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## Academic career

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| 11/2023- | *Professor of Computational Social Science* |
| | University of Mannheim, School of Social Sciences |
| 11/2023- | *Scientific Director* (co-lead with Prof. Dr. Claudia Wagner) |
| | GESIS – Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences, Department Computational Social Science (CSS) |
| 2/2022-11/2023 | *Interim Scientific Director* (co-lead with Prof. Dr. Claudia Wagner) |
| | GESIS, Department CSS |
| 2/2021-11/2021 6/2017-11/2017 | *Acting Team Leader* |
| | GESIS, Team Social Analytics & Services, Department CSS |
| 4/2018-3/2019 | *Substitute Professor (Professurvertretung)* |
| | University of Duisburg-Essen, Institute of Political Science |
| 4/2017-9/2017 | *Lecturer* |
| | Institute of Political Science, Heidelberg University (IPW HD) |
| 8/2017 | *Visiting Fellow* |
| | Center for Advanced Internet Studies (CAIS) Bochum |
| 1/2016-11/2023 | *Senior Researcher* |
| | GESIS, Department CSS |
| 2/2012-12/2015 | *Doctoral Student* |
| | Graduate School "Policy performance of autocratic and democratic regimes", IPW HD |

## Education

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|---|---|
| 2/2012-3/2016 | Dʀ. in Political Science, Heidelberg University (*summa cum laude*) |
| 9/2005–7/2011 | M.A. (Mᴀɢɪsᴛᴇʀ) in Political Science, History and Law, Heidelberg University (*summa cum laude*) |

## Publications

### Jᴏᴜʀɴᴀʟ ᴀʀᴛɪᴄʟᴇs

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|---|---|
| 2025 | Maier, Jürgen, Corinna Oschatz, Sebastian Stier, Mona Dian, and Marius Sältzer. 2025. "Beyond rationality: Toward a more comprehensive understanding of the use of negative campaigning". *European Political Science Review*. |

2025 Puschmann, Cornelius, Helena Rauxloh, Lisa Merten, Sebastian Stier, Katrin Weller, and Juhi Kulshrestha. "How affect shapes online information seeking about political actors". *New Media & Society.*

2025 Stier, Sebastian, Sebastian A. Popa, Yannis Theocharis, and Brian Boyle. "Online election campaigning in changing political environments: A comparison of the 2014 and 2019 European Parliament elections". *Party Politics.*

2025 Stier, Sebastian, Corinna Oschatz, Bernhard Clemm von Hohenberg, Jürgen Maier, Alessandro Nai, and Nora Kirkizh. "When do candidates 'go negative'? A conjoint analysis to unpack the mechanisms of negative campaigning". *Electoral Studies.*

2025 Stier, Sebastian, Pascal Siegers, and Johannes Breuer. "Radical right populism and the media: Evidence from the supply side and demand side of political information in Germany". *European Sociological Review.*

2025 Ulloa, Roberto, Frank Mangold, Felix Schmidt, Judith Gilsbach, and Sebastian Stier. "Beyond time delays: how web scraping distorts measures of online news consumption". *Communication Methods and Measures.*

2024 Bachl, Marko, Elena Link, Frank Mangold, and Sebastian Stier. "Search Engine Use for Health-Related Purposes: Behavioral Data on Online Health Information-Seeking in Germany". *Health Communication* 39 (8): 1651–1664.

2024 Clemm von Hohenberg, Bernhard, Sebastian Stier, Ana S. Cardenal, Andrew M. Guess, Ericka Menchen-Trevino, and Magdalena Wojcieszak. "Analysis of Web Browsing Data: A Guide". *Social Science Computer Review* 42 (6): 1479–1504.

2024 Kirkizh, Nora, Roberto Ulloa, Sebastian Stier, and Jürgen Pfeffer. "Predicting political attitudes from web tracking data: a machine learning approach". *Journal of Information Technology & Politics* 21 (4): 564–577.

2024 Mangold, Frank, David Schoch, and Sebastian Stier. "Ideological self-selection in online news exposure: Evidence from Europe and the USA". *Science Advances* 10 (37).

2024 Oschatz, Corinna, Teresa Gil-Lopez, Dylan Paltra, Sebastian Stier, and Tanjev Schultz. "Social media posts as source for political news coverage inside and outside election campaigns: Examining effects on deliberative news media quality". *Journalism* 25 (8): 1638–1656.

