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Academic Positions

Full Professor of Comparative Politics, Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford. October 2006-present.

Fellow in Politics, Corpus Christi College, University of Oxford, October 2003 – present

Visiting Research Fellow, Sciences Po Paris, September 2024-June 2025

Visiting Fellow, Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies, Harvard University, July 2009-July 2010.

Rita E. Hauser Fellow, Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Studies, Harvard University, September 2006 – July 2007.

Tenure-track University Lecturer (Associate Professor) in Politics, Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford. October 2003 – September 2006.

Visiting Scholar, Max-Planck Institute for Foreign Constitutional Law and International Law, Heidelberg (Germany), Summer 2002.

Fixed-term University Lecturer in Politics, Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford. September 2001 – September 2003

Fellow in Politics, Magdalen College, University of Oxford, September 2001-September 2003

European University Institute, Department of Political and Social Sciences, Research Assistant, 1999-2001 (various dates)

Visiting Scholar, University of California at Berkeley, Department of Political Science, Fall 1998.

Visiting Scholar, Institute of Political Science, University of Heidelberg (Germany), July 1997 – June 1998:

Education

European University Institute (EUI), Florence (Italy).

Ph.D. Political and Social Sciences, December 2000

University of Rome “La Sapienza” (Italy), Faculty of Political Sciences

Laurea (BA+MA) in Political Sciences, *Summa cum laude*, 1994. Honors’ thesis officially recommended for publication.

Publications

Books:

The Historical Turn in Democratization Studies, special double issue of *Comparative Political Studies*, August-September 2010, Vol. 43, n. 8/9, pages 350 (co-edited with D. Ziblatt).

- Introductory article: 2010 Award for Best paper in Comparative Democratization, American Political Science Association; 2011 Award for Best article in Politics and History, American Political Science Association

Defending Democracy. Reactions to Extremism in Inter-war Europe, Baltimore, Johns Hopkins University Press, 2005, pages 352. [Paperback 2007, Kindle 2010]

- 2006 Award for Best Book in European Politics, American Political Science Association
- 2006: Nominated for W.J.M. Mackenzie Best Book Prize, Political Studies Association (UK)

Unified Germany Between Continuity and Renewal. The German Electoral and Party System in the Process of National Reunification (in Italian), Rome, Bulzoni, 1995, pages 490.

Articles and Book Chapters:

“Trying Perpetrators: Denazification Trials and Support for Democracy in West Germany” (with G. Pop-Eleches), *Comparative Politics*, 56, 2, January 2024, 197-218.

“Democracy and Retribution: Transitional Justice and Regime Support in Post-War West Germany” (with G. Pop-Eleches), *Comparative Political Studies*, 53 (3/4), 2020, 399-433.

“Militant Democracy and the Study of Political Tolerance”, in Kirshner, Alexander, and Anthoula Malkopoulou (eds.), *Militant Democracy and its Critics. Populism, Parties, Extremism*, Edinburgh, Edinburgh University Press, 2019, pp. 133-149.

“When Do Institutions Bite? Historical Institutionalism and the Politics of Institutional Change”, *Comparative Political Studies*, 2016, 49 (8), 2016, 1095-1127.

“Critical Junctures”, in Fioretos, O., Falleti, T. and A. Sheingate, eds., *Oxford Handbook on Historical Institutionalism*, Oxford, Oxford University Press, 2016, pp. 95-108.

“Critical Junctures and Institutional Change”, in Mahoney, J. and K. Thelen, eds., *Advances in Comparative Historical Analysis*, Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 2015, pp. 147-179.

“The Study of Democratization and the Arab Spring” (with A. Ahmed), *Middle East Law and Governance*, 6 (1), 2014, 1-39.

“Militant Democracy. The Institutional Bases of Democratic Self-Preservation”, *Annual Review of Law and Social Sciences*, 9, 2013, 207-226.

“When State Responses Fail: Religion and Secessionism in India 1952-2002” (with L. D. Saez and E. de Rooij), *The Journal of Politics*, 74 (4), October 2012, 1010-1022.

“The Historical Turn in Democratization Studies: A New Research Agenda for Europe and Beyond” (with D. Ziblatt), *Comparative Political Studies*, 43 (8/9), August-September 2010, 931-968.

- 2011 Mary Parker Follett Award for Best Article in Politics and History, American Political Science Association.

- 2010 Award for Best Paper in Comparative Democratization presented at the 2009 Annual Convention of the American Political Science Association.

“Germany’s Response to 9/11: The Importance of Checks and Balances”, in Crenshaw, M. (ed.) *The Consequences of Counterterrorism*, New York, Russell Sage, 2010, pp. 285-334.

“The Study of Critical Junctures: Theory, Narrative and Counterfactuals in Historical Institutionalism” (with R. D. Kelemen), *World Politics*, 59 (3), April 2007, 341-369.

- 2008 Alexander L. George Award for the Best Article in Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, American Political Science Association.
- 2006 Sage Award for the Best Paper Developing or Applying Qualitative Methods presented at the 2005 Annual Convention of the American Political Science Association.

“Defence of Democracy Against the Extreme Right in Inter-War Europe: A Past still Present?”, in Eatwell, R. and C. Mudde, (eds.), *Western Democracies and the New Extreme Right Challenge*, London, Routledge, 2004, pp. 83-107.

(Hebrew version of “Defending Democracy: Strategies of Reaction to Political Extremism in Inter-War Europe”, *State and Society*, 1, 2003).

“Legislative Responses to Extremism. The ‘Protection of Democracy’ in the First Czechoslovak Republic 1920-1938”, *East European Politics and Societies*, 16 (3), 2002, 691-734.

“The Political Consequences of Electoral Laws: the German System at Fifty”, *West European Politics*, 25 (3), July 2002, 173-204.

“Anti-system Parties: A Conceptual Reassessment”, *Journal of Theoretical Politics*, 14 (1), January 2002, 9-35.

“Defending Democracy: Strategies of Reaction to Political Extremism in Inter-War Europe”, *European Journal of Political Research*, 39 (4), June 2001, 431-460.

