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Education

- 2011-2014** **Ph.D. in Politics, University of Edinburgh (United Kingdom)**
Thesis title: 'Differentiated Integration in the European Union: A Comparative Analysis of Party and Government Preferences in Finland, Sweden and Norway'
Supervisors: Dr. Pontus Odmalm, Prof. Elizabeth Bomberg and Prof. David Howarth
Examiners: Profs. Laura Cram (University of Edinburgh) and Paul Taggart (University of Sussex)
- 2010-2011** **LL.M. in European Law, University of Kent (United Kingdom), cum laude**
- 2007-2010** **BA in Political Science, University of Namur (Belgium), cum laude**

Employment

- 2019 – present** **University of Groningen, the Netherlands**
Assistant Professor (UD 1, tenured) in European Politics and Society
Editor, *Acta Politica* (since 2021)
Research Coordinator, Sustainable Society (0.2 FTE secondment, since 2021)
Member of the Young Academy Groningen (2021)
Programme Coordinator, BA European Languages and Cultures (since 2020)
Programme Committee member, BA European Languages and Cultures (2019-20)
BA Thesis Coordinator (2019-20)
- 2017-2019** **Institute for Governance & Policy Analysis, University of Canberra, Australia**
Assistant Professor in Politics and Public Administration
Programme Director, Master of Public Administration
Member, Centre for Deliberative Democracy and Global Governance
- 2015-2017** **University of Kent, United Kingdom**
Post-doctoral Research Associate, School of Social Policy, Sociology and Social Research (SSPSSR)
Project Leader: Prof. Peter Taylor-Gooby
- 2014-2015** **University of Bath, United Kingdom**
Teaching Fellow in French and European Politics, Department of Politics, Languages and International Studies (PoLIS)

2013-2014	University of Edinburgh, United Kingdom Associate Lecturer in Politics and International Relations Research Assistant to Profs. Richard Freeman and John Peterson
2012-2013	ARENA Centre for European Studies, University of Oslo, Norway Guest researcher, funded by the Research Council of Norway

Full list of Publications

Books

1. Leruth, B., Gänzle, S. and Trondal, J. (eds. 2022) *The Routledge Handbook of Differentiation in the European Union*, London: Routledge.
2. Gänzle, S., Leruth, B. and Trondal, J. (eds. 2020) *Differentiated Integration and Disintegration in a post-Brexit Europe*, London: Routledge.
3. Taylor-Gooby, P. and Leruth, B. (eds. 2018) *Attitudes, Aspirations and Welfare: Social Policy Directions in Uncertain Times*, Basingstoke: Palgrave.
4. Leruth, B. Startin, N. and Usherwood, S. (eds. 2018) *The Routledge Handbook of Euroscepticism*, London: Routledge.
5. Taylor-Gooby, P., Leruth, B. and Chung, H. (eds. 2017) *After Austerity: Welfare State Transformation in Europe after the Great Recession*, Oxford: Oxford University Press.
6. FitzGibbon, J., Leruth, B. and Startin, N. (eds. 2017) *Euroscepticism as a Transnational and Pan-European Phenomenon*, London: Routledge.
7. Leruth, B. and Lord, C. (eds. 2015) *Differentiated Integration in the European Union*, London: Routledge (Journal of European Public Policy Special Issue as Books).

