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Since 2012 Professor of Political Science, Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences, University of Mannheim

October 2007-2012 Professor for Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences, Center for Doctoral Studies in Social and Behavioral Sciences, University of Mannheim

2012 Offer (declined), Chair for „Methods of the Empirical Social Research” at the Goethe University, Department of Social Sciences, Frankfurt

2009 Offer (declined), Chair for “Methods in Political Science”, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Zürich

2009 Offer (declined), Chair for “The Political System of Germany (and the EU)”, Carl von Ossietzky University, Oldenburg

July 2004-September 2007 Senior Research Fellow, Mannheimer Zentrum für Europäische Sozialforschung, University of Mannheim

2004 Offer (declined), Assistant Professor (tenure-track), Department of Political Science, University of Leiden

2004 Runner-up (3rd place), Chair for Political Methodology, Department of Political Science, University of Zürich, 2004

July 2001-June 2004 Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Mannheimer Zentrum für Europäische Sozialforschung, University of Mannheim

Visiting Positions

2013-2014 Visiting Professor, Department of Sociology, Utrecht University, The Netherlands

2013 Visiting Professor, Institute for Advanced Studies, University of Vienna

2004, 2005, 2006 Lecturer, Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris, Science Po, Campus Dijon, France

Education

Ph.D., State University of New York at Stony Brook, USA (2001), Political Science, Dissertation: *Strategic Voting in Mixed-Electoral Systems*, Committee: Helmut Norpoth, Stanley Feldman, Bradford Jones, Alan Tucker, Fields: American Politics, Political Psychology, Political Methodology

M.A., State University of New York at Stony Brook, USA (2000)

B.A. Education (Pädagogikum), 1997, Albert-Ludwigs-University, Freiburg, Germany

M.A. Mathematics (Diplom), 1996, Albert-Ludwigs-University, Freiburg, Germany

M.A. Political Science (Staatsexamen), 1996, Albert-Ludwigs-University, Freiburg, Germany

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Research Grants

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345.200 EUR	Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft. <i>Political attention and the substance of legislative reform</i> (with Dominic Nyhuis, Rainer Stiefelhagen). 2018 - 2021
455.549 EUR	Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft. <i>Measuring a common space and the dynamics of reform positions: Non-standard tools, non-standard actors</i> (with Heiner Stuckenschmidt, Simone Paolo Ponzetto). 2018 – 2021
476.051 EUR	Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft. <i>Pre-electoral Coalition Strategies</i> (with Lukas Stötzer). 2017-2020
372.000 EUR	Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft. <i>Measuring a common space and the dynamics of reform positions</i> (with James Lo, Will Lowe, Heiner Stuckenschmidt). 2014-2017
305.600 EUR	Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft. <i>Evaluating Political Reforms using Surveys</i> (with Annelies Blom, Michael Bosnjak, James Lo). 2014-2017
220.714 EUR	DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) ISAP exchange program with JHU Baltimore, USA. 2012-2016
370.000 EUR	Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft. <i>Das Bundesverfassungsgericht als Vetospieler</i> (with Christoph Hönnige). 2011-2014
189.000 CAD	Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada. <i>Making Electoral Democracy Work</i> . 2010-2016
372.800 EUR	Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft. <i>Measuring a common space and the dynamics of reform positions</i> (with Sven-Oliver Proksch). 2010-2013
20.600 USD	National Science Foundation (USA). <i>Electoral Systems and Party Personnel: The Consequences of Reform and Non-Reform</i> . Collaborative Research Project with Matthew F. Shugart, Ellis S. Krauss and Robert Pekkanen (with Thomas Zittel). 2008-2013
296.400 EUR	Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft. <i>Expectation Formation and Electoral Decision-Making</i> (with Michael Meffert and Franz U. Pappi). 2006-2008
16.000 EUR	Fritz Thyssen Stiftung. <i>Der Wandel der Parteien und die repräsentative Demokratie</i> (with Hermann Schmitt, Andreas Wüst and Thomas Zittel). 2005
15.000 EUR	Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft. <i>Wahlkämpfe im Wahlkreis: Individualisierung politischer Repräsentation?</i> (with Hermann Schmitt, Andreas Wüst and Thomas Zittel). 2005-2006
1.000 EUR	Nomos Verlag. <i>Methoden der Politikwissenschaft</i> (with Joachim Behnke, Delia Schindler and Kai-Uwe Schnapp). 2005
6.000 EUR	Mannheimer Zentrum für Europäische Sozialforschung. <i>Neuere standardisierte und nicht standardisierte Analyseverfahren</i> (with Joachim Behnke, Delia Schindler and Kai-Uwe Schnapp). 2005

293.600 EUR	Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft. <i>Wahlsystem und Koalitionsoptionen als Anreize zum strategischen Wählen</i> (with Franz U. Pappi). 2003-2005
10.000 EUR	Zentralarchiv für Empirische Sozialforschung, Köln. <i>French Inter-election Survey 2002 – The French CSES II Study</i> (with Hermann Schmitt). 2002
10.000 EUR	Fritz Thyssen Stiftung. <i>Strategisches Wählen und Politische Führer</i> (with Hermann Schmitt). 2002
15.000 EUR	Mannheimer Zentrum für Europäische Sozialforschung. <i>Strategisches Wählen und Politische Führer</i> (with Hermann Schmitt). 2002

Honors and Awards

Nomination for the State Teaching Award of Baden-Württemberg (Landeslehrpreis Baden-Württemberg) 2021. Nominated by the University of Mannheim for outstanding teaching achievements.

Teaching Award of the University of Mannheim. 2020. Prize for outstanding teaching achievements at the University of Mannheim.

Publons Peer Review Award. 2018. For ranking among the top 1 % of reviewers in the field of Social Sciences on *Publons*.

Research Award of the German Society for Electoral Studies (DGfW). 2017. Prize for the best scholarly article using data of the German Longitudinal Election Study (GLES) project (with Michael Meffert and Lukas Stötzer).

Gosnell Prize for Excellence in Political Methodology. 2012. Awarded by the Society of Political Methodology for the best work in political methodology presented at any political science conference during the preceding year (with James Lo and Sven-Oliver Proksch).

Nomination for the Fritz-Thyssen Award. 2008. Through the editorial office of *Politische Vierteljahresschrift* (with Thomas Zittel).

Publication Award. 2008. Mannheimer Zentrum für Europäische Sozialforschung.

Publication Award. 2006. University of Mannheim (1,360 EUR).

Honorary Distinction. 2005. Mannheimer Zentrum für Europäische Sozialforschung, for the media coverage that my research generated.

Gerhard-Fürst-Preis. 2002. For “Strategic Voting in Mixed-Electoral Systems” (Ph.D. dissertation). This Prize, awarded by the Federal Statistical Office of Germany for outstanding dissertations in the fields of Economics and Social Sciences, is not given every year. (5,000 EUR).

Graduate Student Teaching Award. 2002. Best Graduate Student Teacher of 2000. Department of Political Science, State University of New York at Stony Brook, USA.

Nomination for Malcolm Jewell Award. 2000. Best graduate student paper at the 1999 Southern Political Science Association meeting.

Quadrille Ball Scholarship of the Germanistic Society of America. 1999-2000. Upon recommendation of the Institute of International Education based on achieved outstanding academic records in prior graduate studies in the U.S. (4,500 USD).

Graduate Academic Scholarship. 1998-2001. Department of Political Science, State University of New York at Stony Brook, USA. (51,470 USD).

State Teaching Award (Landeslehrpreis Baden-Württemberg). 1994. As member of the group of teaching assistants “Mathematik”, University of Freiburg, Germany.

