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PERSONAL DETAILS

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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

August 2012	Positive Tenure Review
since October 2008	Junior Professor for Political Science, Department
	of Political Science, University of Heidelborg

of Political Science, University of Heidelberg Parental leave: 9/2011-3/2012 and 8/2013-3/2014

Aug. 2008 – Dec. 2012 External Research Fellow at the Mannheim Centre

for European Social Research (MZES)

Project: "European Legislative Responses to Internation-

al Terrorism"; Funding: Fritz-Thyssen Stiftung.

Aug. 2007 - Sept. 2008 Research Assistant in International Politics, Uni-

versity of Mannheim (Prof. Dr. Thomas König)

Oct. 2003 - Dec. 2007 Research Assistant at the German Institute for

Public Administration Speyer

Project 1: "Domestic Structures and European Integration. A Multi-stage two-level Analysis of European Con-

stitution-Building"

Project 2: "Eine vergleichende Analyse der Ratifikations-

prozesse in der Europäischen Union".

April – August 2003 Junior Research Consultant for PLS Ramboll Man-

agement

Evaluation of the European Structural Funds in Northern

Germany.

since September 2003 Concept Designer and Coacher, EuroSoc KG, Kon-

Design and management of seminars and simulations on European Union politics.

EDUCATION

March 2010 - Aug. 2011	Participant in the personnel development pro- gramme "Auf dem Weg zur Professur", University of Heidelberg
	Modul 1: employment law and leadership skills Modul 2: communication and conflict management
August 2000	Modul 3: negotiations and time management
August 2009	ECPR Summer School Methods and Techniques Advanced Training in Experimental Methods (Prof. Rebecca Morton)
September 2007	Doctoral Dissertation, University of Mannheim
	"Constitutional Politics in the European Union: The Dynam-
	ics of Governmental Positions and their Domestic Origins" ("summa cum laude")
	Committee: Prof. Dr. Thomas König, Prof. Dr. Berthold
	Rittberger, Prof. Dr. Thomas Bräuninger
Aug. 2007-Nov. 2009	Hochschuldidaktikzentrum Baden-Württemberg
	Certificate in University Didactic, Modul I "Lehren und Lernen"
Mai 2004 - Sept. 2006	German University for Administrative Sciences
	Doctoral Program
June 2004 & July 2006	Washington University in Saint Louis
	Summer Institute "Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models."
Sept. 2000 – June 2003	University of Konstanz
	Diploma in Political Science and Public Management
	(Grade: "Excellent"); Thesis on "The Price of Impatience:
	Time-Preferences in EU Decision Making."
July 1999 – April 2000	University of Aarhus
0-1-1007	Study abroad year at the faculty of political science.
Oct. 1997 - June 1999	University of Bremen
	Undergraduate studies in political science and economics.

NOMINATIONS (SHORT LISTED)

Universität Konstanz (Full Professorship for Political Science, 2010)

Universität Heidelberg (Full Professorship for Modern Political Theory, 2011) Universität Bamberg (Full Professorship for Political Science, 2012) Universität Duisburg-Essen (Full Professorship for European Public Policy, 2012)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

German University for Administrative Sciences Speyer:

Winter Term 2004/05: "Theorie und Praxis der Verhandlungen über eine EU Ver-

fassung." (MA level, Teaching Assistant)

Summer Term 2005: "European Cooperation and Integration." (MA level, Teach-

ing Assistant)

Winter Term 2005/06: "Direct Democracy and the European Constitution." (MA

level, Teaching Assistant)

University of Mannheim:

Fall Term 2007: "Decision Making in the European Union." (BA level, taught

in English)

Spring Term 2008: "Abschlusskolloguium B.A. Politikwissenschaft, Internatio-

nale Beziehungen." (BA level, research seminar)

Spring Term 2008: "European Integration and Cooperation - Applied Quantita-

tive and Qualitative Analysis." (BA level, taught in English)

Fall Semester 2008: "The Political Economy of International Terrorism." (BA le-

vel, taught in English)

University of Heidelberg:

Winter Term 2008/9: "Analytische Politische Ökonomik." (MA level)

"Die Politische Ökonomie des Terrorismus." (BA level)

Summer Term 2009: "Interdisziplinäre Institutionenanalyse: Aktuelle Theorien in

Wirtschafts- und Sozialwissenschaften" (BA level, Lecture)

"Interdisziplinäre Institutionenanalyse" (BA level)

