

Country	Study	Variable	Frequency (%)
Poland	Study 1	Other	0.012
Poland	Study 1	Permanently sick or disabled	0.024
Poland	Study 1	Retired	0.218
Poland	Study 1	Unemployed and actively looking for a job	0.040
Poland	Study 1	Unemployed, but not actively looking for a job	0.006
Spain	Study 1	doinig housework	0.076
Spain	Study 1	In education and NOT working	0.046
Spain	Study 1	In education AND working	0.054
Spain	Study 1	In paid work	0.537
Spain	Study 1	Other	0.023
Spain	Study 1	Permanently sick or disabled	0.021
Spain	Study 1	Retired	0.110
Spain	Study 1	Unemployed and actively looking for a job	0.113
Spain	Study 1	Unemployed, but not actively looking for a job	0.020
Sweden	Study 1	doinig housework	0.023
Sweden	Study 1	In education and NOT working	0.051
Sweden	Study 1	In education AND working	0.050
Sweden	Study 1	In paid work	0.453
Sweden	Study 1	Other	0.024
Sweden	Study 1	Permanently sick or disabled	0.067
Sweden	Study 1	Retired	0.252
Sweden	Study 1	Unemployed and actively looking for a job	0.058
Sweden	Study 1	Unemployed, but not actively looking for a job	0.024
Germany	Study 2	Female	0.513
Germany	Study 2	Male	0.487
France	Study 2	Female	0.528
France	Study 2	Male	0.472
Italy	Study 2	Female	0.522
Italy	Study 2	Male	0.478
Poland	Study 2	Female	0.523
Poland	Study 2	Male	0.477
Spain	Study 2	Female	0.524
Spain	Study 2	Male	0.476
Sweden	Study 2	Female	0.505
Sweden	Study 2	Male	0.495
Germany	Study 2	Doctorate, Post-doctorate or equivalent Completed	0.019
Germany	Study 2	Incomplete Secondary Education	0.019
Germany	Study 2	Less than primary	0.012
Germany	Study 2	Postgraduate Education Completed	0.058
Germany	Study 2	Primary education	0.026

Table A.9: Descriptive Information - Demographic Controls (Categorical) (5)

Country	Study	Variable	Frequency (%)
Germany	Study 2	Secondary Education	0.6132
Germany	Study 2	Some University or Vocational Certification	0.0199
Germany	Study 2	University Education Completed	0.0389
Germany	Study 2	Vocational or Professional Certification Completed	0.1944
France	Study 2	Doctorate, Post-doctorate or equivalent Completed	0.0167
France	Study 2	Incomplete Secondary Education	0.1565
France	Study 2	Less than primary	0.0079
France	Study 2	Postgraduate Education Completed	0.0719
France	Study 2	Primary education	0.0354
France	Study 2	Secondary Education	0.3888
France	Study 2	Some University or Vocational Certification	0.0669
France	Study 2	University Education Completed	0.0817
France	Study 2	Vocational or Professional Certification Completed	0.1742
Italy	Study 2	Doctorate, Post-doctorate or equivalent Completed	0.0170
Italy	Study 2	Incomplete Secondary Education	0.3633
Italy	Study 2	Less than primary	0.0050
Italy	Study 2	Postgraduate Education Completed	0.0639
Italy	Study 2	Primary education	0.0269
Italy	Study 2	Secondary Education	0.3733
Italy	Study 2	Some University or Vocational Certification	0.0579
Italy	Study 2	University Education Completed	0.0629
Italy	Study 2	Vocational or Professional Certification Completed	0.0299
Poland	Study 2	Doctorate, Post-doctorate or equivalent Completed	0.0080
Poland	Study 2	Incomplete Secondary Education	0.1038
Poland	Study 2	Less than primary	0.0010
Poland	Study 2	Postgraduate Education Completed	0.0279
Poland	Study 2	Primary education	0.0279
Poland	Study 2	Secondary Education	0.5729
Poland	Study 2	Some University or Vocational Certification	0.0120
Poland	Study 2	University Education Completed	0.1776
Poland	Study 2	Vocational or Professional Certification Completed	0.0689
Spain	Study 2	Doctorate, Post-doctorate or equivalent Completed	0.0277
Spain	Study 2	Incomplete Secondary Education	0.1018
Spain	Study 2	Less than primary	0.0138
Spain	Study 2	Postgraduate Education Completed	0.0613
Spain	Study 2	Primary education	0.1047
Spain	Study 2	Secondary Education	0.3192
Spain	Study 2	Some University or Vocational Certification	0.0682
Spain	Study 2	University Education Completed	0.1957
Spain	Study 2	Vocational or Professional Certification Completed	0.1077