2024 Puschmann, Cornelius, Sebastian Stier, Patrick Zerrer, and Helena Rauxloh. "Politicized and paranoid? Assessing attitudinal predictors of alternative news consumption". *Journal of Broadcasting & Electronic Media* 68 (4): 489–518.

   Schmidt, Felix, Frank Mangold, Sebastian Stier, and Roberto Ulloa. 2024. ""Facebook as an Avenue to News: A Comparison and Validation of Approaches to Identify Facebook Referrals". *Political Communication* 41 (6): 921–943.

2024 Schmidt, Felix, Sebastian Stier, and Lukas Otto. 2024. "Incivility in comparison: How context, content and personal characteristics predict exposure to uncivil content". *Social Science Computer Review* 42 (5): 1120–1135.

2024 Stier, Sebastian, Caterina Froio, and Justin Chun-ting Ho. "Mainstreaming the populist radical right? Online news exposure and voting behavior in the 2019 European Parliament election". *European Political Science Review* 16 (1): 1–17.

2023 Mangold, Frank, Mareike Wieland, Lukas Otto and Sebastian Stier. "Neue Forschungsinfrastrukturen für die Messung digitaler Mediennutzung". *Publizistik.*

2023    Maier, Jürgen, Corinna Oschatz, Sebastian Stier, and Ingo Zettler. "A short scale to measure self-reported aversive personality traits in political elites". *Journal of Personality Assessment* 105(5), 625–635.

2023    Maier, Jürgen, Sebastian Stier, and Corinna Oschatz. "Are candidates rational when it comes to negative campaigning? Empirical evidence from three German candidate surveys". *Party Politics* 29(4), 766–779.

2023    Oschatz, Corinna, Marius Sältzer, and Sebastian Stier. "Establishing standards for human-annotated samples applied in supervised machine learning – Evidence from a Monte Carlo simulation". *Studies in Communication and Media* 12 (4): 289–304.

2023    Schürmann, Lennart, and Sebastian Stier. "Who represents the constituency? Online political communication by members of parliament in the German mixed-member electoral system". *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 48(1) 219–234.

2023    Stier, Sebastian, Caterina Froio, and Justin Ho. "Mainstreaming the populist radical right? Online news exposure and voting behavior in the 2019 European Parliament election". *European Political Science Review*.

2022    Breuer, Johannes, Zoltan Kmetty, Mario Haim, and Sebastian Stier. "User-centric approaches for collecting Facebook data in the 'post-API age': Experiences from two studies and recommendations for future research". *Information, Communication & Society*.

2022    Kirkizh, Nora, Caterina Froio, and Sebastian Stier. "The (non)persistence of issue preferences among radical right and radical left voters: Experimental evidence from four European democracies". *European Journal of Political Research*.

2022    Mangold, Frank, Sebastian Stier, Michael Scharkow, and Johannes Breuer. "The Overstated Generational Gap in Online News Use? A Consolidated Infrastructural Perspective". *New Media & Society* 24(10), 2207–2226.

2022    Oschatz, Corinna, Sebastian Stier, and Jürgen Maier. "Twitter in the News: An analysis of embedded tweets in political news coverage". *Digital Journalism* 10(9), 1526–1545.

2022    Richter, Simon, and Sebastian Stier. "Learning about the unknown Spitzenkandidaten: The role of media exposure during the 2019 European Parliament elections". *European Union Politics* 22 (2), 309–329.

2022    Schoch, David, Franziska B. Keller, Sebastian Stier, and JungHwan Yang. "Coordination patterns reveal online political astroturfing across the world". *Scientific Reports* 12.

2022    Silber, Henning, Johannes Breuer, Christoph Beuthner, Tobias Gummer, Florian Keusch, Pascal Siegers, Sebastian Stier, and Bernd Weiß. "Linking surveys and digital trace data: Insights from two studies on determinants of data sharing behavior". *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series A* 185(S2), 387–407.

2022    Stier, Sebastian, Bernd Weiß, Timo Hartmann, Fabian Flöck, Johannes Breuer, Ines Schauer, and Mirjan Schulz. "Information exposure, perceptions and behaviors during the first COVID-19 wave in Germany: Evidence from survey and Facebook data". *Political Research Exchange* 4(1).

