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#### **Profile**

Research and teaching interests	European integration, comparative politics of advanced industrialized countries, political psychology, public opinion and preference formation, political institutions, political parties and social movements, political development

Methodological expertise

Research design, experiments, comparative case studies, survey research, media content analysis, elite interviews, linear and multilevel regression, ANOVA and its variants, confirmatory and exploratory factor analysis, decision analysis

## **Education**

08/2008	PhD in Political Science. Ohio State University
	Dissertation title: "The formation of social democratic parties. External constraint

Dissertation title: "The formation of social democratic parties. External constraints and the strategic choices of labor elites." Committee: Richard Gunther (chair),

Richard Hamilton, Herbert Kitschelt, Anthony Mughan

04/2002 to 08/2008 Graduate Program in Political Science at Ohio State University (specializations in

Comparative Politics and Political Psychology)

09/2001 MA in Political Science. Ohio State University

07/1999 BA equivalent in Political Science. University of Bonn, Germany

09/1996 to 09/2001 Student of Political Science, Sociology, History, and Law at University of Bonn

(Germany), University of Reims (France), and Ohio State University (USA)

# **Academic positions**

Since 10/2009	Assistant Professor of Political Science. Humboldt University Berlin
09/2013 to 08/2014	John F. Kennedy Memorial Fellow. Center for European Studies, Harvard University
09/2008 to 09/2009	Lecturer in International Studies. Department of Political Science, Ohio State University
06/2008 to 09/2008	Research Associate. Kirwan Institute, Ohio State University
04/2002 to 09/2008	Teaching and Research Associate. Department of Political Science, Ohio State University

#### Peer reviewed journal articles

- Konstantin Vössing (2015) Transforming public opinion about European integration: elite influence and its limits. *European Union Politics* 16, prepublished March 2015, DOI: 10.1177/1465116515572167
- Konstantin Vössing (2014) Predictably exceptional. The formation of American labor politics in comparative perspective. *Party Politics* 20 (5): 767-777
- Konstantin Vössing (2011) Social democratic party formation and national variation in labor politics. Comparative Politics 43 (2): 167-186
- Konstantin Vössing (2005) Nationality and the preferences of the European public toward EU policy making. *European Union Politics* 6 (4): 447-469

#### Peer reviewed chapters

Konstantin Vössing and Till Weber (forthcoming) The company makes the feast. Party constellations, campaign context and issue voting in multi-party systems. In André Blais, Jean-Francois Laslier, and Karine van der Straeten (eds.) Voting Experiments. New York: Springer

# Other chapters in edited volumes

- Sebastian Jobelius, Reinhold Rünker, and Konstantin Vössing (1999) Einleitung [Introduction]. In Jobelius, Rünker, and Vössing (eds.) *Bildungsoffensive. Herausforderungen für das 21. Jahrhundert [Education reform. Challenges for the 21st century].* Hamburg: VSA; pp. 10-15
- Sebastian Jobelius and Konstantin Vössing (1999) Mut zur Kapitalbildung. Die Notwendigkeit einer kulturellen und sozialen Reform des Bildungswesens. [Have the courage to accumulate capital! The cultural and social reform of education]. In Jobelius, Rünker, and Vössing (eds.) Bildungsoffensive. Herausforderungen für das 21. Jahrhundert [Education reform. Challenges for the 21st century]. Hamburg: VSA; pp 110-127
- Sebastian Jobelius, Reinhold Rünker, and Konstantin Vössing (1999) Anforderungen an eine Bildungsreform des 21. Jahrhunderts [The scope of education reform in the 21st century]. In Jobelius, Rünker, and Vössing (eds.) Bildungsoffensive. Herausforderungen für das 21. Jahrhundert [Education reform. Challenges for the 21st century]. Hamburg: VSA; 236-245

#### **Edited volume**

Sebastian Jobelius, Reinhold Rünker, and Konstantin Vössing (eds.) (1999) *Bildungsoffensive.*Herausforderungen für das 21. Jahrhundert [Education reform. Challenges for the 21st century].

