

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

- European Public Sphere, specially online..
- Political Communication, specially at the European level.
- Social Media and Politics.
- Computational methods: network analysis, content & sentiment analysis, big data.
- Digital methods: Twitter data, issue mapping, social media analytics.

## EDUCATION

**European University Institute**      **Florence | Italy**      **2014 – on going**

PhD in Social and Political Sciences.

“The mapping of the European Political Twittersphere and its significance for the European Public Sphere”. Supervisor: Alexander Trechsel.

**European University Institute**      **Florence | Italy**      **2014 - 2015**

Master of Research.

Quantitative and Qualitative Methods (130 ECTS).

**Stockholm University**      **Stockholm | Sweden**      **2013 – 2014**

M. A. in Media and Communications (60 ECTS)

Individual courses.

**Lund University**      **Lund | Sweden**      **2010 – 2012**

M. A. in European Studies (120 ECTS)

Dissertation on European Blogosphere. Supervisor Peter Dalghren.

Erasmus Exchange in Brussels (Belgium).

**University of Valencia**      **Valencia | Spain**      **2004 – 2009**

Bachelor in Contemporary History (300 ECTS).

## RELEVANT EXPERIENCES

POLCON Project - Coder  
Florence, Italy  
January 2016 – May 2016

- Political Conflict in Europe in the Shadow of the Great Recession.
- Supervisor: Hanspeter Kriesi.
- Coding of protest events for content analysis.

PriFest Film Festival – Head of Communications  
Prishtina, Kosovo  
March 2014 – May 2014

- Coordination and implementation of the communication's strategy
- Press management.
- Project & event management.

Bloggingportal.eu – Co-editor  
Brussels, Belgium  
February 2012 – February 2014

- Curator of blogs, posts, and the “Editors Choice”.
- Consultant European blogging campaigns.
- Speaker about EU social media and the EU blogosphere.

JEF Europe – Elected Federal Committee member  
Brussels, Belgium  
November 2013 – November 2014

- Elected as member of the Federal Committee.
- Appointed for Visual Identity by Presidency and Executive Bureau.
- Consultant in European Youth Policies.

TEDx Stockholm – Head of Communications  
Stockholm, Sweden  
September 2012 – September 2013

- Coordination and implementation of the communication's strategy
- Press management.
- Project & Event Management.

Stockholm University - Researcher  
Stockholm, Sweden  
October 2012 – March 2013

- Coding Data from different international TV channels.
- Creating statistics and tables.
- Global Television Discourse.

## VISITINGS

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- September 2017 – January 2018. Visiting Scholar at Public Opinion & Media Lab (POMLAB) and Voices from the BLOGS in the Department of Social and Political Sciences. University of Milan.  
Supervisors : Mauro Barisione and Luigi Curini.

- January 2017 – June 2017. Visiting Scholar at the Digital Media, Networks, & Political Communication (DIMENET) research group at the Annenberg School for Communication. University of Pennsylvania.  
Supervisor: Sandra González-Bailón.

## KNOWLEDGE & SKILLS

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COMPUTATIONAL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- R (3 years)</li><li>- Python (2 year)</li><li>- Google Maps API</li><li>- Twitter Capture Analysis Toolkit (TCAT)</li><li>- Twitter API(s)</li><li>- Ubuntu</li><li>- Bash/shell</li><li>- SQL</li><li>- Git</li><li>- Web management(typo3, wordpress, jekyll, octopress)</li><li>- Amazon AWS (3 years)</li></ul>
DATA VISUALIZATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Tableau</li><li>- ggplot2</li><li>- Shiny</li><li>- Plotly</li></ul>
RESEARCH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Social Network Analysis (Gephi and iGraph)</li><li>- Content and Sentiment analysis with quanteda and iSA</li></ul>
COMMUNICATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Interpersonal skills: used to multicultural team work.</li><li>- Public speaking experience in academic and professional events.</li><li>- Professional experience in communication strategies.</li></ul>
LEADERSHIP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Successfully led organizations &amp; projects at the local, national and EU level</li><li>- Management and leadership of teams of 50 people.</li></ul>
PROJECT MANAGEMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Strong knowledge in planning, implementation, monitoring, evaluation and time management of complex projects.</li></ul>
LANGUAGES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Spanish and Catalan (bilingual mother tongue)</li><li>- English (Proficient C1)</li><li>- Swedish (Good Knowledge B1)</li><li>- Italian (Good Knowledge B1)</li></ul>

