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RESEARCH INTERESTS

My substantive work focuses on the political economy of spatial inequalities, political preferences and voting behavior, and political competition in consolidated multiparty democracies. My methodological interests include advanced statistical modeling, data visualization, and causal inference methods.

CURRENT POSITION

Mannheim Centre for European Social Research (MZES), Mannheim, Germany

Postdoctoral Fellow, Data and Methods Unit   since 09/2018

PAST POSITIONS

Humboldt University of Berlin, Berlin, Germany

Research Associate, Chair for the Comparative Analysis of   10/2017 - 08/2018
Political Systems, Department of Social Sciences, HU Berlin

EDUCATION

Humboldt University of Berlin, Berlin, Germany

Ph.D. in Political Science, Berlin Graduate School of Social   10/2014 - 08/2018
Sciences (BGSS).
- Thesis Title: *When Supply Meets Demand: Context-Dependent Mechanisms of Radical Right Voting.*
- Committee: Prof. Dr. Heike Klüver (supervisor), Prof. Ellen M. Immergut, PhD (co-supervisor), and Prof. Daniel Stegmüller, PhD (external committee member, Duke University)
- Grade: summa cum laude

Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, United States

Visiting Graduate Student, Princeton-Humboldt Exchange,   09/2015 - 05/2016
Department of Politics. Faculty Sponsor: Prof. Kosuke Imai.

University of Essex, Colchester, Essex, United Kingdom

M.Sc. Political Economy   10/2013 - 09/2014
- Thesis Title: *Reproachful or Indifferent? Changes in Incumbent Party Support after the 2007 German Pension Reform.*
- Supervisor: Daniel Stegmüller, PhD

Humboldt University of Berlin, Berlin, Germany

M.A. Social Sciences (temporarily enrolled)   04/2013 - 09/2013

B.A. Social Sciences   10/2009 - 03/2013
- Thesis Title: *Radical Right Party Voting in Western Europe. Examining interactions between individual-level and party-level characteristics.*
- Supervisors: Prof. Ellen M. Immergut, PhD and Konstantin Vössing, PhD

University of California at Berkeley, Berkeley, CA, United States

Undergraduate exchange student, Charles and Louise Travers   08/2011 - 05/2012
Department of Political Science.

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

[2] Tarik Abou-Chadi, Denis Cohen, and Markus Wagner. 2021. "The Centre-Right versus the Radical Right: The Role of Migration Issues and Economic Grievances." *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies.* First View Online.

[1] Denis Cohen. 2020. "Between strategy and protest: How policy demand, political dissatisfaction and strategic incentives matter for far-right voting." *Political Science Research and Methods* 8:662–676.

BOOK CHAPTERS

[1] Denis Cohen. 2021. "Ökonomisches Risiko und die elektorale Anziehungskraft der AfD [Economic Risk and the Electoral Appeal of the AfD]." In *Wahlen und Wähler. Analysen aus Anlass der Bundestagswahl 2017.* Edited by Harald Schoen and Bernhard Weßels. Wiesbaden: Springer VS. Forthcoming.

UNDER REVIEW

[1] Werner Krause, Denis Cohen, and Tarik Abou-Chadi. n.d. "Does Accommodation Work? Mainstream Party Strategies and the Success of Radical Right Parties." *Revised & resubmitted to Political Science Research and Methods.*

WORKING PAPERS

[6] Tarik Abou-Chadi, Denis Cohen, and Thomas Kurer. n.d. "The Political Economy of Rental Housing." *Conference Paper (SVPW 2021, EPSA 2021).*

[5] Denis Cohen. n.d. "When (not) to trust the overlap in confidence intervals: A practical guide." *Conference Paper (PolMeth Europe 2021).*

[4] Denis Cohen, Werner Krause, and Tarik Abou-Chadi. n.d. "Getting the most out of comparative vote-switching data: A new framework for studying dynamic multiparty competition." *Conference Paper (ECPR 2020).*

[3] Denis Cohen and Jochen Rehmert. n.d. "Public Support for Gender Equality and the Nomination of Female Candidates: Evidence from the UK, 1992-2017." *Conference Paper (ECPR 2020).*

[2] Denis Cohen and Jochen Rehmert. n.d. "Gender, Candidate Nomination, and Voter Support." *Conference Paper (EPSA 2019).*

[1] Denis Cohen. n.d. "Economic Risk, Anti-Immigration Preferences, and Voting for the Radical Right." *Conference Paper (ECPR 2017, Dreiländertagung 2019).*

IN PROGRESS

[4] Paul C. Bauer and Denis Cohen. n.d. *Applied Causal Inference (with R).* Chapman & Hall/CRC. Under contract. Textbook in preparation.

