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Personal

Born on June 4, 1982.

Italian Citizen.

Current position

Postdoctoral Fellow at Central European University. 2013–present.

Previous academic appointments

Teaching Associate. Chair of Political Economy, University of Mannheim. 2012–2013.

Marie Curie Early Stage Researcher. Mannheim Centre for European Social Research (MZES). 2009–2012.

Education

Ph.D. Political Science, *Summa cum laude*, University of Mannheim (Germany), 2014.

M.A. Social Science, *with Honors*, University of Milan (Italy), 2009.

B.A. Linguistic and Cultural Mediation, University of Milan (Italy), 2005.

Teaching experience

Introduction to Generalized Linear Modelling (ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques, July 2014–present).

Introduction to Stata and R (University of Zagreb, February 2016).

Introduction to Data Analysis and Graphics with R (University of Mannheim, Fall 2012).

Project work experience

CUPESSE - Cultural Pathways to Economic Self-Sufficiency and Entrepreneurship. (2015–present)

Tasks:

Survey design

Survey implementation

Data processing, cleaning, and management

Data analysis

COST Action IS0806, The True European Voter. (2009–2014)

Tasks:

Data harmonization and integration

ELECDEM – Training Network in Electoral Democracy. (2009–2012)

Tasks:

Research for Work package 6 - European Electoral Democracy Under Stress.

Research

Current interests

Political behavior and psychology, comparative politics, political economy, entrepreneurship, statistical modeling and quantitative research methods, experimental research methods, quantitative text analysis.

Peer reviewed publications

Federico Vegetti, Zoltán Fazekas and Zsombor Méder. “Sorting your way out: perceived party positions, political knowledge, and polarization.” 2016 *Acta Politica*.

Federico Vegetti. “From Political Conflict to Partisan Evaluations: How Citizens Assess Party Ideology and Competence in Polarized Elections.” 2014 *Electoral Studies*, 35, 230–241.

Federico Vegetti, Monica Poletti and Paolo Segatti. “Availability or disaffection? How Italian citizens reacted to the two-faced parliamentary grand coalition supporting the Monti government.” 2014. *Polis* 28:1.

Federico Vegetti, Monica Poletti and Paolo Segatti. “When responsibility is blurred. Italian national elections in times of economic crisis, technocratic government, and ever-growing populism.” 2013. *Italian Political Science Review* 43:3.

Work in progress

Federico Vegetti and Daniela Sirinic. “Left-right Categorization and Perceptions of Party Ideologies.”

Bruno Castanho Silva, **Federico Vegetti** and Levente Littvay. “The Elite Is Up to Something: Exploring the Relation Between Populism and Belief in Conspiracy Theories.”

Federico Vegetti, Dragoş Adăscăliţei and Elena Cristina Mitrea. “The impact of the economic crisis on latent and nascent entrepreneurship in Europe.”

Dragoş Adăscăliţei and **Federico Vegetti**. “From State to Market and Back: The Politics and Economics of Pension Privatization in Eastern Europe.”

Dragoş Adăscăliţei and **Federico Vegetti**. “Deregulation and Job Security during the Great Recession. A multilevel analysis.”

Federico Vegetti and Gergő Závecz. “Ideological Categories and Political Stereotyping.”

Federico Vegetti. “Political Polarization in Hungary.”

Juraj Medzihorský, **Federico Vegetti**, Erin K. Jenne and Levente Littvay. "Testing the Party Polarization Hypothesis: A Text Analysis of the Major and Outflanking Party Platforms, 1992 to 2012."

Federico Vegetti, Levente Littvay, Paul T. Weith and André Krouwel. "Belief in conspiracy theories and attitudes towards political violence."

Other published work

"Hungary: The stability of Fidesz's domain," in De Sio, L., Emanuele, V. and Maggini, N. (eds.) *The European Parliament Elections of 2014*. CISE, Roma, 2014.