Peer-reviewed articles

1. Leruth, B., Trondal, J. and Gänzle, S. (2020) 'Party Positions on Differentiated European Integration in the Nordic Countries: Growing Together, Growing Apart?', *Politics and Governance* 8:4, 420-430.
2. Leruth, B. and Stoker, G. (2020) 'Improving the political judgement of citizens: why the task environment matters', *Policy & Politics* 48:3, 381-396.
3. Taylor-Gooby, P., Chung, H., Heuer, J.-O., Leruth, B., Mau, S. and Zimmermann, K. (2020) 'Regime, risk and welfare: Explaining attitudes to pensions and childcare in Germany and the UK using regime and risk theory', *Journal of Social Policy* 49:1, 61-79.
4. Leruth, B., Gänzle, S. and Trondal, J. (2019) 'Differentiated Integration and Disintegration in the EU after Brexit: Risks versus Opportunities', *Journal of Common Market Studies* 57:6, 1383-1394.
5. Leruth, B., Gänzle, S. and Trondal, J. (2019) 'Exploring Differentiated Disintegration in a post-Brexit European Union', *Journal of Common Market Studies* 57:5, 1013-1030.
6. Leruth, B. and Taylor-Gooby, P. (2019) 'Does political discourse matter? Comparing party positions and public attitudes on immigration in England', *Politics* 39:2, 154-169.
7. Taylor-Gooby, P., Leruth, B. and Chung, H. (2019) 'Identifying attitudes to welfare through deliberative forums: the emergence of reluctant individualism', *Policy & Politics* 47:1, 97-114.
8. Taylor-Gooby, P. Hvinden, B., Leruth, B., Mau, S., Schøyen, M. A. and Gyory, A. (2019) 'Moral Economies of the Welfare State: A qualitative comparative study', *Acta Sociologica* 62(2): 119-134.
9. Taylor-Gooby, P., Chung, H. and Leruth, B. (2018) 'The contribution of deliberative forums to studying welfare state attitudes: A United Kingdom study', *Social Policy & Administration* 52:4, 914-927.

10. Chung, H., Taylor-Gooby, P. and Leruth, B. (2018) 'Political legitimacy and welfare state futures', *Social Policy & Administration* 52:4, 835-846.
11. Bijmans, P., Galpin, C. and Leruth, B. (2018) 'Brexit in Transnational Perspective: An Analysis of Newspapers in France, Germany and the Netherlands', *Comparative European Politics* 16:5, 825-842.
12. Leruth, B. and Startin, N. (2017) 'Between Pragmatism and Populism: The Gaullist movement divided over Europe', *Modern and Contemporary France* 25:2, 153-169.
13. Leruth, B. (2015) 'Operationalizing National Preferences on Europe and Differentiated Integration', *Journal of European Public Policy* 22:6, 816-835.
14. Leruth, B. and Lord, C. (2015) 'Differentiated Integration: a Process, a Concept, a System or a Theory?' *Journal of European Public Policy* 22:6, 754-763.

