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<th>COVID-19’s toll on mental health and the consequences for public opinion in Europe</th>
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Relevance and rationale (max. 600 words)

Even before the COVID-19 pandemic, mental disorders were already Europe’s heaviest health burden (1). Each year, one in four individuals experiences at least one diagnosable mental health problem (2), with depression and anxiety at the top of the list by prevalence estimates (3). This situation has of course only worsened during the pandemic. COVID-19 exacerbated pre-existing mental health disorders and triggered the onset of psychiatric symptoms in people who did not suffer from these conditions before (4–7). This was a consequence of both the health threats themselves and the restrictive measures enforced by governments around the globe which produce social isolation, loneliness and trauma. Beyond depression and anxiety, good examples are post-traumatic stress disorder, which diagnosis has increased due to COVID-19 (8), and obsessive-compulsive disorder, where evidence of increase in severity in clinical populations was documented (9).

It is now well known that these conditions have wide-ranging implications for citizens’ lives well beyond their immediate mental health. This is why the pandemic has prompted calls for further multidisciplinary research to understand and address those implications (10,11). Our proposal is a response to this call for action. It is about understanding the impact of mental health on public opinion and political attitudes in Europe. Most fundamentally, it assesses the danger that a mental health crisis, heralded even before the pandemic, could translate into a crisis of democratic legitimacy.

The surge in mental health problems triggered by COVID-19 is one reason why this matters. A second reason is that there is already pre-pandemic research indicating that mental health issues are negatively associated with many key political orientations, such as feelings of political efficacy, party attachment or interest in politics (12–15). This, in turn, influences the participation and ultimately the representation of those with mental health conditions (16–19). The third reason is that Europe’s experience of the pandemic has brought health and politics closer together than at any time in living memory. Any health effects on political trust and engagement are likely to be loudly amplified in the coming years. Early research has already begun to examine the mixed consequences of COVID-19 for political support (20) and pinpointed mental health as a key channel through which these effects are felt (21).

The data collection proposed here will mark a major advance on previous work in scope, time and space. In scope: the fledgling literature on mental health and public opinion is largely limited to depression, leaving ample room for studying the effect of other common mental health conditions – many of them much aggravated by the pandemic. In time: almost all of that literature is pre-COVID-19 and the first research since the pandemic hit was unable to capture the results of what are inevitably slow
processes, whether the effects of COVID-19 on mental health or the effects of mental health on public opinion. In space: there are numerous reasons – both structural and to do with experience of the pandemic – why single-country studies will be limited in what they can tell us about the impact of mental health on core political orientations. A systematic cross-country study is called for.

Suitability for the CRONOS-2 (max 400 words)

The module we propose has a number of advantages. First, it produces accurate measurement of three important mental health conditions (depression, anxiety and post-traumatic stress). There is growing recognition not only of the scale of mental health problems but also of their wider societal and political implications, making them core business for a social survey. Currently, the ESS has provided a general self-rated health question in all rounds and a short form of depression symptoms (CESD-8) in only two modules (the latest being Round 7). With the psychologist’s guidance in our team, our goal is to deploy better measures of the three mental health conditions dramatically affected by the current health crisis. The ability to gauge these conditions opens up genuine opportunities for further multidisciplinary collaborations and will be useful for many other users of ESS data.

Secondly, our proposal is tailored to fit the ESS. It combines questions already validated across countries by the ESS on political attitudes and behaviour that either are already included in the ‘Politics’ Module of Round 10 or will be taken from the ‘Democracy’ and ‘COVID-19’ Modules. The use of questions asked in previous ESS rounds offers the opportunity to compare levels of political support before and during/after the COVID-19 pandemic.

Thirdly, the cross-sectional nature of the ESS will allow for a nuanced understanding of the role played by contextual differences and the extent to which institutions mitigate (or aggravate) the effects of mental health on public support, trust and political attitudes more in general.

Fourthly, the kind of research we propose has already started receiving recognition by funding organisations. For example, Bernardi is PI on a British Academy Special Research Grant that studies the effects of COVID-19 stressors on mental health and political attitudes in Britain. This underlines the political and policy importance of mental health issues and their knock-on consequences for political engagement (13) and, in turn, accountability, policy representation and political equality.

