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Curriculum vitae  
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Government and International Relations  
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## EDUCATION

- 2017**                      **Ph.D.**  
Government and International Relations, University of Sydney, Australia  
Thesis: 'Transparent elections: Domestic election monitors, agenda-building and electoral integrity'  
Thesis advisor: Pippa Norris (Harvard University)  
Committee: Steven Livingston (George Washington University), Sarah Birch (King's College London), Stefaan Walgrave (University of Antwerp)
- 2009**                      **BA and MA (Dipl.-Geogr.)**  
Geography, Freie Universität Berlin, Germany  
Minors: Political Science, Geoinformatics

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- Since 9/2017**            **Research Associate**  
Department of Government, University of Sydney, Australia
- 9/2016 – 8/2017**        **Research Associate and PEI Program Manager**  
Electoral Integrity Project, University of Sydney, Australia
- 12/2016 - 2/2017**     **Visiting Researcher, Research Unit Democracy and Democratization**  
Berlin Social Science Center (WZB), Berlin, Germany
- 2013 - 9/2016**         **Research Assistant**  
Electoral Integrity Project, University of Sydney, Australia

## PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

- 2010 – 2013**            **Lecturer**  
Political Science, Thammasat University, Bangkok, Thailand
- 2009 – 2013**            **Research Associate**  
Strategic Nonviolence Research Committee, Thailand Research Fund, Bangkok, Thailand
- 2007– 2009**             **Research Assistant**  
Collaborative Research Center SFB 700 'Governance in Areas of Limited Statehood', Freie Universität Berlin, Germany

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Political Communication, Agenda-setting  
Comparative Democratization, Transnational Advocacy  
Survey Methodology, Digital Trace Data, Content Analysis  
Southeast Asia, Authoritarian Regimes

## PUBLICATIONS

### Journal Articles

- 2017** 'Domestic Election Monitoring and Advocacy: An Emerging Research Agenda'. *Nordic Journal of Human Rights*, 35(4)407-423.
- 2014** 'Electoral Sources of Authoritarian Resilience in Russia: Varieties of Electoral Malpractice 2007-2016' with Margarita Zavadskaya and Ferran Martínez i Coma. *Demokratizatsiya: The Journal of Post-Soviet Democratization*, 25(4): 455-480.
- 2014** 'Echo Chambers. Partisan Facebook Groups during the 2014 Thai Election'. *Asia Pacific Media Educator*, 24(1):1-21.
- 2013** 'Cambodia's 2013 Elections: The Retreat of "Electoral Authoritarianism"?'. *SocDem Asia Quarterly*, 1(2):13-15.

### Journal Articles (currently R&R and under review)

- Under review** 'The 'Crowd-Factor' in Collective Action Online: Comparing Protest Communication Styles of Thai Facebook Pages' with Aim Sinpeng.

### Book Chapters

- 2017** 'Domestic monitors' In *Election Watchdogs: Transparency, Accountability and Integrity*, edited by Pippa Norris and Alessandro Nai, pg. 167-190. New York: Oxford University Press.
- 2006** 'Potenziale und Entwicklungshemmnisse der Iranischen Wirtschaft' with Joscha Graff. In *Die Islamische Republik Iran. Eine Studienreise*. Edited by Carsten Felgentreff. Potsdam: Universitätsverlag Potsdam.

### Working Papers

- 'The party just started: How electoral threat and local political machines structure electoral malpractice in Cambodia'
- 'Deterrence, norms, or reforms? Mapping the strategic goals and tactics of domestic election monitors'
- 'The drivers of media attention to electoral reform groups around the world'
- 'Crowd work and networked publics as civic activism? The case of crowdsourced election monitoring'

### Datasets

- 2017** *Perceptions of Electoral Integrity, (PEI-5.5)*, with Pippa Norris, Thomas Wynter and Sarah M. Cameron. Harvard Dataverse, V1, <http://dx.doi.org/10.7910/DVN/EWYTZ7>.
- Perceptions of Electoral Integrity, (PEI-5.0)*, with Pippa Norris. Harvard Dataverse, V1, <http://dx.doi.org/10.7910/DVN/KI5WB4>.
- Perceptions of Electoral Integrity, US 2016 (PEI\_US\_1.0)*, with Pippa Norris, and Alessandro Nai. Harvard Dataverse, V1, <http://dx.doi.org/10.7910/DVN/YXUV3W>.
- 2016** *Perceptions of Electoral Integrity, (PEI-4.5)*, with Pippa Norris, Ferran Martínez i Coma, and Alessandro Nai. Harvard Dataverse, V3, <http://dx.doi.org/10.7910/DVN/LYO57K>.
- 2015** *Perceptions of Electoral Integrity-Russia, (PEI-Russia 1.0)*, with Pippa Norris, Ferran Martínez i Coma, and Alessandro Nai. Harvard Dataverse, V1, <http://dx.doi.org/10.7910/DVN/8LYUAY>.
- Perceptions of Electoral Integrity-Mexico, (PEI-Mexico 1.0)*, with Pippa Norris, Ferran Martínez i Coma, and Alessandro Nai. Harvard Dataverse, V1, <http://dx.doi.org/10.7910/DVN/O6UCIM>.