Book chapters

1. Leruth, B. (2021) 'Differentiation as a response to crises?', in N. Brack and S. Gürkan (eds) *Theorising the Crises of the European Union*, London: Routledge.
2. Leruth, B. and Taylor-Gooby, P. (2021) 'The United Kingdom before and after Brexit', in B. Greve (ed) *Handbook on Austerity, Populism and the Welfare State*, Cheltenham: Edward Elgar.
3. Leruth, B., Gänzle, S. and Trondal, J. (2021) 'Differentiation in the European Union', in M. Riddervold, J. Trondal and A. Newsome (eds) *The Palgrave Handbook of EU Crises*, Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan.
4. Taylor-Gooby, P. and Leruth, B. (2018) 'New Challenges for the Welfare State and New Ways to Study Them', in P. Taylor-Gooby and B. Leruth (eds) *Attitudes, Aspirations and Welfare: Social Policy Directions in Uncertain Times*, Basingstoke: Palgrave, pp. 1-28.
5. Taylor-Gooby, P. and Leruth, B. (2018) 'Individualism and Neo-Liberalism', in P. Taylor-Gooby and B. Leruth (eds) *Attitudes, Aspirations and Welfare: Social Policy Directions in Uncertain Times*, Basingstoke: Palgrave, pp. 29-62.
6. Taylor-Gooby, P. and Leruth, B. (2018) 'Democratic Forums and Welfare State Attitudes', in P. Taylor-Gooby and B. Leruth (eds) *Attitudes, Aspirations and Welfare: Social Policy Directions in Uncertain Times*, Basingstoke: Palgrave, pp. 273-296.
7. Usherwood, S., Leruth, B. and Startin, N. (2018) 'Conclusion: Euroscepticism and European (dis)integration in the age of Brexit', in B. Leruth, N. Startin and S. Usherwood (eds) *The Routledge Handbook of Euroscepticism*, London: Routledge, pp. 468-477.
8. Leruth, B. (2018) 'Transnational and pan-European Euroscepticism: The case of the European Conservatives and Reformists', in B. Leruth, N. Startin and S. Usherwood (eds) *The Routledge Handbook of Euroscepticism*, London: Routledge, pp. 384-396.
9. Leruth, B. (2018) 'Party-based Euroscepticism in the Nordic region: Ever More 'Reluctant Europeans'?', in B. Leruth, N. Startin and S. Usherwood (eds) *The Routledge Handbook of Euroscepticism*, London: Routledge, pp. 127-138.
10. Leruth, B., Startin, N. and Usherwood, S. (2018) 'Defining Euroscepticism: From a broad concept to a field of study', in B. Leruth, N. Startin and S. Usherwood (eds) *The Routledge Handbook of Euroscepticism*, London: Routledge, pp. 3-10.
11. Leruth, B., Kutiyski, Y., Krouwel, A. and Startin, N. (2017) 'Does the Information Source Matter? Newspaper Readership, Political Preferences and Euroscepticism in the United Kingdom, France and the Netherlands', in M. Caiani and S. Guerra (eds.) *Euroscepticism, Democracy and the Media: Communicating Europe, Contesting Europe*, Basingstoke: Palgrave, pp. 95-120.
12. Taylor-Gooby, P., Leruth, B. and Chung, H. (2017) 'Liberalism, Social Investment, Protectionism, and Chauvinism: New Directions for the European Welfare State' in P. Taylor-Gooby, B. Leruth and H. Chung (eds) *After Austerity: Welfare State Transformation in Europe after the Great Recession*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 201-220.
13. Leruth, B. (2017) 'The Europeanization of the Welfare State: the case for a differentiated European Social Model', in P. Taylor-Gooby, B. Leruth and H. Chung (eds) *After Austerity: Welfare State Transformation in Europe after the Great Recession*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 180-200.
14. Leruth, B. (2017) 'France at a Crossroads: Societal challenges to the welfare state under Nicolas Sarkozy and François Hollande's presidential terms', in P. Taylor-Gooby, B. Leruth and H. Chung (eds) *After Austerity: Welfare State Transformation in Europe after the Great Recession*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 67-88.

15. Taylor-Gooby, P., Leruth, B. and Chung, H. (2017) 'Where next for the UK welfare state?' in P. Taylor-Gooby, B. Leruth and H. Chung (eds) *After Austerity: Welfare State Transformation in Europe after the Great Recession*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 48-66.
16. Taylor-Gooby, P., Leruth, B. and Chung, H. (2017) 'The Context: How European welfare States Have Responded to Post-Industrialism, Ageing Populations, and Populist Nationalism', in P. Taylor-Gooby, B. Leruth and H. Chung (eds) *After Austerity: Welfare State Transformation in Europe after the Great Recession*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 1-26.
17. FitzGibbon, J. and Leruth, B. (2017) 'Conclusion and Epilogue: Transnational and pan-European Euroscepticism after Brexit', in J. FitzGibbon, B. Leruth and N. Startin (eds.) *Euroscepticism as a Transnational and Pan-European Phenomenon*, London: Routledge, pp. 162-176.
18. Leruth, B. (2017) 'Is 'Eurorealism' the new 'Euroscepticism'? Modern conservatism, the European Conservatives and Reformists and European integration', in J. FitzGibbon, B. Leruth and N. Startin (eds) *Euroscepticism as a Transnational and Pan-European Phenomenon*, London: Routledge, pp. 46-62.
19. FitzGibbon, J., Leruth, B. and Startin, N. (2017) 'Introduction: Transnational and Pan-European Euroscepticism', in J. FitzGibbon, B. Leruth and N. Startin (eds.) *Euroscepticism as a Transnational and Pan-European Phenomenon*, London: Routledge, pp. 1-13.
20. Leruth, B. and Startin, N. (2015) 'Le Royaume-Uni', in J.-M. De Waele, N. Brack and J.-B. Pilet (eds) *Les Démocraties Européennes* (troisième édition), Paris: Armand Colin.