Teaching

University of Mannheim, Department of Social Sciences

Ph.D. Course *Methods of the Social Sciences: Crafting Social Science Research* (in English): Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021, Fall 2019, Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2015, Fall 2014, Fall 2012, Fall 2011, Fall 2010, Fall 2009, Fall 2008

Ph.D. Course *Dissertation Proposal Workshop* (in English): Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022, Spring 2021, Spring 2020, Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017, Spring 2016, Spring 2015, Spring 2014, Spring 2013, Spring 2012, Spring 2011, Spring 2010, Spring 2009, Spring 2008

Ph.D. Course *CDSS Workshop* (in English): Spring 2018, Fall 2017, Spring 2017, Spring 2014, Spring 2013, Fall 2012, Spring 2012, Fall 2011, Spring 2011, Fall 2010, Spring 2010, Fall 2009, Spring 2009, Fall 2008, Spring 2008

Ph.D. Course *Advanced Quantitative Methods* (in English): Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022, Spring 2021, Spring 2020, Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017, Spring 2016, Spring 2015, Spring 2014, Spring 2013, Spring 2012, Spring 2011

Ph.D. Course *Research Design* (in English): Spring 2010, Spring 2009, Spring 2008

M.A. Course: *Quantitative Methods (formerly Multivariate Analyses)* (in English): Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021, Fall 2019, Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2015, Fall 2014

M.A. Course: *Advanced Quantitative Methods* (in English): Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022, Spring 2021, Spring 2020, Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017, Spring 2016, Spring 2015, Spring 2014, Spring 2013, Spring 2012, Spring 2011.

M.A. Course: *Research Design* (in English): Spring 2010, Spring 2009, Spring 2008, Summer 2008.

B.A. Course: *Einführung in die Politikwissenschaft*: Fall 2023, Fall 2015.

B.A. Course: *Übung Methoden der Vergleichenden Regierungslehre II: Using Statistical Simulations and Graphs to Improve Interpretation* (Spring 2019, Spring 2016, Spring 2015)

B.A. Course: *Ausgewählte Themen der Vergleichenden Regierungslehre: Regierungsbildung und ihre Konsequenzen in parlamentarischen Systemen* (Fall 2014)

Graduate Course: *Regierungsbildung und ihre Konsequenzen in vergleichender Perspektive*: Summer 2007

Graduate Course: *Empirische Institutionenanalyse*: Summer 2004

Graduate Course: *Strategisches Wählen in komplexen Wahlsystemen*: Winter 2001/2002

Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris, Sciences Po, Campus Dijon, France

Undergraduate Course: *The Effect of Political Institutions: A Triangle of Constitutions, Election Laws and Party Systems in Europe* (in English): Summer 2006.

Undergraduate Course: *Political institutions: The impact of constitutions and election laws on the formation of political parties and party systems in the accession countries of the European Union*. (in English): Summer 2005, Summer 2004.

Mannheimer Zentrum für Europäische Sozialforschung, University of Mannheim

Postgraduate Course: *Bayesianische Datenanalyse*: Summer 2006, Winter 2005/2006

Postgraduate Course: *Research Design für qualitative und quantitative Forschung III*: Summer 2005

Postgraduate Course: *Research Design für qualitative und quantitative Forschung II*: Winter 2004/2005

Postgraduate Course: *Research Design für qualitative und quantitative Forschung I*: Summer 2004

Postgraduate Course: *Neuere Ansätze quantitativer Methoden in den Sozialwissenschaften* (in English): Summer 2003

Department of Political Science, State University of New York at Stony Brook, USA

Undergraduate Course: POL 307 *German Politics* (in English): Fall 2000, Summer 2000, Summer 1999.

Department of Political Science, University of Freiburg

Undergraduate Course: “*Methodology of Scientific Research in Political Science*”: Summer 1996, Winter 1995/1996.

Department of Mathematics, University of Freiburg

Undergraduate Course, Tutorial: *Funktionentheorie*: Winter 1993/1994

Undergraduate Course, Tutorial: *Lineare Algebra II*: Summer 1993, Summer 1992

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Timo Böhm, University of Mannheim (2015): The Social Structure of Political Influence

Lukas Stötzer, University of Mannheim (2015): Spatial Model of voting: Citizens with inconsistent, persuadable and endogenous policy preferences

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Habilitation Theses

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Yu-Han Mao, University of Mannheim, 2022: Multilingual Policy Positioning Analysis of European Parliamentary Debates on AI and Data Protection.

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Konstantin Werner, University of Mannheim, 2020: Regional Party Politics and Solar Energy in Germany: Bystanders or Main Drivers?

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Clara Husson, University of Mannheim, 2020: Measuring populism as political communication strategy: a linguistic quantitative text analysis of candidate discourse in France.

Modestas Stukas, University of Mannheim, 2020: Do filter bubbles exist? Social media and selective exposure to news.

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Sara Helal, University of Mannheim, 2020: The Power of the World: When does Immigration Undermine Support for Redistribution in Europe?

Katerina Beebe, University of Mannheim, 2019: The Tradeoff between Risk and Reward: How Firms Assess Political Risk in a Globalized World.

Jessica Draper, University of Mannheim, 2019: Efficacy of Third-Party Airstrikes in Counterinsurgencies: Evidence from Yemen.

Rebecca Weiss, University of Mannheim, 2019: Where do they come from, where do they go: A New Measure of Climate Change-Induced Migration.

Martin David Grundmanns, University of Mannheim, 2019: Forging the perception of legitimacy: The impact of political support on the legal doctrine of the German Federal Constitutional Court.

Na Hee Shin, University of Mannheim, 2019: Candidate Selection Process and Political Parties' Responsiveness in European Parliament Elections.

Oliver Rittmann, University of Mannheim, 2019: Re-reexamining the Politics of Talk. Self-Dramatisation during key vote debates in the 115th US House of Representatives.

Franziska Quoß, University of Mannheim, 2019: The Effect of Industrial Zones on Air Pollution in Vietnam.

Viktoriia Semenova, University of Mannheim, 2018: Strategic Valence Appeals in Campaigns and Their Consequences.

[Master Thesis won RAM (Rationale Altruisten e.V.) Prize for excellent master thesis in sociology/political science at the University of Mannheim 2019]

Thomas Alcock, University of Mannheim, 2018: Estimating weather effects on the electoral success of small parties in German Federal Elections 2005-2017.

Anastasiia Shukhova, University of Mannheim, 2017: Is the road to hell paved with good intentions? A study of democratic sanctions effectiveness.

Jibek Imanalieva, University of Mannheim, 2017: Free Mass Media: Watchdog or Attack dog? Exploring the role of media in domestic security.

Verena Kunz, University of Mannheim, 2016: Europe in the News. The Effect of News Coverage on Eurosceptic Voting in Germany.

Lauren Stabler, University of Mannheim, 2016. Can Inter-city Institutions Resolve the Collective Action Problem on Global Climate Change? The Case of the C40 Network.

Marcel Neunhoeffter, University of Mannheim, 2016. The Effects of Partisan Direct Mail: Evidence from a Field Experiment in Germany.

Miriam Gauer, University of Mannheim, 2016. The Influence of Family Policy on Gender Role Attitudes. A longitudinal analysis within the European Union.

[Master Thesis won the Elisabeth-Altmann-Gottheiner Prize for the best master thesis in gender and diversity research at the University of Mannheim 2017]

Katharina Kohlhaas, University of Mannheim, 2015: Constitutional Courts and Noncompliance. Explaining the use of deadlines for effective legislative implementation of judicial rulings in a judicial-public context.

Eva Streng, University of Mannheim, 2015: The Public – The Great and Powerful? The Impact of Public Opinion on Issue Attention in Prime Minister's Questions.

Maximilian Alletsee, University of Mannheim, 2015: Enlightened Preferences? The Effects of Short-Term Factors and Long-Term Values on Consideration Sets in the 2013 German Federal Election Campaign.

Christian Oswald, University of Mannheim, 2014: On an Iron Dome for Intelligent Guided Missiles: Structural Determinants of Suicide Terrorism Revisited.

Markus Neumann, University of Mannheim, 2014: More Than Just Kissing Babies: The Strategy of Campaign Visits in United States Presidential Elections.

Phuong Linh Nguyen, University of Mannheim, 2013: Evaluating Development Policy Using a Project on Improved Cooking Stoves (ICS) in Burkina Faso.

Annika Grieb, University of Mannheim, 2013: Social Mobility and the Stability of Party Identification: A Longitudinal Analysis using the German Socio-Economic Panel, 1984-2011.

Margarita Maklakova, University of Mannheim, 2012: To Vote or Not to Vote? – Elections at the University Level.