Research team (max 250 words)
Our team is based in the United Kingdom, Finland and Italy.

**Luca Bernardi** is Lecturer in Politics in the Department of Politics at the University of Liverpool. He works on political representation and on mental health and politics. He has published research on depression and political attitudes with ESS data and other longitudinal studies.

**Laura Sudulich** is Reader in Public Policy in the Department of Government at the University of Essex. Her works centres on public opinion, political campaign and institutions. She serves in the Advisory Board of the Viral-Politics series on the science and politics of COVID-19.

**Robert Johns** is Professor in Politics in the Department of Government at the University of Essex. He researches in public opinion, political psychology and survey methodology, and has been a Principal Investigator on the Scottish Election Study since 2007 as well as several other major survey projects.

**Mikko Mattila** is Professor of Political Science at the University of Helsinki. His main research areas are political participation, attitudes and parties. Recently he has specialised on the relationship between personal health and political engagement. He has published several articles on health and politics using data from international survey projects such as the ESS.

**Valentina Cardi** is Assistant Professor in the Department of General Psychology at the University of Padua in Italy. She is a clinical psychologist who specialised in eating disorders and research coordinator of two large randomised controlled trials on digital therapies in eating disorders at King’s College London.

**Feasibility of implementation (max 800 words – excluding draft questions which can be in addition)**

We do not envisage particular problems related to feasibility of our proposal. Our mental health measures are recommended by the World Health Organization and validated across countries. Political attitudes and behaviours are a standard component of the ESS.

Guided by research on prevalence of mental disorders in the general population in COVID-19 times, we prioritise three key mental health conditions: depression, anxiety and post-traumatic stress. To measure depression symptoms we will use the Patient Health Questionnaire (PHQ-9) (22), to measure anxiety we rely on the Generalised
Anxiety Disorder (GAD-7) (23), and to measure post-traumatic stress we use the Primary Care PTSD Screen for DSM-5 (PC-PTSD-5) (24) which was recently adapted to the COVID-19 context (25). The mental health inventories can be found at the bottom of this section. The selected scales are reliable and valid measures normally used for screening purposes, and their brevity make them a useful clinical and research tool. We note that we are flexible in case the ESS survey designers prefer including CESD-8 instead of PHQ-9 to measure depressive symptoms to ensure consistency of the measure across rounds.

Our dependent variables come from the political spectrum largely available in the ESS and tackle the core political orientations – e.g., efficacy, trust, satisfaction – that we know predict political engagement and democratic system support. Political attitudes will include standard measures of left-right orientations, party identification, polarisation, political interest, internal and external political efficacy, trust in political institutions, satisfaction with political objects, political support, and responsiveness of the political system. Political behaviours will include voting, party choice and other forms of political participation.

**PHQ-9**

Over the last two weeks, how often have you been bothered by any of the following problems? (Response options: Not at all; Several days; More than half the days; Nearly everyday)

1. Little interest or pleasure in doing things
2. Feeling down, depressed, or hopeless
3. Trouble falling or staying asleep, or sleeping too much
4. Feeling tired or having little energy
5. Poor appetite or overeating
6. Feeling bad about yourself – or that you are a failure or have let yourself or your family down
7. Trouble concentrating on things, such as reading the newspaper or watching television
8. Moving or speaking so slowly that other people could have noticed. Or the opposite – being so figety or restless that you have been moving around a lot more than usual
9. Thoughts that you would be better off dead, or of hurting yourself

**GAD-7**

Over the last two weeks, how often have you been bothered by the following problems (Response options: Not at all; Several days; More than half the days; Nearly everyday)
1. Feeling nervous, anxious, or on edge
2. Not being able to stop or control worrying
3. Worrying too much about different things
4. Trouble relaxing
5. Being so restless that it is hard to sit still
6. Becoming easily annoyed or irritable
7. Feeling afraid, as if something awful might happen

