

**Von:** [Manuela Liem](#)  
**An:** [Liem, Manuela \(IPW\)](#)  
**Betreff:** Kopie von SPSA Info / November 2023  
**Datum:** Freitag, 24. November 2023 10:53:07

Sie erhalten nicht oft eine E-Mail von sekretariat@svpw-assp.ch. [Erfahren Sie, warum dies wichtig ist](#)



Dear SPSA members,

### **Congress registration**

Registration for the SPSA Annual Congress on February 8/9, 2024 in St. Gallen is now open: <https://eshop.svpw-assp.ch>

When registering for the congress, please make sure that you select the correct category under «Membership» (use the arrow in the «Membership» field). Only SPSA members who have paid the 2023 membership fee can benefit from the reduced participation fee.

### **SPSR membership**

If you have not yet paid your SVPW membership fee, you can now exceptionally transfer it directly via the registration for the congress: <https://eshop.svpw-assp.ch/en/membership-spsa/5/membership-fee-spsa-2023> (register first!). Please also encourage your employees and colleagues to become members. We would like to reverse the sharp decline in membership we are currently seeing!

If you move, please report any changes of address to [office.assp@bluewin.ch](mailto:office.assp@bluewin.ch). It is important that our membership database is up to date. Thank you very much.

### **Swiss Political Science Review goes online**

As of 2024, the Swiss Political Science Review (SPSR) will undergo a significant transformation: The journal will transition to an online edition! Only members who explicitly request a printed version will still receive the journal in a printed format from us.

### **Our co-presidency comes to an end**

This is the final newsletter you receive from us as co-presidents of the SPSA. We are looking forward to meeting you in St. Gallen for the Annual Conference and General Assembly, where we will hand over the reins to the next presidency.

## Inhalt

- DeFacto
- General Information
- Awards
- Events
- Projects
- Books
- Dissertations
- Jobs
- Administratives / Kontakt

## DeFacto

DeFacto is the platform for the dissemination of Swiss political science research. DeFacto features short versions of papers published in scientific journals, summaries of book chapters and other research reports, as well as analyses and commentaries written especially for the platform, in connection with current events. The platform is available to all researchers in political science and related disciplines. Get in touch if you have an interesting publication that you would like to make known to a wider audience!

Recently published: [\*Mr. Bochsler, has the magic formula served its time?\*](#)

DeFacto now also offers the opportunity to publish articles in English, provided that an article in a local language can be simultaneously published.

[More about DeFacto](#)

## General Information

### SPSA

On 14 September, the SPSA organised a public event on the Swiss elections via its Federalism Working Group. At the invitation of the *ch Stiftung*, approximately 40 people gathered at the «Haus der Kantone» in Bern. Presentations were given by Prof. Anke Tresch (FORS/Unil), Prof. Oscar Mazzoleni (OVRP/Unil) and Dr. Sarah Bütikofer (UZH & Sotomo). The audience consisted of SPSA members, staff from the «Haus der Kantone» and the federal administration as well as foreign diplomatic staff. Enquiries can be sent to [sean.muller@unil.ch](mailto:sean.muller@unil.ch).

The SPSA warmly thanks Sean Müller and Alexander Arens for their organization!

### Université de Lausanne, FORS

Monitoring Electoral Democracy (MEDem, <https://www.medem.eu/>) is a new, evolving

European research infrastructure that will enable better, more comprehensive and highly innovative comparative research on electoral democracies. These aims will be achieved by cooperatively bringing together and linking data sources and information on the functioning of democracies, and by building standards and instruments for data collection, visualization, analysis, and data operation. MEDem also strengthens existing national and comparative studies on electoral democracy by connecting them to a stable European network of research groups and scholars working collaboratively within the infrastructure. Furthermore, MEDem provides training and capacity building, laying the groundwork for academic excellence. In doing so, elevating the analysis of European electoral democracies.

In the ongoing process of establishing a European research infrastructure, a strong Community is crucial to gain the political and financial support needed. By signing the «MEDem Expression of Endorsement», you will not only affirm your support for MEDem but also contribute to our collective efforts to have MEDem included on the ESFRI Roadmap. Your endorsement will unite you with a growing community of researchers who firmly believe in the transformative power of research and collaboration that MEDem will foster.