Fully refereed conference proceedings

1. Leruth, B., Gänzle, S. and Trondal, J. (2017) 'Differentiated integration and disintegration in the European Union: State-of-the-art and ways for future research', *ISL Working Paper* 2017:1, Kristiansand: University of Agder.
2. Fumasoli, T. Gornitzka, Å. and Leruth, B. (2015) 'A Multi-level Approach to Differentiated Integration: Distributive Policy, National Heterogeneity and Actors in the European Research Area', *ARENA Working Paper* 15/02, Oslo: ARENA Centre for European Studies.
3. Leruth, B. (2013) 'Differentiated Integration in Practice: The Case of Norway', *ISL Working Paper* 2013:2, Kristiansand: University of Agder.

Book reviews

1. Leruth, B. (2020) 'Far Right Parties and Euroscepticism, by Sofia Vasilopoulou, *Party Politics* 26(6), pp. 849-850.
2. Leruth, B. (2015) 'The Palgrave Handbook of National Parliaments and the European Union, by Claudia Heffler, Christine Neuhold, Olivier Rozenberg and Julie Smith (eds)', *Political Studies Review* 14(2), p. 291.
3. Leruth, B. (2014) 'Differentiated Integration: Explaining Variation in the European Union by Dirk Leuffen, Berthold Rittberger and Frank Schimmelfennig', *Political Studies Review* 12(1), p. 152.

Awards, grants and funded projects

2021	Start-up Research Grant, Faculty of Arts, University of Groningen (individual, €3,000)
2020	Research Grant in times of Covid-19, Groningen Research Institute for the Study of Culture (ICOG), University of Groningen (individual, €895)
2020	Faculty of Arts nominee for the Gratama Wetenschapsprijs, University of Groningen
2018	Dean's Award for Research Excellence, Faculty of Business, Government & Law, University of Canberra
2017-2020	UACES Research Network grant – 'Differentiated Integration after Brexit' (collaborative, £5,000)

2016	Public Engagement with Research Grant, University of Kent (individual, £1,700)
2015-2018	NORFACE Welfare State Futures Grant – ‘Welfare State Futures: Our Children’s Europe (WelfSOC)’ (collaborator; Peter Taylor-Gooby, principal investigator; €1,500,000)
2013	Letterstedt Society Award for a project on the Nordic states (individual, NOK 13,000 / €1,300)
2013	University of Edinburgh research grant (individual, £700)
2012	Yggdrasil Research Grant, Research Council of Norway (individual, NOK 161,000 / €16,250)

Teaching experience

2019-2021	University of Groningen (Netherlands) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Democratic Innovations</i>, Master’s course (main lecturer) • <i>European Politics and Society</i>, first year undergraduate (seminar leader) • <i>Research Seminar: Euroscepticism</i>, second year undergraduate (main lecturer) • <i>Research Seminar: Differentiation in the European Union</i>, second year undergraduate (main lecturer) • <i>European (dis)integration</i> (seminar leader) • <i>Applied Research Methods</i> (joint lecturer, online) • <i>International Relations Theory</i> (joint lecturer, online) • Supervision of 5 successful Masters’ dissertations • Supervision of 17 successful BA theses
2018-2021	University of Agder (Norway) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Differentiated Integration in the European Union and Euroscepticism</i>, postgraduate (lecturer, European Integration Summer School)
2017-2019	University of Canberra (Australia) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Public Administration</i>, postgraduate (convener and lecturer) • <i>Public Policy</i>, postgraduate (convener and lecturer) • <i>Leading and Managing Change</i>, postgraduate (convener and lecturer) • <i>Management Dissertation</i>, postgraduate (convener and lecturer) • <i>Understanding Governance</i>, postgraduate (joint lecturer – European Integration and Network Governance) • <i>Research methods</i>, postgraduate (joint lecturer – How to Write a Cohesive Dissertation) • Supervision of 6 successful Masters’ dissertations
2015-2016	University of Kent (United Kingdom) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Politics of the European Union</i>, third year (guest lecturer – Euroscepticism, Referendums and Differentiated Integration) • <i>Qualitative Research</i>, postgraduate (guest lecturer – Democratic Forums and Focus Groups in social sciences)