## Other Publications

- 2017** 'The Year in Elections 2017: Mid-Year Update' , with Pippa Norris, Thomas Wynter and Sarah M. Cameron. October 2017. Sydney: University of Sydney.
- 'Populist Threats to Electoral Integrity: The Year in Elections, 2016-2017', with Pippa Norris. *HKS Faculty Research Working Paper Series RWP17-018*. May 2017.
- 'The 2016 American Presidential Election – Perceptions of Electoral Integrity, US 2016 subnational study', with Pippa Norris and Holly Ann Garnett. January 2017. Sydney: University of Sydney.
- 'The Australian Voter Experience. Trust and confidence in the 2016 federal election' with Jeffrey Karp, Alessandro Nai, Ferran Martínez i Coma, and Pippa Norris. January 2017. Sydney: University of Sydney.
- 2016** 'The Year in Elections 2015' with Pippa Norris, Ferran Martínez i Coma, and Alessandro Nai. February 2016. Sydney: University of Sydney.
- 2015** 'The Year in Elections, 2014' with Pippa Norris and Ferran Martínez i Coma. *HKS Faculty Research Working Paper Series RWP15-008*, February 2015.
- Electoral Integrity in Africa* with Ferran Martínez i Coma. Sydney/Johannesburg: Electoral Integrity Project / Hanns Seidel Foundation.

## GRANTS, AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2017** International Institutional Engagement, awarded to the Electoral Integrity project by the International Centre for Parliamentary Studies (ICPS)
- 2016** Laurence and Lynne Brown Democracy Medal, awarded to the Electoral Integrity project by the McCourtney Institute for Democracy at Penn State University
- Berlin Doctoral Fellowship in the Social Sciences, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, University of Sydney (AUD 6,000.00)
- 2015** Conference grant, University of Sydney Southeast Asia Centre (AUD 1,000.00)
- Doctoral research travel grant, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, University of Sydney (AUD 3,500.00)
- Postgraduate Research Support Scheme (PRSS), School of Social Sciences, University of Sydney (AUD 500.00)
- 2014** Electoral Integrity Project grant for attendance of ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research and University of Amsterdam Digital Methods Summer School (AUD 6,200.00)
- Postgraduate Research Support Scheme (PRSS), School of Social Sciences, University of Sydney (AUD 1,050.00)
- 2013** PhD Scholarship on Electoral Integrity, Electoral Integrity Project, Australian Research Council (AUD 108,888.00)
- Conference grant 'Challenges of Electoral Integrity in Southeast Asia', Friedrich-Naumann Foundation (EUR 5,000.00)
- 2002** German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), undergraduate students study abroad scholarship (EUR 2,904.00)

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

American Political Science Association (APSA)	2016, 2017
Asian Political and International Studies Association (APISA)	2011
Australian Political Science Association (AusPSA)	2014, 2015, 2016
European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)	2016, 2017

International Conference on International Relations and Development (ICIRD)	2011, 2012, 2013
International Conference of Thai Studies (ICTS)	2014
International Political Science Association (IPSA)	2014, 2016

## INVITED TALKS

- The Australian Institute of International Affairs, Sydney, Australia. October 2017.
- Université libre de Bruxelles, Brussels, Belgium. January 2017.
- Berlin Social Science Center/ Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin (WZB), Berlin, Germany. December 2016.
- European Platform for Democratic Elections (EPDE), Berlin, Germany. December 2015.
- Berlin Social Science Center/ Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin (WZB), Berlin, Germany. December 2015.
- Electoral Regulation Research Network (ERRN), University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia. November 2015.
- University of Münster, Department of Political Science, Münster, Germany. July 2015.
- Asian Electoral Stakeholder Forum II, Dili, Timor-Leste. March 2015.
- United Nations Development Program (UNDP) Asia-Pacific Regional Centre, Bangkok, Thailand. January 2015.
- University of Western Sydney, School of Humanities and Communication Arts, Sydney, Australia. May 2014.
- Thammasat University, Faculty of Political Science, Bangkok, Thailand. August 2013.
- University of Canberra, Australia and New Zealand School of Government, Canberra, Australia. October 2014.
- German-Southeast Asian Center of Excellence for Public Policy and Good Governance (CPG), Bangkok, Thailand. February 2011.