Please find the online form of the "MEDem Personal Expression of Endorsement" here: <https://forms.gle/qnYfongqx9As6yMS9>

*The secondary data usage must improve*

FORS/[linkhub.ch](https://linkhub.ch) and Interpharma set forth the requirements for a «Framework Law for Secondary Data Usage» from the perspective of social science and pharmaceutical research. [More information.](#)

## **Université de Lausanne, IDHEAP**

*Partenariat de l'IDHEAP avec le Contrôle fédéral des finances*

Le Contrôle fédéral des finances (CDF) et l'Institut de hautes études en administration publique (IDHEAP) de l'Université de Lausanne ont conclu un partenariat pour dispenser une formation flexible et certifiante de niveau tertiaire dans le domaine de la surveillance financière du secteur public. Concrètement, l'IDHEAP et le CDF offrent plusieurs séminaires de brève durée (quatre jours), consacrés à une problématique spécifique touchant à la surveillance financière. Le cumul de trois séminaires permet d'obtenir un certificat de formation continue (Certificate of Advanced Studies-CAS) en administration publique avec mention de la spécialisation « Public Sector Audit and Oversight ». Quatre séminaires à choix sont actuellement programmés. Ils ont lieu les jeudi et vendredi, espacés de deux semaines et en alternance entre Lausanne et Soleure. ([www.unil.ch/idheap/psao/fr](http://www.unil.ch/idheap/psao/fr))

## **Awards**

**Universität St. Gallen (HSG) / School of Economics and Political Science /  
Department of Political Science**

Elsa Massoc's article Taxing Financial Transactions in the First Golden Age of Financial Capitalism (2023) was selected in the SER 20 most appreciated articles.

### **Université de Lausanne, IEP**

Amal Shahid vient de recevoir le prix de la fondation pierredubois : <https://www.fondation-pierredubois.ch/fr/2023-amal-shahid/>

## **Events**

### **Université de Genève, Département de science politique et relations internationales**

Conférence : La Suisse au Conseil de Sécurité de l'ONU. LEÇONS, DÉFIS, OPPORTUNITÉS

Jeudi 30 novembre 2023 | 18h15, Uni Mail, salle MR380, lien : <https://agenda.unige.ch/events/view/37803>

### **Universität Bern, Kompetenzzentrum für Public Management**

*International Workshop on Policy Theories in Europe, 6-7 February 2024, University of Bern*

On February 6 and 7, 2024, Johanna Hornung will host an international workshop on "Policy Theories in Europe", funded by the SNF, at the KPM Center for Public Management, University of Bern. The workshop brings together international public policy researchers (Christopher Weible, Claudio Radaelli, Paul Cairney, Evangelia Petridou, Laura Chaqués-Bonafont, Giliberto Capano, Karin Ingold, Reimut Zohlnhöfer, Sandra Plümer) who will present their papers on different aspects of policy theories in Europe (e.g., literature reviews of their application across Europe, their fit into European contexts, theoretical and empirical gaps with regard to Europe). This will serve the preparation of a special issue guest-edited by Christopher Weible in the European Policy Analysis (EPA) journal.

Participants at all career levels, particularly early-career researchers, are invited to discuss, give feedback, and ask questions following the presentations of the workshop and in the open panel discussions. Participation is free and possible online or in person. Registration is required by December 20, 2023, under this [link](#).

### **Université de Lausanne, IDHEAP**

*Swiss Asian Summer School à Lausanne*

Cette année, l'Institut de Hautes Études en Administration Publique (IDHEAP) de l'Université de Lausanne a accueilli l'édition 2023 de la Swiss-Asian Summer School (SASS). Du 26 au 30 juin, la SASS 2023 a rassemblé 35 professeur.e.s et doctorant.e.s provenant de 4 pays. Les 7 universités partenaires cette année sont l'Université de Nanyang (Singapour), l'Université Renmin (Chine), l'Université Nationale de Séoul (Corée

du Sud), l'Université Sun Yat Sen (Chine), l'Université Yonsei (Corée du Sud), l'Université des Sciences Appliquées de Zurich (ZHAW) ainsi que l'Université de Lausanne.

Fondée en 2004, la SASS favorise la collaboration académique internationale en administration publique. Elle connecte des chercheurs et chercheuses de Suisse et d'Asie, offrant une plateforme aux doctorant.e.s et à leurs professeur.e.s pour présenter des projets de recherche et participer à des ateliers interactifs. La SASS met l'accent sur les échanges interculturels et la préparation des futur-e-s universitaires pour le domaine de l'administration publique. En outre, des visites ont été organisées pour faire découvrir aux participant.e.s le patrimoine du pays hôte. Chaque année, ces types de visites sont essentiels pour permettre de partager le patrimoine du pays accueillant l'édition en question et d'ainsi mieux comprendre le cadre et la culture au sein desquels les participant.e.s conduisent leurs recherches.