- Informal day-to-day supervision of one PhD student (Adrienn Gyory)
- 2014 University of Bath (United Kingdom)**
- *Contemporary European Leadership*, final year (convener and lecturer – taught in French and English)
 - *European Union Politics*, second year (joint lecturer – taught in English)
 - *International Marketing and Communications*, final year (convener and lecturer – taught in French)
 - *French Business Environment*, first year (convener and lecturer – taught in French and English)
 - *Culture and National Identity*, second year (joint lecturer – taught in English)
 - *France and the World*, second year (joint lecturer – taught in French)
- 2014 University of Edinburgh (United Kingdom)**
- *Democracy in Comparative Perspective*, first year (associate lecturer and seminar leader)
- 2013 University of Agder (Norway)**
- *Differentiated Integration in the European Union*, postgraduate (guest lecturer, European Integration Summer School)

Editorships, professional affiliations and service

Editorships:

- General Editor, *Acta Politica* (since 2021)
- Symposium Editor, *Journal of Common Market Studies* 57(6), 2019 (with Stefan Gänzle and Jarle Trondal)
- Special Issue Editor, *Social Policy & Administration* 52(4), 2018 (with Peter Taylor-Gooby and Heejung Chung)
- Special Issue Editor, *Journal of European Public Policy* 22(6), 2015 (with Christopher Lord)
- Assistant Editor, *Journal of Contemporary European Research*, 2012-2013

Professional affiliations:

- Member of the Nederlandse Kring voor de Wetenschap der Politiek since 2021
- Member of the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) research network on differentiated integration since 2020
- Member of the University Association for Contemporary European Studies (UACES) since 2012
- Elected committee member and communications officer for the UACES Graduate Forum, 2012-2014
- Member of the UK Political Science Association (PSA) since 2014
- Co-director of the PSA French Politics group, 2015-2017

Service:

- Programme coordinator for the BA European Languages and Cultures at the University of Groningen, in charge of reforming the elective space for the 2022-23 academic year.
- Organisation of a special event on [Brexit and its impact on the relations between Australia and the European Union](#), Museum of Australian Democracy (Canberra), 26 February 2019.
- Reformed the Master of Public Administration offered at the University of Canberra in 2019.
- Organisation of a special event on the [2017 French Presidential elections](#), Sciences Po Paris, 26 April 2017.

- Manuscript reviewer for American Political Science Review; European Sociological Review; West European Politics; Journal of European Public Policy; Journal of Common Market Studies; International Political Science Review; Representation; Journal of Contemporary European Research; Political Studies Review; Scandinavian Political Studies; Acta Politica; Comparative Political Studies; Modern & Contemporary France.
- Peer reviewer for the Czech Science Foundation and the British Economic & Social Research Council (ESRC).

Selected media and knowledge transfer

Media experience

- Libération (France) on the Dutch General Election, March 2021.
- LN24 (Belgium) on the Dutch General Election, March 2021.
- The Telegraph (United Kingdom) on the European Parliament Elections, April 2019.
- Slovenian Press Agency (STA) on Euroscepticism and populism, September 2018.
- De Volkskrant (Netherlands) on Emmanuel Macron, September 2017.
- Sydney Morning Herald (Australia) on the French Presidential Elections, June 2017.
- BBC Radio Four on the French Presidential Elections, May 2017.
- Radio France Internationale (RFI, France) on Brexit, October 2016.
- ABC RN Breakfast (national radio, Australia) on the UK Independence Party and Brexit, July 2016.
- Vers L'Avenir (national newspaper, Belgium) on Brexit, June 2016.
- La Une, RTBF (national television, Belgium) on Brexit, June 2016.
- La Première, RTBF (national radio, Belgium) on Brexit, June 2016.
- Heart (national radio, United Kingdom) on Brexit, June 2016.
- International Business Times (online news website, United States) on Brexit and the London Mayor Elections, May 2016.
- The Scotsman (national newspaper, United Kingdom) on the Paris Attacks, November 2015
- Kent Magazine (regional newspaper, United Kingdom) on the Paris Attacks, November 2015
- KMFM (regional radio, United Kingdom) on the Paris Attacks, November 2015
- BBC World Service (international radio, United Kingdom): [participation to The Forum on "Why do we need the State?"](#), October 2015
- STV (Scottish national TV, United Kingdom) on the Nordic Welfare State and the debate on Scottish independence, February 2014.