“Proportional representation and first-past-the-post election in the German electoral system” (in Italian), *Quaderni di Scienza Politica*, 7 (2), August 2001, 99-163.

“Redistricting in Germany: Relevant Legislation and Political Importance” (in Italian), *Nomos. Le Attualità del Diritto*, 3 (2/3), May-December 1998, 29-56.

Other Publications (Op-eds, policy briefs, blog pieces, book reviews, newsletter articles, etc.):

“Notes from the Classroom: Dissecting and Reconstructing Case Studies”, *Qualitative and Multi-Method Research*, 21:1, Spring 2023, p. 24-26.

“Berlusconi’s Passing Destabilizes the Italian Party System”, *The Loop – ECPR Political Science Blog*, 16 June 2023. <https://theloop.ecpr.eu/berlusconi-passing-destabilises-the-italian-party-system/>

“The European Electorate Continues to Shift Right”, *Agenda Pública/El País*, 15 June 2023, <https://agendapublica.elpais.com/noticia/18666/european-electorate-continues-to-shift-right> (In French, “Le glissement à droite de l’électorat européen”, *La Grande Conversation*, 21 June 2023; <https://www.lagrandeconversation.com/politique/le-glissement-a-droite-de-lelectorat-europeen/>).

“Macron’s Gamble on Pension Reform”, *The Loop – ECPR Political Science Blog*, 27 March 2023, <https://theloop.ecpr.eu/macrons-gamble-on-pensions-reform/>

Policy brief for the Swedish Institute for European Policy Studies (SIEPS), “The Italian Elections of 2022: What Will they Mean for the EU?”, 29 September 2022 https://www.sieps.se/globalassets/publikationer/2022/2022_17epa.pdf

“Italian General Elections: The Far Right Sweeps to Power under Giorgia Meloni”, *The Loop – ECPR Political Science Blog*, 29 September 2022, <https://theloop.ecpr.eu/italian-general-election-the-far-right-sweeps-to-power-under-giorgia-meloni/>

Op-ed “La llamada de atención de Biden” [Biden’s Wake-up Call], *El País*, 15 September 2022, <https://elpais.com/opinion/agenda-publica/2022-09-16/la-llamada-de-atencion-de-biden.html> (English version “Biden’s Wake-up Call”: <https://agendapublica.elpais.com/noticia/18230/biden-wake-up-call>)

“Italy’s Odd Turn to the Right”, *The Loop – ECPR Political Science Blog*, 14 September 2022, <https://theloop.ecpr.eu/italys-odd-turn-to-the-right/>

“The Italian Elections and the Threat to European Integration”, *The Loop – ECPR Political Science Blog*, 24 August 2022, <https://theloop.ecpr.eu/the-italian-elections-and-the-threat-to-european-integration/> (also published in OxPol blog at <https://blog.politics.ox.ac.uk/the-italian-elections-and-the-threat-to-european-integration/>)

Op-ed, “France’s elections weakened Macron and strengthened Le Pen”, *Washington Post*, *The Monkey Cage*, 21 June 2022, https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2022/06/21/macron-lepen-french-assembly-election-defeat/?utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=wp_monkeycage&utm_source=twitter

“Can Marine Le Pen win the French Presidency?”, *The Loop – ECPR Political Science Blog*, <https://theloop.ecpr.eu/can-marine-le-pen-win-the-french-presidential-elections/> (also published in OxPol Blog at <https://blog.politics.ox.ac.uk/can-marine-le-pen-win-the-french-presidency/>)

“An increasingly Eurosceptic French electorate threatens the EU”, *The Loop – ECPR Political Science Blog*, 9 November 2021, <https://theloop.ecpr.eu/an-increasingly-eurosceptic-french-electorate-threatens-the-eu/>

Preface to Michal Kubát and Martin Mejstřík (eds.) *Giovanni Sartori: Challenging Political Science*, London, Rowman & Littlefield/ECPR Press, 2019, pp. vii-xi.

“Deferred Automatic Disclosure: Ensuring Data Access and Protecting the ‘Right to First Use’” *Newsletter of the International History and Politics Organized Section*, American Political Science Association, Winter 2016, 1 (2), 8-10.

Review of A. Kirshner, *The Theory of Militant Democracy. The Ethics of Combatting Political Extremism*, New Haven, CT, Yale University Press, 2014 (part of a “Symposium” on militant democracy), *Perspectives on Politics*, 13 (3), September 2015, 796-797.

“Politics at Corpus”, *The Pelican Record*, Corpus Christi College, Oxford, Vol. XLIX, December 2013, pp. 30-33.

“Taking History and Politics Seriously”, in Symposium on Cathie Jo Martin’s and Duane Swank’s *The Political Construction of Business Interests* (Cambridge University Press, 2012), *Reviews and Critical Commentary. A Forum for Research and Commentary on Europe*, Council for European Studies, December 2012 (online).

“The Historical Turn in Democratization Studies: A New Research Agenda for Europe and Beyond” (with D. Ziblatt), in Symposium on “Where have we been, and where should we go next?”, *CD-APSA*.

Newsletter of the Comparative Democratization Section of the American Political Science Association, October 2010, 8 (3), pp. 2, 15-19.

“The Historical Turn in Democratization Studies: A New Research Agenda for Europe and Beyond” (with D. Ziblatt), Harvard University Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies Working Paper #177/2010.

“Militant Democracy: Past and Present”, *European Studies Forum*, Newsletter of the Council for European Studies, Autumn 2008, 38 (2), 58-65.

“The Study of Critical Junctures: Theory, Narrative and Counterfactuals in Institutional Theory” (with D. Kelemen), Committee on Concepts and Methods, Working Paper Series on Political Concepts, #10/2006.

“Multi-method Research in Comparative Politics and Political Theory” (with M. Freedon), Committee on Concepts and Methods, Working Paper Series on Political Methodology, #9/2006

Repression, Incorporation, Lustration, Education: How Democracies React to Their Enemies”, working paper, University of Oxford, Department of Politics and IR.