Table A.10: Descriptive Information - Demographic Controls (Categorical) (6)

Country	Study	Variable	Frequency (%)
Sweden	Study 2	Doctorate, Post-doctorate or equivalent Completed	0.013
Sweden	Study 2	Incomplete Secondary Education	0.041
Sweden	Study 2	Less than primary	0.004
Sweden	Study 2	Postgraduate Education Completed	0.061
Sweden	Study 2	Primary education	0.110
Sweden	Study 2	Secondary Education	0.379
Sweden	Study 2	Some University or Vocational Certification	0.063
Sweden	Study 2	University Education Completed	0.227
Sweden	Study 2	Vocational or Professional Certification Completed	0.102
Germany	Study 2	Coping on present income	0.529
Germany	Study 2	Finding it difficult on present income	0.189
Germany	Study 2	Finding it very difficult on present income	0.093
Germany	Study 2	Living comfortably on present income	0.188
France	Study 2	Coping on present income	0.530
France	Study 2	Finding it difficult on present income	0.236
France	Study 2	Finding it very difficult on present income	0.085
France	Study 2	Living comfortably on present income	0.150
Italy	Study 2	Coping on present income	0.531
Italy	Study 2	Finding it difficult on present income	0.262
Italy	Study 2	Finding it very difficult on present income	0.073
Italy	Study 2	Living comfortably on present income	0.134
Poland	Study 2	Coping on present income	0.629
Poland	Study 2	Finding it difficult on present income	0.210
Poland	Study 2	Finding it very difficult on present income	0.060
Poland	Study 2	Living comfortably on present income	0.102
Spain	Study 2	Coping on present income	0.486
Spain	Study 2	Finding it difficult on present income	0.239
Spain	Study 2	Finding it very difficult on present income	0.083
Spain	Study 2	Living comfortably on present income	0.192
Sweden	Study 2	Coping on present income	0.392
Sweden	Study 2	Finding it difficult on present income	0.118
Sweden	Study 2	Finding it very difficult on present income	0.061
Sweden	Study 2	Living comfortably on present income	0.428
Germany	Study 2	doinig housework	0.076
Germany	Study 2	In education and NOT working	0.016
Germany	Study 2	In education AND working	0.025
Germany	Study 2	In paid work	0.418
Germany	Study 2	Other	0.022
Germany	Study 2	Permanently sick or disabled	0.063
Germany	Study 2	Retired	0.307

Table A.11: Descriptive Information - Demographic Controls (Categorical) (7)

Country	Study	Variable	Frequency (%)
Germany	Study 2	Unemployed and actively looking for a job	0.057
Germany	Study 2	Unemployed, but not actively looking for a job	0.017
France	Study 2	doinig housework	0.041
France	Study 2	In education and NOT working	0.044
France	Study 2	In education AND working	0.029
France	Study 2	In paid work	0.526
France	Study 2	Other	0.014
France	Study 2	Permanently sick or disabled	0.022
France	Study 2	Retired	0.244
France	Study 2	Unemployed and actively looking for a job	0.062
France	Study 2	Unemployed, but not actively looking for a job	0.019
Italy	Study 2	doinig housework	0.095
Italy	Study 2	In education and NOT working	0.018
Italy	Study 2	In education AND working	0.053
Italy	Study 2	In paid work	0.410
Italy	Study 2	Other	0.034
Italy	Study 2	Permanently sick or disabled	0.004
Italy	Study 2	Retired	0.245
Italy	Study 2	Unemployed and actively looking for a job	0.122
Italy	Study 2	Unemployed, but not actively looking for a job	0.020
Poland	Study 2	doinig housework	0.067
Poland	Study 2	In education and NOT working	0.051
Poland	Study 2	In education AND working	0.043
Poland	Study 2	In paid work	0.550
Poland	Study 2	Other	0.017
Poland	Study 2	Permanently sick or disabled	0.022
Poland	Study 2	Retired	0.206
Poland	Study 2	Unemployed and actively looking for a job	0.034
Poland	Study 2	Unemployed, but not actively looking for a job	0.011
Spain	Study 2	doinig housework	0.062
Spain	Study 2	In education and NOT working	0.044
Spain	Study 2	In education AND working	0.051
Spain	Study 2	In paid work	0.458
Spain	Study 2	Other	0.023
Spain	Study 2	Permanently sick or disabled	0.014
Spain	Study 2	Retired	0.204
Spain	Study 2	Unemployed and actively looking for a job	0.115
Spain	Study 2	Unemployed, but not actively looking for a job	0.030
Sweden	Study 2	doinig housework	0.016
Sweden	Study 2	In education and NOT working	0.056