Written evidence and commissioned reports

- Written evidence on the future of European integration for the UK Government's Balance of Competences, quoted in the 2014 Review of the Balance of Competences between the United Kingdom and the European Union, Available at: https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/388422/BoC_EU_Enlargement_acc.pdf [Accessed January 2016].
- Commissioned report on "Differentiated Integration in the Nordic States: a Comparative Study of Finland, Sweden and Norway", ARENA Centre for European Studies, June 2014.
- Written evidence on European Union enlargement for the House of Lords Select Committee on the European Union, quoted in the 2012-13 House of Lords report on "The future of EU enlargement", Available at: <http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/ld201213/ldselect/ldeucom/129/129.pdf> [Accessed January 2016].

Selected blog articles and opinion pieces

- After the 2021 Dutch general election, can Volt become a genuine pan-European force?, *ECPR's The Loop* [online] Available at: <https://theloop.ecpr.eu/following-the-dutch-general-election-of-2021-can-volt-become-a-genuine-transnational-and-pan-european-force/> [March 2021]
- Brexit: The first round of negotiations, in four points (of divergence), *UK in a Changing Europe* [online] Available at: <https://ukandeu.ac.uk/the-first-round-of-negotiations-in-four-points-of-divergence/> [March 2020]
- Five Reasons the May-Macron Meeting Won't Change the French Position on Brexit, *Dublin City University Brexit Institute* [online] Available at: <http://dcubrexitinstitute.eu/2018/08/five-reasons-the-may-macron-meeting-wont-change-the-french-position-on-brexit/> [August 2018]
- Why British people don't trust the government any more – and what can be done about it, *The Conversation* [online] Available at: <https://theconversation.com/why-british-people-dont-trust-the-government-any-more-and-what-can-be-done-about-it-89627> [January 2018]
- Iceland's election: The Pirates failed to live up to expectations, but this was still a landmark result, *LSE EUROPPE blog* [online] Available at: <http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/euoppblog/2016/10/31/iceland-elections-2016/> [November 2016]
- Even with a new leader, UKIP still has no defined path, *Newsweek* [online] Available at: <http://europe.newsweek.com/even-new-leader-ukip-still-doesnt-have-defined-path-500130?rm=eu> [September 2016]
- Stick, twist or dissolve? Three options for UKIP after Nigel Farage, *The Conversation* [online] Available at: <https://theconversation.com/stick-twist-or-dissolve-three-options-for-ukip-after-nigel-farage-62020> [July 2016]
- With Pirates on the horizon, Iceland's government may not survive the Panama Papers, *The Conversation* [online] Available at: <https://theconversation.com/with-pirates-on-the-horizon-icelands-government-may-not-survive-the-panama-papers-57236> [April 2016]
- Brussels attacks show Britain absolutely must remain in (or leave) the EU, *The Conversation* [online] Available at: <https://theconversation.com/brussels-attacks-show-britain-absolutely-must-remain-in-or-leave-the-eu-56832> [March 2016]
- The UK's renegotiation proposal: A good compromise, but much needs to be done to convince voters, *LSE EUROPPE Blog* [online] Available at: <http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/euoppblog/2016/02/03/the-uks-draft-renegotiation-proposal-a-good-compromise-but-much-needs-to-be-done-to-convince-voters/> [February 2016]
- The resignation that never was: why UKIP needs Farage for its next big fight, *The Conversation* [online] Available at: <https://theconversation.com/the-resignation-that-never-was-why-ukip-needs-farage-for-its-next-big-fight-41641> [January 2016]
- The rather large cost UKIP forgot to mention in its manifesto, *The Conversation* [online] Available at: <https://theconversation.com/the-rather-large-cost-ukip-forgot-to-mention-in-its-manifesto-40265> [January 2016]
- A federal House of Cards: the Belgian political landscape following the 2014 regional and federal elections, *OpenDemocracy* [online] Available at: <https://www.opendemocracy.net/can-europe-make-it/benjamin-leruth/federal-house-of-cards-belgian-political-landscape-following-2014> [January 2015]
- Sarkozy strikes back: implications for the French political landscape, *OpenDemocracy* [online] Available at: <https://www.opendemocracy.net/can-europe-make-it/benjamin-leruth/sarkozy-strikes-back-implications-for-french-political-landscape> [January 2015]
- The New Flemish Alliance's decision to join the ECR group says more about Belgian politics than it does about their attitude toward the EU, *LSE EUROPPE blog* [online] Available at: <http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/euoppblog/2014/06/23/the-new-flemish-alliances-decision-to-join-the-ecr-group-says-more-about-belgian-politics-than-it-does-about-their-attitude-toward-the-eu/> [January 2015]
- As questions abound about the monarchy's role, Belgium's new King Philippe must now convince the public of his legitimacy and credibility, *LSE EUROPPE blog* [online] Available at: <http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/euoppblog/2013/07/25/belgium-new-king/> [January 2015]
- Iceland's election results are not a vote against the EU, *LSE EUROPPE blog* [online] Available at: <http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/euoppblog/2013/04/30/iceland-election-eu/> [January 2015]
- *Quoted in a Report of the Parliament of the Czech Republic ('Parlamentni volby na Islandu'):* <http://www.psp.cz/sqw/text/orig2.sqw?idd=184879>
- Eurosceptic attitudes are widespread in the Nordic states, but there is a high level of