2022    Stier, Sebastian, Frank Mangold, Michael Scharkow, and Johannes Breuer. "Post post-broadcast democracy? News exposure in the age of online intermediaries". *American Political Science Review* 116 (2), 768–774.

2022    Trilling, Damian, Juhi Kulshrestha, Claes de Vreese, Denis Halagiera, Jakub Jakubowski, Judith Möller, Cornelius Puschmann, Agnieszka Stępińska, Sebastian Stier, and Cristian Vaccari. "Is sharing just a function of viewing? The sharing of political and non-political news on Facebook". *Journal of Quantitative Description: Digital Media* 2.

2021   Haim, Mario, Johannes Breuer, and Sebastian Stier. "Do news actually 'find me'? Using digital behavioral data to study the news-finds-me phenomenon". *Social Media + Society*.

2021   Maier, Michaela, Carlos Jalali, Jürgen Maier, Alessandro Nai, and Sebastian Stier. "When do parties put Europe in the center? Evidence from the 2019 European Parliamentary election campaign". *Politics.* 41 (4), 433–450.

2021   Stier, Sebastian, Caterina Froio, and Wolf J. Schünemann. "Campaigning in the transnational arena: An analysis of candidates' transnational linkages on Twitter during the 2019 European Parliament elections". *West European Politics* 44 (7), 1455-1481.

2021   Yan, Pu, Ralph Schroeder, and Sebastian Stier. "Is there a link between climate change scepticism and populism? An analysis of web tracking and survey data from Europe and the US". *Information, Communication & Society*.

2020   Keller, Franziska B., David Schoch, Sebastian Stier, and JungHwan Yang. "Political astroturfing on Twitter: How to coordinate a disinformation campaign". *Political Communication* 37 (2): 256–280.

2020   Scharkow, Michael, Frank Mangold, Sebastian Stier, and Johannes Breuer. "How social network sites and other online intermediaries increase exposure to news". *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America (PNAS).* 117 (6): 2761–2763.

2020   Stier, Sebastian, Nora Kirkizh, Caterina Froio, and Ralph Schroeder. "Populist attitudes and selective exposure to online news – A cross-country analysis combining web tracking and surveys". *The International Journal of Press/Politics* 25 (3): 426–446.

2020   Stier, Sebastian, Johannes Breuer, Pascal Siegers, and Kjerstin Thorson. "Integrating Survey Data and Digital Trace Data: Key issues in developing an emerging field". *Social Science Computer Review* 38 (5): 503–516.

2019   Jungherr, Andreas, Ralph Schroeder, and Sebastian Stier. "Digital Media and the Surge of Political Challengers: Explaining the Political Success of Outsiders in the US, Germany and China". *Social Media + Society* 5 (3).

2019   Rau, Jan P., and Sebastian Stier. "Die Echokammer-Hypothese: Fragmentierung der Öffentlichkeit und politische Polarisierung durch digitale Medien? (The Echo Chamber hypothesis: Do digital media lead to a fragmentation of the public sphere and to political polarization?)". *Zeitschrift für Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft* 13 (3): 399–417.

2018   Stier, Sebastian, Arnim Bleier, Haiko Lietz, and Markus Strohmaier. "Election Campaigning on Social Media: Politicians, Audiences and the Mediation of Political Communication on Facebook and Twitter". *Political Communication* 35 (1): 50–74.
       Reprinted in *Studying Politics Across Media*, edited by Leticia Bode, and Emily K. Vraga. London: Routledge (2019).

2018   Stier, Sebastian, Wolf J. Schünemann, and Stefan Steiger. "Of Activists and Gatekeepers: Temporal and Structural Properties of Policy Networks on Twitter". *New Media & Society* 20 (5): 1910–1930.

2017   Stier, Sebastian. "Internet Diffusion and Regime Type: Temporal Patterns in Technology Adoption". *Telecommunications Policy* 41 (1): 25–34.

2017   Stier, Sebastian, Lisa Posch, Arnim Bleier, and Markus Strohmaier. "When populists become popular: Comparing Facebook use by the right-wing movement Pegida and German political parties". *Information, Communication & Society* 20 (9): 1365–1388.

2016   Schünemann, Wolf J., Stefan Steiger, and Sebastian Stier. "Transnationalisierung politischer Öffentlichkeit über Soziale Medien – ein Politikfeldvergleich" (Is There a Transnationalization of Public Spheres? A Comparison of Two Global Political Issues). *Zeitschrift für Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft* (Suppl) 10: 233–257.

