

# Christopher Wratil

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## ACADEMIC POSITION

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**Thyssen Postdoc Fellow**, Cologne Center for Comparative Politics & Cologne Graduate School, University of Cologne 12/2016 –

- Project title: *'Measuring and Explaining Governments' Ideal Points in European Union Economic and Social Policy-Making'*
- Mentor: Prof. Sven-Oliver Proksch

## EDUCATION

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**Ph.D. in Political Science/European Studies**, London School of Economics and Political Science, European Institute, awarded with no corrections 10/2013 – 02/2017

- Dissertation title: *'Governing Europe for the People? Citizen Representation in European Union Policy-Making'*
- Supervision: Prof. Sara B. Hobolt, Dr. Sara Hagemann
- Examination committee: Prof. Simon Hix, Prof. Will Jennings

**Visiting Ph.D. Student**, Hertie School of Governance, Berlin 02/2016 – 04/2016

- Supervision: Prof. Mark A. Kayser

**M.Phil in Politics**, University of Oxford, St. Antony's College 2009 – 2011

- Thesis title: *'Building Europe for the People? The Impact of Public Opinion on Governments' Preferences in EU Constitution-Making'* (Grade: 79)
- Supervision: Prof. Pablo Beramendi, Prof. Sara B. Hobolt

**B.A. in Political Science**, Free University of Berlin 2006 – 2009

- Thesis title: *'European Integration Theory and the Werner Plan'* (Grade: 1,0)

- Supervision: Prof. Tanja A. Börzel

<b>Visiting Student</b> , University of Warwick	2008 – 2009
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Courses in econometrics, microeconomics &amp; philosophy of science</li> </ul>	
<b>B.A. in Philosophy &amp; Economics</b> , University of Bayreuth, without graduation	2005 – 2006
<b>German ‘Abitur’ graduation</b> , (Grade: 1,0; achieved by 0.7% of the students)	2005
<b>Skipped 10th grade</b>	2003

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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<b>Project Manager with Bertelsmann Foundation</b> , Gütersloh & Brussels	2012 – 2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developed new academic expert survey for Sustainable Governance Indicators (<a href="http://www.sgi-network.org">www.sgi-network.org</a>)</li> <li>• Developed new activities on democracy &amp; inequality</li> <li>• Designed new project on monitoring EU member states’ social policies</li> </ul>	
<b>Management Consultant with The Boston Consulting Group</b> , Hamburg & Berlin	2011 - 2012
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worked with clients in the financial, insurance and media industries</li> </ul>	

## SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

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<b>Thyssen Foundation Postdoc Fellowship</b> (~€14,880 for research expenses)	12/2016 –
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Prize in the LSE ‘Europe in Question’ Discussion Paper Series Doctoral Paper Competition 2014-2015</b> (£500)	05/2015
<b>Ernst Haas Dissertation Fellowship</b> (\$1,200), European Union Studies Association	04/2014
<b>Ph.D. Scholarship of the UK Economic and Social Research Council</b> (~£23,000 per annum), awarded with <i>Advanced Quantitative Methods</i> enhancement	2013 – 2016
<b>Member of ‘FutureLab Europe’</b> , European Policy Centre, Brussels (Connects young people with outstanding EU expertise with European decision-makers)	2013 – present
<b>European Charlemagne Youth Prize</b> , awarded by the European Parliament	05/2011

and the 'Society for the Conferring of the International Charlemagne Prize' to European online magazine 'Europe & Me' (www.europeandme.eu); co-founder and editor of the magazine

- 'Hölderlin scholarship'** (€15,000) & **'Overseas scholarship'** (~€8,000), 2009 – 2011  
German National Academic Foundation, for M.Phil at the University of Oxford
- Scholarship of the German Academic Exchange Service** (~€7,000), for full 2008 – 2009  
academic session at University of Warwick
- Fellow at the 'Studienkolleg zu Berlin'**, Hertie Foundation, Berlin 2007 – 2008  
(International one-year study & practice programme on European questions)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize in the 'German Study Prize'** (€ 2,000), together with Tim Heemsoth 05/2007  
(Germany's biggest student research competition)
- Scholarship of the German National Academic Foundation** 2006 – 2011  
(~0,5% of German students receive this merit-based scholarship)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize in the History Competition of the German Federal President** 10/2005  
(€ 1,000), 1380 competition entries

## REFEREED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

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- 2016 'Government Responsiveness in the European Union: Evidence from Council Voting',  
in: *Comparative Political Studies*, pp. 1-27. (with Sara Hagemann and Sara B. Hobolt)
- 2015 'Public Opinion and the Crisis: The Dynamics of Support for the Euro', in: *Journal of European Public Policy*, 22:2, pp. 238-256. (with Sara B. Hobolt)