variation between countries, *LSE Europs blog* [online] Available at: <http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/europsblog/2013/02/12/eurosceptic-attitudes-nordic-countries-sweden-denmark-finland-iceland-norway/> [January 2015]

- Resolving Iceland's mackerel war may be crucial to the country joining the EU, *LSE Europs blog* [online] Available at: <http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/europsblog/2012/09/13/iceland-mackerel-war/> [January 2015]

Quoted in Iceland's national newspaper Morgunblaðið:

http://www.mbl.is/frettir/innlent/2012/09/16/litlar_likur_a_esb_adild_verdi_makrildeilan_ekki_le

Quoted in a House of Commons report on 'Icy fishing: UK and Iceland fish stock disputes':

<http://www.parliament.uk/briefing-papers/SN06511.pdf>

- Iceland's economy has entered a period of recovery since 2011, however the on-going Icesave dispute has reduced public support to EU membership and the country's government, *LSE EUROP blog* [online] Available at: <http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/europsblog/2012/08/14/icelands-economy-and-icesave/> [January 2015]
- Despite on-going accession negotiations, EU membership for Iceland is far from a certainty, *LSE EUROP blog* [online] Available at: <http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/europsblog/2012/07/10/iceland-eu-accession/> [January 2015]

Selected conference papers and presentations

Invited lectures and presentations

- 'Differentiation as a response to EU crises', guest lecture, ARENA Centre for European Studies, University of Oslo, 19 April 2021.
- 'Differentiation and Disintegration after Brexit', guest lecture, University of Minho, 26 March 2021.
- 'Differentiation in the European Union', guest lecture, Université Libre de Bruxelles, 4 December 2020.
- 'Deutschisme, Francisme: les Défis de l'Euroscepticisme', event organised by EuropaNova (Sciences Po Paris), 5 November 2020.
- 'Does political discourse matter? How citizens' assemblies can help understand the gap between party positions and public opinion', paper presented at the Australian Political Studies Association 2017, Monash University, Melbourne, 27 September 2017.
- 'After austerity: Towards an 'ever more differentiated' European Union?', paper presented at the Europe Institute Symposium on "Europe in the Age of Austerity", University of Auckland, 5 October 2017.
- 'The French Presidential Election Campaign as seen from abroad', roundtable organized by the French Politics Specialist Group of the Political Studies Association, Sciences Po Paris, 26 April 2017.
- 'How does Quality Assurance in Teaching Effect Early-Career Researchers?', presentation given at the UACES 46th Annual Conference, London, 4 September 2016.
- 'Alternative models to EU membership: the Norwegian, Swiss and Canadian options', presentation given at the University of Bath Conference on the UK and Europe, Bath, 8 June 2016.