2015 Schünemann, Wolf J., Stefan Steiger, and Sebastian Stier. "The Net Neutrality Debate on Twitter". *Internet Policy Review* 4 (4).

2015 Stier, Sebastian. "Political Determinants of E-Government Performance Revisited: Comparing Democracies and Autocracies". *Government Information Quarterly* 32 (3), 132–148.

2015 Stier, Sebastian. "Democracy, Autocracy, and the News: The Impact of Regime Type on Media Freedom". *Democratization* 22 (7), 1273–1295.

## Books

2017 Stier, Sebastian. "Internet und Regimetyp – Netzpolitik und politische Online-Kommunikation in Autokratien und Demokratien" (Internet and Regime Type – Internet Policy and Online Political Communication in Autocracies and Democracies). Wiesbaden: VS Verlag für Sozialwissenschaften.
Reviewed in *Zeitschrift für Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft.*

2012 Stier, Sebastian. "Die Bedeutung des Internets als Medium der politischen Kommunikation in Deutschland und den USA – eine vergleichende Fallstudie" (The Impact of the Internet on Political Communication – Germany and the U.S. in Comparison). Münster: Lit Verlag.

## Editorship

2019 Stier, Sebastian, Johannes Breuer, Pascal Siegers, and Kjerstin Thorson. "Integrating Survey Data and Digital Trace Data". Special Issue in *Social Science Computer Review.*

## Articles in refereed conference proceedings

2017 Keller, Franziska B., David Schoch, Sebastian Stier, and Junhwang Yang. "How to Manipulate Social Media: Analyzing Political Astroturfing Using Ground Truth Data from South Korea". In *Proceedings of the 11th International Conference on Weblogs and Social Media (ICWSM)*, 564–567.

2016 Stier, Sebastian. "Partisan Framing of Political Debates on Twitter". In *Proceedings of the 8th ACM Conference on Web Science*, 365–366.

2016 Stier, Sebastian. "Studying the Role of Elites in U.S. Political Twitter Debates". In *Proceedings of the 6th Microposts Workshop @WWW 2016*, 43–45.

## Articles in edited volumes

2024 Thomas, Fabian, Michaela Maier, Lukas Otto, Felix Schmidt, Sebastian Stier, and Lea Gorski. "Die Rezeption politischer Informationen während des Bundestagswahlkampfes 2021". In *Wahlen und Wähler – Analysen aus Anlass der Bundestagwahl 2021*, edited by Harald Schoen, and Bernhard Weßels, 413–442.

2021 Stier, Sebastian, Jürgen Maier, and Corinna Oschatz. "Die Nutzung sozialer Medien durch Kandidaten im Bundestagswahlkampf 2017". In *Wahlen und Wähler – Analysen aus Anlass der Bundestagwahl 2017*, edited by Harald Schoen, and Bernhard Weßels, 415–432.

2019 Stier, Sebastian. "Internetfreiheit in Europa" (Internet Freedom in Europe). In *E-Government und Netzpolitik im europäischen Vergleich*, edited by Wolf J. Schünemann, and Marianne Kneuer, 301–320. Baden-Baden: Nomos.

2019 Stier, Sebastian, and Andreas Jungherr. "Digitale Verhaltensdaten und Computational Social Science in der politischen Kommunikationsforschung". In *Politik in der digitalen Gesellschaft*, edited

by Jeanette Hofmann, Norbert Kersting, Claudia Ritzi and Wolf Schünemann, 309–326. Bielefeld: transcript.

2019 Stegmeier, Jörn, Wolf J. Schünemann, Marcus Müller, Maria Becker, Stefan Steiger, and Sebastian Stier. "Multi-Method Discourse Analysis of Twitter Communication". In *Quantifying Approaches to Discourse for Social Scientists*, edited by Ronny Scholz, 285–314. London: Palgrave Macmillan.

2017 Stier, Sebastian. "Political Determinants of Media Freedom". In *Routledge Companion to Media and Human Rights*, edited by Howard Tumber, and Silvio Waisbord, 149–157. London: Routledge.