Sarah Christina Lange, University of Mannheim, 2012: Electoral Systems and Government Stability.

Sabrina Möller, University of Mannheim, 2012: Parliamentary Speeches and Questions: Supply and Demand in the German State Parliaments.

Steffen Zittlau, University of Mannheim, 2012: Are EU issues *more* important in EP elections? Comparing the shape of the policy space across first- and second-order electoral arenas.

[Master Thesis won RAM (Rationale Altruisten e.V.) Prize for excellent master thesis in sociology/political science at the University of Mannheim 2012]

Philipp Kerk sieck, University of Mannheim, 2010: Medien-Priming. Assoziative Netzwerke und mentale Modelle der politischen Kommunikation (Second examiner)

Nora Schütze, University of Mannheim, 2009: Einstellungen zu Koalitionen und Einstellungen zu Parteien im Vergleich.

Andreas Schramm, University of Mannheim, 2009: Der Einsatz von Internet-Anwendungen in deutschen Bundestagswahlkampagnen: Amerikanisierungs-These und Shopping-Modell im Vergleich. (Second examiner)

Laeticia Klein, University of Mannheim, 2009: Die politische Konditionalität in der Entwicklungshilfe der EU. (Second examiner)

Payam Ghaledar, University of Mannheim, 2009: Effectively out of control? The European Neighborhood Policy and its target states. (Second examiner)

Post-Doctoral Mentoring

Dr. Lena Maria Huber, MZES, University of Mannheim, since 2024

Dr. Simone Abendschön, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt, Gender Diversity Program: Project Pro-Professur, 2014-2015

Dr. Sonja Zmerli, TU Darmstadt, Gender Diversity Program: Project Pro-Professur, 2008-2009

Professional Activities

Service

Editorial Board. *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties*, 2008-present, *Journal of Law and Courts*, 2021-present, *Electoral Studies*, 2007-2022.

Reviewer: *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Comparative European Politics*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Electoral Studies*, *European Journal of Political Research*, *European Political Science Review*, *French Politics*, *German Politics*, *Journal of Law and Courts*, *Journal of Peace Research*,

Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties, Journal of Politics, Journal of Theoretical Politics, Legislative Studies Quarterly, Mathematical and Computer Modeling, MZES Working-Paper Series, Political Analysis, Political Behavior, Political Science Research and Methods, Politische Vierteljahresschrift, PS: Political Science & Politics, Public Choice, Public Opinion Quarterly, Scientific Data, Swiss Political Science Review, Zeitschrift für Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft, West European Politics (*for journal manuscripts*), Cambridge University Press, University of Virginia Press (*for book manuscripts*), Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, American National Science Foundation, Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft, European Research Council, Israel Science Foundation, Leverhulme Trust, Österreichische Nationalbank Jubiläumsfonds, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Swiss National Science Foundation (*for grant proposals*)

Member of Best Poster Awards Committee for posters presented at PolMeth Conference, 2020.

Member of Program Committee for Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Leuven, 2018

External Expert Göttingen Graduate School of Social Sciences (GGG), 2013

Scientific Advisory Board, Project www.Richter-im-Internet.de (Hanjo Hamann, Max Planck Institute for Research on Collective Goods)

External Expert for Promotions Committee, London School of Economics and Political Science (2011-2013), Hebrew University (2012), Durham University (2022)

Consulting Referee: SFB 597 „Staatlichkeit im Wandel“, University of Bremen, March 2006

Steering Committee ECPR standing group on “Law & Courts”, 2009-2011

Executive Committee of the American Political Science Association, Section: Representation and Electoral Systems, 2013-2015

Prize Committee for George H. Hallett Award for the best book, American Political Science Association, Section Representation and Electoral Systems, 2014

Award Committee: Dijon Spring School Award, 2005, 2006

Workshop Organizer "SFB 884 Workshop: Coalition Government", 25 October 2012, Mannheim, Germany, Workshop Organizer: “Institutionen und Prozesse in vergleichender Perspektive”, 22-24 January 2009, Darmstadt, Germany. “Electoral Reform and Electoral Behaviour” (with Marc Hooghe), Annual Politicologenetmaal, 4th Dutch-Belgian Political Science Conference, 19-20 May 2005, Antwerp, Belgium. “Voters and Coalition Governments” (with Michael Meffert), 23-24 November 2007, Mannheim, Germany

Section Head of the European Political Science Association Annual Meeting: 2013: Section on “Behavioral Politics”

Panel Chair/Discussant on scholarly conferences: EPIC 2025: “Electoral System I“, EPSA 2024: “The Making of a Politician”, EPSA 2022: “Institutions, Shocks, and Political Support”, EPSA 2021: “Issue Ownership and Political Competition”, “Political Communication”, EPSA 2019: “Advances in Survey Methodology”, EPSA 2018: “Political Institutions”, “Party Strategies”, EPSA 2017: “German Elections”, “The determinants of the vote: Economics, social identities or ideological perceptions?”, EPSA 2016: “Experimental Innovations”, “Measuring Voter Preferences”, EPSA 2015: “Electoral Competition in Rich

Democracies”, EPSA 2014: “Multilevel Strategic Voting”, ECPR 2014 “Courts: Actors, Rules and Incentives”, ECPR 2013: “Data and Methods in Court Research”, EPSA 2013: “Lessons from Selected Cases 2: Elections”, ECPR 2011: “Data and Methods in Comparative Judicial Politics”, APSA 2006: “The Impact of Electoral Systems: Turnout, Representation and Satisfaction with Democracy”, MPSA 2006: “Mixed Electoral Systems”, MPSA 2005: “Electoral Politics of Multi-Level Governance” and “Methodological Innovations in Electoral Studies” MPSA 2003: “Political Leaders, Cue-Taking, and Voter Decision-Making”, APSA 2002: “Turnout in a Comparative Perspective”, MPSA 2002: “Strategic Parties” MPSA 2001: “Intervening Institutional Variables in Comparative Voting and Political Behavior”

Academic Services

University of Mannheim

Board of Directors, Graduate School of Economics and Social Sciences (GESS), since 2019

GESS Dean of Graduate Studies, 2023-2025

Academic Director, Center for Doctoral Studies in Social and Behavioral Sciences (CDSS), since 2019

Chair of the Selection and Examination Board for MA Political Science, since 2015

Member of Faculty Senate (elected), School of Social Sciences

Vice Chair of Master Examination Board for Sociology and Political Science, since 2009

Vice Chair of the Examination Board for Lehramt students (teacher training) in Political Science, since 2008

Vice Chair of the Selection and Examination Board for BA Education, since 2015

Member of the Examination Board for BA Political Science students, 2009-2014, since 2015

Vice Dean, School of Social Sciences, 2011-2013

Chair, Department of Political Science, 2011-2013

Member of the Selection and Examination Board, Center for Doctoral Studies in the Social and Behavioral Sciences, 2008 – 2012, and since 2016

Coordinator of the Exchange Program with Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, 2011 - 2017

Member of the Central Examination Board for Master of Arts programs at the University of Mannheim, since 2014

Selection Committee: Post-Doc Position, Sonderforschungsbereich 504 „Rationalitätskonzepte, Entscheidungsverhalten und ökonomische Modellierung“, 2005-2006

Coordinator: speaker series of MZES research department “European political systems and their integration”, 2005-2007

Selection Committee: Student Exchange Program with Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, 2002-2005

Coordinator of the Exchange Program in Political Science with Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, 2002-2004

Professional Memberships

Deutsche Vereinigung für Politische Wissenschaft (DVPW)

Empirische Methoden der Politikwissenschaft (DVPW research group)

Wahlen und Politische Einstellungen (DVPW research group)

Deutsche Gesellschaft für Wahlforschung (DGfW), founding member and treasurer

Lorenz-von-Stein-Gesellschaft

American Political Science Association (APSA)

Society for Political Methodology (APSA Section)

Representation and Electoral Systems (APSA Section)

Law and Courts (APSA Section)

Experimental Research (APSA Section)

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)

Political Advisor

International Foundation of Electoral Systems, Electoral Reform in Malaysia, 2019

Ministerie van Binnenlandse Zaken en Koninkrijksrelaties (Department of the Interior), The Netherlands, 2004-2005

