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## Publications:

### Articles:

- 2026 "Shaping the bench: The effect of ideology and influence on judicial reappointments" with Daniel Naurin. *Journal of Politics*.
- 2026 "The politics of the Court of Justice of the European Union: A review" with Matthew Gabel and Jay Krehbiel. *European Union Politics*. 27(1).
- 2025 "Leveling and spotlighting: How international courts refract private litigation to build institutional legitimacy" with Tommaso Pavone and Louisa Boulaziz. *British Journal of Political Science*. 55(e158). pp 1-28.
- 2025 "Lingering bias: the effects of legislated gender quotas on representation quality in the European Parliament". *European Union Politics*. 26(1). pp 66-95.
- 2023 "Blurred lines between electoral and parliamentary representation: The use of constituency staff among Members of the European Parliament" with Andreja Pegan. *European Union Politics*. 24(2). pp 239-263.
- 2023 "The CJEU Database Platform: Decisions and Decision-Makers", with Stein Arne Brekke, Joshua Fjelstul and Daniel Naurin. *Journal of Law and Courts*. 11(2). pp 389-410.
- 2022 "Introducing COMEPELDA: Comprehensive European Parliament electoral data covering rules, parties and candidates" with Thomas Däubler and Mihail Chiru. *European Union Politics*. 23(2). pp 351-371
- 2020 "Building legitimacy: strategic case allocations in the Court of Justice of the European Union". *Journal of European Public Policy*. 27(8). pp 1215-1235.
- 2020 "Delegation of committee reports in the European Parliament", with Bjørn Høyland and Fang-Yi Chiou. *European Union Politics*. 21(2). pp 233-254.
- 2018 "Striving for influence: The effect of performance on candidate selection". *Party Politics*. 24(4). pp 382-396.

- 2018 "“(Self-)selection and expertise among decision-makers in the European Parliament”. *The Journal of Legislative Studies*. 24(1). pp 148-172.

#### **Chapters:**

- 2026 “EU Law Litigation: Who Litigates, Who Influences Judges, What Downstream Effects?” with Tommaso Pavone. In *Empirical Legal Studies of EU Law*, D. Naurin, U. Sadl, & J. Zglinski (Eds.). United Kingdom: Cambridge University Press.
- 2024 “Ændrer kønsvoter kvaliteten af vores politikere?”. *Samfundsøkonomen*. 2024(3). pp. 82–93.
- 2024 “The European Court of Justice, an Able but Unwilling Lawmaker” with Urska Sadl. In B. DeWitte, E. Muir, & M. Dawson (Eds.). *Revisiting Judicial Politics in the EU*. Edward Elgar. pp 282-304

#### **Book:**

- 2019; 2023 *Lær deg R: En innføring i statistikkprogrammets muligheter*. Fagbokforlaget, Bergen, 224 p. (Norwegian, 1st ed.)
- R i praksis: en introduktion for samfundsvidenskaberne*. DJØF, Copenhagen, 224 p. (Danish, 1st ed.)

#### **Working papers:**

“Ideology and opinion assignment on the Court of Justice of the European Union: Evidence from anti-trust and state aid cases” with Erik Voeten. *Submitted*.

“How do merit commissions affect judicial behavior? Evidence from the Court of Justice of the European Union” with Sivaram Cheruvu, Joshua C Fjelstul and Daniel Naurin. *Submitted*.

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#### **Academic background:**

#### **Positions:**

01.22 –	<b>Assistant professor (tenure track)</b> Tenure-track assistant professor in comparative politics.	<i>Department of Political Science University of Copenhagen</i>
08.21 –	<b>Post. Doc.</b>	<i>iCourts Centre of Excellence</i>
01.22	iCourts is a centre of excellence dedicated to the study of international courts, their role in a globalising legal order and their impact on politics and society. Project: “Judging under the Influence: A Critical Review of the Influence of Legal Actors on the Jurisprudence of the Court of Justice of the European Union”, led by Urska Sadl.	<i>University of Copenhagen</i>