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<td>Sometimes things happen to people that are unusually or especially frightening, horrible, or traumatic. For example: (Response options: Yes; No)</td>
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<td>Have you ever experienced this kind of event? If ‘No’, screen total = 0; if ‘Yes’ continue with screening.</td>
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<th>In the past month, have you... (Response options: Yes; No)</th>
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<td>1. Had nightmares about the event(s) or thought about when you did not want to?</td>
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<td>2. Tried hard not to think about the event(s) or went out of your way to avoid situations that reminded you of the event(s)?</td>
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<td>3. Being constantly on guard, watchful, or easily startled?</td>
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<td>4. Felt numb or detached from people, activities, or your surroundings?</td>
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<td>5. Felt guilty or unable to stop blaming yourself or others for the event(s) or any problems the event(s) may have caused?</td>
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**Dissemination plans (max 250 words)**

We adopt a three-pronged strategy for dissemination. Within academia, our project’s outputs will be submitted to high-ranked journals in political science and psychology. Given the interdisciplinary nature of the project we will seek to publish in cross-disciplinary outlets such as PlosOne, Nature Human Behaviour and Frontiers. With an eye on strengthening our collaboration and setting a path for all those interested in the intersection between mental health and politics, we will seek to organise a
workshop at the European Consortium for Political Research, a themed pre-conference workshop at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, and participate in conferences of psychological associations such as the British Psychological Society and the Society of Experimental Social Psychology.

Second, we will reach out to policymakers, practitioners and other stakeholders so as to maximise the policy utility of the study. Members of the team have contacts with policymakers, mental health organisations, the pharmaceutical industry, professional associations in psychiatry - in Italy, Finland and the UK - and with international organisations such as OECD and the United Nations.

Thirdly, we seek to disseminate our results beyond academia to a broader audience in a number of ways. One is via blog posts in ECPR’s The Loop, the LSE Blog and The Conversation. Another is via team members convening undergraduate, postgraduate and summer school courses in Mental Health & Politics making use of the newly-gathered data. This research-led type of teaching is beneficial for students in both politics and psychology facilitating cross-disciplinary pedagogical best-practices.

References


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Academic Positions

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<td>Sep 2019 - today</td>
<td>Lecturer in Politics in the Department of Politics at the University of Liverpool</td>
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<td>Feb 2018 - Aug 2019</td>
<td>Juan de la Cierva-Formación Postdoctoral Researcher at Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona</td>
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<td>Oct-Dec 2017</td>
<td>Visiting Professor in Comparative Politics at the Department of Political Science, LUISS University</td>
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<tr>
<td>Oct 2015 - Jul 2017</td>
<td>ERC Grant ResponsiveGov Project Researcher, University of Leicester</td>
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Research Interests

Public opinion; Public policy; Mass-elite linkages; Mental health and politics; Intra-party democracy.

Education

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<tr>
<td>2016</td>
<td>PhD in Political Science</td>
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<td>2010</td>
<td>MA Political Science and Decisional Processes</td>
<td>University of Florence</td>
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<td>2007</td>
<td>BA Political Science and International Relations</td>
<td>University of Cagliari</td>
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Research Visits & Stays

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<td>2015 Jan-Jun</td>
<td>Visiting Scholar at the Department of Political Science</td>
<td>University of California, Davis.</td>
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Most Important Awards & Fellowships

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<td>2020</td>
<td>The British Academy Special Research Grant on COVID-19. Principal Investigator. Project Title: The consequences of Covid-19 on mental health and political attitudes. £10,000.</td>
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2018 Juan de la Cierva-Formación Postdoctoral Fellowship (FJCI-2016-28993). Project Title: Mental Illness and Politics. Award (monthly net): €1443.19.

Oct 2012 - Sep 2015 ERC Grant ResponsiveGov Project PhD Studentship awarded after international competition (yearly): £17,800 stipend and £800 personal budget.

Mar 2011 - Sep 2012 IMT Lucca PhD Studentship awarded after international competition (yearly): €13,638.

Current University Duties

2020 - today Link Tutor and Lead Moderator with Xi’an Jiaotong-Liverpool University.

2019 - today Coordinator of the Government, Parties and Elections (GPE) research cluster in the Department of Politics.

Current Teaching Roles

Module convenor “Politics and the Brain” (POLI346), UG Y3.

Module convenor “Representation in Advanced Democracies” (POLI244), UG Y2.

