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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Comparative Politics, Judicial Politics, Populism, Methodology

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 10/2021–now **Postdoctoral Researcher**, *Chair of Comparative and German Politics* (Prof. Dr. Christoph Hönnige)
Leibniz University Hannover, Germany
- 07/2019–09/2021 **Postdoctoral Researcher**, *Chair of Comparative Politics* (Prof. Dr. Vera Troeger)
University of Hamburg, Germany
- 01/2021–03/2021 **Lecturer** (part-time)
09/2018–01/2019 University of Groningen, The Netherlands
- 09/2016–06/2019 **Editorial Assistant**, *American Political Science Review*
- 09/2013–06/2019 **Research Associate**, *Chair of Political Economy* (Prof. Dr. Thomas Bräuninger)
University of Mannheim, Germany

CAREER BREAKS

- 10/2018–10/2019 Parental leave (twins)

EDUCATION

- 2013–2020 **Ph.D.** in Political Science, final grade **1.0** (*summa cum laude*)
Decision-Making on Collegial Courts
Graduate School of Economic & Social Sciences, University of Mannheim, Germany
Committee: Thomas Bräuninger, Vera Troeger, Thomas Gschwend
- 2011–2013 **M.A.** in Political Science, final grade **1.2** (*with distinction*)
University of Mannheim, Germany
- 2008–2011 **B.A.** in Political Science, final grade **1.3** (*very good*)
Free University of Berlin, Germany

PUBLICATIONS

- 2023 J. König and T. Swalve. Zum Verhältnis von demokratischer und konstitutioneller Regression unter populistischen Regierungen - Eine empirische Analyse [Democratic and Constitutional Regression under Populist Government], *Leviathan*, Special Issue 40: 255–281. [\[Link\]](#)
- J. König and T. Swalve. Do Populist Parties in Government Produce Unconstitutional Policies? Evidence from Austria, 1980–2021. *European Journal of Political Research*, 62(3): 806–829. [\[DOI\]](#)
- 2022 T. Swalve. Does Group Familiarity Improve Deliberations in Judicial Teams? Evidence from the German Federal Court of Justice. *Journal of Empirical Legal Studies*, 19(1): 223–249. [\[DOI\]](#)
- 2020 T. Bräuninger and T. Swalve. *Theory Building for Causal Inference: EITM Research Projects*. In L. Curini and R. Franzese (eds), *The SAGE Handbook of Research Methods in Political Science and International Relations*. London: Sage. [\[DOI\]](#)

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

J. König and T. Swalve. Populists in power, constitutional change, and democratic backsliding. *The Loop* - ECPR's political science blog. [\[HTML\]](#)

UNDER REVIEW

T. Swalve. Primus Inter Pares? Presiding Judges and the Effect of Intra-Group Hierarchy on Judicial Behavior (*presented at APSA 2023*)

T. Swalve, C. Hönnige, M. Huber, P. Köker, and D. Nyhuis. How Centralized is Political Communication on Social Media? (*presented at EPSA 2023*)

D. Nyhuis, S. Block, M. Harmening, and T. Swalve. Campaign Spending in Mixed Member Proportional Systems: How the Political and Institutional Context Shapes Party Strategy

D. Nyhuis, M. Harmening, and T. Swalve. Wie institutionelle Hürden die soziale Schichtung der Wahl verschärfen: Das Beispiel von Formfehlern bei der Briefwahl (*Revise and Resubmit*)

WORKING PAPERS

A. Leininger and T. Swalve. What's in a Name? Local Name Recognition as a Universally Applicable Mechanism for Friends-and-Neighbors Voting (*presented at EPSA 2022, to be presented at PSA 2024*)

T. Swalve, C. Hönnige, M. Huber, P. Köker, and D. Nyhuis. How MP's Personal Characteristics Shape Covid-19-Communication on Social Media (*presented at ECPR 2023*)

T. Bräuninger, N. Giger, and T. Swalve. Polarized Perceptions: The Individual Perception of Ideological Scales

P. Köker, T. Swalve, C. Hönnige, M. Huber and D. Nyhuis. Populists before Power: Populist Delegitimization Strategies and Independent Judiciaries (*presented at ECPR 2022 and seminar in Hannover (2024)*)

