

# Fabio Votta

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Education

- 2003–2012 **Abitur (2,4)**, Hellenstein-Gymnasium, Heidenheim an der Brenz.  
2013–2017 **Social Science, Bachelor of Arts (1,6)**, *University of Stuttgart*.  
2015–2016 **Government Major, Exchange Student**, *California State University*, Sacramento.  
2017–Present **Empirical Political and Social Science Research, Master of Arts**, *University of Stuttgart*.

### Bachelor Thesis

- Title *Religious Governance: A cross-national examination of religious politics in Arab-Muslim Majority countries*  
Supervisors Prof. Dr. Andre Baechtiger and Prof. Dr. Patrick Bernhagen  
Description The bachelor thesis seeks to investigate Muslim support for religious governance in Arab Muslim-Majority countries with the help of Arab Barometer data.

### Practical Experiences

- Summer 2014 **Research Intern**, *IPI Market Research*, Stuttgart.  
Tasks: Creating, supervising and evaluating surveys.
- 2013–2015 **Multiplicator**, *State Bureau for Civic Education Baden-Württemberg*.  
Tasks: Enhance methodology for measuring youth participation. Preparing seminars and giving talks at schools and events with the purpose of civic education.
- 2016 **Research Intern**, *Project for an Informed Electorate*, Sacramento, CA.  
Tasks: Preparing and helping with events. Evaluation and visualization of survey data.
- 2016–2018 **Student Ambassador**, *German-American Center*.  
Tasks: Counseling young students who are interested internships or a study abroad experience in the USA.
- 2017–2018 **Tutor For Statistics**, *University of Stuttgart*.  
Tasks: Helping graduate students to complete their weekly exams (in SPSS and R).
- 2017–Present **Research Assistant for the Pro-Truth Pledge Project**.  
Analyzing data and creating web applications that help facilitate decisions.

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## Additional Experiences

- Summer 2013 **Backpacking trip in the Middle East, Including Egypt, Israel and Jordan.**  
3 Months of traveling ignited my interest of Middle Eastern culture and society.
- Winter 2018 **ECPR Winter School 2018.**  
Attending two courses: Webscraping with R and Introduction to Quantitative Text Analysis.
- 2017–Present **Board Member of Non-Profit Organization, Funding Organization for Political and Social Sciences (FÖPS e.V.).**  
Tasks: Organizing finances and fundings dedicated to students.
- 2016–Present **R User Group Stuttgart Admin.**  
Preparing and organizing talks.

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## Upcoming

- May 2018 **Combating Online Extremism Workshop, VOX-Pol Network of Excellence.**  
Presenting a paper on a machine learning algorithm trained on over 15 million "Alt-Right" comments and tweets on social media.
- June 2018 **WAPOR 71st Annual Conference, World Association for Public Opinion Research.**  
Presenting two papers, one about religious politics in the Middle East and another one on deliberation accross the world.
- Forthcoming 2018 **Promoting Truth in Public Discourse: The Pro-Truth Pledge, Journal of Social and Political Psychology.**  
Empirical Evaluation of the Pro-Truth Pledge and its impact on individuals to commit to truth-oriented behaviors.

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## Languages

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| German  | Fluent         | <i>German upbringing</i> |
| Italian | Fluent         | <i>Native language</i>   |
| English | Fluent         |                          |
| Spanish | Conversational |                          |
| French  | Conversational |                          |
| Arabic  | Beginner       |                          |

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## Computer skills

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| MS Office    | Proficient            |
| SPSS         | Proficient since 2014 |
| R Statistics | Proficient since 2015 |
| Latex        | Proficient since 2016 |
| Python       | Beginner              |