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Education

- 2013–2017 **Social Sciences, B.A.**, *University of Stuttgart*
2017–2020 **Empirical Political and Social Science Research, M.A.**, *University of Stuttgart*
2020–Present **Political Communication, Ph.D. Candidate**, *University of Amsterdam*

Practical Experiences

- 2016 **Research Intern**, *Project for an Informed Electorate*, Sacramento, CA
2016–2018 **Student Ambassador**, *German-American Center*, Stuttgart
2017–2019 **Teaching Assistant for Statistics**, *University of Stuttgart*, Stuttgart
2018–2019 **Junior Data Scientist**, *Paraboost*, Markgröningen
2018–2019 **Research Assistant**, *GIFCT funded Research*, Swansea University
2019–2021 **Data Scientist**, *OpenMind Platform*, New York
2021–Present **Data Scientist**, *Who Targets Me*, London

Publications

- 2021 **Recommender systems and the amplification of extremist content**, Published in: *Internet Policy Review* 10 (2), 1-29
Reed, A. Whittaker, J., **Votta, Fabio**, Looney, Sean
2021 **Political advertising exposed: tracking Facebook ads in the 2021 Dutch elections**, Published in: *Internet Policy Review* (Mar. 11, 2021)
Beraldo, D. et al. **Votta, Fabio**
2022 **Going Micro to Go Negative? Targeting Toxicity using Facebook and Instagram Ads.**, Accepted for Publication: *Computational Communication Review*
Votta, Fabio, Noroozian, A., Dobber, T., Helberger, N., & de Vreese, CH
2022 **Electoral and religious correlates of COVID-19 vaccination rates in Dutch municipalities**, Published in: *European Journal of Public Health* 32 (6), 985-987
Afonso, A., **Votta, Fabio**
2022 **The Polls—Trends: Trends in Public Opinion toward Immigration among EU Member States**, Published in: *Public Opinion Quarterly*, 86 (1), 191-215
Banai, A., **Votta, Fabio**, Seitz, R.

Awards & Honorable Mentions

- June 2018 **Naomi C. Turner Prize 2018**, *World Association for Public Opinion Research*
August 2022 **Honorable Mention: Best Paper in Political Communication**, *European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR General Conference 2022)*

Additional Experiences

- 2015–2016 **Government Major, Exchange Student**, *California State University*, Sacramento
Spring 2016 **Youth Delegate at NMUN 2016**, *New York Model United Nations*
2016–2020 **R User Group Stuttgart Founder & Administrator**, Stuttgart
2017–2020 **Treasurer**, *Funding Organization for Political and Social Sciences*, FOEPS e.V

Languages

Fluent German, Italian, English
Conversational Spanish, French
Beginner Dutch

Computer skills

Advanced R, \LaTeX , SPSS, MS Office
Intermediate Python, HTML, CSS, JavaScript

Attended Workshops & Summer/Winter Schools

Octob. 2016 **Introduction to Methods of Modern Causal Analysis**, *GESIS Workshop*
Novem. 2016 **Introduction to Logistic Regression for Social Scientists**, *GESIS Workshop*
Feb. 2017 **Introduction to Bayesian Statistics for the Social Sciences**, *GESIS Workshop*
Novem. 2017 **Mathematics for Research: A Refresher Course with R**, *GESIS Workshop*
Jan. 2018 **Sequence Analysis in the Social Sciences**, *GESIS Workshop*
March 2018 **Web scraping with R**, *ECPR Winter School 2018*
March 2018 **Introduction to Quantitative Text Analysis**, *ECPR Winter School 2018*
Septem. 2018 **Topic Modeling in the Social Sciences**, *GESIS Workshop*
March 2019 **Introduction to Bayesian Models for the Social Sciences, Structural Equation Modelling, and Bayesian Multilevel Modelling**, *48th GESIS Spring Seminar 2019*
June 2019 **Introduction to Machine Learning with R**, *GESIS Workshop*

Presentations at Conferences

June 2018 **Politologenetmaal 2018**, *Annual Dutch Political Science Conference*
Presenting *Variants of Populism - A Cross-National Examination of the Support for Populist Parties*

June 2018 **WAPOR 71st Annual Conference**, *World Association for Public Opinion Research*
Presenting two papers: *Godly Governance* and *Deliberation Across the World*

August 2018 **ECPR General Conference 2018**, *European Consortium for Political Research*
Presenting *Deliberation Across the World*

August 2018 **VOX-Pol General Conference 2018**, *VOX-Pol Network of Excellence*
Presenting research on "Alt-Right" social media activity

July 2019 **Terrorism and Social Media Conference 2019**, *Swansea University*
Presenting research on far-right echo chambers

February 2021 **Etmaal van de Communicatiewetenschap**, *Online*
Presenting *Going Micro*

August 2022 **ECPR General Conference 2022**, *European Consortium for Political Research*, Innsbruck
Presenting research on algorithmic microtargeting

Software

May 2019 **peRspective**, *R Programming Language*
A wrapper for Google's Perspective API to score comments with various machine learning models