Review of Dirk Berg-Schlosser and Jeremy Mitchell (eds.), *Conditions of Democracy in Europe, 1919-39*, Basingstoke, Macmillan, 2000. *Newsletter of the ECPR Standing Group “Extremism and Democracy”*, 1 (4), Winter 2000 (online).

“Defending Democracy: Strategies of Reaction to Political Extremism in Inter-war Europe”, European University Institute, Department of Political and Social Sciences, Working Paper #2/2000.

“Defending Democracy: Responses to Extremist Parties in Inter-war European Democracies”, *ECPR News*, 10 (3), summer 1999, 38-39 (Series: “Doctoral Research in Progress”).

“Challenge, Prevention and Response: Game-Theoretical Perspective on Breakdown and Survival of European Democracies”, European University Institute, Department of Political and Social Sciences, Working Paper #11/99

Review of Manfred G. Schmidt, *Demokratietheorien*, Opladen, Leske & Budrich, 1997 (2nd edition), *Rivista Italiana di Scienza Politica*, 28 (1), 1998, 185-188 (in Italian).

Review of Gary Cox, *Making Votes Count: Strategic Coordination in the World’s Electoral Systems*, Cambridge and New York, Cambridge University Press, 1997, *Rivista Italiana di Scienza Politica*, 27 (3), 1997, 617-620 (in Italian).

“Electoral Abuse in PR Systems: Old and New Territorial Distortions in the German Electoral System”, European University Institute, Department of Political and Social Sciences, Working Paper #6/97.

Translation from English (into Italian): article “La Presidenza della Commissione Europea. Vincoli e risorse”, by Ken Endo, published in *Rivista Italiana di Scienza Politica*, 25 (1), 1995.

Review of Mario Caciagli and Pier Vincenzo Uleri (eds.), *Democrazie e referendum*, Bari, Laterza, 1994, *Rivista Italiana di Scienza Politica*, 25 (1), 1995, 171-173 (in Italian).

Data and Replication Materials:

Transcripts of debates in national and regional party conventions of *Alternative für Deutschland*, 2014-2022 (with M. Dilling and F. Krawatzek). Under embargo.

Data and replication materials for: “Democracy and Retribution: Transitional Justice and Regime Support in Post-War West Germany”

<https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/suppl/10.1177/0010414019852704> (with G. Pop-Eleches).

Data and replication materials for: “When State Responses Fail: Religion and Secessionism in India 1952-2002”, <https://dataverse.harvard.edu/dataverse/gcapoccia> V1 (with L. D. Saez and E. de Rooij).

Work in Progress:

Back from the Brink. Countering Illiberalism in Liberal Democracies. Edited collection (with I. Mares), under review.

Setting the Boundaries of Liberal Democracy. Responses to the Extreme Right in Western Democracies 1945-2020. Book manuscript in progress.

“Countering Illiberalism in Liberal Democracies: Actors, Strategies, Temporalities”.

“Normative Frameworks, Electoral Strategies, and the Boundaries of Pluralism in post-Fascist democracies. The case of Italy”.

- 2011 Sage Award for the Best Paper in Comparative Politics presented at the 2010 Annual Convention of the American Political Science Association

“Selecting Units in Political Research” (with L. Stoker, UC Berkeley).

“Shaping Competition: Allies’ Party Licensing and the German Extreme Right” (with G. Pop-Eleches, Princeton).

Awards, Grants, and Fellowships

2023-2024: Small Research Grant, Corpus Christi College, Oxford (£ 5,145).

2023-2024: Research Network Grant, Department of Politics and IR, University of Oxford (Conference “Back from the Brink: Countering Illiberalism in Liberal Democracies”) (£ 2,000).

2023-2024: British Academy Small Grant (£ 9,900).

2022: Research Network Grant, Department of Politics and IR, University of Oxford (Conference “Backsliding and Resilience in Liberal Democracies”, with P. Schleiter) (£ 2,000).

2021: Research Network Grant, Department of Politics and IR, University of Oxford (Roundtable “Backsliding in Liberal Democracies: New Questions and New Approaches”) (£ 1,000).

2021-2022: Research Grant, John Fell Fund, University of Oxford (with M Dilling and F Krawatzek, Berlin) (£ 9,800)

2018-2020: Small Research Grant, Corpus Christi College, Oxford (£ 6,000).

2014-2017: Leverhulme Trust Major Research Fellowship (£ 162,154 –supporting full replacement teaching for three years, plus additional research funds).

2011-2013: John Fell Fund Grant, University of Oxford (£ 7,500).

2011 Sage Award for the Best Paper in Comparative Politics presented at the 2010 Annual Convention of the American Political Science Association.

- 2011 Mary Parker Follett Award for the Best Article in Politics and History, American Political Science Association.
- 2011: Charles Oldham Grant, Corpus Christi College, Oxford (£ 500).
- 2010 Best Paper in Comparative Democratization presented at the 2009 Annual Convention of the American Political Science Association.
- 2009-2011: John Fell Fund Grant, University of Oxford (£ 7,500).
- 2009-2010: Visiting Fellow, Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies, Harvard University
- 2008 Alexander L. George Award for the Best Article in Qualitative and Multi-Method Research published in 2007, American Political Science Association.
- 2007-2008: John Fell Fund Grant, University of Oxford (£ 3,996).
- 2007-2008: British Academy Small Grant (£ 7,489).
- 2007: Conference Grant, *Stiftung Deutsch-Amerikanischer Wissenschaftsbeziehungen* (€ 5,000) (with D. Ziblatt).
- 2006-2007: Rita E. Hauser Fellow, Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Studies, Harvard University.
- 2006-2007: Nomination for W.J.M. Mackenzie Best Book Prize, Political Studies Association (UK)
- 2006 Best Book in European Politics published in 2005, American Political Science Association.
- 2006 Sage Award for the Best Paper Developing or Applying Qualitative Methods presented at the 2005 Annual Convention of the American Political Science Association.
- 2006-2007: Research Development Fund Grant, University of Oxford (£ 2,925).
- 2006-2007: British Academy/Leverhulme Trust Senior Research Fellowship (one-year full buyout).
- 2006-2007: Nuffield Foundation Small Grant (£ 6,921).
- 2006-2007: Research Development Fund Grant, University of Oxford (£ 6,921) underwriting the application to the Nuffield Foundation for a Small Grant (declined).
- 2005-2006: Astor Fund Grant (£ 425).
- 2005-2006: Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) Training Grant (£ 300).
- 2004-2005: British Academy Overseas Travel Grant (£ 510).
- 2004: Council of European Studies Grant, (accommodation costs for attendance of the Conference of Europeanists 2004).
- 2003-2006: Research Development Fund Research Grant, University of Oxford (£ 29,716).
- 2003-2004: British Academy Research Grant (£ 4,940)
- 2003-2004: Apgar Prize, Magdalen College Oxford (£ 550).
- 2003: Consortium for Qualitative Research Methods, Grant for attendance of the Institute on Qualitative Research Methods, Arizona State University (accommodation and tuition covered)
- 2002: *Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst* (DAAD) Research Grant (€ 2,950) for visit at the Max-Planck Institute for Foreign Constitutional Law and International Law, Heidelberg (Germany).
- 1995-2000: Full Ph.D. Grant, European University Institute (tuition and salary).