2015 Stier, Sebastian. "Strukturbedingungen im Online-Wahlkampf: USA und Deutschland im Vergleich" (Structural Conditions in Online Campaigns: Comparing the U.S. and Germany). In *Die US-Präsidentschaftswahl 2012, Analysen der Politik- und Kommunikationswissenschaft*, edited by Christoph Bieber, and Klaus Kamps, 363–382. Wiesbaden: VS Verlag für Sozialwissenschaften.

Datasets and non-peer reviewed publications

2023 Weiß, Julia, and Sebastian Stier. "Die Verknüpfung von digitalen Verhaltensdaten und Umfragedaten." *Easy social sciences* (68): 31–38.

2022 Sältzer, Marius, and Sebastian Stier. "Die Bundestagswahl 2021 auf Twitter." *Easy social sciences* (67): 30–38.

2021 Sältzer, Marius, Sebastian Stier, Joscha Bäuerle, Manuela Blumenberg, Valeriya Mechkova, Daniel Pemstein, Brigitte Seim, and Steven Wilson. "Twitter accounts of candidates in the German federal election 2021". *GESIS Data Archive, Cologne. ZA7721 Data file version 2.0.0.*

2020 Stier, Sebastian, Sebastian A. Popa, and Daniela Braun. "Political Campaigning on Twitter During the 2019 European Parliament Election Campaign". *GESIS Datorium.*

2019 Mendez, Carlos, Vasiliki Triga, John Bachtler, Costas Djouvas, Fernando Mendez, and Sebastian Stier. "The Visibility and Communication of Cohesion Policy in Online Media". *Report for the European Parliament's Committee on Regional Development.*

2019 Keller, Franziska B., David Schoch, Sebastian Stier, and JungHwan Yang. "It's not easy to spot disinformation on Twitter. Here's what we learned from 8 political 'astroturfing' campaigns". *Washington Post Monkey Cage Blog.*

2018 Stier, Sebastian, Arnim Bleier, Malte Bonart, Fabian Mörsheim, Mahdi Bohlouli, Margarita Nizhegorodov, Lisa Posch, Jürgen Maier, Tobias Rothmund and Steffen Staab. "Systematically Monitoring Social Media: The Case of the German Federal Election 2017". *GESIS Papers 2018|04.*

2018 Stier, Sebastian, Arnim Bleier, Malte Bonart, Fabian Mörsheim, Mahdi Bohlouli, Margarita Nizhegorodov, Lisa Posch, Jürgen Maier, Tobias Rothmund and Steffen Staab. "Social Media Monitoring for the German Federal Election 2017". *GESIS Data Archive, Cologne. ZA6926 Data file.*

2016 Stier, Sebastian. "Elite Actors in the U.S. Political Twittersphere". *GESIS Datorium.*

## Grants

2025 "Enhancing Societal Resilience Research through AI-Powered Survey Infrastructure (AI-RESIL)". Funded by the Leibniz Association. With Claudia Wagner, Bernd Weiß (both GESIS), Klaus Lieb, Sarah Schäfer (both LIR). (Total volume **999,664€**, 698,600€ awarded for GESIS' project part)

2021 "Political polarization and individualized online information environments: A longitudinal tracking study". Funded by the Leibniz Association. With Uwe Hasebrink, Lisa Merten (HBI Hamburg), Juhi Kulshrestha (University of Konstanz), Cornelius Puschmann (U Bremen), Katrin Weller