Bundeskanzleramt 2002, 2005

Invited Talks

University of Bamberg, BAGSS Internal Methods Institute 2025, Keynote: “Interpretation of Statistical Analyses Using Quantities-of-Interest”, 2025

University of Mannheim, “Keine Kristallkugel! Die wissenschaftlichen Prognosen zur Bundestagswahl 2025“, 2025

New York University, “Germany at the Polls: Between Authoritarian Populism and Progressive Politics”, 2021

Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, “Empirische Forschung zum Entscheidungsverhalten des Bundesverfassungsgerichts und zur Messung von Emotionalität”, 2018

University of Mannheim, „(K)Eine Minderheitsregierung für den Bund. Minderheitsregierungen aus Sicht der Politikwissenschaft“, 2017

Center for Comparative and International Studies, Zurich, “Coalition Policy Perceptions”, 2017

University of Amsterdam, “A Backwards Random-walk Approach”, 2017

University of Mannheim, Schlossfest, “Wer wird der nächste Bundeskanzler? – Prognose zum Selbermachen“, 2017

University of Mannheim, Department of Law: “Empirische BVerfG-Richterforschung“, 2017

Humboldt-University Berlin: “Coalition Policy Perceptions“, 2017

Sciences Po, Grenoble: “On the Influence of Public Opinion on Decisions of the Federal Constitutional Court: An Analysis of Abstract Judicial Reviews and Federal-State Disputes 1974 – 2010” (with Sebastian Sternberg), 2015

Goethe-University Frankfurt, “The Electoral Sources of Good Government: A Field Experiment on German MPs” (with Thomas Zittel), 2015

Goethe-University Frankfurt: “Koalitionssignale und kausale Inferenz“, 2011

University of Mannheim: “Machen Wahlkreiskandidaten einen Unterschied? Personalisierung als interaktiver Prozess“ (with Thomas Zittel), 2010

University of Mannheim: “Entscheiden aus dem Blickwinkel der Politikwissenschaft: Wähler- und Wahlforschung“, 2010

Bertelsmann Stiftung Gütersloh: “Siegt 2009 Schwarz-Gelb? Wahlprognosen per Zauberformel“, 2009

University of Bamberg: “Strategisches Wählerverhalten und Wahlsystem“, 2008

University of Konstanz: “X-zentriert statt x-beliebig: Zur Bedeutung von Randomisierung für Kausalanalysen der Politik- und Verwaltungsforschung“, 2008

University of Bern: “Kausale Effekte von Koalitionssignalen? Experimentelle Evidenz“, 2008

University of Zürich: “Kausale Inferenz mit Koalitionssignalen“, 2008

University of Oldenburg: “Koalitionssignale und Wahlverhalten“, 2008

University of Darmstadt: “Vorhersagen müssen keine Hexerei sein“, 2008

Oxford University: “Goldoni Goes Comparative: Institutional Incentives and Vote Choice“, 2007

International Conference on Experimental Methods in Political Science, Brussels, Belgium, “Strategic Voting under Proportional Representation and Coalition Governments: A Case for Experimental Triangulation” (with Michael Meffert), 2007

International Conference on Experimental Methods in Political Science, Brussels, Belgium: „Voter Responses to Pre-Electoral Coalitions in Belgium. Results from an Experimental Study“ (with Marc Hooghe), 2007

Kolloquium des Fachbereichs Politik- und Verwaltungswissenschaft, University of Konstanz: “Wählermärkte und Wahlsystem im Bundestagswahlkampf von 2005. Was erklärt Individualisierte Wahlkämpfe?“ (with Thomas Zittel), 2007

Die Lange Nacht der Wissenschaft, Mannheim: “Wahlprognosen sind keine Hexerei – Vorhersagemodelle zum Mitmachen“, 2007

3rd International Summer Academy on Political Consulting and Strategic Campaign Communication, Mannheim: “Workshop: Local Campaigns” (with Thomas Zittel), 2007

3rd International Summer Academy on Political Consulting and Strategic Campaign Communication, Mannheim: "Survey Research and Campaigns" (with Andreas M. Wüst), 2007

Forschungskolloquium, Lambrecht/Pfalz: "Strategic Voting under Proportional Representation & Coalition Governments: A Simulation and Laboratory Experiment" (with Michael Meffert), 2007

University of Darmstadt: "Vorhersagen müssen keine Hexerei sein: Ein sozialwissenschaftliches Prognosemodell für Bundestagswahlen", 2007

Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Berlin: "Die Bedeutung von Umfragen im Wahlkampf" (with Andreas M. Wüst), 2007

University of Mannheim: "Reverend Bayes and Nonstochastic Data Structures: Roll Call Votes in the German Bundesrat", 2007

Université de Genève, Geneva, Switzerland: "Goldoni Goes Comparative: Institutional Incentives and Vote Choice", 2007

Inaugural Conference of the Comparative Candidates Study (CCS), Bad Dürkheim, Germany: "Are Modern Politics still Party Politics?", 2006

2nd International Summer Academy on Political Consulting and Strategic Campaign Communication, Mannheim: "Survey Research and Campaigns" (with Andreas M. Wüst), 2006

University of Mannheim: "Zum Vergleich von strategischem Wählerverhalten und Wahlsystem", 2006

University Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, Spain: "Identifiability of Coalitions and Strategic Voting", 2006

Junge Union Nordbaden, Bezirkstag Mannheim: "Prognosen zur Bundestagswahl: Alles nur dichter Nebel?", 2005

University of Leiden, The Netherlands: "Electoral Institutions and Electoral Behavior: Results of a Natural Experiment", 2004

University of Mannheim, Forum Junge Wissenschaft: "Mit Rot-Grün ins Schwarze getroffen: Ein sozialwissenschaftliches Prognosemodell für Bundestagswahlen", 2004

MZES Scientific Advisory Board: "When Voters Choose Regimes. The Issue of Cohabitation in the French Elections of 2002", 2004

University of Zürich, Switzerland: "Wählen und Wahlsystem: Ergebnisse eines natürlichen Experiments des deutschen Mischwahlsystems", 2004

Junge Union Nordbaden, Karlsdorf-Neuthard: "Schröder's Sieg: Knapp aber vorhersehbar!", 2003

University of Mannheim: "Ein Prognosemodell für Bundestagswahlen", 2002

Columbia University: "Forecasting the German Election 2002", 2002

Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung, Gärtringen: "Deutschland nach der Wahl", 2002

University of Mannheim: "Schwierige Zeiten für politische Eliten in Frankreich", 2002

Conference Paper Presentations

Thomas Gschwend, Lisa-Marie Müller, Oliver Rittmann. 2025. “What Drives Citizen Support for Electoral Reform? Disentangling Partisan, Local, and Fairness Considerations” Paper presented at the 15th Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association, Madrid, June 26 – 28.

Thomas Gschwend, Lisa-Marie Müller, Oliver Rittmann. 2025. “What Drives Citizen Support for Electoral Reform? Disentangling Partisan, Local, and Fairness Considerations” Paper presented at the European Political Institutions Conference, Madrid, June 25.

Benjamin G. Engst, Thomas Gschwend. 2024. “Citizens' Commitment to Judicial Independence: A Discrete Choice Experiment in Nine European Countries” Paper presented at the 14th Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association, Cologne, July 4 – 6.

Thomas Gschwend, Michael Meffert. 2024. “Party Preferences Precede Coalition Preferences: A Response Time Analysis” Paper presented at the 14th Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association, Cologne, July 4 – 6.

Benjamin Engst, David M. Grundmanns, Thomas Gschwend. 2023. “The Power of Words: Strategic judicial opinion-writing to influence politics and society” Paper presented at the 13th Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association, Glasgow, June 22 – 24.

Thomas Gschwend, Indridi Indridason, Lukas Stoetzer. 2023 “Pre-electoral Coalition Strategies in Multiparty Systems” Paper presented at the 13th Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association, Glasgow, June 22 – 24.

Benjamin G. Engst, Thomas Gschwend. 2022. Oxford Handbook of Comparative Judicial Behaviour. Presented at the Contributors’ Conference, Jerusalem.