- 1998: “Top-up” grant for a visiting fellowship at the University of California, Berkeley, European University Institute (approx. € 4,000).
- 1997-1998: *Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst* (DAAD) Research grant (approx. € 6,000), for visit at the Institute of Political Science, University of Heidelberg (Germany).
- 1996, 1997: Various external grants for participation in international Summer Schools
- 1994: Publication Grant, *Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche* (Italian National Research Council --full coverage of publication and distribution costs for research monograph).
- 1992: Fondazione Einaudi, Best Essay Award, “Scuola di Liberalismo 1992” (equivalent of approx. € 600)
- 1991-1992: European Community (ERASMUS) scholarship for study at Bremen University, Germany (equivalent of approx. € 2,600)

Invited Talks and Lectures

2024. International Political Science Association Conference, Roundtable on the scholarly legacy of Juan Linz, invited speaker, Lisbon (Portugal), September.
2024. Aspen Institute Italy, Rome, Annual Conference, June.
2023. University of Oxford, Department of Politics and International Relations (Talk at Conference “Back from the Brink. Countering Illiberalism in Liberal Democracies”), November.
2023. Krytyka Polityczna (“Political Critique”), “Countering Illiberalism in Liberal Democracies”, Warsaw (Poland), October.
2023. OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR) and Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES) School on Politics, Leadership and Advocacy, Keynote “Countering Illiberalism in Liberal Democracies”, Warsaw (Poland), October.
2023. Yale University, MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies (Talk at Conference “Back from the Brink. Countering Illiberalism in Liberal Democracies”), April.
2023. Reichman University, Tel Aviv (Webinar, “Can Democracies Defend themselves from Internal Challengers?”, with A. Megan, J. W. Mueller, M. Signer, D. Ziblatt), March.
2023. Aspen Institute Italy, Rome, (Aspen Forum Italy-France), February.
2022. Swedish Institute for European Policy Studies (Webinar, Roundtable on the Italian parliamentary elections of 2022), September.
2022. Lisbon University Institute –ISCTE (Lecture, PhD Program in Public Policy), May.
2022. Oxford University, Department of Politics and International Relations, (Talk at Conference “Backsliding and Resilience in Liberal Democracies”), May.
2021. Aspen Institute Italy, Seminar “The Decline of the West?”, December.
2021. Maastricht University, Department of History (Interdisciplinary Research Cluster on the Past and Present of Democracy), October.
2019. Aspen Institute Italy, Rome (Aspen Seminar), June.

2019. McGill University, Department of Political Science (Comparative-Historical Research Series), March.
2018. Aspen Institute Italy, Rome (Aspen Seminar), June.
2018. All Souls College, Oxford, Roundtable on Italian elections, (participants: B. Emmott, A. Piras, A. Ruggeri, F. Varese), March.
2018. Warwick University, Department of Politics and International Studies (Department Speaker Series), January.
2017. Aspen Institute Italy, Rome (Aspen Seminar), July.
2017. University of Texas at Austin, Department of Government (Comparative Politics Speaker Series), April.
2017. William & Mary, Government Department (Comparative Politics Speaker Series), April.
2016. Duke University, Department of Political Science (Political Institutions and Behaviour Series), April.
2015. Aspen Institute Italy, Rome (Aspen Seminar), September.
2014. Aspen Institute Italy, Rome (Aspen Seminar), September.
2014. London School of Economics and Political Science, Department of Government (Public Lectures series in Comparative Politics), March.
2013. Bocconi University, Milan (Italy), Department of Policy Analysis and Public Management (Departmental Speaker Series), May.
2012. Harvard University, Center for European Studies (Speaker series “State and Capitalism since 1800”), September.
2012. George Washington University, Center for European Studies (European Politics Series), September.
2011. Aspen Institute Italy, Florence (Aspen Seminar), November.
2011. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Weiser Center for Emerging Democracies (Distinguished Lecture Series), November.
2011. University College London, School of Slavonic and East European Studies, October.
2010. Oxford University, Center for the Study of Inequality and Democracy (Launch Roundtable “The Historical Turn in Democratization Studies”), November.
2009. Princeton University, Department of Politics (Comparative Politics Speaker Series), November.
2008. Harvard University, Center for European Studies (Guest Seminar), December.
2008. MIT, Department of Political Science (Guest Seminar), December.
2008. Centro de Estudios Políticos y Constitucionales (Guest Seminar), Madrid, Spain, October.
2008. University of Lisbon, Instituto de Ciências Sociais (Guest Lecture), Lisbon, Portugal, October.
2008. Harvard University, Center for European Studies, October.
2008. Oxford University, Center for the Study of Inequality and Democracy (Faculty Seminar), February.