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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- [7] Ruiz-Soler, Javier (2018), "The mapping of the European Political Twittersphere and its significance for the European Public Sphere: a Networked Public Sphere study", **[Work In Progress]**

- [6] Ruiz-Soler, Javier (2018), "The mapping of the European Political Twittersphere and its significance for the European Public Sphere: a transnational EPS", **[Work In Progress]**
- [5] Ruiz-Soler, Javier (2018), "The mapping of the European Political Twittersphere and its significance for the European Public Sphere: a content and sentiment analysis of European topics", **[Work In Progress]**
- [4] Ruiz-Soler, Javier (2017), "The European Public Sphere: exist, can exist, will exist", APUZ-Bdp Bundestag Magazine. (In German).
- [3] Ruiz-Soler, Javier (2017), "Twitter research for social scientists: a brief introduction to the benefits, limitations and tools for analysing Twitter data.", Revista Dígitos, 3, ISSN: 2444-0132.
- [2] Ruiz-Soler, Javier (2014), "The role of the Euroblogosphere in a context of a European Public Sphere", in: A. Stepinska (ed.) *Media and Communication in Europe*, Logos Verlag, 61-73, ISBN 978-3-8325-3680-0
- [1] Ruiz-Soler, Javier (2012), "Who blogs what? A qualitative study on the role of the Euroblogosphere in a context of a European Public Sphere. Master Thesis. Lund University, Sweden.

## **PRESS**

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- Ruiz-Soler, Javier (2016) "Reactions to Juncker's State of the Union speech show the difficulties in creating a European public sphere online." LSE European Politics and Policy (EUROPP) Blog (22 Sep 2016).
- Ruiz Soler, Javier (2012) "The Euroblogosphere has great potential to contribute to the European public sphere." LSE European Politics and Policy (EUROPP) Blog (27 Oct 2012).
- Ruiz-Soler, Javier (2012), "How can internet contribute to civil participation? The case of Eurobloggers." Heinrich Böll Foundation. Blog (24 Sep 2012). Blog Entry.

## **CONFERENCES**

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| <b>- Association Internet Researchers AOIR Conference: Networked Publics</b><br>PhD Colloquium: "European Networked Public Sphere empirical method" | Tartu    | October 2017   |
| <b>- EUSN 3<sup>rd</sup> European Conference on Social Networks</b><br>Paper: "Network analysis of European Twitter networks"                       | Mainz    | September 2017 |
| <b>- NordMedia 2017 bi-annual Conference</b><br>Paper: "European transnational interactions on Twitter"   | Tampere  | August 2017    |
| <b>- IC2S2 3<sup>rd</sup> Computational Social Science Conference</b><br>Poster: "Geolocation of Tweets for measuring transnational interactions"   | Cologne  | July 2017      |
| <b>- EPSA 7<sup>th</sup> Conference European Political Sciences</b><br>Paper: "European Networked Public Sphere on Twitter: #schengen and #TTIP"    | Milan    | June 2017      |
| <b>- Mediaflows Congress of online political communication</b><br>Paper: "An introduction to Social Network Analysis of Twitter data"               | Valencia | November 2016  |