Lecturer “Comparative Politics” (POLI107), UG Y1.

Publications (Relevant to Application)


Professional Affiliations


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ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS
2013: 4-year Degree in Cognitive Psychotherapy, School of Cognitive Psychotherapy, Rome, Italy
2012: European PhD in Neuroscience, University of Chieti-Pescara (Italy) & King's College London (UK).
  PhD supervisors: Dr Rosalia di Matteo & Professor Janet Treasure
2008: Master in "Counselling for Children and Adolescents", Beck Institute, Rome, Italy
2007: Master of Science in Psychology (110/110 cum laude), University of Parma, Italy
2004: Bachelor of Science in Psychology (110/110 cum laude), University of Parma, Italy

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS
2016-ongoing: Registration as Clinical Psychologist on the Health and Care Professions Council register, UK (Reg. n. PYL32945)
2014-ongoing: Registration on the Italian National Board of Psychotherapists (Reg. n. 6118)
2008-ongoing: Registration on the Italian National Board of Psychologists (Reg. n. 6118)

CURRENT POSITION
2021-ongoing: Dirigente Psicologo, U.O.C. Psichiatria 3, Azienda Ospedale Universita’ Padova, Italy
2019-ongoing: Assistant Professor, University of Padova, Italy
2019-ongoing: Clinical Researcher, Institute of Psychiatry, Psychology and Neuroscience, Dept. of Psychological Medicine, King’s College London (KCL), UK

PREVIOUS POSITIONS
2018-2019: Clinical Psychologist Lecturer, King’s College London, UK
2018-2019: Honorary Clinical Psychologist, King’s College Hospital, UK
2014-2018: Post-doctoral researcher, funded by the National Institute of Mental Health Research, Eating Disorders Research Unit, KCL, UK
2012-2014: Marie Curie Intra-European Post-doctoral Fellow (n. grant agreement: 299232, ET4AN), Eating Disorders Research Unit, KCL, UK
2012-2013: Post-doctoral Fellow, funded by Succeed Foundation (Charity Number 11366289), Eating Disorders Research Unit, KCL, UK
2008-2010: Counsellor at Eating and Weight Disorders Unit, Dept. of Physiopathology, Policlinico Umberto I, Rome, Italy
2007-2009: Junior coordinator of the National research project “Prevention of eating and weight disorders in a high-school population” granted by the Italian Ministries of Education and Juvenile Policy, Rome, Italy

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS
Principal Investigator on current grants: Over the last 12 months, I obtained a grant funded by the Medical Research Council (£233,644.64) and a grant funded by the British Academy/ Leverhulme Small Research Grants (£9,800) to investigate the use of virtual reality and AVATAR-based therapy to reduced food-related anxiety and improve sense of power and control over the eating disorder voice in patients with anorexia nervosa.
Co-Investigator on current grants: Currently, I am co-applicant and project coordinator of two grants funded by the British National Institute for Health Research (£2,086.763).
Fellowships and grants held in the past: Since the award of my PhD (April 2012), I have obtained two Fellowships (one funded by the Succeed Foundation, UK and a Marie-Curie Intra-European Fellowship) and a grant from the Maudsley Biomedical Research Centre – Neuroimaging Department at KCL (£27.000). Additionally, I have been co-applicant on one grant funded by the National Institute for Health Research (£300.000) and on three grants funded by UK Charities (£469.706).
TEACHING ACTIVITIES
2019-ongoing: Anxiety disorders/Eating disorders module, Scuola di Specializzazione in Psicologia Clinica, University of Padova, Italy
2021-ongoing: Module leader for the course “Low-intensity structured interventions in clinical psychology” of the Clinical Psychology MSc, University of Padova, Italy
2019-2020: Module leader for the course “Clinical Neuropsychology” of the Clinical Psychology MSc, University of Padova, Italy
2017-2019: Associate Lecturer in Cognitive Psychology, Birkbeck University of London, UK
2016-2018: Module co-leader Cognitive-Behavioural Therapy, Mental Health Master’s, KCL, UK
2014-2015: Trainer on the Researcher Development Programme and Lecturer on the Perspectives on Pain and Nervous Systems Disorders Master’s, KCL, UK