2007. Harvard University, Center for European Studies (Series “New Research on Europe”), May.
2007. Harvard University, Center for European Studies (Roundtable “Together. The EU@50”), April
2007. Harvard University, Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study (Fellows’ Seminar), April.
2007. University of Oregon, Eugene, Department of Political Science (Departmental Speaker Series), April.
2007. University of Washington, Seattle, Department of Political Science, (Departmental Speaker Series), April.
2007. University of Pennsylvania, Department of Political Science (Comparative Politics Speaker Series), March.
2007. Rutgers University, Department of Political Science, (Departmental Speaker Series), March.
2007. Harvard University, Harvard Law School, (Guest Seminar), March.
2007. Harvard University, Harvard Law School, (Guest Seminar), February.
2006. Harvard University, Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study (Workshop “Terrorism”), December.
2006. University of Toronto, Munk Center for International Studies (Guest Seminar), October.
2006. Van Leer Jerusalem Institute (VLJI – Workshop “Israel: An Army with a State?”), Jerusalem, Israel, June.
2006. Oxford University, Department of Politics and IR (Faculty Seminar), May.
2005. Oxford University, Center for Research Methods in the Social Sciences (ReMISS – Center Launch Roundtable), October.
2005. Brown University, Watson Institute for International Studies (Comparative Politics Speaker Series), September.
2005. Georgetown University, Department of Government (Comparative Politics Speaker Series), September.
2005. Oxford University, Public Policy Unit, May.
2004. Oxford University, Nuffield College (Political Science Seminar), February.
2003. Oxford University, Department of International Development (Departmental Speaker Series), March.
2003. Maison Française d’ Oxford (Guest Seminar), January.
2002. Oxford University, European Studies Center, St. Antony’s College (European Politics Speaker Series), March.
2002. Stanford University, Oxford Campus (Guest Lecture), February.
1997. University of Rome I, Department of Statistics, Conference on electoral systems, Rome, Italy, October.

Conference and Workshop Organization

Research Workshops

2023. “Back from the Brink: Countering Illiberalism in Liberal Democracies II” (with I. Mares, Yale), Conference, Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford, November.
2023. “Back from the Brink: Countering Illiberalism in Liberal Democracies I” (with I. Mares, Yale), Conference, Department of Political Science, Yale University, April.
2022. “Backsliding and Resilience in Liberal Democracies” (with P. Schleiter), Conference, Department of Politics and IR, University of Oxford
- 2020-2022: Department of Politics and IR, University of Oxford: Convenor, Departmental Speaker Series in Comparative Politics
2019. “Graduate Workshop on Comparative Historical Research on Europe”, Council for European Studies, Research Network “The Historical Study of States and Regimes”, Madrid, Spain.
2018. “Graduate Workshop on Comparative Historical Research on Europe”, Council for European Studies, Research Network “The Historical Study of States and Regimes”, Chicago, IL.
2010. “The Historical Turn in the Study of Democracy”, Oxford Center for the Study of Inequality and Democracy, speaker series, a.y. 2010-2011, Oxford, UK (with N. Bermeo)
2008. “Dilemmas and Challenges of Democratization: Lessons from Europe”, Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies, Harvard University, 3-4 October 2008 (with D. Ziblatt), Cambridge, MA.
2003. “Defending democracy: How democratic regimes respond to extremist challenges without subverting their own foundations” (with A. Pedahzur), European Consortium of Political Research, Joint Sessions of Workshops, Edinburgh, UK.

Conference Panels

2024. “Countering Illiberalism in Liberal Democracies II: Behavioral Perspectives”, American Political Science Association, Annual Convention, Philadelphia, PA.
2024. “Countering Illiberalism in Liberal Democracies I: Institutional Perspectives”, American Political Science Association, Annual Convention, Philadelphia, PA.
2023. “Countering Illiberalism in Liberal Democracies II: Behavioral Perspectives”, American Political Science Association, Annual Convention, Los Angeles, CA.
2023. “Countering Illiberalism in Liberal Democracies I: Institutional Perspectives”, American Political Science Association, Annual Convention, Los Angeles, CA.
2021. “Liberal Democracy in Europe: Threats and Responses”, American Political Science Association, Annual Convention, Seattle, WA.
2021. “Advances in Transitional Justice Analysis”, American Political Science Association, Annual Convention, Seattle, WA.

2015. “Authoritarian Legacies and Post-Authoritarian Challenges and West and East Europe” (with G. Pop-Eleches), American Political Science Association, Annual Convention, San Francisco, CA.
2015. “Frontiers of Historical-Institutional Analysis”, American Political Science Association, Annual Convention, San Francisco, CA.
2015. “Authoritarian Legacies and Post-Authoritarian Challenges and West and East Europe” (with G. Pop-Eleches), Council for European Studies Annual Conference, Paris, France.
2014. “Long-term legacies of transitions and authoritarianism”, American Political Science Association, Annual Convention, Washington, D.C. (with M. Bernhard).
2014. “Long-term legacies of transitions and authoritarianism”, Council for European Studies Annual Conference, Washington, D.C. (with M. Bernhard).
2010. “Comparing Post-Authoritarian Party Systems” (with S. Hanson), American Political Science Association, Annual Convention, Washington, D.C.
2010. “Institutions and Ethnic Conflict” (with L. Sáez), American Political Science Association, Annual Convention, Washington, D.C.
2009. “The Challenges and Dilemmas of European Democratization” (with D. Ziblatt), American Political Science Association, Annual Convention, Toronto, ON.
- 2009.. “Illiberal Policies in Liberal States: Studying the ‘Rough Edges’ of Democracy”, American Political Science Association, Annual Convention, Toronto, ON.
2008. “Legacies of authoritarianism in Western and Eastern Europe” (with M. Bernhard), American Political Science Association Annual Convention, Boston, MA.
2008. “Rethinking Democratization in Western Europe” (with D. Ziblatt), Council for European Studies Conference, Chicago, IL.
- 2007 “Terrorism and its consequences” (with M. Midlarsky), American Political Science Association Annual Convention, Chicago, IL.
2007. “Democracy and Democratization in Europe: Insights and Challenges” (with D. Ziblatt), American Political Science Association Annual Convention, Chicago, IL.
2006. “Anti-extremism Policies in Advanced Democratic Systems: Beyond the Counter-terrorism Template”, American Political Science Association Annual Convention, Philadelphia, PA.
2003. “State Responses to Extremism in Democratic Regimes” (with A. Pedahzur), European Consortium of Political Research General Conference, Marburg (Germany)
2001. “Studying party systems as systems” (with M. Bogaards), European Consortium of Political Research General Conference, Canterbury (UK).