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| | (GESIS). (Total volume **988,682€**, 264,600€ awarded for GESIS' project part) |
| 2021 | "News diets & citizenship: A study combining web tracking data and surveys". Funded by Facebook Foundational Integrity & Impact. With Juhi Kulshrestha (University of Konstanz), Denis Bonnay (Université Paris Ouest) and Marcos Oliveira (University of Exeter). (Total volume **50,000$**) |
| 2021 | "Tracking the effects of negative political communication during election campaigns in on- and offline communication environments". Funded by the DFG. With Michaela Maier (University Koblenz-Landau). (Total volume **773,367€**, 265,520€ awarded for my project part) |
| 2020 | "Negative Campaigning in deutschen Wahlkämpfen: Messung, Dynamik und Determinanten". Project funded by the DFG. With Jürgen Maier and Corinna Oschatz (University Koblenz-Landau). (Total volume **637,603€**, 325,995€ awarded for my project part) |
| 2020 | Travel grant by DAAD-Hong Kong funding line. Project "Comparing Hidden Propaganda Campaigns". With Franziska B. Keller (Hong Kong University of Science and Technology). (**10,203€**) |
| 2019 | Social Science One grant on "SHARENEWS: Predicting the shareworthiness of 'real' and 'fake' news in Europe". With Damian Trilling, Claes de Vreese, Judith Möller (University of Amsterdam), Cristian Vaccari (Loughborough University), Cornelius Puschman (Bredow Institute), Juhi Kulshrestha (University of Konstanz) and Agnieszka Stępińska (Adam Mickiewicz University). (Total volume **50,000$**, 6,000$ for our project part and access to original **Facebook data**) |
| 2018 | "What Do 'the People' Want? Analysing Online Populist Challenges to Europe", Project funded by the VolkswagenStiftung (7 of 138 applications accepted). Main applicant, with Ralph Schroeder (University of Oxford) and Caterina Froio (Sciences Po, Paris). (Total volume **705,700€**, 349,200€ awarded for my project part) |
| 2018 | Expert symposium on "Integrating and Analyzing Data From Surveys and Social Media" at CAIS. With Johannes Breuer, Pascal Siegers (**15,000€**) |
| 2017 | Project on "Monitoring Topic Saliences in Social Media". GESIS project funding (competitive). With Fabian Flöck, Arnim Bleier (**54,000€**) |
| 2017 | Project on "Integrating Survey Data and Digital Behavioral Data". GESIS project funding (competitive). With Johannes Breuer, Tobias Gummer, Pascal Siegers (**45,000€**) |
| 2017 | Project on "Monitoring Social Media and Mass Media during the ALLBUS". GESIS project funding (competitive). With Michael Blohm, Oshrat Hochmann (**15,500€**) |
| 2012-2015 | PhD Scholarship by Landesgraduiertenförderung Baden-Württemberg (**41,070€**) |

## Awards and list positions

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| 2023 | Number 1 on list for W3 Professorship "Computational Social Science" at University of Mannheim and scientific director Department CSS at GESIS |
| 2023 | Best Paper Award ICA Political Communication Division (with Frank Mangold and David Schoch) |
| 2022 | Best Paper Award DGuK-Fachgruppe Gesundheitskommunikation (with Elena Link, Marko Bachl and Frank Mangold) |
| 2020 | Number 2 on list for Junior Professorship "Political Communication" at University of Konstanz |
| 2019 | Best Paper Award ICA Computational Methods Interest Group (with JungHwan Yang, Franziska Keller and David Schoch) |
| 2016 | Number 2 on list for Junior Professorship "Internet and Politics" at University of Hildesheim |

## Conference participation

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| 2025 | Comptext (P*), IC2S2 (P), ICA (P*) |
| 2024 | EPSA Conference (P*), EPSA Preconference (P), IC2S2 (P), GOR Conference (P*) |
| 2023 | EPSA Conference (P*), IC2S2 (P*), GOR Conference (P*), ICA (C+P+P*+P*) |
| 2022 | APSA Annual Meeting (P*+P*), EPSA Conference (P*), GOR Conference (P*), ICA (P*+P*+P*), Sektion Methoden DGS (P*+P*) |
| 2021 | DVPW Kongress (P), ECPR (P+P+P*+P*), GOR Conference (P), IC2S2 (P*), ICA (P*), PolMeth (P*), Volkswagen Foundation Herrenhäuser Symposium (P) |
| 2020 | ACES Workshop on EP Elections Amsterdam (P), ECPR, EPSA (cancelled), IB Tagung (P), ICA (P*) |
| 2019 | APSA CSS Preconference (P*), DVPW and DGPuK PolKomm Conference (P+C), DVPW Section Comparative Politics Conference (P+C), ECPR General Conference (P+P+C+D), EPSA Conference (P*), ESRA Conference (P*), GOR Conference (P+P*+C), Harvard Disinformation Workshop (P*), ICA Annual Conference (P*), MPSA Annual Conference (P*), SSCR Workshop "Digital Threats to Democracy" (P*) |
| 2018 | Communication, Populism and Electoral Choice Conference (P), DGPs (P*), DVPW Kongress (C), ECPR General Conference (P+P+D), ESRA BigSurv Conference (P*), General Online Research Conference (P+C), ICA Annual Conference (P*), MPSA Annual Conference (P*) |
| 2017 | APSA Annual Meeting (P*), DVPW Section Comparative Politics Conference (P+D), IC2S2 (P+C), DVPW Working Group Internet and Politics Conference (P), ICWSM (P*), IPSA Hannover Conference (P+D), MPSA Annual Conference (P*), SVPW Congress (P*), Workshop on "ICT in Authoritarian Regimes" at University St. Gallen (P+D) |
| 2016 | APSA Annual Meeting (P+P*+C), APSA Political Communication Preconference (P), DVPW Working Group Internet and Politics Conference (P+C), International CSS Workshop Volkswagen Foundation, ECPR General Conference (P), IPSA World Congress (P+C+D), Microposts Workshop @ WWW (P), Web Science Conference (P) |
| 2015 | ADDA Conference (P*), BISA Annual Conference (P), DiscourseNet Congress (P*), ECPR General Conference (P*) |
| 2014 | Workshop Internet Governance at Syracuse University School of Information Studies, ECPR General Conference (P) |
| 2013 | MPSA Annual Conference (P), 3-Ländertagung (P) |