Benjamin G. Engst, Thomas Gschwend, Christoph Hönnige, Sylvain Brouard. 2022. “Who should be selected to the highest courts? Evidence from Survey Experiments in France, Germany and the United States” Paper presented at the 12th Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association, Prague, June 23-25.

Marie-Lou Sohnius, Thomas Gschwend, and Oliver Rittmann. 2022. “Unintended Consequences of Increasing Electoral Districts? Evidence From Germany.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the German Political Science Association, Section: Wahlen und politische Einstellungen [Elections and public opinion], May 19-20, Berlin, Germany

Benjamin G. Engst, David M. Grundmanns, and Thomas Gschwend. 2021. “Give them the word, they sharpen the sword - How high courts use language to exert political and societal power”. Paper presented at the 15. General Conference der ECPR, Virtual, August 30 – September 3.

Lion Behrens, Dominic Nyhuis, and Thomas Gschwend. 2021. “Coalition Policymaking and Opposition Legislative Review: Collaboration, Bill Obstruction, and Issue-Ownership” Paper

presented at the 11th Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association, Virtual, June 24-25.

Anna Adendorf, Ines Rehbein, Oke Bahnsen, Thomas Gschwend, Simone Paolo Ponzetto, and Lukas F. Stoetzer. 2021. “Who wants to go with whom? Identifying coalition signals in newspaper articles using supervised machine learning” Paper presented at the 11th Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association, Virtual, June 24-25.

Benjamin G. Engst, David M. Grundmanns, and Thomas Gschwend. 2021. “Give them the word, they sharpen the sword: How high courts use language to exert political and societal power”. Paper presented at the 11th Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association, Virtual, June 24-25.

Thomas Gschwend, Marcel Neunhoeffler, and Oliver Rittmann. 2021. “Simulating Quantities of Interest when the Dependent Variable is Logged”. Paper presented at the 1. PolMeth Europe Conference, Virtual, March 17–19.

Benjamin G. Engst, and Thomas Gschwend. 2020. “Attitudes on Judicial Independence. A Discrete Choice Experiment in Nine European Countries”. Paper presented at the 14. General Conference der ECPR, Virtual, August 24-28.

Lion Behrens, Dominic Nyhuis, and Thomas Gschwend. 2020. “Beyond the Party-Lens: MPs Strategic Individual Efforts in Legislative Review”. Paper presented at the 14. General Conference der ECPR, Virtual, August 24-28.

Benjamin G. Engst, and Thomas Gschwend. 2020. “Attitudes on Judicial Independence. A Discrete Choice Experiment in Nine European Countries”. Paper presented at the Global Law & Politics Workshop, Virtual, August 12-13.

Benjamin G. Engst, and Thomas Gschwend. 2020. “Attitudes on Judicial Independence. A Discrete Choice Experiment in Four EU Member States” Paper presented at the 10th Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association, Virtual, June 18-19.

Benjamin G. Engst, Thomas Gschwend, Christoph Hönnige, and Caroline E. Wittig. 2019. “The Constitutional Court Database. Conceptualizing a relational database.” Paper presented at the Workshop on Multi-User Databases on Judicial Decision-Making, Florence, October 10-11.

Benjamin G. Engst, David Grundmanns, and Thomas Gschwend. 2019. “Judicial Positions on Political Reform. Designing common policy scores from judicial text” Paper presented at the 13. General Conference of the ECPR, Wrocław, September 4.-7.

Lion Behrens, Dominic Nyhuis, and Thomas Gschwend. 2019 “Opposition strategies in legislative review: Tracing the strategic use of legislative amendments using syntax-aware automated text analysis” Paper presented at the 5th Conference of the ECPR Standing Group on Parliaments, Leiden, June 27-29.

Benjamin G. Engst, David Grundmanns, and Thomas Gschwend. 2019. “Judicial Positions on Political Reform. Designing common policy scores from judicial text” Paper presented at the 9th Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association, Belfast, June 20-22.

Lion Behrens, Dominic Nyhuis, and Thomas Gschwend. 2019 “Opposition strategies in legislative review: Tracing the strategic use of legislative amendments using syntax-aware

automated text analysis” Paper presented at the 9th Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association, Belfast, June 20-22.

Nyhuis, Dominic, Lion Behrens, Thomas Gschwend, Tobias Ringwald, M. Saquib Sarfraz, and Rainer Stiefelhagen. 2019. “Beyond text as data: Automated video analysis for research on legislative politics.” Paper presented at the 9th Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association, Belfast, June 20-22.

Arnold, Christian, Benjamin G. Engst, and Thomas Gschwend. 2019. “Scaling Lower Court Decisions” Paper presented at the Conference on Data Science and Law, Zurich, Switzerland, June 7-8, 2019.

Nyhuis, Dominic, Lion Behrens, Thomas Gschwend, Tobias Ringwald, M. Saquib Sarfraz and Rainer Stiefelhagen. 2019. “Individual salience attributions in the US House of Representatives: Evidence from an automated analysis of parliamentary video recordings.” Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the MPSA. Chicago, April 4–7.

Nyhuis, Dominic, Lion Behrens, Thomas Gschwend, Tobias Ringwald, M. Saquib Sarfraz, and Rainer Stiefelhagen. 2019. “Beyond text as data: Computer vision in political research.” Paper presented at Conference of the PSA Methodology Group. Warwick, January 11.

Gschwend, Thomas, Indridi H. Indridason, Lukas F. Stoetzer. 2018. “Pre-electoral Coalition Strategies in Multiparty Systems.” Paper presented at a conference of German Political Science Association, September 2018, Frankfurt, Germany.

Gschwend, Thomas, Indridi H. Indridason, Lukas F. Stoetzer. 2018. “Pre-Electoral Coalition Strategies in Multiparty Systems.” Paper presented at 8th Annual General Conference of the European Political Science Association, June 2018, Vienna, Austria.

Stoetzer, Lukas F., Simon Munzert, Thomas Gschwend, Marcel Neunhoeffler, and Sebastian Sternberg. 2017. “Forecasting Elections in Multi-party Systems: A Backwards Random-walk Approach.” Paper presented at the ECPR General Conference, September 2017, Oslo, Norway.

Stoetzer, Lukas F., Simon Munzert, Thomas Gschwend, Marcel Neunhoeffler, and Sebastian Sternberg. 2017. “Forecasting Elections in Multi-party Systems: A Backwards Random-walk Approach.” Paper presented at the 7th Annual General Conference of the European Political Science Association, June 2017, Milan, Italy.

Engst, Benjamin G., Thomas Gschwend, and Sebastian Sternberg. 2017: “Public Support for Judicial Nominations: Evidence from a Discrete-Choice Experiment.” Paper presented at the 7th Annual General Conference of the European Political Science Association, June 2017, Milan, Italy.

Gschwend, Thomas, Indridi Indridason, and Shaun Bowler, 2017: “Coalition policy perceptions.” Paper presented at the Workshop Making Electoral Democracy Work, June 2017, Montreal, Canada.

Gschwend, Thomas, Sebastian Sternberg, and Steffen Zittlau. 2016: “Are Judges Political Animals After All? Quasi-experimental Evidence from the German Federal Constitutional Court.” Paper presented at the 6th Annual Meeting of the European Political Science Association, June 2016, Brussels, Belgium.