"The Electoral Consequences of Ideological Party Polarization in Europe." PhD Thesis. University of Mannheim, 2014.

Selected presentations

Relying on the Self: Entrepreneurial Attitudes in Times of Crisis. *MPSA Annual Conference*. Chicago (USA), April 8, 2016.

Political polarization in Hungary. Invited presentation at the *Pre-ISA Workshop on Polarized Politics*. Atlanta (USA), March 14–15, 2016.

Sorting your way out: perceived party positions, political knowledge, and polarization. Invited presentation at the *Comparative Politics Research Group Meeting*, University of Southern Denmark. Odense (Denmark), November 2014.

Ideological Bipolarization. Or the effect of stereotyping on the perception of ideological positions. *ISPP Annual Conference*. Rome (Italy), July 4–7, 2014.

Left-Right Scale Components and Perceived Citizen-Elite Ideological Distances. *MPSA Annual Conference*. Chicago (USA), April 3–6, 2014.

The conflictual nature of ideological polarization (with Zoltán Fazekas). *ECPR Joint Sessions*. Mainz (Germany), March 11–16, 2013.

Party Polarization, Ideology, and Evaluations in Europe. *EPOP Annual Conference*. Oxford/UK, 7–9 September 2012.

The SEED (Science Speed Dating) Project – An innovative method to foster interdisciplinary research projects (with Apollonia Goll and Mascha Rauschenbach). *EARLI SIG 4 Higher Education Conference "Creativity and Innovation in Higher Education"*. Tallinn (Estonia), August 14–17, 2012.

Party Polarization and the Balance Between Ideology and Competence in Europe. *EPSA General Conference*. Berlin (Germany), June 21–23, 2012.

Party polarization as a constraint for the voter's choice in multiparty systems. Evidence from the Netherlands. *MPSA Annual Conference*. Chicago (USA), April 12–15, 2012.

Seeing the trees from the forest: ideological self-placement and issue positions in a context (with Daniela Sirinic). *EPOP Annual Conference*. Exeter (UK), September 9–11, 2011.

When it's hard to change. Party system polarization and the potential vote shifting in Europe. *ECPR General Conference*. Reykjavik (Iceland), August 25–27, 2011.

A vicious cycle: Ideological polarization and centrifugal drives. *ECPR Graduate Conference*. Dublin (Ireland), August 30–September 1, 2010.

Training

International Workshop on Statistical Genetic Methods for Human Complex Traits. Institute for Behavioral Genetics, University of Colorado Boulder, 2016.

TEV Winter School on Methodological Issues in Comparative Electoral Analysis. University of Trento, 2013.

3rd International Summer School in Political Communication and Electoral Behaviour. University of Milan, 2012.

ELECDEM Workshop in Comparative Research Methods: Analysing Cross-National and Multilevel Data in the Social Sciences. Istanbul, 2012.

Hierarchical Models. University of Essex, 2011.

Summer School in Political Psychology: Citizen Behaviors and Opinions. University of Oslo, 2011.

Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models. University of Mannheim, 2011.

ELECDEM Workshop in Advanced Techniques for Political Communication Research: Content Analysis. University of Amsterdam, 2011.

TEV Winter School on Methodological Issues in Comparative Electoral Analysis. Warsaw School of Social Sciences and Humanities, 2013.

Pooled Time-Series Cross-Sectional Analysis. University of Essex, 2010.

Logit and Probit Models. University of Essex, 2010.

ELECDEM Workshop in Experimental Methods. Brussels, 2010.

ELECDEM Workshop in Electoral Survey Design. CEU, 2010.

TEV Winter School on Methodological Issues in Comparative Electoral Analysis. University of Nottingham, 2013.

Services

Reviewer for *British Journal of Political Science*; *PLOS One*; *Journal of Politics*; *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties*; *Democracy and Security*; *West European Politics*; *Italian Political Science Review*; and *Romanian Journal of Political Science*.

Software

R, Stata, SPSS.