P: Presentation; C: Panel chair; D: Discussant; *: Presented by coauthor

## Invited talks

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| 2024 | Media and Democracy Data Cooperative at University of Texas at Austin |
| 2022 | Lecture Series on "Empirical Social Science Methods" at the University of Kassel |
| 2021 | Public Hearing Professorship "Digital Methods of Political Science" at the University of Marburg |
| 2020 | Guest Talk at the University of Bern |
| 2020 | Guest Talk at the University of Manchester |
| 2019 | Public Hearing Tenure Track Professorship "Political Communication" at the University of Konstanz |
| 2018 | Kiel Institute for the World Economy |
| 2018 | Lecture Series "Digital Total" at Ruhr University Bochum and CAIS |
| 2018 | Hans-Bredow-Institut, Hamburg |
| 2017 | Lecture Series "Digitale Lebenswelten" at University of Hildesheim |

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| 2017 | Participation in panel discussion "Web of Justice" at Ilmenau University of Technology |
| 2016 | Lecture "Web Science" at University of Koblenz-Landau |
| 2016 | Public Hearing Junior Professorship "Internet and Politics" at University of Hildesheim |
| 2016 | "Praxis-Forum Open Data" at Heidelberg University |
| 2015 | Workshop "Studying the Use of Twitter in Political Communication" at GESIS CSS Wintersymposium in Cologne |

## Other professional activities

### Membership in editorial board

Political Communication (2020-2023)

### Membership in professional associations

- DVPW: Section "Comparative Politics", Section "Political Communication", Working Group "Politics and Internet"
- German Society for Electoral Studies (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Wahlforschung)
- ECPR Standing Groups on "Internet and Politics", "Comparative Political Institutions", "Extremism and Democracy", "Political Communication"
- German Society for Online Research (DGOF)

### Referee

Web of Science reviewer profile

*American Political Science Review, Analyse & Kritik, Communication Methods and Measures, Contemporary Politics, Democratization, Digital Journalism, Electoral Studies, ERC: European Research Council, European Journal of Political Research, European Policy Analysis, European Sociological Review, European Union Politics, Frontiers in Political Science, German Politics, GOR, Government and Opposition, Government Information Quarterly, IC2S2, ICA, ICWSM, Information, Communication & Society, International Journal of Communication, International Journal of Press/Politics, International Political Science Review, Journal of Communication, Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties, Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies, Journal of European Public Policy, Journal of Information Technology & Politics, Journal of Politics, Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series A, Journalism, Legislative Studies Quarterly, New Media & Society, Party Politics, PLOS ONE, Policy & Internet, Political Behavior, Political Communication, Political Psychology, Political Research Exchange, Political Research Quarterly, Public Opinion Quarterly, Routledge, Schweizerischer Nationalfonds (SNF), Sustainability, Swiss Political Science Review, The International Journal of Press/Politics, West European Politics, Zeitschrift für Politikwissenschaft, Zeitschrift für Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft*

## Teaching

I have taught 9 seminars and lectures in comparative politics, political communication, political methodology and introductory courses.

## Media coverage and appearances

Bayern 2 Radio, Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, Deutschlandfunk, FAZ, Handelsblatt, Heise online, MDR Aktuell Radio, Nordwest Zeitung, RAI Südtirol, Süddeutsche Zeitung, SWR Aktuell, Tagesspiegel, WDR Fernsehen

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