SUPERVISION OF GRADUATE STUDENTS
Current: Main supervisor of a European PhD student in her third year (King’s College London & University of Palermo) and of a PhD student in her second year (King’s College London). Co-supervisor of one PhD student in her third year (King’s College London). Line manager for two full-time research assistants (King’s College London). Supervisor of 11 MSc students and 2 BSc students (University of Padova).
2017-2018: Supervisor of four Master’s students and personal tutor of 10 Master’s students
2016-2018: Research supervisor of two international trainees in their final year of training in Psychiatry
2013-2017: Third supervisor of two PhD students

RESEARCH COLLABORATIONS
I collaborate with several scholars, conducting research on the following topics: 1) Prof. Jens Blechert (University of Salzburg, Austria): electrophysiological correlates of behavioural responses to food, 2) Professor Thalia Eley (KCL, UK): neurobiological correlates of fear learning and inhibition in anorexia nervosa, 3) Dr Valeria Mondelli (KCL, UK): use of novel psycho-biological behavioural assessments and online support for candidates to bariatric surgery, 4) Prof. Simone Munsch (University of Fribourg, Switzerland): rejection sensitivity in binge eating disorder, 5) Dr Suman Ambwani (Dickinson College, US): clean eating and eating disorder symptoms, 6) Dr Alessio Maria Monteleone (Università degli Studi della Campania “Luigi Vanvitelli”, Italy): social cognition across the spectrum of eating and weight disorders, 7) Prof. Timo Brockmeyer (University of Göttingen, Germany) Dr Jessica Werthmann (University of Freiburg, Germany), Dr Klaske Glasshouwer (University of Groningen, The Netherlands): establishment of a European network of early- and mid-career researchers for conducting experimental psychopathology research in anorexia nervosa, 8) Prof. Janet Treasure (King’s College London, UK): collaborative development and evaluation of online guided self-help interventions for people with eating disorders.

INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES
2019-ongoing: Member of board of representatives (i.e. review panel) for PhD course in Translational Medicine, University of Padova, Italy
2018-ongoing: Member of Academic Selection Panel for PhD studentships funded by the Biomedical Research Centre at KCL, UK
2017-ongoing: External collaborator for the European PhD Health Promotion and Cognitive Sciences at the University of Palermo, Italy
2016-ongoing: Faculty member of the MSc Mental Health Studies, KCL, UK
2016-ongoing: Line manager of two members of staff at KCL, UK
2014-ongoing: Research coordinator of two clinical national multi-centre trials in the UK, with responsibility to chair regular Trial Steering Committee meetings, Data Monitoring Committee meetings and Trial Management meetings. KCL, UK

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1996-97 University of Essex  MA Political Behaviour (Distinction)
1993-96 University of Oxford  BA Hons Philosophy, Politics and Economics (2:1)

Employment
2010-present University of Essex  Senior Lecturer/Reader/Professor of Politics, Department of Government
2012-present University of Essex  Lecturer in Survey Data Analysis, Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis
2004-2010 University of Strathclyde  Lecturer/Senior Lecturer in Politics
2001-2002 University of Essex  Senior Research Officer, British Election Study
1997-98 Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea  Research and Statistics Officer (Education)

Current and previous research awards:
2021-25 Co-investigator, ‘Scottish Election Study, 2021-25’ (with Ailsa Henderson, Chris Carman, Chris Hanretty, Fraser Macmillan and Jac Larner) – ESRC, £900,000
2018-19 Co-investigator, ‘Misinformation in Diverse Societies, Political Behavior & Good Governance’ (with Sayan Banerjee and Srijoy Bose) – Facebook/WhatsApp, $49,000.
2011-12 Co-investigator, ‘Scottish Election Study 2011’ (with Chris Carman and James Mitchell) – ESRC RES-ES/I036818/1, £97,000.
2009-12 Principal Investigator, ‘Foreign policy attitudes and support for war in the British public’ (with Graeme Davies) – ESRC RES-062-23-1952, £243,000.
2007-08 Principal Investigator, ‘Candidate appearance and voting in British elections’ (with Dr Mark Shephard) – ESRC Award RES-000-22-2255, £35,965.