Hamburg: VSA

# **Further publications**

Konstantin Vössing (2014) Parteien und Bürger: wer folgt wem? [Political parties and citizens: who follows whom?]. *Aus Politik und Zeitgeschichte* 64 (22-23): 40-45

Konstantin Vössing (2013) Sozialdemokratie und Europäische Integration [Social democracy and European integration]. spw 199: 31-37

Konstantin Vössing (2013) Gründungsphase und Wandel in der deutschen Sozialdemokratie [Formation experience and change in German social democracy]. *Forum* 34 (1): 37-40

Edgar Göll and Konstantin Vössing (2000) USA 2000: And the winner is... spw 116: 41-45

Sebastian Jobelius and Konstantin Vössing (1998) Gesellschaftliche Problemlösung durch Innovation im Bildungswesen [Social problems and innovation in education policy]. *spw* 102: 45-48

# **Grants and Awards**

04/2015	Research grant funding the development and maintenance of a web based tool for accessing, analyzing, and visualizing research data (DM-F15-08). Academic Senate, Humboldt University Berlin (30 000 Euro, 34 500 USD), co-investigator
09/2013 to 08/2014	John F. Kennedy Memorial Fellowship. Center for European Studies, Harvard University
06/2013	Humboldt-Princeton Strategic Partnership Grant for research on "Fortress Europe: how the rest of the world shapes European integration" (112 212 Euro, 149 320 USD), coinvestigator
12/2012	Research grant (VO 1990/1-1) from Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft, DFG [German equivalent of the National Science Foundation] for research on "The formation of public opinion about European integration" (82 900 Euro, 110 000 USD), principal investigator
04/2012	Research grant funding the establishment and equipment with infrastructure and staff of an experimental research lab (grant DM-F12-05). Academic Senate, Humboldt University Berlin (25 000 Euro, 33 500 USD), principal investigator
03/2012	Research grant. College of arts and sciences, Humboldt University Berlin (6 000 Euro, 8 040 USD), principal investigator
02/2012	Travel support grant. Deutscher Akademischer Auslandsdienst, DAAD [International academic service of German federal government]
01/2012	Travel support grant. Institute of Social Sciences, Humboldt University Berlin
10/2011	Research grant. Institute of Social Sciences, Humboldt University Berlin (6 000 Euro, 8 220 USD), principal investigator
02/2011	Travel support grant. Institute of Social Sciences, Humboldt University Berlin
09/2009	Henry Spencer Award for best dissertation during the academic year 2008/2009. Department of Political Science, Ohio State University
01/2009	Nominated for the APSA Gabriel Almond Award 2009 honoring the best dissertation in Comparative Politics

06/2007 to 09/2007	Survey Research Award Grant. College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, Ohio State University
09/2006 to 12/2006	Aumann Dissertation Grant. Ohio State University
04/2006	Graduate Associate Teaching Award 2006, Finalist. Ohio State University
09/2005	Spencer Teaching Award. Department of Political Science, Ohio State University
05/2004 to 08/2009	Official commendations for teaching excellence from the Political Science department at Ohio State University for all of my classes
09/2000 to 09/2001	Graduate School Fellowship. Ohio State University
09/1998 to 09/1999	Socrates Fellowship of the European Union for study abroad at the University of Reims, France
07/1997 to 09/2001	Undergraduate Studies Fellowship. Friedrich Ebert Foundation, Germany

#### **Conference papers**

Konstantin Vössing (2015) Political explanations and policy support. Annual MPSA conference. Chicago, April 17

- Konstantin Vössing (2014) The effects of policy justification, party cueing, and policy reputation on policy support. Sixth Annual Princeton Workshop on European Integration. Princeton University, May 2
- Konstantin Vössing (2014) Personifying the European Union: entitativity, political conflict, and attitude formation. *Annual MPSA conference*. Chicago, April 5
- Konstantin Vössing and Till Weber (2014) Hide or seek. An experimental study about the effects of evading and acquiring information on vote choice. *Voting experiments workshop*. Université de Montréal, March 28-29
- Konstantin Vössing (2013) Policy justifications and public opinion about European integration. *New Research on Europe Workshop*. Center for European Studies at Harvard University, December 4
- Konstantin Vössing (2013) National variation in class politics and the success of interest mobilization. *New Research on Europe Workshop*. Center for European Studies at Harvard University, October 30
- Konstantin Vössing (2013) The effects of policy justification, partisanship, and policy reputation on policy support. *Annual MPSA conference*. Chicago, April 11
- Konstantin Vössing (2012) Mobilization strategies and mobilization success. The case of labor politics in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. *Annual MPSA conference*. Chicago, April 14
- Konstantin Vössing (2012) Experimentation and Comparative Politics. *Conference of the Methodology Section of the DVPW [German Political Science Association]*. Hamburg, February 11

