

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Political economy: politics of macroeconomic policy, economic & financial crises, welfare states  
Comparative politics: political parties, public opinion, European integration

## CURRENT POSITIONS

**PhD Candidate, Department of Political and Social Sciences, EUI, Florence**  
**Doctoral Researcher, POLCON Project, EUI, Florence**

## EDUCATION

### European University Institute, Florence

- PhD in Social and Political Sciences
  - Dissertation Topic: “Austerity from the Left? Explaining the Fiscal Policies of Social Democratic Parties in Response to the Great Recession”
  - Supervisor: Hanspeter Kriesi
  - Expected Completion: August 2018
- Master of Research in Political and Social Sciences, 2015

### Johns Hopkins University, School of Advanced International Studies, Washington

- Master of Arts in International Relations and International Economics, 2014
  - Concentrations: European Studies and International Economics
  - GPA: 3.94 (graduated with Honours)
  - Selected Coursework: Comparative Political Economy, European Research Seminar, Advanced International Monetary Theory, Econometrics, Macroeconometrics

### University of Oxford, St Edmund Hall, Oxford

- Bachelor of Arts in Politics, Philosophy, and Economics (PPE), 2012
  - Graduated with a First Class Honours Degree
  - Selected Coursework: Comparative Government, International Relations, Politics of the European Union, Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Quantitative Economics

## PUBLICATIONS

### *Articles (Peer-Reviewed):*

Björn Bremer. 2018. “The missing left? Economic crisis and the programmatic response of social democratic parties in Europe.” *Party Politics*. 24(1):23-38. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1354068817740745>

### *Book Chapters:*

Björn Bremer and Guillem Vidal. 2018. “From boom to bust: A comparative analysis of Greece and Spain.” In Doxis Doxiadis and Aimee Placas (eds.), *Living under Austerity: Greek Society in Crisis*. New York: Berghahn Books. Forthcoming.

### *Policy Papers:*

Guido Baldi, Björn Bremer, and Thore Schlaack. 2017. International investments and current account imbalances: The importance of valuation changes. DIW Roundup 117, pp. 1-8.

Guido Baldi and Björn Bremer. 2015. “The evolution of Germany’s net foreign asset position.” DIW Economic Bulletin, 22+23/2015, pp. 303-309.

Stefan Bach, Guido Baldi, Kerstin Bernoth, Björn Bremer, Beatrice Farkas, Ferdinand Fichtner, Marcel Fratzscher, and Martin Gornig. 2013. “More growth through higher investment.” DIW Economic Bulletin, 08/2013, pp. 5-16.

*Other:*

Björn Bremer. 2017. "The crisis of the SPD: Where now for Germany's social democrats?" 28 September. LSE EUROPP Blog.

Björn Bremer. 2017. "Hope for Europe's social democrats? Why Martin Schulz might reinvigorate the SPD but struggle to become chancellor." 10 February. WZB Democracy Blog.

WORKING PAPERS  
(SELECTED)

Björn Bremer, Swen Hutter, and Hanspeter Kriesi. 2018. "Dynamics of protest and electoral politics in the Great Recession: A comparative study of 30 European countries" Under review.

Abel Bojar, Björn Bremer, Hanspeter Kriesi, and Chendi Wang. "From the public purse to the ballot box: the electoral prospects of incumbent parties after austerity and bank bailout packages during the Great Recession." Under Review.

Björn Bremer and Sean McDaniel. 2017. "Varieties of austerity? Rethinking the austerity settlement in the context of the Great Recession." Under review.

Björn Bremer and Julia Schulte-Cloos. 2017. "No country for the radical right? Transformative elections in Germany and the United Kingdom. In Swen Hutter and Hanspeter Kriesi (eds.), *Transformative elections? Restructuring the National Political Space in Europe in Times of Multiple Crises*. Under review.

Björn Bremer and Reto Bürgisser. 2018. "Public opinion on welfare state recalibration in times of austerity: Evidence from a conjoint survey experiment." Conference Paper.

Björn Bremer and Reto Bürgisser. 2018. "Public preferences towards fiscal policies: A conjoint survey experiment." Conference Paper.

Björn Bremer and Andreas Winkler. 2016. "Income, asset ownership, and preferences for redistribution: A comprehensive model." Conference Paper

PROFESSIONAL  
EXPERIENCE

London School of Economics and Political Science, London

- Visiting PhD Student, European Institute, September - December 2016

WZB Berlin Social Science Center, Berlin

- Visiting Researcher, Research Unit "Democracy and Democratization", June - September 2016

Johns Hopkins University, School of Advanced International Studies, Washington, DC

- Research Assistant to Prof. Matthias Matthijs, 2013-2014
- Research Assistant to Prof. David Calleo, 2012-2013
- Research Assistant to Dr. Christopher S. Chivvis, 2012-2013

German Institute for Economic Research (DIW), Berlin

- Intern, June - August 2013

Center for Transatlantic Relations (CTR), Johns Hopkins University, Washington, DC