Table A.12: Descriptive Information - Demographic Controls (Categorical) (8)

Country	Study	Variable	Frequency (%)
Sweden	Study 2	In education AND working	0.049
Sweden	Study 2	In paid work	0.479
Sweden	Study 2	Other	0.018
Sweden	Study 2	Permanently sick or disabled	0.059
Sweden	Study 2	Retired	0.240
Sweden Sweden	Study 2 Study 2	Unemployed and actively looking for a job Unemployed, but not actively looking for a job	0.067 0.016

 ${\bf Table~A.13:~Descriptive~Information~-~Demographic~Controls~(Continuous)}$

Country	Study	Variable	Mean Value	St.Dev	Min.Value	Max.Valu
German	Study 1	Age	49.4	16.9	18	97
France	Study 1	Age	47.4	16.6	18	82
Italy	Study 1	Age	48.0	16.1	18	90
Poland	Study 1	Age	44.8	16.1	18	82
Spain	Study 1	Age	45.3	14.3	18	90
Sweden	Study 1	Age	48.3	17.8	18	90
Germany	Study 1	Religion	2.2	1.5	1	7
France	Study 1	Religion	2.1	1.4	1	7
Italy	Study 1	Religion	2.9	1.6	1	7
Poland	Study 1	Religion	3.3	1.5	1	7
Spain	Study 1	Religion	2.3	1.6	1	7
Sweden	Study 1	Religion	2.4	1.8	1	7
Germany	Study 2	Age	50.2	17.0	18	90
France	Study 2	Age	47.4	16.9	18	89
Italy	Study 2	Age	49.0	16.7	18	99
Poland	Study 2	Age	44.9	16.4	18	84
Spain	Study 2	Age	48.5	15.6	18	87
Sweden	Study 2	Age	48.2	17.7	18	83
Germany	Study 2	Religion	2.1	1.4	1	7
France	Study 2	Religion	2.2	1.5	1	7
Italy	Study 2	Religion	2.8	1.5	1	7
Poland	Study 2	Religion	3.2	1.6	1	7
Spain	Study 2	Religion	2.4	1.6	1	7
Sweden	Study 2	Religion	2.4	1.8	1	7

Table A.14: Descriptive Information - Political Controls (1)

Country	Study	Variable	Mean Value	St.Dev	Min.Value	Max.Value
Germany	Study 1	Trust Index	5.6	2.21	0	10
France	Study 1	Trust Index	5.5	1.86	0	10
Italy	Study 1	Trust Index	5.5	1.91	0	10
Poland	Study 1	Trust Index	4.6	1.88	0	10
Spain	Study 1	Trust Index	5.5	1.87	0	10
Sweden	Study 1	Trust Index	6.0	1.98	0	10
Germany	Study 1	Economic Left-Right Position	2.8	0.76	1	4
France	Study 1	Economic Left-Right Position	3.0	0.69	1	4
Italy	Study 1	Economic Left-Right Position	3.1	0.64	1	4
Poland	Study 1	Economic Left-Right Position	2.8	0.83	1	4
Spain	Study 1	Economic Left-Right Position	3.1	0.73	1	4
Sweden	Study 1	Economic Left-Right Position	2.9	0.74	1	4
Germany	Study 1	Progressive- Conservative Position	4.9	3.00	0	10
France	Study 1	Progressive- Conservative Position	4.9	2.98	0	10
Italy	Study 1	Progressive- Conservative Position	5.3	2.94	0	10
Poland	Study 1	Progressive- Conservative Position	5.9	2.57	0	10
Spain	Study 1	Progressive- Conservative Position	6.1	2.76	0	10
Sweden	Study 1	Progressive- Conservative Position	5.6	2.99	0	10
Germany	Study 1	Position towards Women Working	2.2	1.15	1	5
France	Study 1	Position towards Women Working	2.0	1.15	1	5
Italy	Study 1	Position towards Women Working	1.9	1.11	1	5
Poland	Study 1	Position towards Women Working	2.2	1.04	1	5
Spain	Study 1	Position towards Women Working	1.7	1.04	1	5
Sweden	Study 1	Position towards Women Working	1.7	1.11	1	5
Germany	Study 1	Position on Climate Change	7.0	2.60	0	10

Table A.15: Descriptive Information - Political Controls (2)