[3] Denis Cohen and Sergi Pardos-Prado. n.d. "Regional Labor Markets and the Politics of Resentment." *Conference Paper in preparation for the Virtual EPSA General Conference 2021.*

[2] Denis Cohen and Daniel Bischof. n.d. "The normalization of radical politics: Polling, electoral performance, and reported vote switching." *Conference Paper in preparation for the Virtual EPSA General Conference 2021.*

[1] Heike Klüver, Hanna Bäck, and Denis Cohen. n.d. "Collective bargaining in coalitions." *Manuscript in prepation.*

WEB
PUBLICATIONS

[8] Stefan Jünger and Denis Cohen. 2021. "Using Geospatial Data in R." In *Methods Bites. Blog of the MZES Social Science Data Lab.* Blog post.

[7] Denis Cohen and Nick Baumann. 2021. "regplane3D: Plotting Regression Predictions in 3D." In *Methods Bites. Blog of the MZES Social Science Data Lab.* Blog post.

[6] Denis Cohen, Marcel Neunhoeffer, and Oliver Rittmann. 2021. "Teaching Quantitative Social Science in Times of COVID-19: How to Generate and Distribute Individualized Exams with R and RMarkdown." In *Methods Bites. Blog of the MZES Social Science Data Lab.* Blog post.

[5] Denis Cohen, Cosima Meyer, Marcel Neunhoeffer, and Oliver Rittmann. 2020. "Efficient Data Management in R." In *Methods Bites. Blog of the MZES Social Science Data Lab.* Blog post.

[4] Denis Cohen. 2020. "Applied Bayesian Statistics Using Stan and R." In *Methods Bites. Blog of the MZES Social Science Data Lab.* Blog post.

[3] Denis Cohen, Nick Baumann, and Simon Munzert. 2019. "Studying Politics on and with Wikipedia." In *Methods Bites. Blog of the MZES Social Science Data Lab.* Blog post.

[2] Denis Cohen and Simon Kühne. 2019. "Collecting and Analyzing Twitter Data Using R." In *Methods Bites. Blog of the MZES Social Science Data Lab.* Blog post.

[1] Julian Bernauer, Denis Cohen, Cosima Meyer, and Nick Baumann. 2019. *Methods Bites. Blog of the MZES Social Science Data Lab.* Web site.

SOFTWARE

[2] Denis Cohen. 2021. *regplane3D: Plotting Regression Predictions in 3D.* R package version 0.1.0. URL: `https://github.com/denis-cohen/regplane3D`.

[1] Paul C. Bauer and Denis Cohen. 2020. *flex_bib: Flexibly generate multiple bibliographies in RMarkdown.* R package in development. URL: `https://github.com/paulcbauer/flex_bib`.

RESEARCH AND
TEACHING
ASSISTANCE

Teaching assistant, *Applied Data Analysis* by Prof. Mark A. Kayser, PhD Hertie School of Governance, Berlin	09/2016 - 12/2016
Teaching assistant, *Hierarchical Models* by Prof. Jeff Gill, PhD Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis	08/2015, 08/2016
Teaching assistant, *Stata & Math Bootcamp Programme* by Dr. Alejandro Quiroz Flores Department of Government, University of Essex	10/2014
Research assistant, DFG project 'The Impact of Electoral Vulnerability on Policy Recalibration' at the Chair for the Comparative Analysis of Political Systems. Department of Social Sciences, HU Berlin	04/2013 - 08/2013
Research assistant, Chair for the Comparative Analysis of Political Systems. Department of Social Sciences, HU Berlin	10/2012 - 03/2013
Teaching assistant, *Statistics I + II* by Prof. Dr. Martin Groß Research and Teaching Unit for Empirical Social Research. Department of Social Sciences, Humboldt University of Berlin	10/2010 - 07/2011

TEACHING	*Theory Building and Causal Inference.* Lecture (2 hrs/week), University of Mannheim. Audience: MA/PhD Political Science.	09/2021 - 12/2021
	Statistical Modeling with R and Stan. Workshop (12 hours) for the Research Training Group DYNAMICS. Audience: PhD Students in Political Science and Sociology.	03/2021
	Multivariate Analysis. Lecture (2 hrs/week.), University of Mannheim. Audience: MA/PhD Political Science, PhD Sociology, MSc Data Science.	09/2020 - 12/2020
	Efficient Data Management in R. (with Cosima Meyer, Marcel Neunhoeffer and Oliver Rittmann) Workshop (90 min), MZES Social Science Data Lab.	02/2020
	Multivariate Analysis. Tutorial (2 hrs/week), University of Mannheim. Audience: MA/PhD Political Science, MSc Data Science.	09/2019 - 12/2019
	Introduction to the Potential Outcomes Framework. Workshop (90 min), MZES Social Science Data Lab.	09/2019
	Sociostructural Explanations of Political Behavior. Seminar (2 hrs/week), University of Mannheim. Audience: Advanced BA students.	02/2019 - 05/2019
	Applied Bayesian Statistics Using Stan and R. Workshop (90 min), MZES Social Science Data Lab.	04/2019
	Introduction to R. (with Julian Bernauer) Workshop (90 min), MZES Social Science Data Lab.	12/2018
	Explaining Political Preferences – Theory, Empirics & Applications. Specialization module (4 hrs/week), HU Berlin. Audience: Advanced BA students.	04/2018 - 09/2018
	Explaining Electoral Support for Far Right Parties. Seminar (2 hrs/week), HU Berlin. Audience: BA students.	10/2017 - 03/2018
	Grundkurs Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft und Internationale Beziehungen. Seminar (2 hrs/week), HU Berlin. Audience: BA students.	10/2017 - 03/2018
GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS	MZES grant for the organization of a local conference "The Political and Societal Consequences of Status Volatility" (with Jennifer Shore), 10,000€. Workshop postponed due to COVID-19.	2020
	Doctoral fellowship, Berlin Graduate School of Social Sciences.	10/2014 - 09/2017
	Travel grant, ECPR General Conference 2017 in Oslo, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD).	09/2017
	Research grant, 5,000€, EUROFORT Princeton-Humboldt Strategic Research Partnership, Cluster 2 (Immigration).	10/2015 - 01/2016
	Travel grant, Princeton Annual Workshop on European Integration, EUROFORT Princeton-Humboldt Strategic Research Partnership	05/2015
	Student fellowship, Heinrich Böll Foundation	10/2010 - 09/2014
	Student fellowship, German National Academic Foundation	10/2010 - 09/2014