## MEDIA PRESENCE / PUBLIC COMMENTARY

- 'Why the mistrust? How Elite and Popular Perceptions of Electoral Integrity diverge in Australia'. 18 May 2017. *POP Politics Aus*.
- 'Electoral integrity in all 50 US states, ranked by experts', with Pippa Norris, and Holly Ann Garnett. 27 December 2016. *VOX*.
- 'Why don't more Americans vote? Maybe because they don't trust U.S. elections', with Pippa Norris, and Holly Ann Garnett. 26 December 2016. *The Washington Post/Monkey Cage*.
- 'Failed' Electoral System Ranked Asia's Worst'. 24 September 2016. *The Cambodia Daily*.
- 'A tale of two elections'. 17 May 2016. *New Mandala*.
- 'Watchdogs on a leash: where and why governments restrict election monitors'. 16 March 2016. *The Conversation*.
- 'Asian Electoral Stakeholder forum discusses electoral integrity in Asia and beyond'. 19 April 2015. *Electoral Integrity Blogspot*.
- 'Southeast Asian elections worst in the world.' 15 February 2015. *New Mandala*.
- 'The 'Thaksin Regime' vs. the 'Good People''. 26 December 2014. *Asian Correspondent*.
- 'Protesters in Thailand invoke Hunger Games three-finger salute to voice dissent'. 3 June 2014. *Sydney Morning Herald*.
- 'Electoral Integrity in Thailand'. 1 May 2014. *New Mandala*.
- 'Voting in Asia: not meaningless charades, but public wants more'. 18 April 2014. *The Conversation*.
- 'Malaysia bottom of the pile in global study on electoral boundaries'. 3 March 2014. *The Malay Mail Online*.

'Election ranks low: study'. 28 February 2014. Phnom Penh Post.

'Derailed election in a divided Thailand'. 2 February 2014. *New Mandala*.

'Extending a hand or raising a fist to the state?'. 23 January 2014. *Open Security*.

'Thailand's opposition rejects elections'. 30 December 2013. *Electoral Integrity Blogspot*.

'Cambodian civil society keeps an eye on the election amidst widespread irregularities (The 2013 Cambodian Election, Part 2)'. 28 July 2013. *Electoral Integrity Blogspot*.

'The 2013 Cambodian election, Part 1: The menu of strategic manipulation'. 25 July 2013. *Electoral Integrity Blogspot*.

## **TEACHING**

### **University of Sydney**

Introduction to Comparative Politics	1/2017 (teaching assistant)
Research Design	1/2017 (teaching assistant)
Dilemmas of development in Southeast Asia	1/2014 (teaching assistant)

### **Thammasat University**

Human Security	1/2011; 1/2012 (course design and sole instructor)
Social Science Methodology	2/2010; 2/2011; 2/2012 (co-instructor)
Politics of International Development	2/2010; 2/2011; 2/2012 (co-instructor)

## **SERVICE TO PROFESSION**

### **Journal article review**

- New Media & Society
- Government Information Quarterly
- International Political Science Review
- Political Psychology
- Journal of Information technology & Politics
- German Politics
- Austrian Journal of South-East Asian Studies
- Nordic Journal of Human Rights
- Regional & Federal Studies
- Journal of Current Southeast Asian Affairs
- Southeast Review of Asian Studies

### **Conference organizing**

Pre-APSA Workshop 'Protecting Electoral Security & Voting Rights: The 2016 U.S. Elections in Comparative Perspective', San Francisco , August 2017

ECPR EIP panel 'Strengthening integrity through electoral reforms', Prague, September 2016

Pre-IPSA EIP/IDEA Workshop 'Contentious elections, conflict and regime transitions', Poznań , July 2016

Australian Political Studies Association annual conference, University of Sydney, September 2014

Workshop 'Challenges of Electoral Integrity in Asia-Pacific', University of Sydney, September 2014

Workshop 'Challenges of Electoral Integrity in Southeast Asia', Chulalongkorn University, August 2013

Workshop 'Concepts and Indices of Electoral Integrity', Harvard University, June 2013

First International Conference on International Relations and Development, Thammasat University, July 2011

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS/AFFILIATIONS**

American Political Science Association (APSA)  
Section 38: Political Communication  
Section 18: Information Technology and Politics

Australian Political Science Association (AusPSA)  
Research group: Political Organisations and Participation  
Research group: Quantitative Methods

European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)

European Political Science Association (EPSA)

International Political Science Association (IPSA)  
RC10: Electronic Democracy (board member)

Sydney Democracy Network (SDN)

Electoral Management Research Network

## **PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANCIES**

**2015** UNDP/International IDEA, 'Secure and Fair Elections (SAFE) Workshop' Model Curriculum.

Hanns-Seidel Foundation, 'Electoral Integrity in Africa'.

**2014** Friedrich-Naumann Foundation, 'Wahlbeobachtung durch den Schwarm. Wie durch crowdsourced election monitoring eine neue Norm der Bürgerbeteiligung in Südostasien entsteht'.

**2006** Working Group on Peace and Development (FriEnt), Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development, 'Agenda-setting in the Darfur crisis'.

## **LANGUAGES**

German native

English fluent (TOEFL iBT score: 118 out of 120)

Thai, French conversational

## **SOFTWARE**

R, Stata, SPSS, fsQCA, ArcGIS, Adobe Design CS6, Tableau

## **REFERENCES**

Available upon request.