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## Education

- 2013–2017 **Social Sciences, B.A.**, *University of Stuttgart*.  
2017–Present **Empirical Political and Social Science Research, M.A.**, *University of Stuttgart*.

## Practical Experiences

- 2013–2015 **Youth Worker**, *State Agency for Civic Education*, Stuttgart.  
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–Present **Research Analyst**, *OpenMind Platform*, New York.

## Publications & Working Papers

- May 2018 **Variants of Populism - Support for Populist Parties in the EU**, *Annual Dutch Political Science Conference 2018*, Nguyen, Q., Schumacher, M., Votta, F.  
June 2018 **Deliberation Across the World - Examining Deliberation and Regime Legitimacy**, *Hamburg ECPR General Conference 2018*, Seitz, R. Votta, F.  
July 2018 **A Psychological Approach to Promoting Truth in Politics: The Pro-Truth Pledge**, *Published in: Journal of Social and Political Psychology*, 6(2), 271-290, Tsipursky, G., Votta, F., & Mulick, J. A.  
July 2018 **Godly Governance A Cross-National Examination of Religious Politics in Arab Muslim-Majority Countries**, *Published in: Arab Barometer Working Paper Series 01/2018*, Votta, F.  
August 2018 **Decoding the Alt Right - Analyzing Online Toxicity on Social Media**, *Amsterdam VOX-Pol General Conference 2018*, Votta, F., Roth, S.  
July 2019 **Radical Filter Bubbles: Social Media Personalisation Algorithms and Extremist Content**, *Global Research Network on Terrorism and Technology: Paper No. 8*, Published in: Royal United Services Institute for Defence and Security Studies.  
Votta, F., Reed, A. Whittaker, J., Sean, L

## Awards

- June 2018 **Naomi C. Turner Prize 2018**, *World Association for Public Opinion Research*.

## 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–Present **R User Group Stuttgart Founder & Administrator**, Stuttgart.  
2017–Present **Treasurer**, *Funding Organization for Political and Social Sciences*, FOEPS e.V.

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## Languages

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

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## Computer skills

Advanced R,  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , SPSS, MS Office  
Intermediate Python, HTML, CSS, JavaScript

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## 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 **Webscraping with R**, *ECPR Winter School 2018*.  
March 2018 **Introduction to Quantitative Text Analysis**, *ECPR Winter School 2018*.  
May 2018 **Combating Online Extremism**, *VOX-Pol Network of Excellence*,  
VOX-Pol Workshop at University of Oxford.  
May 2018 **Challenges of Terrorism Informatics**, *VOX-Pol Network of Excellence*,  
VOX-Pol Workshop at Dublin City University.  
Septem. 2018 **Topic Modeling in the Social Sciences**, *GESIS Workshop*.  
March 2019 **Introduction to Bayesian Models for the Social Sciences**, *48th GESIS Spring Seminar 2019*.  
March 2019 **Bayesian Structural Equation Modelling**, *48th GESIS Spring Seminar 2019*.  
March 2019 **Bayesian Multilevel Modelling**, *48th GESIS Spring Seminar 2019*.  
June 2019 **Introduction to Machine Learning with R**, *GESIS Workshop*.

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## 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

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## Software

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