INVITED TALKS	*When (not) to trust the overlap in confidence intervals.* Exeter Q-Step/NCRM Summer Research Methods Seminar Series, Q-Step Programme, University of Exeter.	05/2021
	The Political Economy of Rental Housing. Departmental Seminar Series, Department of Political Science, Hebrew University of Jerusalem.	04/2021
	Getting the most out of comparative vote-switching data: A new framework for studying dynamic multiparty competition. LSE Political Behaviour Seminar Series, London School of Economics and Political Science.	11/2020
CONFERENCE PARTICIPATIONS	EPSA Virtual Conference.[p,d]	06/2021
	PolMeth Europe Virtual Conference.[p]	03/2021
	Virtual Workshop *Social Status and the Transformation of Electoral Behavior in Western Europe*, University of Zurich, Switzerland.[p]	10/2020
	ECPR Virtual Conference.[p]	08/2020
	Workshop *Recent Developments of Spatial Models of Party Competition*, Mannheim, Germany.[p]	07/2019
	EPSA Annual Conference, Belfast, UK.[p,d]	06/2019
	Jahrestagung AK Wahlen, Mannheim, Germany.[p]	05/2019
	Dreiländertagung DVPW/SVPW/ÖGPW, Zurich, Switzerland.[p]	02/2019
	EPSA Annual Conference, Vienna, Austria.[p,d]	06/2018
	Workshop *Political Economy in the Computational Age*, Berlin, Germany.[p]	06/2018
	Graduate Network Conference, Berlin, Germany.[p,d]	03/2018
	ECPR General Conference, Oslo, Norway.[p,d,c]	09/2017
	EPSA Annual Conference, Milan, Italy.[p,d,c]	06/2017
	EPSA Annual Conference, Brussels, Belgium.[p,d,c]	06/2016
	MPSA Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, United States.[p,d]	04/2016
	Graduate Network Conference, Florence, Italy.[p,d]	03/2015
	ECPR Graduate Student Conference, Innsbruck, Austria.[p]	07/2014
	[p] Presenter, [d] Discussant, [c] Panel Chair	
MEMBERSHIPS	European Political Science Association (EPSA) Deutsche Vereinigung für Politikwissenschaft (DVPW)	
REVIEWER [PUBLONS]	American Political Science Review British Journal of Political Science Comparative European Politics Comparative Politics Electoral Studies European Union Politics Government & Opposition Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties Journal of European Public Policy Journal of Politics Research and Politics Party Politics	

Political Research Exchange
West European Politics

Other Service	MZES Deputy Equal Opportunities Representative	2019-2021

- Participated in selection procedures for research fellowships
- Lobbied for contract extensions for parents among the academic staff during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Co-initiated and co-organized an employee survey on workplace satisfaction and experiences of discrimination in the workplace

Additional Training	*Causal Identification* by James Lo, PhD. Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis. Colchester, Essex, United Kingdom.	08/2016
	Pooled Time-Series Cross-Sectional Analysis by Robert W. Walker, PhD. Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis. Colchester, Essex, United Kingdom.	08/2015
	Qualitative Comparative Analysis by Markus Siewert and Jonas Buche. BGSS, Berlin, Germany.	04/2015
	Structural Equations and Causal Models by Prof. Dr. Peter Schmidt. Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis. Colchester, Essex, United Kingdom.	08/2014
	Modeling Heterogeneity by Daniel Stegmüller, PhD. Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis. Colchester, Essex, United Kingdom.	08/2014
	Advanced Methods Workshop *Inequality and Politcs* by Philipp Rehm, PhD. BGSS, Berlin, Germany.	07/2014
	Multilevel Modeling by Andrew Fullerton, PhD. WZB Berlin, Germany.	12/2012

Skills

Languages: German (native), English (full professional proficiency), French (moderate), Spanish (moderate)

Software: **R**, RMarkdown, Stan, BUGS/JAGS, Stata, Unix, HTML/CSS, Office, LaTeX