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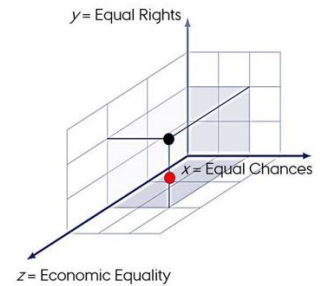
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Interests

Comparative Politics, Political Economy (of Inequality), Parties, Welfare States, Effect of Ideology, Politicization, and Problem Pressures on Policy, Text as Data

Appointments

07/2020 – **Research Group Leader, Varieties of Egalitarianism, University of Konstanz**

09/2019 – 08/2020 **John F. Kennedy Memorial Fellow, Center for European Studies, Harvard**

03/2018 – 04/2019 **Postdoc Project, Berlin Social Science Center WZB (double affiliation)**

09/2014 – 08/2019 **Assistant Professor, Political Science Department, Aarhus University**

Parental & sick leave Apr. 2017 – Sept. 2017, May 2020 – Jun. 2020

Academic Education

Ph.D. acquired 8/2017

10/2010 – 08/2014 **Humboldt University Berlin** and Berlin Graduate School of Social Sciences: Ph.D. defense, title "Does Ideology Still Matter?"; committee: Immergut, Weßels, Jahn

08/2012 – 12/2012 **Duke University:** PhD-courses: parties (Kitschelt), Political Economy (Beramendi)

08/2007 – 06/2008 **Göteborg University:** Courses: Comparative Politics, Quality of Government

10/2004 – 09/2010 **University of Greifswald:** Magister in Political Science, History, Communication

Additional Training

07/2023 Voluntary **Diversity/Unconscious Bias** Training for Group Leaders, by [factor-D](#)

08/2016 – 01/2017 **Teaching for Assistant Professors**, 4-modules on teaching methods (Aarhus)

07/2012 Berlin Summer School: **Concept-Building, Causation, Micro-Macro-Linkages**

08/2011 Summer School in Methods and Techniques, Ljubljana: **Time Series Analysis**

08/2010 Summer School in Methods and Techniques, Ljubljana: **Multiple Regression**

One day workshops **Text analysis with Python** (Harvard 2020), **Process Tracing** (Oldenburg 2010)

Grants and Awards

06/2024	1,000US\$	Socio-Economic Review Paper of the Year (SASE)
09/2022	100,000€	Starting/seed funding for various smaller projects (Young Scholar Fund)
07/2020	1,537,000€	Emmy-Noether Group: Varieties of Egalitarianism. Mapping the Politics of Inequality with Online Crowdcoding , German Research Foundation (DFG)
09/2019	75,000US\$	John F. Kennedy Memorial Fellow , Center for European Studies, Harvard
10/2018	5,000DKK	Best Postdoc-Paper at Danish Political Science Association Meeting 2017 (DJØF-Forlag prisen), Award received at the 2018 meeting, for “Online Crowdsourcing Parties’ Concepts of Equality”, later on published in EJPR
03/2018	36,500€	WZB Berlin Social Science Center A.SK Fellowship “awarded in honor of academic work focusing on economic and government reform”
03/2014	5,500US\$	Princeton University EUROFORT Travel Grant for research at the Swedish Center for Social Research (SOFI) in Stockholm and at Princeton University
08/2012	35,000US\$	Duke University Taylor Cole Fellowship (covering living expenses, tuition fees, health insurance for a term at Duke’s political science Ph.D program)
10/2010	45,000€	Doctoral Scholarship , Excellence Initiative, German Research Foundation

Previous Projects

03/2018 – 04/2019	“Equality of What”, Berlin Social Science Center (WZB) Feasibility studies on how to online-crowdcode parties’ (in-)equality positions
09/2014 – 02/2018	“Universalism and the Welfare State”, Aarhus University With: Prof. Kees van Kersbergen (PI), Prof. Carsten Jensen, Dr. Anthony Kevins
03/2014 – 04/2014	“Dilemmas of Inclusion”, Princeton University RA, Archival research on party strategies for Prof. Rafaela Dancygier , Ph.D.
09/2011 – 07/2012	Berlin Summer School “Linking Theory and Empirical Research”, WZB/BGSS Organization and moderation of panel “Welfare and Social Inequality”

Selected Talks

07/2023	Aarhus	Overview over (in)equality-enhancing policies [invited by Carsten Jensen]
06/2023	Oxford	Right Parties [invite: Oxford University’s Nuffield College and David Rueda]
07/2022	Oxford	Responses to Inequalities [invited by Oxford Nuffield College, David Rueda]
12/2020	Konstanz	Varieties of Egalitarianism [at Comparative Politics and Political Economy]
03/2020	Harvard	Equality of what? Equality concepts of parties in the United States, Germany and Denmark since 1980 [Weatherhead Center, Harvard]
02/2020	Harvard	The Politics of Punitive and Enabling Workfare [at The State and Capitalism Since 1800] , series organized by Center for European Studies/CES, Harvard]
03/2019	Korsør	How the Online Crowd and Experts Collaborate to Create Innovative Data [Danske Fag-, Forsknings- og Uddannelsesbibliotekers/ <i>Danish Research Library Association’s</i> vinterinterna, under Title “Focus on Open Science”]