- Gschwend, Thomas, Sebastian Sternberg, and Steffen Zittlau. 2016. "Are Judges Political Animals After All? Quasi-experimental Evidence from the German Federal Constitutional Court." Paper presented at the First Conference on Empirical Legal Studies in Europe (CELSE), June 2016, Amsterdam, Netherlands.
- Crabtree, Charles, Matt Golder, and Thomas Gschwend. 2016. "Campaign Sentiment in European Manifestos." Paper presented at the 6th Annual Meeting of the European Political Science Association, June 2016, Brussels, Belgium.
- Gschwend, Thomas. 2016. "Strategic and Sincere Voting in Multi-level Systems." Paper presented at the 6th Annual Meeting of the European Political Science Association, June 2016, Brussels, Belgium.
- Gschwend, Thomas. 2016. "Strategic and Sincere Voting in Multi-level Systems." Paper presented at the Workshop Making Electoral Democracy Work, June 2016, Montreal, Canada.
- Zittel, Thomas, and Thomas Gschwend. 2016. "Who brings home the pork? Committee Assignments under Germany's Mixed System." Paper presented at an ECPR Workshop, April 2016, Pisa, Italy.
- Hönnige, Christoph, Thomas Gschwend, Benjamin G. Engst und Caroline E. Wittig. 2015. "Constitutional Courts as Veto Players: Composition, Absorption and Decisions at the German Court." Paper presented at the ECPR General Conference, September 2015, Montreal, Canada.
- Gschwend, Thomas, and Thomas Zittel. 2015. "Who brings home the pork? The role of electoral context and localness in assigning committee seats in the German Bundestag." Paper presented at the ECPR General Conference, September 2015, Montreal, Canada.
- Gschwend, Thomas, Lukas Stötzer, and Steffen Zittlau. 2015. "Valence Campaigning in the 2008 US Congressional Elections." Paper presented at the APSA Annual Meeting & Exhibition, September 2015, San Francisco, CA.
- Gschwend, Thomas, and Thomas Zittel. 2015. "Who brings home the pork? The role of electoral context and localness in assigning committee seats in the German Bundestag." Paper presented at the APSA Annual Meeting & Exhibition, September 2015, San Francisco, CA.
- Hönnige, Christoph, Benjamin G. Engst, Caroline E. Wittig, and Thomas Gschwend. 2015. "Demand for Change: Institutional Features Empowering Judges as Policy Makers." Paper presented at the 73rd Annual Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2015, Chicago, IL.
- Bol, Damien, Thomas Gschwend, Thomas Zittel, and Steffen Zittlau. 2015. „The Electoral Sources of Good Government, A Field Experiment on German MPs." Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association, June 2015, Vienna, Austria.
- Indridason, Indridi, and Thomas Gschwend. 2015. "Estimating Perceptions of Party Influence on Coalition Policy Perceptions." Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association, June 2015, Vienna, Austria.
- Hönnige, Christoph, Thomas Gschwend, Benjamin G. Engst, and Caroline E. Wittig. 2014. "The German Constitutional Court Database (CCDB) – Conceptualizing an innovative database." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting & Exhibition of the American Political Science Association, August 2014, Washington, DC.

- Hönnige, Christoph, Thomas Gschwend, Benjamin G. Engst, and Caroline E. Wittig. 2014. "The German Constitutional Court as Veto Player – Composition, Decisions and the Absorption Hypothesis." Paper presented at the 23rd IPSA World Congress of Political Science, July 2014, Montreal, Canada.
- Golder, Matt, Thomas Gschwend, and Indridi H. Indridason. 2014. "Negative Campaigning." Paper presented at the 4th Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association, June 2014, Edinburgh, Scotland, UK.
- Gschwend, Thomas, Lukas Stötzer und Steffen Zittlau. 2014. "Why don't you talk about policy? Valence campaigning in the 2008 US Congressional elections." Paper presented at the 4th Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association, June 2014, Edinburgh, Scotland, UK.
- Bowler, Shaun, Thomas Gschwend, and Indridi H. Indridason. 2014. "Coalition Policy Perceptions." Paper presented at the 4th Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association, June 2014, Edinburgh, Scotland, UK.
- Bol, Damien, Thomas Zittel, Steffen Zittlau, and Thomas Gschwend. 2013. "The Impact of the Electoral Context on Personal Vote Strategies: A Field Experiment on German Legislators." Paper presented at the ECPR General Conference, September 2013, Bordeaux, France.
- Engst, Benjamin G., Caroline E. Wittig, Christoph Hönnige, and Thomas Gschwend. 2013. "Courts as Veto Players – A Game-Theoretic Model." Paper presented at the ECPR General Conference, September 2013, Bordeaux, France.
- Gschwend, Thomas, Michael Meffert, and Lukas Stötzer. 2013. "How Coalition Signals Influence Voting Behavior." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the European Political Science Association, June 2013, Barcelona, Spain.
- Golder, Matt, Thomas Gschwend, and Indridi H. Indridason. 2013. "Negative Campaigning." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the European Political Science Association, June 2013, Barcelona, Spain and
- Golder, Matt, Thomas Gschwend, and Indridi H. Indridason. 2013. "Negative Campaigning." Paper presented at "Making Electoral Democracy Work" Meeting, May-June 2013 in Montreal, Canada.
- Blais, André, Ludovic Rheault, John Aldrich, and Thomas Gschwend. 2013. "Understanding People's Choice When They Have Two Votes." Paper presented at the CPSA Meeting, June 2013, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada.
- Engst, Benjamin G., Caroline E. Wittig, Christoph Hönnige, and Thomas Gschwend. 2013. "Courts as Veto Players: A Game-Theoretic Model." Paper presented at the 41st Joint Sessions of the European Consortium of Political Science, March 2013, Mainz, Germany.
- Wagner, Markus, Eva Zeglovits, Sylvia Kritzinger, and Thomas Gschwend. 2012. "Sequencing Effekte: Links-Rechts-Positionierung und weitere Instrumententests in AUTNES." Paper presented for AUTNES GLES Selects, November 2012, Vienna, Austria.
- Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2011. "Motivated Voters and Campaign Information: Information Selection, Processing, and Effects in a Multiparty System." Paper prepared for the 6th ECPR General Conference, August 2011, Reykjavik, Iceland.

Gschwend, Thomas, and Thomas Zittel. 2011. "Do Constituency Candidates Matter in German Federal Elections? The Personal Vote as an Interactive Process." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the European Political Science Association, June 2011, Dublin, Ireland.

Gschwend, Thomas, James Lo, and Sven Oliver Proksch. 2010. "Europe's Common Ideological Space." Paper presented at the PIREDEU Final Conference "Auditing Electoral Democracy in the European Union", November 2010, Brussels, Belgium.

Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2010. "Coalition Signals as Cues for Party and Coalition Preferences." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 2010, Washington, DC.

Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2010. "Coalition signals as Voter Cues." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, July 2010, San Francisco.

Gschwend, Thomas, and Sven-Oliver Proksch. 2010. "Improving the Measurement of Policy Preferences in Surveys: Bringing the Status-Quo back in." Paper presented at REPCONG-Workshop "Policy Representation Europe", May 2010, Mannheim, Germany.

Gschwend, Thomas, Matthew S. Shugart, and Thomas Zittel. 2009. "Assigning Committee Seats in Mixed-Member Systems - How Important is "Localness" compared to the Mode of Election?" Paper presented at the ECPR General Conference, September 2009, Potsdam, Germany.

Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2009. "Polls, Coalition Signals, and Strategic Voting: An Experimental Investigation of Perceptions and Effects." Paper presented at the 8th Dutch-Belgian Politicologenetmaal, May 2009, Berg en Dal, Netherlands.

Gschwend, Thomas. 2009. "Über elektorale Folgen der Politikverflechtung in Mehrebenensystemen: Auswirkungen der bundespolitischen Großwetterlage und Landtagswahlen." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the German Political Science Association, Section: Wahlen und politische Einstellungen [Elections and public opinion], Mai 2009, Frankfurt/Main.

Gschwend, Thomas, and Michael F. Meffert. 2008. "Coalition Signals and Strategic Voting. A Case for Experimental Triangulation." Paper presented at the workshop "Experimental Political Science", Hanse Wissenschaftskolleg, December 2008, Delmenhorst, Germany.

Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2008. "Strategic Coalition Voting: Evidence from Austria." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 2008, Boston.

Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2008. "Strategic Voting under Proportional Representation and Coalition Governments: A Laboratory Experiment." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Society for Political Psychology, July 2008, Paris.

Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2008. "Strategic Voting under Proportional Representation and Coalition Governments: A Laboratory Experiment." Paper presented at the annual meeting of Arbeitskreis Handlungs- und Entscheidungstheorie (Working Group for Decision Theory and Behavioral Decision Making) of the German Political Science Association (DVPW), June 2008, Mainz, Germany.

Norpoth, Helmut und Thomas Gschwend. 2008. „The Chancellor Model: Forecasting German National Elections." Paper presented at the 28th International Symposium on Forecasting, June 2008, Nice, France.

Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2008. "Polls, Coalition Signals, and Strategic Voting: An Experimental Investigation of Perceptions and Effects." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the German Political Science Association, Section: Wahlen und politische Einstellungen [Elections and public opinion], May 2008, Duisburg, Germany.

Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2008. "Voting for coalitions? The Role of Coalition Preferences." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Palmer House Hilton, April 2008, Chicago, IL.

Meffert, Michael F., Sascha Huber, Thomas Gschwend, and Franz Urban Pappi. 2008. "More than Wishful Thinking: Causes and Consequences of Voters' Expectations about Election Outcomes." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, May 2008, Montreal, Canada.

Hooghe, Marc, and Thomas Gschwend. 2007. "Voter Responses to Pre-Electoral Coalitions in Belgium. Results from an Experimental Study." Paper presented at the International Conference on Experimental Methods in Political Science, 14 December 2007, Brussels, Belgium.

Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2007. "Voting for Coalitions? The Role of Coalition Preferences and Expectations in Voting Behavior." Paper presented at the International Conference on Experimental Methods in Political Science, December 2007, Brussels, Belgium.

Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2007. "Strategic Voting under Proportional Representation and Coalition Governments: A Case for Experimental Triangulation." Paper presented at a workshop funded by the British Academy "Voters, Coalitions, and Democratic Accountability", October 2007, Exeter, UK.

Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2007. "Strategic Voting under Proportional Representation & Coalition Governments: A Simulation and Laboratory Experiment." Paper presented at a "Research Colloquium", July 2007, Lambrecht/Pfalz, Germany.

Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2007. "Strategic Voting under Proportional Representation and Coalition Governments: A Simulation and Laboratory Experiment". Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Arbeitskreis Handlungs- und Entscheidungstheorie (Working Group for Decision Theory and Behavioral Decision Making) of the German Political Science Association (DVPW), June, 2007, Jena, Germany.

Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2007. "Voting for Coalitions? The Role of Coalition Preferences and Expectations in Voting Behavior." Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association, September 2007, Chicago, USA.

Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2007. "Polls, Coalition Signals, and Strategic Voting: An Experimental Investigation of Perceptions and Effects." Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the International Communication Association, May 2007, San Francisco, USA.

Zittel, Thomas, and Thomas Gschwend. 2007. "Individualisierte Wahlkämpfe im Wahlkreis: Eine Analyse am Beispiel des Bundestagswahlkampfes von 2005 [Individualized Constituency Campaigns in Mixed-Member Electoral Systems. The Case of the German Parliamentary Elections in 2005]." Paper presented at the Conference on "Wahlen und Repräsentation im politischen System der Bundesrepublik Deutschland", Max Planck for the Study of Societies, March 2007, Cologne, Germany.

Gschwend, Thomas. 2007. "Contamination effects in multi-level systems of governance." Paper presented at the CONNEX-Conference (RG3) "The Multi-Level Electoral System of the EU", Villa La Collina, March 2007, Cadenabbia, Italy.

Gschwend, Thomas. 2006. "Comparative Politics of Strategic Voting: A Hierarchy of Electoral Systems." Paper presented at the Conference on "Contextual Effects in Electoral Research", European University Institute, 30 November - 1 December 2006, Florence, Italy.

Zittel, Thomas, and Thomas Gschwend. 2006. "Personalisierte Wahlkämpfe im Wahlkreis: Eine Analyse des Bundestagswahlkampfes von 2005." Paper presented at the 3-Länder-Tagung "Politik und Persönlichkeit" [3-Country-Conference „Politics and Personality“], 30 November - 2 December 2006, Vienna, Austria.

Gschwend, Thomas. 2006. "Comparative Politics of Strategic Voting: A Hierarchy of Electoral Systems." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Elections, Public Opinion and Parties Specialist Group of the Political Studies Association, September 2006, Nottingham, UK.

Gschwend, Thomas. 2006. "District Magnitude and the Comparative Study of Strategic Voting." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 2006, Philadelphia, PA.

Zittel, Thomas, and Thomas Gschwend. 2006. "Der Bundestagswahlkampf von 2005 und Politische Repräsentation: Ein kurzer Anlauf zum langen Abschied." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the German Political Science Association, Section: Wahlen und politische Einstellungen [Elections and public opinion], July 2006, Berlin, Germany.

Andersson, Patric, Thomas Gschwend, Michael Meffert, and Carsten Schmidt. 2006. "Forecasting the Outcome of a National Election: The Influence of Expertise, Information, and Political Preferences." Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the International Communication Association, June 2006, Dresden, Germany.

Elff, Martin, Thomas Gschwend, and Ron Johnston. 2006. "How Much Can Be Inferred From Almost Nothing? A Maximum Entropy Approach to Fundamental Indeterminacy in Ecological Inference With an Application to District-Level Prediction of Split-Ticket Voting." Paper presented at the second international R user conference useR!, June 2006, Vienna, Austria.

Gschwend, Thomas, and Henk van der Kolk. 2006. "Forecasting the Number of Split-Ticket Voters in Parliamentary Systems." Paper presented at the conference of the Center for American Political Studies, Harvard University, on "Democracy, Divided Government, and Split-Ticket Voting", May 2006, Boston, MA.

Elff, Martin, Thomas Gschwend, and Ron Johnston. 2006. "What Can We Learn From Almost Nothing? An Extended Maximum Entropy Approach to Uncertainty in $R \times C$ Ecological Inference, with an Application to Split-Ticket Voting." Paper presented at the conference of the Center for American Political Studies, Harvard University, on "Democracy, Divided Government, and Split-Ticket Voting", May 2006, Boston, MA.

Gschwend, Thomas. 2006. "Identifiability of Coalitions, District Magnitude and Strategic Voting." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2006, Chicago, IL.

Gschwend, Thomas, and Henk van der Kolk. 2005. "Split ticket voting in Mixed Member Proportional Systems: The case of The Netherlands." Paper presented at the expert meeting

"Changing the Electoral System. The Case of the Netherlands", September 2005, Amsterdam, NL.

Gschwend, Thomas. 2005. "Comparative Politics of Strategic Voting: A Hierarchy of Electoral Systems." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, August/September 2005, Washington, DC.

Elff, Martin, and Thomas Gschwend. 2005. "EMax - Die Ergänzung der ökologischen Inferenz durch Survey-Daten [EMax – Supplementing Ecological Inference with Survey Data]." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Ad Hoc Gruppe "Empirische Methoden der Politikwissenschaft", May 2005, Hagen, Germany.

Irwin, Galen, Joop van Holsteyn, and Thomas Gschwend. 2005. "Clarity of pre-election coalitions and strategic voting in PR systems: The case of the Netherlands." Paper presented at the Annual Politicologenetmaal, the 4th Dutch-Belgian Political Science Conference, May 2005, Antwerp, Belgium.

Gschwend, Thomas, and Marc Hooghe. 2005. "Should I Stay or Should I Go? Voter Reactions to Pre-Electoral Coalitions. Results from an Experimental Study in Belgium." Paper presented at the Annual Politicologenetmaal, the 4th Dutch-Belgian Political Science Conference, May 2005, Antwerp, Belgium.

Gschwend, Thomas. 2005. "Strategic Voting in Belgium." Paper presented at the Annual Politicologenetmaal, the 4th Dutch-Belgian Political Science Conference, May 2005, Antwerp, Belgium.

Gschwend, Thomas. 2005. "Comparative Politics of Strategic Voting: A Hierarchy of Electoral Systems." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2005, Chicago, IL.

Gschwend, Thomas. 2005. "Institutional Incentives for Strategic Voting: The Case of Portugal." Paper presented at the Conference "Portuguese Electoral Behavior: Comparative and Longitudinal Approaches", January 2005, Lisbon, Portugal.

Gschwend, Thomas, Michael Stoiber and Mareen Günther. 2004. "Strategic Voting in Proportional Systems: The Case of Finland." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2004, Chicago, IL.

Gschwend, Thomas, and Helmut Norpoth. 2003. "Schröders Sieg: Knapp aber absehbar. [Schröders' Victory: Close but predictable]." Paper presented at the meeting of the German Political Science Association (DVPW-Tagung), September 2003, Mainz, Germany.