Winter Term 2009/10: "Verhandeln und Entscheiden: Theorie und Praxis der Ge-

setzgebung in parlamentarischen Systemen" (MA level)
"Regulierungspolitik in Europa: Akteure und Strategien
zwischen Markt und Staat" (BA Economics, MA political sci-

ence)

Summer Term 2009: "Interdisziplinäre Institutionenanalyse: Aktuelle Theorien in

Wirtschafts- und Sozialwissenschaften" (BA level lecture) "Internationale Institutionen und Internationale Kooperati-

on" (BA level)

Winter Term 2010/11: "Spieltheorie für Politikwissenschaftler" (MA level)

"Regulierungspolitik in Europa: Akteure und Strategien

zwischen Markt und Staat" (BA Economics, MA political sci-

ence)

Summer Term 2011: "Internationale Institutions and International Cooperation"

(BA level)

"Theorie und Praxis der Gesetzgebung." (MA level)

Winter Term 2011/12: "Einführung in die Europäische Union." (BA level lecture)

"Moderne Institutionentheorie: Föderalismus und Dezentra-

le Steuerung" (MA level)

Summer Term 2012: "Rational Choice Ansätze in der Vergleichenden Policy For-

schung." (MA level)

"Institutionen Internationaler Kooperation" (BA level)

Winter Term 2012/13: "Einführung in die Europäische Union." (BA level lecture)

"Forschungsdesign" (MA level)

"Methoden der Politikwissenschaft 2" (BA level lecture)

Summer Term 2013: "Game Theory for Political Scientists." (MA level)

"International Cooperation and Integration" (BA level)

Hertie School of Governance:

February 2009: "Introduction to Applied Statistics for Public and Non-Profit

Management" (Block Seminar taught in English)

Non-University Teaching:

since September 2003 Talks and lectures on the decision making processes in the

European Union as well as the management of simulations on the Co-decision procedure in cooperation with Eurosoc

KG.

Thesis Supervision:

-more than 50 BA thesis and 20 MA thesis in Mannheim

and Heidelberg

-two doctoral students within the framework of my re-

search projects

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Memebership Deutsche Vereinigung für Politische Wissenschaft, Mid-

west Political Science Association, European Political Science Association, European Legislative Politics Research

Group.

Referee since 2011

Presentation/Chair /Discussant

American Journal of Political Science, British Journal of Political Science, European Union Politics, European Journal for Political Research, European Integration Online Papers, Political Analysis, International Studies Quarterly, International Organization, Political Studies, Princeton University Press, Journal of Theoretical Politics, Journal of European Public Policy, Review of International Organizations, Routledge, West European Politics, Zeitschrift für Internationale Beziehungen.

ISA Annual Convention, Montreal, 2004; ECPR Joint Sess ions, Uppsala 2004; ECPR General Conference, Budapest, 2005; DOSEI Conference on Methods and Measurement, Speyer, 2005; DOSEI Final Conference, Brüssel, 2006; Jahrestagung der Sektion Internationale Politik der DVPW, Darmstadt, 2007; MPSA Annual Conven-2007; ECPR Joint Sessions, Helsinki, Jahrestagung des DVPW Arbeitskreis Methoden, Hagen, 2007; Workshop "Institutional Innovations", Bamberg, 2007; ECPR Joint Sessions, Rennes, 2008; ECPR Standing Group European Politics, Riga 2008; Workshop "Political Institutions in the European Union: Theoretical and empirical innovations in current research", Konstanz, 2008; EUSA Biannual Conference, Los Angeles, 2009; ECPR General Conference, Potsdam, 2009; George Tsebelis Conference on Reform processes and policy change, Mannheim, 2009; Workshop on Politics in Times of Crisis, Heidelberg, 2009; ECPR Standing Group on European Politics, Porto, 2010; APSA Annual Convention, Washington DC, 2010; Workshop on Politics in Times of Crisis II, Heidelberg, 2010; EUSA Biannual Conference, Boston, 2011; Annual Meeting of the MPSA, Chicago, 2011; EPSA, Dublin, 2011; Arbeitskreis Handlungs- und Entscheidungstheorie, Kiel, Juli 2011; Economics and Politics Seminar, AWI, Heidelberg, Winter 2012, Annual Meeting of the MPSA, Chicago, April 2012; Annual Meeting of the European Political Science Association, Berlin, Juni 2012; Biannual Meeting of the ECPR Standing Group on European Union Politics, Tampere, September 2012; DVPW Kongress, Tübingen, September 2012; Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, April 2013.