05/2018	Aarhus	Can the Scandinavian Welfare States Remain the Champions of Social Investment? [Aarhus Matchpoints 2018 – New Solutions to Old Problems]
04/2018	Cologne	The Asymmetric Long-Term Electoral Consequences of Unpopular Reform: Why Retrenchment Really is a Losing Game for Left Parties [Cologne Center for Comparative Politics at Cologne University, invited by Ingo Rohlfing]
12/2017	Heidelberg	Primacy of Politics or Market-Conformist Democracy? New Avenues in the Study of Party Effects [Economics & Politics Seminar , invited by Jale Tosun]
10/2017	Berlin/WZB	Politics and Inequality [at the A.SK ceremony “in honor of work focusing on economic and government reform”, Social Science Research Center/WZB]
03/2014	Stockholm	The Effect of Cabinet-Ideology on Welfare State Retrenchment in the OECD [SOFI – the Swedish Center for Social Research, invited by Kenneth Nelson]

Other Qualifications

Language	German (Native), English (Fluent), Danish (Reading and Listening: Good, Speaking and Writing: Basic), Basic Knowledge of Swedish, French, Latin
Software	Advanced: Stata, Excel, SPSS, Citavi, Edu-IT (Padlet, Blackboard); Basic: R

Knowledge Sharing

06/2024	Preparation: Deutschland Spricht, www.zeit.de/serie/deutschland-spricht
03/2021	Background information and quotes for the article Den Wohlfahrtsstaat bewahren . Hessisch-Niedersächsische Allgemeine Zeitung, March 26, p.19
03/2019	Talk: “How the Online Crowd and Experts Collaborate to Create Innovative Data”, Meeting of the Danske Fag-, Forsknings- og Uddannelsesbiblioteker (<i>Danish Research Library Association</i>) “Focus on Open Science”, in Korsør
11/2018	Interview on occasion of the DJØF Publishing Prize 2018 for “Crowdcoding of Parties’ Equality Concepts”, Djøfbladet 10/18 p.48-51; or online under djoefbladet.dk [Tusindvis af internetbrugere skal samle data til forskere]
09/2018	Ein Konsens, der noch hält. Soziale Investitionen haben in Skandinavien breite politische Unterstützung [A Consensus That Still Persists. Social Investments in Scandinavia Enjoy Broad Political Support], Berlin Social Science Center- <i>Mitteilungen</i> Nr. 161. With Kees van Kersbergen.
05/2018	Can the Scandinavian Welfare States Remain the Champions of Social Investment? [Public Talk at Matchpoints – New Solutions to Old Problems]
10/2017	Politics and Inequality [Talk for Broad Audience to Mark Receipt of the A.SK Price “in Honor of Work Focusing on Economic and Government Reform”]
02/2017	Adviser and Interviewee for an ORF Documentary on Pension Politics in Denmark, Germany, and Austria: Working until you Drop Dead. Pension Systems in Flux [Arbeiten bis zum Umfallen . Pensionsysteme im Wandel]
09/2013	Wider den Zynismus – Wieso man Wahlprogramme ernst nehmen sollte [Against the Cynicism – Why Election Programs Should be Taken Seriously]. Berlin Social Science Research Center, Democracy & Democratization. Link
11/2013	Interview, Voice of Russia: Party Strategies in the German Coalition Talks