- Research Assistant, 2012-2013

German Embassy in Nepal, Kathmandu

- Research Assistant, July - September 2011

TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE

University of Lucerne, Political Science Department

- Lecturer in Comparative Political Economy, Spring 2018

Johns Hopkins University, School of Advanced International Studies, Washington, DC

- Teaching Assistant in Comparative Politics, 2014

Noonkodin Secondary School, Monduli, Tanzania

- Politics and History Teacher, 2010

EXTRA TRAINING	<p>EUI Teacher Training Course, June 2017</p> <p>Second Lucerne Master Class, September/October 2015 (Wolfgang Streeck)</p> <p>Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Analysing Big Data, July/August 2015 (Chris P. Fariss)</li> <li>• Mathematics for Social Scientists, July/August 2015 (Christopher Saker, Dan Brawn)</li> </ul> <p>Lifewhat Summer School, July 2015</p> <p>Other workshops:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Machine Learning, May 2017 (Slava Mikhaylov)</li> <li>• Introduction to Multi-Level Modeling, April 2016 (Héctor Cebolla Boado)</li> <li>• Visualizing Data and Statistical Models, March 2016 (Richard Traummüller)</li> <li>• Introduction to Panel Data Analysis, May 2015 (Martin Ehlert)</li> <li>• Structural Equation Models, April 2015 (Tenko Raykov)</li> <li>• Innovations in Quantitative Content Analysis, February 2015 (Sven Hutter, Wouter van Attefeldt, Peter Makarov)</li> <li>• Categorical Data Analysis, January - March 2015 (Hannes Kröger)</li> </ul>
AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES	<p>Peter Mair Memorial Award, European Politics &amp; Society Section, APSA (2016)</p> <p>Doctoral Scholarship of the German Academic Exchange Service, DAAD (2014-17)</p> <p>Phi Beta Kappa, Johns Hopkins University (2014)</p> <p>Graduate Scholarship of the German Academic Exchange Service, DAAD (2012-14)</p> <p>SAIS Fellowship: Grant towards tuition fees (2012-14)</p> <p>Scholarship of the German National Academic Foundation (2010-2014)</p> <p>Open Scholarship, St Edmund Hall: Prize awarded for academic performance (2011/12)</p> <p>Open Exhibition, St Edmund Hall: Prize awarded for academic performance (2010/11)</p> <p>Scholarship of the Hans-Rudolf-Stiftung (2009-12)</p> <p>Scholarship of the German Foundation UWC to attend UWC Atlantic College (2007-09)</p> <p>Scholarship of the Anglo-German Club Hamburg (2007-09)</p>
WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS / INVITED TALKS	<p>“Attitudes towards austerity? Analysing the public’s debt aversion during the Eurozone crisis.” Presentation at the working group of Professor Marius Busemeyer, University of Konstanz, 24 January 2018.</p> <p>“Two worlds of dissatisfaction? Electoral punishment and protest politics in the Great Recession.” Presentation at the 1st Workshop of the Political Behaviour Group in Berlin and Brandenburg, Berlin, 2 November 2017.</p> <p>“Austerity from the left: The fiscal policies of the SPD in response to the Great Recession.” Presentation at a workshop on Rethinking Germany’s Political Economy, San Francisco, 30 August 2017.</p> <p>“Public preferences towards social investment: A multi-level analysis.” Presentation at the World Politics of Social Investment (WoPSI) Conference, Paris, 9-11 March 2017.</p> <p>“Income, asset ownership, and preferences for redistribution: A comprehensive model” Presentation at the LSE Political Economy Seminar, London, 16 November 2016.</p>
CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS	<p>Meeting of American Political Science Association (APSA), San Francisco, September 2017</p> <p>24th Annual Conference of Europeanists, Glasgow, 2017</p> <p>ECRP Joint Session of Workshops, Nottingham, April 2017</p> <p>Meeting of American Political Science Association (APSA), Philadelphia, September 2016</p> <p>Conference of European Political Science Association (EPSA), Brussels, June 2016</p> <p>23rd Annual Conference of Europeanists, Philadelphia, April 2016.</p>

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ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE	Co-Organiser, Comparative Political Economy Working Group, Department of Social and Political Sciences, European University Institute (2015-2016) Co-Organiser, Master Class on Time Series Analysis, Department of Social and Political Sciences, European University Institute (2016) Co-Organiser, Distinguished Speaker Series on Europe and the Arab Spring, School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University (2013)	
OTHER SKILLS	Computer Software: R, Python, Stata, MPlus, EViews, LaTeX, Microsoft Office, Mac OS X Languages: German (native), English (fluent), French (basic), Italian (basic)	
PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS	American Political Science Association (2016-present) European Political Science Association (2016-present) Council for European Studies (2017-present) Midwest Political Science Association (2018-present)	
REFERENCES	Prof. Hanspeter Kriesi European University Institute Dept. of Political and Social Sciences Telephone: +39 055 468-5244 Email: hanspeter.kriesi@eui.eu	Prof. Matthias Matthijs Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies Telephone: +1 202 663-5743 Email: matthijs@jhu.edu