- Konstantin Vössing (2011) The interaction of persuasion and national identification in shaping attitudes toward European integration. *Annual MPSA conference*. Chicago, April 2
- Konstantin Vössing (2009) National variation in citizen support for the emerging Euro-polity. Comparing the effects of national context and national identity. *General conference of the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)*. Potsdam, September 12
- Konstantin Vössing (2009) The failure of American socialism as the rational response of labor elites to external constraints. *Annual MPSA conference*. Chicago, April 4
- Konstantin Vössing (2009) American political development and labor politics in comparative perspective. *Research in American Politics Workshop.* Ohio State University, February 18
- Konstantin Vössing (2008) External triggers and dispositions. The interaction of persuasion and national identity in shaping attitudes toward European integration. *Annual APSA conference*. Boston, August 28
- Konstantin Vössing (2008) Constraints, knowledge diffusion, and strategic choices. A comprehensive explanation for the formation of social democratic parties. *Annual MPSA conference*. Chicago, April 6
- Konstantin Vössing (2008) A new typology of labor politics and an explanation for social democratic party formation. *Comparative Politics Research Workshop.* Ohio State University, March 14
- Konstantin Vössing (2007) National variation in citizen support for the emerging Euro-polity. *Survey Research Award Colloquium.* Ohio State University, August 27
- Konstantin Vössing (2004) Nationality and the European Political Space. *Comparative Politics Research Workshop.* Ohio State University, June 4

# Invited talks and media appearances

04/2014	Invited guest speaker of the American Council on Germany (ACG) on the topic "Political elites and public opinion about European integration." <i>Boston, April 29</i>
11/2013	Invited talk at the Princeton lunch speaker series of the European Union Program on the topic "What they say, who they are, or what they claim to be? How political elites influence public opinion." <i>Princeton University, November 6</i>
11/2013	Invited talk at the Center for Global Security and Governance, University of Aberdeen, Scotland, on the topic "The formation of labor politics in the 19th and 20th centuries." <i>November 12</i>
06/2013	Studio guest of Radio Eins, Rundfunk Berlin Brandenburg, special feature about the visit of President Obama to Berlin
11/2012	Studio guest of Radio Eins, Rundfunk Berlin Brandenburg, special feature about the US Presidential elections
10/2012	Interview with Reuters International about the Euro crisis and German politics

#### **Humboldt University Berlin**

#### Introduction to Comparative Politics and International Relations

Lecture for 150 undergraduate students providing an integrated survey of Comparative Politics and International Relations (Winter 2011-12)

# Research Design and Methods in Comparative Politics

Graduate seminar providing an introduction to research design and methods in Comparative Politics (Spring 2010)

#### **Experiments in Political Science**

Graduate seminar on the theory and practice of experimentation (Spring 2011, Winter 2011-12, Winter 2014-15)

#### **European Integration and Political Conflict**

Advanced undergraduate seminar on the formation of public opinion toward European integration and the impact of European integration on political conflict (Spring 2013)

# Europe - Unity and Diversity

Undergraduate seminar on European politics that combines a comparative perspective on European diversity with an analysis of European integration (Spring 2010)

# Political Parties and Party Systems

Advanced undergraduate seminar on political parties and party systems, and their relation to democracy and political development (Winter 2010-11)

# Electoral politics and European integration

Graduate seminar about the implications of European integration for voting behavior and party systems (Spring 2015)

#### The emergence of class politics

Advanced undergraduate seminar about the emergence of class politics and the implications for theories of political mobilization and political development (Spring 2015)

#### Introduction to Comparative Politics and International Relations

Introductory seminar providing an integrated survey of these two subfields of Political Science (Winter 2009-10, Winter 2010-11, Winter 2011-12, Winter 2012-13, Winter 2014-15)