Talks since 2010

- -"Legislative Responses to International Terrorism.", Politics in Times of Crisis Workshop, Heidelberg, December 2010.
- -"Splitting the Vote, Calling the Roll: Amendment Processes in the European Parliament", Universität Konstanz (im Rahmen des Berufungsverfahrens), Januar 2010.
- -"Two Principals, Two Motives: The Amendment Process in the European Parliament", ECPR Standing Group on European Politics, Porto, Juni 2010.
- -"Locating Bill Positions in the 6th European Parliament: Towards a Comprehensive Statistical Analysis of Legislative Decision Making", APSA Annual Convention, Washington DC, September 2010.
- -"Koalitionsbildung im Europäischen Parlament", Universität Heidelberg, Oktober 2010.
- -"Lost in Transaction. Strategic Governance in the European Parliament.", Universität Freiburg, Februar 2011
- -"Strategic Parliamentary Behaviour under Co decision.", EUSA Biannual Conference, Boston, März 2011.
- -"Deutsche Parlamente in der Europäischen Gesetzgebung.", Oldenburg, Institut für Sozialwissenschaft, Mai 2011.
- -"Realizing the Impossible: Reforming the European Union", Wien, IHS, Mai 2011.
- -"Parliamentary Scrutiny in the European Union.", First Annual Conference of the EPSA, Dublin, 16-18 Juni 2011.
- -"The Merits of Adding Complexity: Conditional Preferences in EU Decision Making.", First Annual Conference of the EPSA, Dublin, 16-18 Juni.
- -"Legislative Bargaining in the European Parliament.", First Annual Conference of the EPSA, Dublin, 16-18 Juni.
- -"Parlamentarische Kontrolle in der Europäischen Union.", AK Handlungs- und Entscheidungstheorie, Kiel, 15. Juli 2011.
- -"Kollektive Entscheidungen unter Unsicherheit", AK Handlungs- und Entscheidungstheorie, Kiel, 15. Juli 2011.
- -"Rediscovering Social Preferences in Majority Decisions.", Research Seminar of the Alfred Weber Institute for Economics, Heidelberg, 17. August 2011.
- -"Freiheit vs. Sicherheit: Altes Spannungsfeld vor neuen Herausforderungen.", Universität Bamberg, 2. Dezember 2011.

- -"Does domestic-level parliamentary scrutiny affect the voting behavior in the European Parliament.", Annual Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2012.
- -"Rediscovering Social Preferences under Majority Voting.", Annual Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2012.
- -"Motivated by the Process: Rediscovering Social Preferences under Majority Voting.", Thurgau Experimental Economics Meeting, April 2012.
- -"Effective Parliamentary Scrutiny of EU Legislation.", Politics and Economics Seminar, Alfred Weber Institute, Heidelberg, April 2012.
- -"Motivated by the Process: How Decision-Making Procedures Shape the Motivation Function Under Majority Rule", EPSA Annual Conference, Berlin, Juni 2012.
- "Domestic Scrutiny of European Union Politics: Between Whistle Blowing and Opposition Control", EPSA Annual Conference, Berlin, Juni 2012.
- "Parlamentarische Kontrolle in der Europäischen Union", TU Kaiserslautern, Juni 2012.
- "Making the Lisbon Treaty Work.", ECPR Standing Group on EU Politics, Tampere, September 2012.
- "Does Domestic-level Scrutiny affect Voting Behavior in the European Parliament?", ECPR Standing Group on EU Politics, Tampere, September 2012.
- "Group Loyalty in the European Parliament: A Latent Variable Approach", ECPR Standing Group on EU Politics, Tampere, September 2012.
- "Teile und Herrsche: Entscheidungseffizienz in Ausschüssen", DVPW Kongress, Panel zur Experimentellen Demokratieforschung, Tübingen, September 2012.
- "Parlamentarische Kontrolle Europäischer Gesetzgebung", Universität Bamberg, Dezember 2012.
- "Opposition Adieu? Internationaler Terrorismus und Deutsche Gesetzgebung", Universität Oldenburg, April 2013.
- "Parliamentary Scrutiny and Compliance with International Law", Annual Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2013.
- "Agenda Setting in the European Parliament", Annual Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2013.