T. Swalve, C. Hönnige, M. Huber, P. Köker, and D. Nyhuis. Escalating the Conversation: How Populists Undermine the Rule of Law on Social Media (*presented at seminars at Rijksuniversiteit Groningen (2023) and University of Hannover (2024)*)

D. Nyhuis, O. Rittmann, T. Swalve, T. Ringwald. The Procedural Deliberative Quality of Parliaments: Insights from an Automated Analysis of Plenary Video Footage (*to be presented at EPSA 2024*)

WORK IN PROGRESS

M. Huber, C. Hönnige, P. Köker, D. Nyhuis, and T. Swalve. Disruptive Gateways: Unraveling Political Communication through Social Media Hyperlinks and Alternative Media Amplification (*to be presented at ECPR Joint Sessions 2024*)

T. Swalve, C. Hönnige, M. Huber, P. Köker, and D. Nyhuis. Gendered Responses to Abortion Rulings: The Case of the 2020 Polish Constitutional Tribunal Decision (*to be presented at ECPR 2024*)

T. Bräuninger, N. Giger, and T. Swalve. Measuring the Influence of Partisan Affect on Citizens' Perceptions of Ideological Scales in Multiparty Systems. Evidence from Germany

CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS & INVITED TALKS

Populist Constitutionalism and Populist Communication, University of Hannover (2024), Co-Organizer

Dimensions of Right-Wing Extremism in Europe, University of Bielefeld (2024)

European Consortium for Political Research, Law and Courts Workshop (2023)

American Political Science Association, General Meeting (2023)

European Political Science Association, General Meeting (2014, 2016, 2019, 2022, 2023)

European Consortium for Political Research, General Conference (2021)
European Consortium for Political Research, Joint Sessions (2021)
OxonCourts Workshop, Wolfson College, Oxford University (2019)
Max Planck Institute for Research on Collective Goods, Bonn, (2018)
Conference on Empirical Legal Studies in Europe (2018)
Midwest Political Science Association Meeting (2015, 2017)
NYU CESS Experimental Political Science Meeting (2017)
Dreiländertagung (Tri-National Conference) of the Swiss, Austrian, and German Associations of Political Science (2011)

FUNDING & SCHOLARSHIPS

2014 Young Scholar Award (with M. Marbach), Graduate School of Economic & Social Sciences, University of Mannheim
2012–2013 German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), full scholarship
2010–2013 German National Academic Foundation (Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes), full scholarship

TEACHING

University of Hamburg

Economics and Politics of Institutions (M.Sc.), Fall 2021
Comparative Political Economy (M.A.), Spring 2020, 2021
Topics in Comparative Politics, (B.A.), Spring 2020, 2021
Comparative Judicial Politics, (M.A.), Fall 2019, 2020
Introduction to Political Science (B.A.), Fall 2019, 2020

University of Mannheim

Mathematics Refresher for Political Scientists (M.A.), Fall 2013 (with M. Marbach), 2015, 2016
Topics in Political Economy (B.A.), Fall 2016
Advanced Quantitative Methods in Political Science (M.A.), Tutorial, Spring 2016
Methods in Comparative Politics (B.A.), Fall 2014
Economic Consequences of Political Institutions (B.A.), Spring 2014
Quantitative Methods in Political Science (M.A.), Tutorial, Fall 2013

Zeppelin University Friedrichshafen

Decision and Game Theory (B.A.), Fall 2017, 2018

University of Groningen, Campus Fryslân

Sustainable Organization (M.Sc.), Fall 2018
Principles of Economics (B.Sc.), Spring 2021

Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis

Advanced Quantitative Data Analysis, Teaching Assistant for Prof. Dr. Troeger, 2016

RESEARCH VISITS

2015–2017 Visiting Graduate Student, University of Warwick, UK, Department of Economics
2012–2013 Visiting Graduate Student, Washington University in St. Louis, USA

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

2017

EITM, Summer School, UC Berkeley, USA

2013, 2014

EITM Europe, Summer School, University of Mannheim

SERVICE

Referee: American Journal of Political Science, Political Science Research and Methods, Journal of Public Policy, SN Social Sciences

LANGUAGES

Human: German (native), English (fluent), Dutch (fluent)

Computer: R, R Shiny, Stata (intermediate), Python (intermediate), LaTeX, Microsoft Word

REFERENCES

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