05.17 – 07.21	<b>Post. Doc.</b>	<i>PluriCourts Centre of Excellence</i>
	PluriCourts is a centre of excellence dedicated to the study of international courts.	<i>University of Oslo</i>
08.11 – 01.17	<b>PhD in Political Science</b>	<i>Department of Political Science</i>
	Title: «Choosing Agents: Members of the European Parliament and their Political Organizations Seen through Report Allocation» Supervisor: Bjørn Høyland	<i>University of Oslo</i>
	The position included 25% teaching obligations. I also had two maternity leaves during my contract.	
	<b>Summer schools</b>	
2018	School: "Methods for Computational Social Science" Course: <i>Analyzing and modeling textual data</i>	<i>University of Southern California (Los Angeles)</i>
2014	School: "EITM Europe – Empirical implications of theoretical models". Course: <i>Theoretical and Methodological Foundations and Accountability and Violence</i>	<i>University of Mannheim (Mannheim)</i>
2013	School: "Parliamentary democracy in Europe" Course: <i>The European Parliament: Intra- and Inter-Institutional Politics and The Rules and Functions of the European Parliament</i>	<i>LUISS Guido Carlo School of Government (Rome)</i>
2012	School: ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research Course: <i>Introduction to Applied Bayesian Modeling for the Social Sciences, Introduction to Game Theory and Advanced Game Theory</i>	<i>University of Michigan (Ann Arbor)</i>
2011	School: Essex Summer School in Social Sciences, University of Essex Course: <i>Single Course in Hierarchical Models</i>	<i>University of Essex (Essex)</i>
03.07 - 09.08	<b>Research assistant</b> Research assistance for Bjørn Høyland.	<i>University of Oslo</i>
	<b>Education:</b>	
08.11 - 01.17	<b>PhD in political science</b>	<i>University of Oslo</i>
08.07 - 05.10	<b>Master in political science</b>	<i>University of Oslo</i>
08.06 - 12.06	<b>Single courses in political science</b>	<i>University of Oslo</i>
09.01 - 07.05	<b>Bachelor in political science</b>	<i>Université Panthéon-Sorbonne Paris</i>
09.98 - 07.01	<b>Baccalauréat français</b>	<i>Lycée Alain Chartier Bayeux</i>

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## Honors and grants:

- 2023 **Honorable Mention: Best Conference Paper Award from EUSA 2023 Biannual Conference**  
Coauthored work with T. Pavone and L. Boulaziz.
- 2019 **Best Papers from the EUSA 2019 Biennial Conference**  
Selected as one of the best papers from the European Union Studies Association (EUSA) conference published by the Journal of European Public Policy.

## Grants:

- 2023 **Research project (4,5 years, DFF2, Independent Research Fund Denmark)**  
“Applying the rules of the European Health Union”, co-applicant with Dorte Sindbjerg Martinsen (principal investigator) (684.482 euros)
- 2023 **Workshop funding (PluriCourts, Norwegian Science Foundation)**  
“Agenda setting and political decision making in courts: lessons learned for the study of the European Court of Justice”, organized with Tommaso Pavone (15.000 euros)
- 2022 **Pre-conference workshop funding (ECPR Standing group on the EU)**  
“European Legal Mobilization: Unearthing the Role of Litigants and Lawyers”, organized with Tommaso Pavone (1.500 euros)
- 2017 **Writer's grant (Fagbokforlaget)**  
I received a grant for writing an introductory book in R (statistics program) for students in social sciences. (5.000 euros)

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## Invited talks:

- University of Bamberg* (workshop on “EUropean Careers: The Careers of European Political Elites and their Representative Effects”, 2023)
- University Carlos III de Madrid* (2023)
- MZES, University of Manneheim* (MZES seminar series, 2023)
- ARENA, University of Oslo* (Research seminar, 2023)
- European University Institute* (IUROPA workshop, 2022)
- European University Institute* (2021)
- University College London* (Departmental seminar, 2019)
- University of Gothenburg* (IUROPA workshop, 2019)
- European Commission* (Expert Meeting on the Design of a Multilateral Investment Court, 2018)
- University of Stockholm* (Global and Regional Governance workshop, 2017)
- University of Bergen* (Bergen Exchanges on Law & Social Transformation, 2017)
- University College Dublin* (PADEMIA workshop on Parliamentary accountability: Assessing the link between citizens and elites in national and supranational politics, 2016)
- College of Europe* (PADEMIA workshop on Recent Developments in the studies of the European Parliament, 2015)