Selected publications


Editorial and other positions
Editor, British Journal of Political Science, March 2013-
Editor, Electoral Studies, August 2009-March 2013
Member, Editorial Board, Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties
Member, Advisory Board, British Election Study 2015-2023
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- Political participation and institutions in comparative setting
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- Intraparty competition
- European Union politics

Other academic positions
Member of the Finnish Academy of Science and Letters, 2015-
Docent of Political Science, University of Turku 2002

Academic degree
Doctor of Social Sciences (Political Science), University of Helsinki 2000, Thesis grade: laudatur,

Most important previous academic posts
Professor of Political Science (acting), August 2004-August 2008, University of Helsinki
Senior Lecturer of Political Science (August 2001- July 2004)
Senior Assistant of Political Science (August 2000 – June 2001)

Supervision and examination of doctoral dissertations
Completed supervision of doctoral dissertations: Marko Karttunen, Hanna Wass, Katri Vallaste,
Laura Sibinescu, Hannu Lahtinen, Petri Uusikylä, Juha Hirvonen
External examiner of doctoral theses: Johan Hellström (Umeå University), César Garcia Perez de Leon (University of Geneva), Henrik Serup Christensen (Åbo Akademi University), Krister Lundell (Åbo Akademi University), Timo Forsten (University of Turku), Antti Pajala (University of Turku),
Juha Ylisalo (University of Turku)
Scientific positions of trust

*Member* (2003-). Finnish National Election Study Consortium

*Member of editorial board (present or former):* European Union Politics, European Political Science, Contemporary European Studies, Politiikka

*Book manuscript reviewer:* Routledge, Scandinavian University Press, Gaudeamus, Swedish Institute for European Policy Studies, Oxford University Press

*Research proposal reviewer:* Estonian Research Council, Finnish Cultural Foundation, Foundation for Municipal Development, Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft, University of Helsinki Funds, Fund for Scientific Research – FNRS (Belgium), Helsinki Collegium for Advanced Studies, NOW Netherlands organisation for Scientific Research, GAČR Czech Science Foundation, University of Vienna, National Science Centre Poland

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*Reviews of applicants for docentship (adjunct professor):* Henrik Serup Christensen (Åbo Akademi University, 2015), Antti Pajala (University of Turku, 2011), Katri Sieberg (University of Turku, 2010), Kaisa Herne (University of Tampere, 2005)

Recent publications (relevant to the application)


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Politics and International Relations Pathway Chair, ESRC South East Network for Social Sciences

Previous Posts
- Senior Lecturer in Politics, University of Kent (2015-2019)
- Kent Q-Step Co-director (2018-2019)
- Kent Q-Step Politics Lead (2015-2019)
- Research Fellow, Université Libre de Bruxelles (2013-2015)
- Max Weber Fellow, European University Institute (2012-2013)
- Lecturer, Department of Political Science, University of Amsterdam (2009-2012)

Education
- Ph.D. Political Science. 2010. Trinity College Dublin, Ireland
- MA-BA History and Politics. 2002. University of Florence, Italy

Selected Grants, since 2015
- October 2017-ongoing. Unites States Institute of Peace, Citizens’ Preferences in the Design of Effective Peace Settlements, with Feargal Cochrane, Neophytos Loizides and Edward Morgan-Jones $100000
- July 2018- ongoing – Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Kent, UK Border Conjoint with Richard Whitman and Edward Morgan-Jones £4150
- 2015-. British Academy Gender, Campaign Coverage, and Mobilisation Effects with Maarja Luhiste and Susan Banducci. £10000
- 2015. Wiener-Anspach Foundation Principal Investigator Political Knowledge and the Web. Joint research project between the Oxford Internet Institute and Cevipol at Université Libre de Bruxelles euro 110000

Selected Journal Articles, since 2015


Current Professional Service

- Senior Press Editor, European Consortium Political Research
- Editorial Advisory Board Member, Italian Journal of Electoral Studies
- Associate Editor, Journal of Election Public Opinion and Parties
- Politics and International Relations Pathway Chair, ESRC South East Network for the Social Sciences
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