Conference and Workshop Presentations

Professional Associations

American Political Science Association Annual Convention: 2024 (panel chair, 2 panel organizer, 1 paper, roundtable participant); 2023 (1 paper; panel chair; panel discussant); 2021 (2 papers; 1

Roundtable presentation; 2 panel chair); 2019 (1 paper; panel chair), 2018 (1 paper), 2017 (1 paper), 2016 (1 paper), 2015 (2 papers), 2014 (2 papers), 2013 (2 papers), 2012 (panel chair; panel discussant; 1 paper accepted but Convention cancelled), 2011 (1 paper; panel chair), 2010 (2 papers), 2009 (2 papers), 2008 (1 paper), 2007 (3 papers), 2006 (2 papers, 1 Roundtable presentation), 2005 (2 papers), 2004 (1 paper), 2003 (1 paper), 2002 (2 papers), 2001 (2 papers).

Council of European Studies—Conference of Europeanists: 2021 (1 paper), 2019 (1 paper; panel chair), 2018 (1 paper), 2017 (1 paper), 2016 (2 papers), 2015 (1 paper), 2014 (1 paper; panel chair), 2013 (1 paper, 1 Roundtable participation; panel chair; panel discussant), 2012 (2 Roundtable participations; panel discussant), 2011 (1 paper), 2010 (1 paper), 2008 (1 paper), 2006 (Roundtable participation, book presentation), 2004 (1 paper), 2002 (1 paper).

European Consortium of Political Research-Joint Sessions of Workshops: 2003 (workshop convenor, 1 paper), 2001 (1 paper), 2000 (1 paper), 1999 (1 paper). General Conference 2003 (1 paper), 2002 (1 paper), 2001 (1 paper).

German Studies Association Annual Conference: 2023 (1 paper, seminar presentation).

Other presentations:

2024. “Reflections on Italy”, Conference on the 75th anniversary of A. Passerin d’ Entreves’ inaugural lecture. Panel chair and speaker, January.

2023. Invited workshop “The study of militant democracy in the Social Sciences and the Humanities”, Montreal, Canada, October.

2019. Roundtable on “Primaries and Populism in France and the US”, Maison Française d’ Oxford, May.

2019. Roundtable (book panel) on Sheri Berman, *Democracy and Dictatorship in Europe from the Ancien Regime to the Present Day*, Council for European Studies, Madrid, Spain, June.

2013. Workshop on “Comparative Historical Analysis in the Social Sciences”, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, November.

2013. Workshop on “Comparative Historical Analysis in the Social Sciences”, MIT, Cambridge, MA, March.

2013. Roundtable on “Historical Institutionalism and the Study of Europe”, Council for European Studies, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, June.

2012. Roundtable on “Historical Institutionalism in Welfare State Research: Past, Present and Future”, Council for European Studies, Boston, MA, March.

2012. Roundtable (book panel) on Cathie Jo Martin and Duane Swank, *The Political Construction of Business Interests*, Council for European Studies, Boston, MA, March.

2008. “Stabilizing New Democracies: Italy in the Aftermath of WWII”, workshop on “Dilemmas and Challenges of Democratization: Lessons from Europe”, Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, October.

2006. “Giovanni Sartori’s contribution to Italian and international Political Science”. Roundtable on “Giovanni Sartori: Work and Legacy”, American Political Science Association Annual Convention, Philadelphia, PA, August.

2006. “Defending Democracy. Reactions to Extremism in Interwar Europe”, book presentation, Roundtable on “Comparative Historical Analysis and the Study of States and Regimes: New Research and New Perspectives”, Council for European Studies, Chicago, Ill., March.
2004. “The Extreme Right”, Annual Conference on Elections, Public Opinion, and Parties (EPOP), Oxford (UK), September.

Teaching

Teaching interests:

Comparative politics (Comparative Democratization, Democracy and Extremism, Populism, Party Politics, States and Regimes)

Methodology of Comparative Analysis (Theories of Institutional Development, Comparative Historical Analysis, Qualitative and Mixed Method Research, Research Design).

European Politics

Graduate teaching:

Comparative Government.

European Politics.

Methodology of Comparative Analysis.

Case Study Research.

Research Design in Comparative Politics.

Supervision of M.Sc. and M.Phil. theses.

Supervision of D.Phil. (Ph.D.) dissertations.

Undergraduate teaching:

Introduction to Political Institutions.

Comparative Government.

Political Sociology.

Government and Politics in Europe.

Supervision of undergraduate honors theses.

PhD Supervisees (sole supervisor)

University of Oxford

Current

Duarte Amaro

Pablo Garfias Torrent

Maria Kostylew

Lena von Schorlemer

Franziska Brandmann (suspended -- elected national President of *Junge Liberalen*, youth association of the *Freiheitliche Demokratische Partei*, Liberal-Democratic Party of Germany)

Completed:

Klaudia Wegschaider (first job: University of Vienna, post-doc, then Yale post-doc)

Matthias Dilling (Award for the Best Dissertation in Politics and History, American Political Science Association; first job: University of Oxford, Departmental Lecturer, Department of Politics and IR)

Daniel Fedorowycz (Elizabeth Wiskemann Award for the Best Dissertation on Social (in-) equality, Political Studies Association, UK; first job: Yale University, post-doc)

Philipp Rottwilm (first job: Mayor of Neuental, Hessen; Germany)

Nike Alkema (first job: Administrative Officer, Quality Assurance and Programme Development, Head Office of the German Research Foundation – *Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft*)

Professional Service

Editorial Boards:

Comparative Political Studies, 2013-present

Democracy and Security, 2005-present.

External referee for professorial appointments:

US, UK, Canada: Promotions to tenured faculty and to Full Professor; senior lateral appointments as Full Professor and as Head of Department (list available on request).