Country	Study	Variable	Mean Value	St.Dev	Min.Value	Max.Value
France	Study 1	Position on Climate Change	7.3	2.33	0	10
Italy	Study 1	Position on Climate Change	7.4	2.26	0	10
Poland	Study 1	Position on Climate Change	7.5	2.41	0	10
Spain	Study 1	Position on Climate Change	7.2	2.31	0	10
Sweden	Study 1	Position on Climate Change	7.0	2.50	0	10
Germany	Study 1	Evaluation of the Economy	2.7	0.89	1	5
France	Study 1	Evaluation of the Economy	2.5	0.93	1	5
Italy	Study 1	Evaluation of the Economy	2.4	0.87	1	5
Poland	Study 1	Evaluation of the Economy	2.2	0.96	1	5
Spain	Study 1	Evaluation of the Economy	2.4	0.91	1	5
Sweden	Study 1	Evaluation of the Economy	2.8	0.92	1	5
Germany	Study 1	Prospect of the Economy	2.9	0.85	1	5
France	Study 1	Prospect of the Economy	2.7	0.90	1	5
Italy	Study 1	Prospect of the Economy	2.8	0.85	1	5
Poland	Study 1	Prospect of the Economy	2.6	1.06	1	5
Spain	Study 1	Prospect of the Economy	2.9	0.94	1	5
Sweden	Study 1	Prospect of the Economy	3.0	0.92	1	5
Germany	Study 2	Trust Index	5.3	2.26	0	10
France	Study 2	Trust Index	5.4	1.89	0	10
Italy	Study 2	Trust Index	5.2	2.02	0	10
Poland	Study 2	Trust Index	4.5	1.93	0	10
Spain	Study 2	Trust Index	5.6	1.85	0	10
Sweden	Study 2	Trust Index	5.8	2.01	0	10
Germany	Study 2	Economic Left-Right Position	2.8	0.81	1	4
France	Study 2	Economic Left-Right Position	3.1	0.69	1	4

Table A.16: Descriptive Information - Political Controls (3)

Country	Study	Variable	Mean Value	St.Dev	Min.Value	Max.Value
Italy	Study 2	Economic Left-Right Position	3.1	0.67	1	4
Poland	Study 2	Economic Left-Right Position	2.8	0.80	1	4
Spain	Study 2	Economic Left-Right Position	3.1	0.75	1	4
Sweden	Study 2	Economic Left-Right Position	2.8	0.74	1	4
Germany	Study 2	Progressive- Conservative Position	4.8	2.90	0	10
France	Study 2	Progressive- Conservative Position	4.8	2.77	0	10
Italy	Study 2	Progressive- Conservative Position	5.3	2.86	0	10
Poland	Study 2	Progressive- Conservative Position	5.9	2.49	0	10
Spain	Study 2	Progressive- Conservative Position	6.3	2.68	0	10
Sweden	Study 2	Progressive- Conservative Position	5.6	2.85	0	10
Germany	Study 2	Position towards Women Working	2.0	1.15	1	5
France	Study 2	Position towards Women Working	2.0	1.15	1	5
Italy	Study 2	Position towards Women Working	1.9	1.14	1	5
Poland	Study 2	Position towards Women Working	2.2	1.07	1	5
Spain	Study 2	Position towards Women Working	1.8	1.12	1	5

Table A.17: Descriptive Information - Political Controls (4)

Country	Study	Variable	Mean Value	St.Dev	Min.Value	Max.Value
Sweden	Study 2	Position towards Women Working	1.6	1.05	1	5
Germany	Study 2	Position on Climate Change	7.2	2.49	0	10
France	Study 2	Position on Climate Change	7.4	2.23	0	10
Italy	Study 2	Position on Climate Change	7.7	2.27	0	10
Poland	Study 2	Position on Climate Change	7.5	2.49	0	10
Spain	Study 2	Position on Climate Change	7.5	2.28	0	10
Sweden	Study 2	Position on Climate Change	7.1	2.55	0	10
Germany	Study 2	Evaluation of the Economy	2.8	0.89	1	5
France	Study 2	Evaluation of the Economy	2.7	0.96	1	5
Italy	Study 2	Evaluation of the Economy	2.7	0.90	1	5
Poland	Study 2	Evaluation of the Economy	2.4	1.04	1	5
Spain	Study 2	Evaluation of the Economy	2.8	0.95	1	5
Sweden	Study 2	Evaluation of the Economy	3.0	0.87	1	5
Germany	Study 2	Prospect of the Economy	2.9	0.92	1	5
France	Study 2	Prospect of the Economy	2.8	0.93	1	5
Italy	Study 2	Prospect of the Economy	2.9	0.85	1	5
Poland	Study 2	Prospect of the Economy	2.4	1.07	1	5
Spain	Study 2	Prospect of the Economy	3.1	0.92	1	5
Sweden	Study 2	Prospect of the Economy	3.2	0.87	1	5