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Curriculum vitae

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## EDUCATION

- 2017**                      **Ph.D.**  
Government and International Relations, University of Sydney, Australia  
Committee: Pippa Norris (Harvard University), Ariadne Vromen (University of Sydney), Steven Livingston (GWU), Sarah Birch (KCL), Stefaan Walgrave (U. Antwerp)
- 2009**                      **BA and MA** (Dipl.-Geogr.)  
Geography, Freie Universität Berlin, Germany  
Minors: Political Science, Geoinformatics

## EMPLOYMENT AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 4/2018 - Present**        **Lecturer**  
Institute for Political Science, Heidelberg University, Germany
- 9/2017 – 3/2018**        **Research Associate**  
Department of Government, University of Sydney, Australia
- 10/2017-12/2017**      **Research Officer**  
School of Sociology, College of Arts & Social Sciences, Australian National University, 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
- 2/2013 - 9/2016**        **Research Assistant**  
Electoral Integrity Project, University of Sydney, Australia
- 2010 – 2013**            **Lecturer**  
Political Science, Thammasat University, Bangkok, Thailand
- 2009 – 2013**            **Research Associate**  
Strategic Nonviolence Research Committee, Thailand Research Fund, Bangkok, Thailand

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Public Policy, Agenda-setting, Media, Interest Groups  
Comparative Authoritarianism, Transnational Advocacy, NGOs  
Survey Methodology, Content Analysis, Digital Trace Data  
Southeast Asia, Non-democracies

## PUBLICATIONS

### Journal Articles

- 2019** 'The paranoid style of American elections: Explaining misperceptions of electoral integrity in an age of populism' with Pippa Norris and Holly Ann Garnett. *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties*, doi: 10.1080/17457289.2019.1593181.
- 'Does group engagement with members constitute a 'beneficial inefficiency'?' with Darren R. Halpin. *Governance*, doi: 10.1111/gove.12388.
- 'More bang for the buck. Media freedom and organizational strategies in the agenda-setting of human rights groups'. *Political Communication*, doi: 10.1080/10584609.2018.1551256.
- 'The Expanding Party Universe: Patterns of Partisan Engagement in Australia and the United Kingdom' with Anika Gauja. *Party Politics*, doi: 10.1177/1354068818822251.
- 2018** 'The 'Crowd-Factor' in Connective Action: Comparing Protest Communication Styles of Thai Facebook Pages' with Aim Sinpeng. *Journal of Information Technology and Politics*, 15(3):197-214.
- 'The integrity of elections in Asia: Policy lessons from expert evaluations'. *Asian Politics & Policy*, 10(3):527-547.
- 2017** 'Domestic Election Monitoring and Advocacy: An Emerging Research Agenda'. *Nordic Journal of Human Rights*, 35(4):407-423.
- 'Electoral Sources of Authoritarian Resilience in Russia: Varieties of Electoral Malpractice 2007-2016' with Margarita Zavadsкая 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.

### 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.

### Datasets

- 2019** *Replication Data for: "More Bang for the Buck: Media Freedom and Organizational Strategies in the Agenda-Setting of Human Rights Groups"*. Harvard Dataverse, V1, <https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/EA011Q>.
- 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>.
- 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>.

- 2015** *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

- 2019** 'The Crowdsourced Replication Initiative: Investigating Immigration and Social Policy Preferences. Executive Report', with Breznau, Nate, Eike Mark Rinke, Alexander Wuttke et al., *SocArXiv Papers*. doi: 10.31235/osf.io/6j9qb.  
Book review: 'How to Rig an Election. By Nic Cheeseman and Brian Klaas. New Haven: Yale University Press, 2018. 320p. \$26.00 cloth'. Perspectives on Politics, 17(1), 284-285. doi:10.1017/S153759271800422X.
- 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.  
'Die "Crowd" als Wahlbeobachter'. *Hintergrund: Südostasien* 49 (August 2015), 1-30

### 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'
- 'Crowd work and networked publics as civic activism? The case of crowdsourced election monitoring'
- 'Electoral management and perceptions of subnational electoral integrity in Mexico' with Irma Méndez de Hoyos, Nicolás Loza Otero, and Ferran Martínez i Coma
- 'Economic or ethnic mobilization? Political machines and the integrity of subnational elections in Russia' with Ferran Martínez i Coma, and Margarita Zavadskaya
- 'Direct Democracy Integrity and the 2017 Constitutional Referendum in Turkey. A new research instrument' with Norbert Kersting

