

Elena Leuschner

Education

Since 09/2020	PhD candidate , University of Gothenburg, Department of Political Science (<i>expected January 2025</i>)
10/2018 - 06/2020	MA , International Administration and Conflict Management with methods specialization, University of Konstanz (1,1) Thesis: “Breaking the Wave? The Impact of Government Concessions on Pro- test Mobilisation” (1,0), supervisor Dr. Sebastian Hellmeier
09/2019 - 06/2020	MSc , International Administration and Global Governance, University of Gothenburg (with Distinction)
10/2014 - 09/2018	BA , Politics and Public Administration, University of Konstanz

Previous academic positions

01/2024 - 04/2024	Visiting researcher , Oxford University, Department of Political Science and International Relations
05/2022	Visiting researcher , WZB Berlin Social Science Center Professor Daniel Ziblatt, Transformation of Democracy Unit
Since 03/2022	Research assistant , University of Gothenburg, Professor Carl Dahlström and Dr. Mikael Holmgren, Text analysis for “Setting the Agenda in the Swedish Riksdag: Partisan Politics and Commissions of Inquiry, 1971-2021”.
09/2019 - 09/2022	Research fellow , University of Konstanz, Professor Steffen Eckhard, Research group ‘Public Administration and Orga- nization Theory’

List of publications

Published papers

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| 2024 | 3. Leuschner, Elena , and Sebastian Hellmeier. 2024. “State Concessions and Protest Mobilization in Authoritarian Regimes.” <i>Comparative Political Studies</i> 57(1): 3–31. http://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/00104140231169022 . |
| 2023 | 2. Eckhard, Steffen, Vytautas Jankauskas, and Elena Leuschner . 2023. “Institutional Design and Biases in Evaluation Reports by International Organizations.” <i>Public Administration Review</i> : 1–14. https://doi.org/10.1111/puar.13705 . |

2023

1. Eckhard, Steffen, Vytautas Jankauskas, **Elena Leuschner**, Ian Burton, Tilman Kerl, Rita Sevastjanova. 2023. “The Performance of International Organizations: A New Measure and Dataset Based on Computational Text Analysis of Evaluation Reports.” *The Review of International Organizations*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11558-023-09489-1>.

Papers in progress

4. School’s out! The Electoral Consequences of Government Responsiveness in the Case of School Closures in Sweden, with Simon Gren (*R&R submitted at Political Behavior*, available as working paper).

5. The Emotional Dynamics of Protest, with Luca Versteegen (*under review*, available as working paper).

6. The Implementation of the World Food Program’s Peacebuilding Policy – An Analysis based on Country-level Reports, with Steffen Eckhard and Jan Kemper (available as working paper).

7. Experimental Evidence on Politicians’ Responsiveness to Protest (available as working paper).

8. Responsive to Whom? The Effects of Protesters’ Identities on the Political Agenda.

Policy paper

2023

Steets, Julia; Claudia Meier; Alexander Gaus; Sarah Bressan; Inji El Bakry; Steffen Eckhart; Jan Kemper; **Elena Leuschner** (external evaluation team). Evaluation of the Policy on WFP’s Role in Peacebuilding in Transition Settings. Centralized evaluation report. <https://docs.wfp.org/api/documents/WFP-0000146160/download/>.

Conferences and invited talks

2024

Presenter: Work in Progress Seminar Series (Oxford University), ISA (San Francisco), EPSA (Cologne)

2023

Presenter: EPSA (Glasgow), APSA (Los Angeles, declined), Comparative Institutions and Regimes Seminar Series (Oslo University), Comparative Politics Seminar Series (Lund University), General Research Seminar Series (Gothenburg University)

2022	Presenter: APSA (Montreal), ISA (Nashville, online), Public Administration and Public Policy (Gothenburg University), Quality of Government conference (Gothenburg University), Research Group on Elections, Public Opinion and Political Behavior (Gothenburg University)
2021	Presenter: International Public Administrations Workshop (LMU Munich), ECPR General Conference (online), Conflict Dynamics Workshop (Oxford, online), German Association of Peace and Conflict Studies (AFK) (Frankfurt, online)
2020	Presenter: ECPR General Conference, (presenter, online)

Teaching

since 2022	Lecturer: Introduction to Applied Research Design and Quantitative Research Methods for Social Scientist (MA)
since 2022	Lecturer: The Swedish Welfare State (BA)
since 2021	Teaching assistant on Academic Writing (MA) for Political Science Analysis, Theoretical and Historical Perspectives on Global Governance
since 2021	Supervising Bachelor theses (5 of which 3 with distinction)

Awards and grants

2021	Best paper award, by the Journal of Comparative Policy Analysis for “ <i>Learning or contestation: Analyzing political biases in international organization evaluation reports</i> ”
2023	Royal Society of Arts and Sciences in Gothenburg: (75,000 SEK)
2023	Helge Ax:son (70,000 SEK)
2023	Siamon (11,840 SEK)
2023	W& M Lundgren (75,000 SEK)
2023	Donationsnämndens stipendier (15,000 SEK)
2023	Swedish National Election Studies (26,550 SEK)
2023	Lars Hiertas Minne Stiftelsen (30,000 SEK)
2022	Adlerbertska Stiftelsen (20,000 SEK)
2022	APSA travel grant (200 USD)
2021	Adlerbertska Stiftelsen (30,000 SEK)
2020	German Academic Exchange Service DAAD (8,600 EUR)

Special knowledge

Languages German: native speaker; English: proficient user; French: independent user

Software R, L^AT_EX, Python, Stata

References

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Johannes Lindvall Professor, University of Gothenburg
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