## BOOK CHAPTERS, STUDIES & OTHER PUBLICATIONS

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- 2013 'Divided Democracy – Political Participation and Satisfaction with Democracy before the German Federal Elections 2013', Bertelsmann Foundation: Gütersloh. (with Thomas Petersen, Dominik Hierlemann, Robert Vehrkamp) [translated from German]
- 2012 'Heinrich Malzahn (1884-1957)', in: Mielke, Siegfried/Heinz, Stefan (eds.): *Officials of the German Metalworker Association in the Nazi State. Resistance and Prosecution*, p. 416-419. [translated from German]
- 2008 'Diagnosis Marginal Utility – The Compatibility of Work and Life from an Economic Perspective Using the Example of Clinicians', in: German Study Prize (eds.): *Approaches, Models, and Ideas for the Compatibility of Work and Life*, VS-Verlag, p. 203-226. (with Tim Heemsoth) [translated from German]

2007 'The European Economic and Monetary Union and Functionalist Hypotheses. 'A natural candidate for spill-over' in the 1970s?', in: Börzel, Tanja (ed.): *Berlin Term Papers on European Integration*. [translated from German]

## CONSULTANCY PROJECTS

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| <p><i>"What Stops Populist Political Programmes in the 2017 Bundestag Elections"</i>, Bertelsmann Foundation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Design and analysis of survey 'conjoint experiment' to investigate how populist priorities interact with classical issues of political competition</li> </ul> | <p>11/2016 –</p>             |
| <p><i>"Social Desirability Bias in Populist Attitudes"</i>, Bertelsmann Foundation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Design and analysis of survey 'list experiment' to minimize social desirability bias in the measurement of populist attitudes</li> </ul>  | <p>02/2016 –<br/>06/2016</p> |
| <p><i>"Non-Voters and Populist Attitudes"</i>, Bertelsmann Foundation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Analysis of open-ended survey responses and their relationship to populist attitudes with 'Structural Topic Modelling'</li> </ul>  | <p>12/2015</p>               |

## TEACHING

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| <p><i>'Politics and Institutions in Europe'</i>, LSE, Government Department (student evaluation: 1.5 on scale from 1.0-5.0)</p>                         | <p>2014 – 2015</p> |
| <p><i>'What Kind of Europe? Crisis, Reform, and the International Role of the EU'</i>, LSE Summer School (student evaluation: 97% 'good/very good')</p> | <p>2014</p>        |

## METHODS SKILLS & TRAINING

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| <p><i>EITM 'Theoretical Foundations of EITM'</i>, University of Mannheim</p>      | <p>2016</p>        |
| <p><i>Factorial Survey Experiments</i>, Social Science Research Centre Berlin</p> | <p>2015</p>        |
| <p><i>Dimension Reduction in R</i>, Essex Summer School</p>                       | <p>2015</p>        |
| <p><i>Multivariate Analysis and Measurement</i>, LSE</p>                          | <p>2015</p>        |
| <p><i>Pooled Time-Series Cross-Sectional Analysis</i>, Essex Summer School</p>    | <p>2014</p>        |
| <p><i>Bayesian Analysis in the Social Sciences</i>, Essex Summer School</p>       | <p>2014</p>        |
| <p><i>Causal Inference for Experimental and Observational Studies</i>, LSE</p>    | <p>2014</p>        |
| <p><i>Intermediate Social Statistics</i>, University of Oxford</p>                | <p>2010 – 2011</p> |

*Quantitative Text Analysis*, ECPR Summer School, Ljubljana 2010  
*Econometrics*, University of Warwick 2008 – 2009

## MISCELLANEOUS

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Journal Referee: European Journal of Political Research, European Union Politics, Journal of Common Market Studies, Journal of European Public Policy

Software: STATA, R, Microsoft Office

Languages: English (*proficient*), German (*native*)

National Media: 'If Utopia Does Not Become Real Here, Where Else?', in: *NEON*, 11/2015. [translated from German]

'Survey on Greece: Knowledge Does Not Prevent Euroscepticism', in: *Spiegel Online*, 11.08.2015. [translated from German]

'Why Young Europeans Feel Neglected', in: *Süddeutsche Zeitung* (online), 09.05.2014. [translated from German]

Membership: European Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association

## REFERENCES

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Prof. Sara B. Hobolt, *London School of Economics and Political Science* (s.b.hobolt@lse.ac.uk)

Prof. Fabio Franchino, *Università degli Studi di Milano* (fabio.franchino@unimi.it)

Dr. Sara Hagemann, *London School of Economics and Political Science* (s.hagemann@lse.ac.uk)

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