Publications

Peer Reviewed Articles

Year/author rank/impact	the working papers featured on https://voe-project.org/ are now all in R&R
2024 1 st /2 3.0	Beyond Trade-offs: Exploring the Changing Interplay of Public and Private Welfare Provision in Old Age and Health in the Historical Long-run. <i>Journal of European Social Policy Online</i> First May 4 . With Sebastian Kohl.
2023 1 st /3 5.0	Workfare and Attitudes toward the Unemployed: New Evidence on Policy Feedback from 1990 to 2018. <i>Comparative Political Studies</i> 57:5, 818-850 . With Anthony Kevins and Kees van Kersbergen.
2023 1 st /3 4.1	The Paternalist Politics of Punitive and Enabling Workfare: 1980-2015. <i>Socio-Economic Review</i> 21:4, 2137-2166 . With Anthony Kevins and Kees van Kersbergen. Socio-Economic Review Paper of the Year Award 2024 .
2022 1 st /2 4.0	Policy Signals in Party Communication: Explaining Positional Concreteness in Parties' Facebook Posts. <i>West European Politics</i>. 46:5, 971-994 . With Carsten Jensen.
2021 1 st /1 7.3	The Asymmetric Long-term Electoral Consequences of Unpopular Reforms: Why Retrenchment Really is a Losing Game for Left Parties. <i>Journal of European Public Policy</i>, 28:9, 1494-1517 .
2021 1 st /4 2.8	Political Parties and Social Groups: New Perspectives and Data on Group and Policy Appeals. <i>Party Politics</i>. 27:5, 983-995 . With Anthony Kevins, Carsten Jensen, Kees van Kersbergen.
2020 2 nd /4 3.1	Motive Attribution and the Moral Politics of the Welfare State. <i>Journal of Social Policy</i>. 49:1, 145-165 . With Anthony Kevins, Carsten Jensen, Kees van Kersbergen.
2019 1 st /1 3.6	Can the Online-Crowd Match Real Expert Judgments? How Task Complexity and Coder Location Affect the Validity of Crowd-Coded Data. <i>European Journal of Political Research</i> 58:1, 236-247 . Best Paper by a Young Scholar Award /DJØF Prize from the Danish Political Science Association. 2018. Its relevance is discussed in <i>Djøfbladet</i> 10/2018, 48-51 and under " Tusindvis af internetbrugere skal samle data til forskere "
2019 2 nd /4 2.3	The Illusion of Class in Welfare State Politics? <i>Journal of Social Policy</i> 48:1, 21-41 . With Anthony Kevins, Carsten Jensen, Kees van Kersbergen.
2019 2 nd /4 1.5	Yardsticks of Inequality: Median Voter Preferences for Redistribution in Advanced Democracies. <i>Journal of European Social Policy</i> 28:4; 402-418 . With Anthony Kevins, Carsten Jensen, Kees van Kersbergen.
2018 1 st /2 0.4	Problem Pressure and Social Policy Innovation: Lessons from 19th-Century Germany. <i>Social Science History</i> 42:3, 495-515 . With Anthony Kevins.
2018 1 st /1 1.9	Conditional Solidarity: A Comparative Analysis of Government Egalitarianism and Benefit Conditionalization in Boom and Bust. <i>Journal of Comparative Policy Analysis</i> 20:5, 451-468 .
2017 1 st /4 1.6	Peeping at the Corpus. What is Really Going on behind the Equality and Welfare Items of the Manifesto Project? <i>Journal of European Social Policy</i>, 27:5, 403-416 . With Anthony Kevins, Carsten Jensen, Kees van Kersbergen.

2017 1st/2 2.9 When and Why Politicians do *not* keep their Welfare Promises. [European Journal of Political Research 56:2, 381-400](#). With Carsten Jensen.

Monographs

2019 [Das politische System Dänemarks: Politik, Wirtschaft und Wohlfahrtsstaat in vergleichender Perspektive](#), Springer VS, 159 pages.

- [Review 1](#) (German, *Politische Vierteljahresschrift*)

2017 Government Ideology, Economic Pressure, and Risk Privatization. How Economic Worldviews Shape Social Policy in Times of Crisis. Amsterdam University Press, **peer reviewed** series [Changing Welfare States](#), 284 pages.

- [Review 1](#) (English, in *Journal of Social Policy*)

- [Review 2](#) (German, in *Zeitschrift für Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft*)

- [Review 3](#) (English, in *Contemporary Sociology*)

Book Chapters

fc. Chapter on *Computational Social Science Approaches and AI in the Study of Reform Processes*. With Sebastian Stier and Jan Schwalbach- Handbook on Welfare State Reform. Edited by Bernhard Ebbinghaus and Moira Nelson.

2023 Chapter: *Ever the committed egalitarians – or the end of Scandinavian exceptionalism?* Festschrift Kees van Kersbergen. With Anthony Kevins. Edited by Carsten Jensen, Barbara Vis, and Christoffer Green-Pedersen.

2022 *Honesty is the Best Policy. The (Hidden) Short- and Long-term Electoral Consequences of Pledge Breaking and Their Economic Scope Conditions*. Festschrift Detlef Jahn. By Erik Baltz, Sven Kosanke, Susanne Pickel. VS.

2022 *Legacies of Universalism: Origins and Persistence of the Broad Political Support for Inclusive Social Investment in Scandinavia*. In: *The World Politics of Social Investment II: The Politics of Varying Social Investment Strategies*, (Edited by Julian Garritzmann, Silja Häusermann, Bruno Palier). Oxford University Press. With Kees van Kersbergen.

2021 *Three Worlds of Social Policy Styles: Lasting Legacies or a Thing of the Past?* In: [Routledge Handbook of Policy Styles](#) (Edited by Michael Howlett and Jale Tosun). Chapter 8. With Jennifer Shore. Routledge (Handbook Series).

Other Publications

2019 Explaining Other People's Stances on Inequality. At: socialpolicyblog.com, May 2019. With Anthony Kevins, Carsten Jensen, and Kees van Kersbergen.

2018 [Ein Konsens, der noch hält. Soziale Investitionen haben in Skandinavien breite politische Unterstützung](#), Berlin Social Science Center (WZB). WZB-Mitteilungen Nr. [161](#). With Kees van Kersbergen.

2014 Dissertation: Does Ideology Still Matter? The Impact of Cabinet Ideology on Unemployment Insurance Retrenchment. Humboldt Universität zu Berlin.

2013 Wider den Zynismus – Wieso man Wahlprogramme ernst nehmen sollte. Social Science Research Center Berlin, *Democracy & Democratization*. [Link](#)

2013 Review: Political Parties and Democratic Linkage: How Parties Organize Democracy, by Russell J. Dalton, David M. Farrell, and Ian McAllister. [Link](#)