Management Activities at the University of Heidelberg

member of the board of examiners member of the institute's management board member of the research council "Field of Focus 4" responsible for the M.A. module "Perspektiven der Politikwissenschaft"

responsible for the B.A. Modules "Europapolitik" and "Interdisziplinäre Institutionenanalyse"

referee for the graduate academy

member of the search committee "professorship in comparative politics"

organization of the Brown Bag Seminars (research colloquium)

organization of the open house presentation "Stunde der Universität", July 2012

organization of the workshop "Politics in Times of Crisis", Dezember 4-5, 2009 in Heidelberg

organization of the workshop "Politics in Times of Crisis II", Dezember 1-3, 2010 in Heidelberg

organization of the "Politics and Economics Seminar" (since summer 2012)

Member of program committee of the 6th Annual Conference on the Political Economy of International Organizations in Heidelberg und Mannheim, February 2013.

Chair of the Analytical Politics Section, ECPR General Conference, Bordeaux 2013.

Convenor of the ECPR Standing Group for Analytical Politics, since December 2013

PUBLICATIONS

Monographs

- Finke, Daniel, Thomas König, Sven-Oliver Proksch und George Tsebelis (2012). 'Realizing the Impossible: Reforming the European Union', Princeton University Press.
- Finke, Daniel (2010). 'European integration and its limits: Intergovernmental conflicts and their domestic origins' [ECPR Monograph Series; international marketing by the Columbia University Press].

Articles in peer reviewed journals

- Finke, Daniel (2013). ,Reforming International Institutions: The Domestic Origins and Conditional Logic of Governmental Reform Preferences.' *International Studies Quarterly*, 57(3), 288-302.
- König, Thomas und Daniel Finke (2013). 'Coalitions Politics and Legislative Responses to International Terrorism', *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, Forthcoming.
- Finke, Daniel (2013). ,Why do European Political Groups call the Roll?.' *Party Politics*, Forthcoming [published online first].
- Finke, Daniel and JeongHun Han (2013). ,Party Politics and the Power to Report: Information Efficiency in Bicameralism.', *Journal of European Public Policy*, 21(1), 133-150.
- Finke, Daniel (2013). , Domestic-level Parliamentary Scrutiny and Voting Behavior in the European Parliament.' *Government and Opposition*, Forthcoming.
- Finke, Daniel and Andreas Fleig (2013) The Merits of Adding Complexity: Non-Separable Preferences in Spatial Models of EU Politics, *Journal of Theoretical Politics*, 25(4): 546-575.
- Finke, Daniel und Tanja Dannwolf (2012). ,Whistle Blowing and Opposition Control: Parliamentary Scrutiny in the European Union.' *European Journal of Political Research*, 52(6): 715-746.
- Finke, Daniel (2012). ,Proposal Stage Coalitions in the European Parliament.' European Union Politics, vol. 13, no. 4.
- Schneider, Gerald, Daniel Finke and Stefanie Bailer (2010). 'Bargaining Power in the European Union: An Evaluation of Competing Game-Theoretic Models' *Political Studies.* vol. 58, no. 1: 85-103.

- Finke, Daniel (2010). ,Estimating the Effect of Non-Separable Preferences in EU Treaty Negotiations'. *Journal of Theoretical Politics*, Vol. 21, no. 4, 543-569.
- Finke, Daniel (2009). 'Domestic Politics and European Treaty Reform: Analysing the Dynamics of Governmental Reform Positions'. *European Union Politics*. Vol. 10, no. 4.
- Finke, Daniel (2009). 'Challenges to Intergovernmentalism: An Empirical Analysis of EU Treaty Negotiations since Maastricht'. *West European Politics*, Vol. 32, no. 3, 466-495.
- Finke, Daniel and Thomas König (2009). 'Why Risk Popular Ratification Failure? A Comparative Analysis of the Choice of the Ratification Instrument in the 25 Member States of the EU'. *Constitutional Political Economy*, Vol. 20, no. 3, 341-365.
- König, Thomas, Daniel Finke and Stefanie Damier (2008). 'The Treaty Reform of the EU: Constitutional Agenda-Setting, Intergovernmental Bargains and the Presidency's Crisis Management of Ratification Failure'. *Journal of Common Market Studies.* Vol. 46, no. 2: 337-63.
- Finke, Daniel and Thomas König (2007). 'Reforming the equilibrium? Veto players and policy change in the European constitution-building process'. *Review of International Organizations*. Vol. 2, no. 2: 153-76.
- Schneider, Gerald and Daniel Finke (2007). ,With a little help from your state

 Interest Intermediation in the Pre-Negotiations of EU Legislation'. *Journal of European Public Policy*, vol. 14, no. 3: 444-59.
- König, Thomas, Daniel Finke and Stefanie Daimer (2006). ,Ignoring the Non-Ignorables? Missingness and Missing Policy Positions'. *European Union Politics* vol. 6, no.3: 269-90.