Italy: Member (*Commissario OCSE*) of National Committee for Professorial Appointments, Ministry of Education, Universities and Research; 2013-2014.

Peer reviewer:

Manuscript and book proposal reviewer for: Cambridge University Press, Johns Hopkins University Press, Oxford University Press, Princeton University Press, Palgrave, Polity, Routledge, Sage.

Manuscript reviewer for: *American Journal of Political Science*; *American Journal of Sociology*; *American Political Science Review*; *British Journal of Political Science*; *British Journal of Politics and International Relations*; *Comparative Political Studies*; *Comparative Politics*; *European Journal of Political Research*; *Democracy and Security*; *Democratization*; *East European Politics and Societies*; *Electoral Studies*; *European Political Science Review*; *Governance*; *Government and Opposition*; *International Migration Review*; *International Studies Quarterly*; *Italian Political Science Review*; *Journal of Global History*; *Journal of Historical Sociology*; *Journal of Political Ideologies*; *Journal of Politics*; *Journal of Public Policy*; *Latin American Research Review*; *Perspectives on Politics*; *Political Behavior*; *Political Research Quarterly*; *Political Studies*; *Politics*; *PS—Political Science & Politics*; *Political Science Research and Methods*; *Research and Politics*; *Revue Française d'Administration Publique*; *Rivista Italiana di Scienza Politica*; *Security Studies*; *Social Science History*; *Sociological Theory*; *Studies in Comparative and*

International Development; Swiss Political Science Review; West European Politics; World Politics, Zeitschrift für vergleichende Politikwissenschaft.

Fellowship applications reviewer for: Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Studies, Harvard University (regular reviewer); American Academy in Berlin (Germany).

Grant applications reviewer for: Agence Nationale de la Recherche (ANR – France); Nuffield Foundation (UK); United Kingdom Research and Innovation (UKRI – UK); Social Science and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC -- Canada); *Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft* (DFG – Germany); Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO – The Netherlands); Velux Foundation (Denmark); Research Grant Council of Hong Kong (China); Czech Science Foundation (Czech Republic).

External Reviewer (evaluation of political science research outputs), Ministry of Education, Universities and Research (Italy, 2013-2014)

External PhD Examiner

London School of Economics (2013).

American Political Science Association:

2017-20: Member, Nomination Committee, Section “Comparative Politics”

2017-18: Chair, Heinz Eulau Award for the Best Article published in the *American Political Science Review*

2017-18: Chair, Heinz Eulau Award for the Best Article published in *Perspectives on Politics*

2015-17: Board member, Section “European Politics and Society”

2014-15: Chair, Nominating Committee, Section “Qualitative and Multi-Method Research”.

2014-15: Member, Selection Committee, Wallerstein Award for Best Article in Political Economy.

2013-14: Chair, Selection Committee. Ernst Haas Award for Best Dissertation in European Politics.

2011-12: Chair, Selection Committee. Sage Award for Best APSA Paper in Comparative Politics.

2011-12: Chair, Selection Committee. Award for the Best Book in European Politics.

2011-13: Board Member, Section “Qualitative and Multi-Method Research”.

2011-12: Chair, Selection Committee, Award for Best Fieldwork in Comparative Democratization.

2009: Division Head, Section “Qualitative and Multi-Method Research”.

2006-07: Chair, Selection Committee. Award for the Best Book in European Politics.

2006-07: Member, Selection Committee. Sage Award for the Best APSA Paper Applying or Developing Qualitative Methods.

Council for European Studies:

2018-19: Program Committee.

2017-19: Chair, Research Network “Historical Study of States and Regimes”.

2015-17: Vice-Chair (Chair-elect), Research Network “Historical Study of States and Regimes”.

2015-16: Program Committee.

- Zibblatt, March. <https://1062fm.co.il/en/episode/towards-militant-democracy-2-0-can-liberal-democracy/>
- 2023: Interview, Zing News (Vietnam) (The politics of pension reform in France), March <https://zingnews.vn/ong-macron-tien-thoai-luong-nan-post1407607.html>
- 2022: Interview, Quality of Government podcast, University of Göteborg (Sweden), on the politics of countering extremism in liberal democracies, October. <https://shows.acast.com/the-qog-podcast/episodes/giovanni-capoccia-democracies-response-to-extremism-in-europ>
- 2022: Interview, Financial Times (London), on the politics of government formation in Italy after the national elections, October <https://www.ft.com/content/dbc0279b-92e8-469f-ab27-eba663a0ee62>
- 2022: Interview, El Pais (Spain), on radical right parties and the radicalization of the mainstream right in Western democracies, October. https://elpais.com/internacional/2022-10-01/el-auge-de-la-ultraderecha-llega-a-su-maximo-en-europa-uno-de-cada-seis-votos.html?rel=buscador_noticias
- 2022: Interview, The International Risk Podcast, on Italian general elections and the implications of the victory of the right, September. <https://theinternationalriskpodcast.com/episode-89-giovanni-capoccia-on-the-italian-general-election/>
- 2022: TV Interview, BBC News (“The Context”), on Italian general elections and the implications of the victory of the right for international politics. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m001cmc9/the-context-with-christian-fraser-26092022>
- 2022: Radio Interview, Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (“Day 6”), on Italian general elections, September. <https://www.cbc.ca/listen/live-radio/1-14-day-6/clip/15938521-italy-seems-poised-elect-far-right-prime-minister>
- 2022: Webinar, Swedish Institute for European Policy Studies (SIEPS), Italy goes to the polls: What will it mean for the EU?, September. <https://vimeo.com/752759361>
- 2022: Interview El Pais (Spain), on national-populist parties in liberal democracies, June. https://elpais.com/internacional/2022-06-12/trump-johnson-salvini-y-la-fangosa-resaca-de-la-marea-nacionalpopulista.html?rel=buscador_noticias
- 2022: Interview Zing News (Vietnam), on French politics after Macron’s victory, May. <https://zingnews.vn/con-duong-chong-gai-cho-doi-ong-macron-post1313170.html>
- 2022: Interview Zing News (Vietnam), on French Presidential elections, April. <https://zingnews.vn/nuoc-phap-chia-re-truoc-ngay-dinh-doat-post1311597.html>
- 2021: TV Interview, RAI (Italian State Television), on Russia’s influence on European politics, December.
- 2021: Interview with *The National* (Edinburgh), on MP accountability in the United Kingdom, November. <https://www.thenational.scot/news/19700028.demand-probe-tory-attacks-standards-commissioner/>
- 2021: TV Interview, ANews (English-language News Channel, Turkey), on US foreign policy toward Russia, March, <https://www.facebook.com/anevs/videos/142767250989106>
- 2021: TV Interview, RAI (Italian State Television), new Italian government and relations with the US, February,