### Book Project

- '(Un)leashed? Election watchdogs and the limits of human rights advocacy'

### GRANTS, AWARDS AND HONORS

#### Individual

- 2019** Workshop grant 'Policy advocacy and the media in non-democracies', Fritz-Thyssen Foundation (EUR 8,500.00)  
Workshop grant 'Policy advocacy and the media in non-democracies', Field-of-Focus 4, Heidelberg University (EUR 4,260.00)
- 2016** 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)

#### **Electoral Integrity Project**

- 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

#### **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, 2018
International Conference of Thai Studies (ICTS)	2014
International Conference on International Relations and Development (ICIRD)	2011, 2012, 2013
International Political Science Association (IPSA)	2014, 2016, 2018

#### **INVITED TALKS**

- 'The state of elections worldwide'. 10 October 2017. *Australian Institute of International Affairs*, Sydney, Australia.
- 'The drivers of public attention to domestic election monitoring initiatives'. 24 January 2017. *Université libre de Bruxelles*, Brussels, Belgium.
- 'The drivers of public attention to domestic election monitoring initiatives'. 20 December 2016. *Berlin Social Science Center/Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin (WZB)*, Berlin, Germany.

- 'Why elections fail'. 15 December 2015. *European Platform for Democratic Elections (EPDE)*, Berlin, Germany.
- 'From global declarations to #reclaimnaija: Explaining the prevalence of domestic election monitoring initiatives'. 17 December 2015. *Berlin Social Science Center/ Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin (WZB)*, Berlin, Germany.
- 'The Year in Elections, 2014'. 5 November 2015. *Electoral Regulation Research Network (ERRN)*, University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia.
- 'Crowd-Monitoring und Wahlen'. 11 July 2015. *University of Münster, Department of Political Science*, Münster, Germany.
- 'The Year in Elections, 2014'. 18 March 2015. *Asian Electoral Stakeholder Forum II*, Dili, Timor-Leste.
- 'Using New Technology to Map Electoral Risks'. 9 January 2015. *United Nations Development Program (UNDP) Asia-Pacific Regional Centre*, Bangkok, Thailand.
- 'Electoral authoritarianism on retreat? The case of the 2013 Cambodian election'. 26 August 2013. *Thammasat University, Faculty of Political Science*, Bangkok, Thailand.
- 'Partisans or everyday makers? Mapping crowdsourced election watchdog groups on facebook'. 09 October 2014. *University of Canberra, Australia and New Zealand School of Government*, Canberra, ACT, Australia.
- 'Crowdsourced election observation and the legal environment for citizen engagement in Thailand'. 21 February 2012. *German-Southeast Asian Center of Excellence for Public Policy and Good Governance (CPG)*, Bangkok, Thailand.

## **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**

### **Heidelberg University**

The Global Challenge of Electoral Integrity (MA seminar)	1/2019 (convenor)
The media and political agenda-setting in non-democracies (MA seminar)	2/2018 (convenor)
Introduction to Comparative Politics (BA seminar)	1/2018 (convenor)

### **University of Sydney**

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

### **Thammasat University**

Human Security (BA seminar)	1/2011; 1/2012 (convenor)
Scope and Research Methods in International Relations	2/2012 (co-instructor)
Social Science Methodology (BA lecture)	2/2010; 2/2011; 2/2012 (co-convenor)
Politics of International Development (BA lecture)	2/2010; 2/2011; 2/2012 (co-instructor)

## **SERVICE TO PROFESSION**

### **Journal article review**

- Comparative Political Studies
- New Media & Society
- Government Information Quarterly
- International Political Science Review
- Political Psychology
- Democratization
- Social Science Computer Review
- 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

### **Conference organizing**

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

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

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

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

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

Workshop 'Challenges of Electoral Integrity in Southeast Asia', Chulalongkorn University, Aug 2013  
Workshop 'Concepts and Indices of Electoral Integrity', Harvard University, June 2013  
First International Conference on International Relations and Development, Thammasat University, Jul 2011

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS/AFFILIATIONS**

American Political Science Association (APSA)  
Section 38: Political Communication

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

European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)  
Standing Group on Interest Groups

International Political Science Association (IPSA)  
RC10: Electronic Democracy

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), Thai (conversational), French (conversational)

## **SOFTWARE**

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

## **REFEREES**

Provided upon request