Gschwend, Thomas. 2003. "Comparative Politics of Strategic Voting: A Hierarchy of Electoral Systems." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 2003, Philadelphia, PA.

Gschwend, Thomas, and Franz Urban Pappi. 2003. "Stimmensplitting und Koalitionswahl. [Ticket-splitting and Coalition Vote]." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the German Political Science Association, Section: Wahlen und politische Einstellungen [Elections and public opinion], May 2003, Stuttgart, Germany.

Gschwend, Thomas. 2003. "Inhaltliche Interpretationen von Multinomialen Logit Modellen [Substantive Interpretation of MNL Models]." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Ad Hoc Gruppe "Empirische Methoden der Politikwissenschaft", May 2003, Bamberg, Germany.

Gschwend, Thomas. 2003. "Comparative Politics of Strategic Voting. An Empirical Test of the Leys-Sartori Conjecture." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2003, Chicago, IL.

Norpoth, Helmut, and Thomas Gschwend. 2003. "Forecasting the German Election 2002." Paper presented at the Conference on the German Election 2002, Center for Democracy, University of California at Irvine, Laguna Beach, January 10-12, 2003.

Norpoth, Helmut, and Thomas Gschwend. 2002. "Forecasting the German Election 2002." Paper presented at the Elections Conference, Columbia University, October 2002, New York, NY.

Norpoth, Helmut, and Thomas Gschwend. 2002. "If the election were next Sunday...: A Forecast of the 2002 Bundestag Election." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 2002, Boston, MA.

Lavine, Howard, and Thomas Gschwend. 2002. "Ideology and Rationality: Issue Constraint in Political Decision-Making." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, July 2002, Berlin, Germany.

King, Chad, and Thomas Gschwend. 2002. "The Politics of Opinion Assignment: A Bayesian Hierarchical Approach." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2002, Chicago, IL.

Gschwend, Thomas. 2001. "Ticket-Splitting and Strategic Voting in Mixed Electoral Systems." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 2001, San Francisco, CA.

King, Chad, and Thomas Gschwend. 2001. "Assigning the Majority Opinion: A Replication and Extension." Paper presented at the Annual Political Science Methodology Conference, July 2001, Atlanta, GA.

Lavine, Howard, and Thomas Gschwend. 2001. "Reconsidering the Role of Issue Consistency in Electoral Decision-Making: Evidence from Heteroscedasticity Models." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2001, Chicago, IL.

Gschwend, Thomas. 2000. "Ticket-splitting and Strategic Voting. Evidence from the 1998 Election in Germany." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 2000, Washington, DC.

Gschwend, Thomas. 2000. "Strategic Voting in Germany. Can EI help to solve the puzzle?" Paper presented at the Annual Political Science Methodology Conference, July 2000, Los Angeles, CA.

Gschwend, Thomas. 2000. "Ticket-Splitting und Strategisches Wählen. [Ticket-splitting and Strategic Voting]." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the German Political Science Association, Section: Wahlen und politische Einstellungen [Elections and public opinion], May 2000, Mannheim, Germany.

Gschwend, Thomas. 2000. "Is Ticket splitting Strategic? Evidence from the 1998 Election in Germany." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2000, Chicago, IL.

Gschwend, Thomas. 1999. "Strategic Voting in Germany. Evidence employing King's Ecological Inference." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, November 1999, Savannah, GA.

Norpoth, Helmut, and Thomas Gschwend. 1999. "Die nächste Wahl. Ein multivariates Prognosemodell. [The next Election. A multivariate Forecasting Model]." Paper presented at the Expertentagung "50 Jahre Empirische Wahlforschung in Deutschland", Zentralarchiv für Empirische Sozialforschung, November 1999, Cologne, Germany.

Other Conference Participations

Invited Participant at the Workshop Election Forecasting, CAS (Center for Advanced Studies), Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich, July 15, 2013.

Invited Participant at an AUTNES Workshop, Vienna, September 20, 2012.

Invited Participant at the anniversary meeting "25 Years German Political Science Association, Section: Wahlen und politische Einstellungen [Elections and public opinion], Frankfurt, June 28-29, 2012.

Invited participant at the conference "The Effects of District Magnitude", Lisbon, May 31–June 2, 2012.

Invited participant at the conference "Making Electoral Democracy Work", Barcelona, June 1-2, 2012.

Invited participant at the conference: "Making Electoral Democracy Work", Montreal, June 6-7, 2011.

Invited participant at an AUTNES conference, Vienna, January 27-28, 2011.

Invited participant at the PIREDEU Final Conference "Auditing Electoral Democracy in the European Union", Brussels, November 18-19, 2010.

Invited participant at the conference: "Making Electoral Democracy Work", Montreal, May 30-31, 2010.

Invited participant at an AUTNES Workshop, Vienna, February 8, 2010.

Participant at the Meeting of the German Political Science Association, Section: Wahlen und politische Einstellungen [Elections and public opinion], Berlin, June 24-25, 2010.

Participant at an AUTNES workshop, Vienna, October 30, 2009.

Invited participant at the conference: "Constituency Campaigns and Party government in European Democracies", Cornell University, Ithaca, October 2-3, 2009.

Invited participant at the meeting of the DGfW (German Society for Electoral Studies), Mannheim, May 15, 2009.

Invited participant at the conference: "Making Electoral Democracy Work", Montreal, May 8-10, 2009.

Participant at the annual meeting of the German Political Science Association, Section: AK Handlungs- und Entscheidungstheorie [Action and Decision Theory], Frankfurt/Main, Germany, May 7-8, 2009.

Participant at a workshop "Inhaltsanalytische Verfahren zur Messung der Präferenzen politischer Akteure" of the Mannheimer Zentrum für Europäische Sozialforschung, Mannheim, Germany, June 12, 2008.

Participant at the Meeting of the German Political Science Association, Section: Wahlen und politische Einstellungen [Elections and public opinion], Duisburg, Germany, May 15-16, 2008.

Participant at the Connex Final Conference, Mannheim, March 6-8, 2008.

Participant at the annual meeting of the German Political Science Association, Section: AK Handlungs- und Entscheidungstheorie [Action and Decision Theory], Mainz, Germany, July 12-13, 2007.

Invited participant at the conference “Institutionalisierung einer deutschen Wahlstudie [Institutionalization of a German Election Study]”, ZUMA, Mannheim, Germany, January 26, 2007.

Invited participant at the Inaugural Conference of the Comparative Candidates Study (CCS), Bad Dürkheim, Germany, October 8-10, 2006.

Participant at the annual meeting of the German Political Science Association, Section: AK Handlungs- und Entscheidungstheorie [Action and Decision Theory], Mannheim, Germany, June 24-25, 2005.

Participant at the annual meeting of the German Political Science Association, Section: Wahlen und politische Einstellungen [Elections and public opinion], Mannheim, Germany, June 9-10, 2005.

Participant at the “1. Konferenz für Sozial- und Wirtschaftsdaten”, Wiesbaden, Germany, January 13-14, 2003.

Invited participant at the “11. Wissenschaftliches Kolloquium” of the German Statistical Society and the Federal Statistical Office of Germany, Wiesbaden, Germany, November 21-22, 2002.

Participant at the annual meeting of the German Political Science Association, Section: Wahlen und politische Einstellungen [Elections and public opinion], Augsburg, Germany, June 6-7, 2002.

Invited participant at the “Comparative Study of Electoral Systems Project” Conference, Social Science Research Center Berlin (WZB), Berlin, Germany, February 21-24, 2002.

Participant at the biannual “Political Psychology Seminar” series, Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy (ISERP), Columbia University, New York, NY, May 5, 2001.

Invited participant at the first “NorthEast Methodology Program (NEMP) Meeting”, New York University, New York, NY, April 27, 2001.

Participant at the biannual “Political Psychology Seminar” series, Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy (ISERP), Columbia University, New York, NY, November 4, 2000.

Invited participant at the conference and workshops on “New Methodologies for Social Sciences: The Development and Application of Spatial Analysis for Political Methodology”, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO, March 10-12, 2000.

Participant at the “10th International Conference on Game Theory”, Center for Game Theory in Economics, State University of New York, Stony Brook, NY, July 19-23, 1999.