Articles in edited volumes

- Finke, Dainel (2013). Veto Power: Institutoinal Design in the European Union and Resolving Controversy in the European Union. Perspectives on Politics (Book Review Section), *Forthcoming*.
- Finke, Daniel (2012). ,The Impact of the European Union on Coalition Formation in a Minority System: The Case of Denmark.' : IHS Working Paper Political Science Series. Vienna: Institute for Advanced Studies, Working Paper 127.
- Finke, Daniel (2012). The EU's Decision Traps: Comparing Policies, West European Politics (Book Review Section) vol. 25, no. 5: 1203-1204

- König, Thomas, Daniel Finke, Ferdinand Teuber and Petra Oberrauch (2013). "European Legislative Responses to International Terrorism." MZES Arbeitspapier, Forthcoming
- Schneider, Gerald, Daniel Finke and Konstantin Baltz (2010). Korporatismus oder Etatismus? Formierung von Verhandlungspositionen zu EU-Gesetzgebungsvorhaben. In Torsten Selck and Tim Veen (Hrsg.) *Die Politische Ökonomie des EU-Entscheidungsprozesses: Modelle and Anwendungen.* VSVerlag, Wiesbaden.
- Finke, Daniel (2008). Parteienwettbewerb and Ratifikation: Szenarien mit Institutionellen Randbedingungen. in: T. König, D. Finke and S. Daimer (Hrg.). *Plebiszit und Ratifikation. Eine vergleichende Untersuchung von Referenden zur Europäischen Verfassung.* Speyer Forschungsbericht 248, Speyer.
- König, Thomas, Daniel Finke and Stefanie Daimer (2007). Einführung. in: T. König, D. Finke and S. Daimer (Hrg.). *Plebiszit und Ratifikation. Eine vergleichende Untersuchung von Referenden zur Europäischen Verfassung.* Speyer Forschungsbericht 248, Speyer.
- König, Thomas, Daniel Finke and Stefanie (2007). (mit T. König und S. Daimer) Die deutsche EU-Ratspräsidentschaft 2007 Ende der Verfssungskrise?' *WeltTrends-Papiere*, Potsdam.
- Finke, Daniel and Stefanie Daimer (2007). Gründe für die Einberufung und den Erfolg von Referenden. in: T. König, D. Finke und S. Daimer (Hrg.). Plebiszit und Ratifikation. Eine vergleichende Untersuchung von Referenden zur Europäischen Verfassung. Speyer Forschungsbericht 248, Speyer.
- Finke, Daniel (2006). Item-Response Modellierung ordinaler Daten. in: J. Behnke, T. Gschwend, D. Schindler and K.-U. Schnapp (Hrg.). *Empirische Methoden der Politikwissenschaft. Neuere qualitative und quantitative Analyseverfahren.* Nomos-Verlag, Baden-Baden.
- Finke, Daniel (2006). Estonia. A new voice in Europe's Intergovernmental Bargaining. in: T. König and S. Hug (eds.). *Policy-making Processes and the European Constitution. A Comparative Study of Member States and Accession Countries.* London/New York: Routledge.
- Finke, Daniel (2006). Finland. Centralized Consensus on EU Constitution Building. in: T. König and S. Hug (eds.). *Policy-making Processes and the European Constitution. A Comparative Study of Member States and Accession Countries.* London/New York: Routledge.

Work in Progress.