<https://onedrive.live.com/?cid=EB988F9BF99F8D0F&id=EB988F9BF99F8D0F%21107&parId=EB988F9BF99F8D0F%21104&o=OneUp>

- 2021: TV Interview, ANews (English-language News Channel, Turkey), on challenges and prospects for the Biden administration, January, https://1drv.ms/v/s!Ag-Nn_mbj5jravb-Vxkc9OsBk_Q?e=NXzaMX
- 2021: TV Interview, ANews (English-language News Channel, Turkey), on the assault to the US Capitol, January (not posted)
- 2020: TV Interview, ANews (English-language News Channel, Turkey), on Brexit and UK trade policy, December, <https://www.facebook.com/anevs/videos/128629705733223>
- 2020: TV Interview, ANews (English-language News Channel, Turkey), on US foreign policy, November <https://www.facebook.com/anevscomtr/videos/2511024809196584>
- 2020: TV Interview, ANews (English-language News Channel, Turkey), on US Presidential elections, November <https://www.facebook.com/anevscomtr/videos/647291199280555>
- 2020: TV Interview, ANews (English-language News Channel, Turkey), on the US Presidential campaign, October <https://m.facebook.com/anevscomtr/videos/984144625387336/>
- 2020: Interview, Aspen Institute Italy (Rome), on political effects of Covid-19, June. <https://www.aspeninstitute.it/en/national-interest/article/pandemia-threats-pluralism-and-freedom-democratic-societies-%E2%80%93-interview-gi>
- 2019: Interview with News 1 South Korea (Seoul) on parliamentary reform, November.
- 2018: Interview with Polskieradio (Warsaw) on Italian elections, February.
- 2017: Interview with infobae (Buenos Aires) on UK national elections, June.
- 2017: Interview with *Expresso* (Lisbon) on Brexit and British Politics, June.
- 2016: Interview with Το Βήμα (Athens) on Italian politics, June.
- 2015: Interview with *La Voce di New York* on international terrorism, December
- 2015: *Kurzportrait* (short portrait) in the University of Heidelberg's alumni newsletter http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/alumni/research-alumni/2014/02/giovanni_capoccia.html
- 2013: Interview with Toronto Star (Canada) on the rise of populism in Italy, February. https://www.thestar.com/news/world/2013/03/01/italys_political_deadlock_what_happens_next.html
- 2013: Interview with Iraqi newspaper Gulan media (Baghdad) on democracy and party politics, January.
- 2013-2019: Country expert (Italy) for international project “Varieties of Democracy” (VDem).
- 2011: Interview with Iraqi newspaper Gulan Media (Baghdad) on counter-terrorism, October.
- 2009: Italian State Radio, interview on counter-terrorism responses, July.
- 2006: BBC World Service, consulted on Western European political affairs, May.
- 2004-2010: consultancy and report writing on Western European political affairs (Italian, French, German, British, Dutch and EU politics) for Oxford Analytica, a global consultancy firm.

2001: Radio Free Europe, consulted about problems of democracy and extremism in Eastern European democracies, November.

University Service

University of Oxford, Department of Politics and International Relations

2024-2027: Director of Graduate Studies.

2020-2022: Convenor, Comparative Politics Research Network

2020-2022: Organizer, Department Politics Colloquium (Comparative Politics Speaker Series)

2017-2019: Director. M.Phil. in Comparative Government

2013-2014: Chair of Examiners, Graduate examining board, M.Phil. and M.Sc. in Politics.

2012-2014: Member of the graduate examining board, M.Phil. and M.Sc. in Politics.

2012-2014: Member of graduate admissions committee.

2012-2014: Course Provider, Comparative Government (Honours Schools of Philosophy, Politics, and Economics, and of Modern History and Politics).

2002-present: Member of search committees for positions in Comparative Politics, European Politics, American Politics, Quantitative Methods.

2007-2011: Director of Research, Chair of the Research Committee.

2007-2011: Member of the General Purpose Committee.

2003-2007: Member of the M.Phil. in Politics joint panel.

2002-2005: Member of the graduate examining board, M.Phil. and M.Sc. in Politics.

2001-present: Member of the Government Course Panel.

2003-2006: Course Provider for Government and Politics in Western Europe, Final Honours Schools of Philosophy, Politics and Economics, and Modern History and Politics (BA).

2003-2006: Course Convenor for Comparative Government (core course), M.Phil. in Politics.

University of Oxford, Corpus Christi College

2023-2026: Member of the Finance and General Purpose Committee

2020-2024: Member of Fellowship and Nomination Committee

2017-2019: Member of the Academic Committee.

2017-2018: Member of Fellowship Renewal Committee.

2017-2019: Member of the Statutes and Governance Committee.

2011-2014: Member of the Academic Committee.

2011-2013: Member of Selection Committee for the Von Clemm Harvard-Oxford Scholarship.

2010-2011: Member of Selection Committee for the Andrew Glyn Fellow in Economics

2003-present: Trustee, member of Governing Body.

University of Oxford, Magdalen College

2002-2003: Member of the SCR Stewardship Committee.

2001-2003: Member of the House Committee.

2001-2003: Member of Tutorial Board.

2001-2003: Member of Governing Body.

Field Research and Languages:

Extensive field research in France, Germany, Italy.

Italian native speaker. Active knowledge of German and French. Passive knowledge of Spanish.