# **Ohio State University**

# Introduction to Comparative Politics (Political Science 100)

Survey of themes and approaches, combined with case studies of Britain, France, Germany, China, and Russia (Spring 2004, Summer 2004, Spring 2006, Winter 2008)

#### Government and Politics in Modern Democracies (Political Science 535)

Advanced seminar on democratic political institutions and their effects on the nature of political conflict (Winter 2005, Spring 2005, Winter 2006, Spring 2007, Spring 2008)

The Politics of European Integration (Political Science 528)

Advanced seminar on EU politics, history, policies, and institutions, as well as theories of European integration (Summer 2005, Autumn 2005, Summer 2006, Winter 2007, Autumn 2007)

Introduction to Western Europe (International Studies 210)

Lecture for 50 to 150 students providing a survey of Western European political, socio-economic, and cultural history from the 11th century until today (Autumn 2008, Winter 2009, Spring 2009)

Introduction to Globalization (International Studies 356)

Advanced seminar on the nature, history, origins, and repercussions of globalization (Spring 2008, Autumn 2008, Winter 2009, Spring 2009)

# Thesis advising

Adviser or committee member for 7 PhD dissertations, 4 MA theses, and 31 BA theses at HU Berlin

Service	
03/2015	Panel chair and research mentor at the annual Gradnet Conference. European University Institute (EUI)
02/2014	Member of the Graduate Grants Committee. Center for European Studies, Harvard University
03/2013	Panel chair and research mentor at the annual Gradnet Conference. London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE)
07/2012	Local host for the annual conference of the Comparative National Elections Project (CNEP). Berlin, Germany
Since 04/2012	Mentor for international students through a program of "Deutscher Akademischer Auslandsdienst" [International academic service of German federal government]
Since 11/2011	Official Representative (OR) of the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) at Humboldt University Berlin
10/2011 to 04/2012	Coordinator of the Comparative Politics Research Workshop at the Institute of Social Sciences. Humboldt University Berlin
Since 02/2011	Initiator and coordinator of an experimental subject pool and an experimental laboratory at the Institute of Social Sciences. Humboldt University Berlin
Since 04/2010	Member of expert committee on European integration. Friedrich Ebert Foundation
Since 04/2010	Member of expert committee on social democracy. Friedrich Ebert Foundation
Since 08/2007	Discussant and panel chair on many occasions at APSA and MPSA conferences

Since 10/2004	External reviewer for <i>Journal of Politics, Comparative Politics, European Union Politics, Polity,</i> and Pearson Longman Publishers
01/1996 to 09/2001	Service in various functions for student organizations and university administration at local and national levels
07/1993 to 09/2004	Political and volunteer activities: organization of international programs, committee work, agenda and program development, electoral and issue campaigning

# Other professional experience

08/2004 to 12/2004	Policy consultant for the national board of "Arbeiterwohlfahrt", a provider of social programs and policy recommendations. Bonn, Germany
07/1997 to 12/2004	Associate at the Public Relations agency "Pleon Kohtes Klewes". Bonn, Germany. Responsible for the design, implementation, and supervision of media content analyses and market research studies
10/1996 to 09/1998	Freelance journalist for the daily newspaper "Bonner Rundschau". Bonn, Germany
08/1995 to 09/1996	Social worker during my mandatory term of "civilian service" for a local section of the charitable organization "Arbeiterwohlfahrt". Höxter, Germany
06/1995 to 09/1996	Freelance journalist for the radio station "Radio Hochstift". Paderborn, Germany
01/1993 to 09/1996	Freelance journalist for the daily newspaper "Neue Westfälische". Höxter, Germany

# **Further expertise and interests**

Membership	American Political Science Association (APSA) Council for European Studies (CES) Deutsche Vereinigung für Politische Wissenschaft (DVPW) European Union Studies Association (EUSA) Midwestern Political Science Association (MPSA)
Computing	MS Office, SPSS, STATA, Ramona (structural equation modeling), CEFA (exploratory and confirmatory factor analysis), MaxQDA (qualitative comparative analysis)
Languages	German (proficient), English (proficient), French (proficient), Spanish (basic)

#### References

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