<b>- PhD Symposium Media and Communications London School of Economics</b> Paper: "European Twitter Networks: #brexit"	London	June 2016
<b>- Conference European Dialogue on Internet Governance EuroDIG.</b> Contribution of youth work to the development of Internet Governance	Lisbon Berlin Stockholm	June 2014 June 2013 June 2012
<b>- Closing Conference of the Lithuanian Presidency of the Council of the EU.</b> Blogger expert and representative of <a href="http://www.bloggingportal.eu">www.bloggingportal.eu</a>	Vilnius	December 2013
<b>- Conference 14th Annual UACES Forum Conference.</b> Paper "The Euroblogosphere and European Online Communications".	Loughborough	July 2013
<b>- Conference The EU and the Politicization of Europe, by Euroacademia</b> Selected paper for the Panel <i>The Europeanization of Digital Powers</i> .	Budapest	December 2012
<b>- Conference Europe's common future organized by Böll Foundation.</b> Blogger expert and representative of <a href="http://www.bloggingportal.eu">www.bloggingportal.eu</a>	Berlin	September 2012
<b>- Conference United We Stand organized by Copenhagen Business School.</b> Paper titled " <i>Fostering EU Engagement</i> ".	Copenhagen	June 2012
<b>- European Weekend School, by Bogazicy University Jean Monnet Centre</b> Accession to the EU: Expectations and Realities.	Istanbul	May 2011

## SEMINARS & WORKSHOPS

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<b>- Workshop POMLAB University of Milan</b> Mapping the European Political Twittersphere with TCAT and Gephi	Milan	November 2016
<b>- International Seminar "Building European Citizenship", by JEF Europe.</b> Guest Speaker: "Social Media, European New Media and the EU Public Sphere"	Stockholm	October 2013
<b>- International Seminar "Our Europe 2021" organized by Europaforum</b> Panellist about different EU topics (immigration, eurocrisis, identity).	Malmö	April 2012

## ADDITIONAL TRAINING

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<b>- Voices of Blogs (University of Milan)</b> Content & Sentiment analysis with iSA. Professors: L. Curini and A. Ceron	Milan	September – December 2017
<b>- UPF Social Media and Big Data Research (Online)</b> Big data management, network analysis & text data. Professor: P. Barberá	Spain	September 2017
<b>- Datacamp</b> Data Scientist with R (statistical and machine learning techniques)	Spain	August 2017

<b>- Datacamp</b> Data Analyst with R (collection, process and visualization of data)	Spain	August 2017
<b>- IC2S2 Tutorial</b> Latent Semantic Analysis for Text in R. Professors: J. Miller and J. Fresneda	Cologne	July 2017
<b>- IC2S2 Tutorial</b> Topic Modeling with Python. Professors: C. Puschmann and D. Trilling	Cologne	July 2017
<b>- Annenberg School for Communication (University of Pennsylvania)</b> Network Analysis with iGraph. Professor: S. González-Bailón	Philadelphia	January – June 2017
<b>- Internet Institute Summer School Programme (Oxford University)</b> Research on the Internet related issues.	Oxford	July 2016
<b>- Quantitative Methods (European University Institute)</b> Statistics	Florence	September 2014 – June 2015

## TEACHING

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- 2016 Teaching Certificate. European University Institute.
- 2010 Undergraduate level. Contemporary History of Cuba. Lund University.

## GRANTS AND AWARDS

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- Swedish Research Council Grant for PhD studies (2014-2018).
- Erasmus Internship Grant for graduate studies 2010.
- Bancaja Grant for undergraduate studies 2008.
- Erasmus Grant for undergraduate studies 08/09.

## SERVICE

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<b>- Data for Democracy</b> Data analyst for different projects		From Sept. 2017
<b>- ECPR European Consortium Political Research General Conference</b> Co-chair and Discussant Political Networks Panel	Oslo	September 2017
<b>- Organizer Workshop “Python for the Social Sciences” at the EUI.</b> Guest Professor: Jonathan Bright, Oxford University	Florence	May 2016
<b>- Organizer Workshop “Social Scientific Network Analysis” at the EUI.</b> Guest Professor: Carl Nordlund, Central European University (Budapest)	Florence	May 2015

## **OTHER INFORMATION**

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- + Affiliated member of Euroacademia.
- + Member of European Communication Research and Education Association (ECREA).
- + Member of The Academic Association for contemporary European Studies (UACES).
- + Member of the European Political Science Association (EPSA).
- + Member of the Association of Internet Researchers (AOIR).
- + Personal interests: Travel, friends, literature, event planning.