## **On-campus talks :**

*University of Copenhagen*

- Center for European Politics* (seminar, 2022)
- Danish and Comparative Politics* (seminar, 2022, 2024)
- Department of Political Science* (Departmental seminar, 2022)

*University of Oslo*

- BigInsight, Norwegian Computing Center* (Departmental lunch seminar, 2019)
- Center for European Law* (Departmental seminar, 2019)
- Comparative Institutions and Regimes Seminar* (Department of Political Science, 2018)
- PluriCourts* (Departmental seminar, 2017, 2019, 2021)
- PluriCourts* (Annual conference, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021)
- Department of Political Science* (Departmental seminar, 2014, 2016)

## **Conferences:**

- American Political Science Association* (Washington DC, 2014; Boston, 2018, zoom, 2020, Montreal, 2022; Philadelphia, 2024)
- Council for European Studies (CES) International Conference of Europeanists* (zoom, 2021)
- Danish European Association- European Community Studies Association (DES) Annual Conference* (2019, 2021)
- Danish National Political Science Association (DPSA) annual meeting* (Nyborg, 2022; 2023, 2024)
- European Consortium of Political science (ECPR) General Conference* (Oslo, 2017; Wrocław, 2019; zoom 2020, zoom, 2021; Tessaloniki, 2025)
- European Political Science Association* (Barcelona, 2013; Edinburgh, 2014; Brussels, 2016; Vienna, 2018; Belfast, 2019; zoom, 2020; Prague, 2022; Cologne, 2024)
- European Union Studies Association* (Denver, 2019; Miami, 2022; Philadelphia, 2025)
- Joint Sessions (ECPR)* (Mons, 2019)
- Midwest Political Science Association* (Chicago, 2014; 2015)
- Nordic Political Science Association Congress (NOPSA)* (Bergen, 2024)
- Norwegian National Conference in Political Science* (Trondheim, 2012; Tromsø, 2014; Oslo, 2015, Stavanger 2017, Bergen 2018; Trondheim, 2019; Kristiansand, 2023)
- Standing Group on European Union (ECPR)* (Hague, 2014; Trento, 2016; Paris, 2018; Rome, 2022; Lisbon, 2024)
- Standing Group on Parliaments (ECPR)* (Munich, 2016)

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## **Teaching:**

### **Textbook:**

*Lær deg R: En innføring i statistikkprogrammets muligheter*  
Introductory book to statistical programming, 2019

*Fagbokforlaget*

### **Course leader:**

<i>Courts, power and politics: Europe in context</i> MA level, 2025 (7,5 ECTS)	<i>University of Copenhagen</i>
<i>Statistical models beyond linear regression</i> MA level, 2023, 2024, 2025 (7,5 ECTS; 15 ECTS)	<i>University of Copenhagen</i>
<i>Statistical analysis</i> MA/PhD level, 2019, 2020 (10 ECTS)	<i>University of Oslo</i>
<i>Research methods and statistics for political scientists</i> BA level, 2013 (10 ECTS)	<i>University College Østfold</i>

#### Profession course:

<i>Introduction to R for social scientists</i> (2022-2023)	<i>Senter for velferds- og arbeidslivsforskning, OsloMet</i>
<i>Data management in R for practitioners</i> (2019)	<i>Norwegian Directorate for Information Technologies in Research and Higher Education</i>

#### Supervision:

<i>PhD theses (co-supervisor)</i> Olivia Viktoria Jensen Levinsen (2024-) Louisa Boulaziz (2022-)	<i>University of Copenhagen</i> <i>University of Oslo</i>
<i>Master's theses</i> (21 students, 2020-2025)	<i>University of Copenhagen</i>
<i>Bachelor's theses</i> (20-30 students, 2012)	<i>University of Oslo</i>