- 'Delegation in Bicameral Legislatures: The Political Efficacy Trap.' British Journal of Political Science.
- 'Parliamentary Scrutiny and Compliance with European Law.' (with Tanja Dannwolf und Annika Herbel)
- 'The Democratic Legitimacy of World Politics: Parliamentary Scrutiny and Coalition Government.'
- (with Fleig, Andreas). ,Pooling vs. Delegation: The Effect of Competing Institutional Designs on the Relevance of Social Preferences.'
- 'Coalition Building in the European Parliament.' (with Dirk Junge)

RESEARCH GRANTS

- ~210.000 EUR, German Research Foundation (DFG); Project: "Effective Scrutiny of European Union Politics by national parliaments"
- ~100.000 EUR, Thyssen Foundation; Project: "European Legislative Responses to International Terrorism" (with Prof. Dr. Thomas König)
- ~120.000 EUR, Ministerium für Wissenschaft, Forschung und Kunst Baden-Württemberg; Project: "Nonseparable Preferences in Collective Decision Making"
- ~20.000 EUR; University of Heidelberg; international Workshop "Politics in Times of Crisis" (http://politics-in-times-of-crisis.de)

RESEARCH PROJECTS

i. Parliamentary Scrutiny of European Union Politics

The delegation of decision making competences from the national to the European level has increased governmental discretion vis-à-vis national parliaments. Due to the nontransparent decision making procedures national parliaments find it difficult to effectively control their governments when acting at the European level. For this reason, normative democratic theory suggests extended scrutiny powers for both, national parliaments and the European Parliament.

Against this background, we raise the question of why under a given set of procedural rules some EU policy proposals are scrutinized by parliamentary committees whereas others go unchecked. Specifically, we answer this question for twelve national parliaments in the European Union which sponsor a significant variation of procedural rules. On the empirical side, we compile a data set which contains information on the scrutiny activities at the level of policy proposal drafted by either the European Commission or the Council. In order to validate the data and to render the information comparable across countries we plan to conduct a series of interviews with members of the parliamentary administrations responsible for data base maintenance. The results obtained by the quantitative analysis will be validated by case studies and expert interviews (triangulation).

Funding: Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft, 210.000 EUR

Periode: March 2013- March 2016

ii. Nonseparable Preferences in Collective Decision Making

The theoretical analysis has expects nonseparable preferences in combination with decentralized agenda control to have a significant impact on the stability, efficiency and transparency of political decisions. But so far these theoretical claims have not been subject to systematic empirical scrutiny. Decentralized decision making is typical in federal states, multi-level political systems such as the European Union as well as international organizations more generally. The present research

project investigates decentralized decision making via experimental and survey

methods as well as data of agenda setting inside the European Parliament.

Funding: Landesstiftung Baden-Württemberg, ca. 120.000 EUR

Periode: October 2009 - October 2013

iii. Amendement Processes and Strategic Voting in the European Parliament

Voting behavior in the European Parliament depends on two competing principals,

their national party and their European Party Group. However, the parliament's

rules of procedure privilege the latter over the former. Standard statistical analysis

of roll call votes cannot identify the position of bills in the policy space. For this

reason, they are only of limited value for analyzing the logic of legislative negotia-

tions in a sufficiently comprehensive manner.

This project studies legislative negotiations in the European Parliament. Additional

information on the voting sequence and the identity of the amendment author en-

ables us to analyze how procedural rules affect lawmaking in the European Parlia-

ment by privileging certain party groups and restricting the power of the median

legislator. Our results provide detailed information on the amendment strategies

of European party groups and their impact on policy outcome. We provide new

insights into the dynamics which drive lawmaking in the European Parliament.

Funding: University of Heidelberg, Excellence Initiative

Periode: since December 2010

iv. European Legislative Response to International Terrorism (ELIT)

Since 9/11 political decision makers, in general, and governments, in particular, have

directed their attention to the threat of international terrorism. As a consequence

most governments warn of the increasing threats by terrorism, strongly advocate

counter-terrorist measures and demand more discretionary power in these issues.

However, the scope and scale of anti-terrorism legislation differs across countries. Our

research project intends to explain this variation and to provide empirical insights into

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the means governments are using to handle the issues of terrorism in the legislative arenas of the European Union. In order to gather the necessary information it applies computerized text analysis to the legislative initiatives and committee documents in Germany and the United Kingdom.

Funding: Thyssen Foundation, ca. 120.000 EUR

<u>Periode:</u> September 2009 – June 2012 (follow-up project proposal submitted)

v. Governmental Preferences over International treaty reforms

In this project, I plan to investigate the formation and change of these reform preferences within their domestic contexts. We highlight, in particular, the incentives of governmental leaders to respond strategically to competing domestic interests under consideration of the respective institutions. This project follows up on my earlier work on EU treaty reforms. The project benefits from cooperation with the Collaborative Research Center "Political Economicy of Political Reforms" at the University of Mannheim.