Conference participation

- 'Five shades of welfare chauvinism: how populist radical right parties influence public discourse on deservingness', paper presented at the 2021 Politicologen Etmaal, online, 3 June 2021.
- 'Evaluating European integration as an issue in the context of the 2017 Dutch, French and German elections', paper presented at the UACES 50th Annual Conference, online, 5 September 2020.
- 'Towards an 'ever more differentiated Union'? Understanding demand for differentiation in the European Union', paper presented at the UACES 48th Annual Conference, University of Bath,

5 September 2018.

- ‘Measuring Euroscepticism in a post-Brexit European Union’, paper presented at the 2018 IPSA World Congress, Brisbane, 25 July 2018.
- ‘Differentiated integration in a post-Brexit European Union: Towards a Research Agenda’, paper presented at the UACES Collaborative Research Network workshop, University of Agder, Kristiansand, 14 November 2017.
- ‘Brexit in transnational perspective: a comparative analysis of news coverage in France, Germany and the Netherlands’, paper presented at the UACES 46th Annual Conference, London, 6 September 2016.
- ‘State, Market, or Family? Attitudes towards the welfare mix in Germany and the United Kingdom’, paper presented at the 2016 annual ESPAnet conference, Rotterdam, 2 September 2016.
- ‘Using Democratic Forums to Investigate Attitudes to Welfare’, paper presented at the 2016 annual ESPAnet conference, Rotterdam, 1 September 2016.
- ‘WelfSOC: a Democratic Forum approach to attitudes to welfare in Europe, paper presented at the School of Social Policy, Sociology and Social Research’, University of Kent, 24 March 2016.
- ‘Between Pragmatism and Populism: The Gaullist movement divided over Europe’ (with Nicholas Startin), paper presented at the PSA 66th Annual International Conference, Brighton, 22 March 2016.
- Domestic Politics and the Conference of Paris: A French/European Perspective, presentation given at the “Paris 2015: Politics, Policies and Principles” conference, Edinburgh, 20 November 2015.
- Euroscepticism as a Transnational and Pan-European Phenomenon: The Emergence of a New Sphere of Opposition, paper presented at the Comparative Politics Workshop, University of Kent, 4 November 2015.
- Soft and Hard Eurosceptics in the European Parliament: Exploring the Differences between the ECR and the EFDD Following the 2014 Elections, paper presented at the UACES 45th Annual Conference, Bilbao, 8 September 2015.
- Where next for the UK welfare state? (with Peter Taylor-Gooby and Heejung Chung), paper presented at the 2015 Annual ESPAnet conference, Odense, 4 September 2015.
- Unity in Diversity? An Analysis of the Union for a Popular Movement Positions on European Integration, paper presented at the 65th PSA International Conference, Sheffield, 31 March 2015.
- Differentiated integration and party-based Euroscepticism in the Nordic region: ever more ‘reluctant Europeans’?, paper presented as part of the Department of Politics, Languages and International Studies Seminars, University of Bath, 6 November 2014.
- Actors and Dynamics in the Emerging European Research Area: Extending the Research Agenda on Differentiated Integration (with Tatiana Fumasoli and Åse Gornitzka), paper presented at the workshop on Differentiated Integration, ARENA Centre for European Studies, 10 November 2013.
- Elite preferences on Differentiated European Integration: a Comparative Perspective, paper presented at the workshop on Differentiated Integration, ARENA Centre for European Studies, 10 November 2013.

Skills

- University Teaching Qualification (*Basiskwalificatie Onderwijs*), 2020
- Learning management system: Moodle / Blackboard learning / Canvas / Nestor
- Qualitative and quantitative software: Nvivo, SPSS (professional proficiency)
- Academic Development Program, University of Canberra
- Inside Edge Media Training, University of Kent
- Languages: French (native), English (C2), Dutch (B2), Spanish (B1)