#### Course lecturer:

<i>Important Challenges in European Governance: Judicialization of European Politics</i> MA level, 2024 (7.5 ECTS)	<i>University of Copenhagen</i>
<i>Important Challenges in European Governance: Lobbying and Interest Groups</i> MA level, 2021, 2022, 2023 (7.5 ECTS)	
<i>Institutions, Policies and Law in the European Union</i> MA level, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025 (15 ECTS)	
<i>Methods I</i> BA level, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025 (10 ECTS)	
<i>Methods II</i> BA level, 2022, 2024, 2025 (10 ECTS)	
<i>Methods III</i> BA level, 2022, 2023 (10 ECTS)	
<i>Danish and Comparative Politics</i> MA level, 2022, 2023 (10 ECTS)	
<i>Research methods and statistics for political scientists</i> MA level, 2012, 2013, 2014 (10 ECTS)	<i>University of Oslo</i>

## **Guest lectures:**

- “The Court of Justice of the EU as a political actor”, *EU law & politics*  
MA/PhD level, 2021

“Appointments and Case Allocations in the Court of Justice of the European Union”, *Judicial behavior and judicial reasoning*  
MA/PhD level, 2021

“Logistic regression”, *Research methods and statistics in peace and conflict studies*  
MA level, 2015

## Seminar leader:

- EU decision-making processes and policy areas*  
BA level, 2015

*University of Oslo*

*European Union institutions*  
BA level, 2012

*Quantitative methods*  
MA level, 2011, 2013, 2014, 2019

*Introduction to R*  
MA level; 2011, 2013, 2014

*R helpdesk*  
MA level, 2019

## Evaluation:

I have also graded various theses and courses in comparative politics, European politics, political analysis and research methods at the bachelors' and masters' level.

*University of Copenhagen*  
*University of Oslo*  
*University of Bergen*  
*University of Stavanger*  
*University College Østfold*  
*Oslo Business School*

## **Service:**

**Reviewer:** *American Political Science Review, European Union Politics, Journal of Common Market Studies, Journal of European Integration, Journal of European Public Policy, Journal of Legislative Studies, Journal of Politics, Legislative Studies Quarterly, Oxford Handbooks, Party Politics, Scandinavian Political Studies*

## **Organizer:**

## **Workshops:**

“Litigants, Agendas, and Decisions at the European Court of Justice”, Workshop organised under the auspices of PluriCourts, the IUROPA network and ARENA Centre for European Studies (Oslo, 2023).

“European Legal Mobilization: Unearthing the Role of Litigants and Lawyers”, Pre-conference workshop, *ECPR Standing Group on the European Union* (Rome, 2022)

**Panels:**

- “Decision making on the bench”, ECPR Standing Group on the European Union (Lisbon, 2024)
- “Political influence at the Court of Justice of the EU: Court agency and alliance partners”, *EUSA Bi-annual Meeting* (Pittsburg, 2023)
- “Legal mobilization under democratic crisis 1”, *ECPR General Conference* (Innsbruck, 2021)
- “Legal mobilization under democratic crisis 2”, *ECPR General Conference* (Innsbruck, 2021)
- “Quantitative methods”, *Norwegian National Conference in Political Science* (Trondheim, 2019)

**Reading group/departmental seminar**

- “Reading group on political science”, *PluriCourts* (2021)
- “Departmental seminar”, Department of Political Science, *University of Oslo* (2011-2012)

<b>Selection committee:</b>	Recruitment, training and supervision of research assistants, <i>PluriCourts</i> (2017, 2020)
	Grants: “Fritt ord” student grants, <i>Department of Political Science, University of Oslo</i> (2014, 2015)
<b>Board member:</b>	Department of Political Science, University of Oslo (2014-2015)
	Department of Political Science, Université Panthéon-Sorbonne (2004-2005)

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**Languages:**

<b>Norwegian</b>	Native speaker	<b>R</b>	Proficient
<b>French</b>	Proficient	<b>Python</b>	Basic
<b>English</b>	Proficient	<b>LaTeX/Markdown</b>	Proficient