### **Zentrum für Demokratie Aarau (ZDA)**

[«SpielPolitik!» lädt ein](#)

Mittwoch, 29. November 2023 | 14.00 bis 17.00 Uhr | Bundeshaus, Bern

Wir laden Sie herzlich ein, an der öffentlichen Durchführung des Planspiels [«SpielPolitik!»](#) teilzunehmen. Die Session wird von Nationalratspräsident Martin Candinas eröffnet. Danach beraten die Schülerinnen und Schüler ihre vier Initiativen und stimmen darüber ab. Um 17.00 Uhr gibt es ein Apéro für die Gäste in der Galerie des Alpes. Wir freuen uns über Ihre Teilnahme! ([Flyer](#) | [Zur Anmeldung](#))

### **DeFacto**

*Der Stadt-Land-Graben: Entwicklungen und neuste Forschung aus der Schweiz*

30. November 23 | 10 Uhr | UniS, 101, Universität Bern

mit Alina Zumbrunn (UniBE), Daniel Kübler (ZDA), Lukas Haffert (Unige), Anna John (Büro Bilbao), Georg Lutz (FORS), Sean Müller (UNIL), u.a.

[Anmeldung](#)

## **Projects**

### **Université de Genève, Département de science politique et relations internationales**

*Workshop et Summer School en Etudes de la Citoyenneté* obtenu dans le cadre de l'alliance 4EU+ / Titulaire du fonds : Marco Giugni

*Immigrant Solidarity in Switzerland: Attitudes and Practices of Support to Others* obtenu via le FNS / Titulaire du fonds : Marco Giugni

*Exposure to violence, cooperative behavior and emotions* obtenu via le FNS / Titulaire du fonds : Simon Hug

*Condominio Europe? Patterns, dynamics and limits of differentiated integration in the*

*wider European administrative space* obtenu via le FNS/ Titulaire du fonds: Sandra Lavenex

*Finding Agreement in Return (FAiR)* obtenu via European Commission, Horizon Europe / Titulaire du fonds: Sandra Lavenex

### **Universität Zürich, IPZ**

Jelle Koedam, Giorgio Malet, and Jochen Rehmert have all been awarded an SNSF Ambizione Grant. Each award provides four years of research funding. Jelle will study the consequences of multidimensional polarization for democracy in Europe. His project will be based at the IPZ. Giorgio's project focuses on the effects of EU policies on support for European integration and he will move to the ETH. Jochen will study when and why parties do not re-nominate their incumbent Members of Parliament and will be based at the University of Basel. Jelle, Giorgio, and Jochen all plan to start their new positions in early 2024.

### **Zentrum für Demokratie Aarau (ZDA)**

#### [Schweizer Abstimmungsforschung geht neue Wege](#)

Das neue Forschungsprojekt «DDS-21» untersucht die persönliche Meinungsbildung bei Abstimmungen. Am Zentrum für Demokratie Aarau wird die Rolle der Digitalisierung auf die Meinungsbildung analysiert. Dabei zeigt sich: Soziale Medien spielen bei der Informationsbeschaffung nach wie vor eine kleine Rolle – bei den Jungen werden YouTube und Instagram jedoch rege genutzt.

### **Universität St. Gallen (HSG) / School of Economics and Political Science / Department of Political Science**

#### *Institutional Foundations of Industrialization, Financialization and Globalization of the Swiss Economy. Evidence from 140 Years of the Commercial Registry (REFLEX)*

Based on the records in the Swiss Commercial Registry on notable business events, published daily since 1883, this Sinergia project Reflex is dedicated to the creation of a unique dataset of 140 years of Swiss corporate history mobilising state-of-the-art machine learning and textual analysis algorithms. This database will be open to the public and built to allow intuitive access to all information. The consortium team is coordinated by the Università della Svizzera Italiana and brings together researchers from ETH Zurich, the University of Liège in Belgium, and the University of St.Gallen. In substantive terms, three interconnected research projects explore the institutional conditions that have contributed to the development of the Swiss economy. The St.Gallen team (Tina Freyburg, Anna Stünzi, Filippo Pasquali), primarily explore structures of ownership in Swiss firms across sectors and over time – including the public-private aspect, family relationships, cultural factors, and politics. For more information please contact [ipw@unisg.ch](mailto:ipw@unisg.ch).

*Reconfiguring EU Democracy Support – Towards a sustained demos in the EU's Eastern Neighbourhood (REDEMOS)*

This Horizon Europe (Research and Innovation Actions) project studies democracy support in the Eastern Partnership (EaP) countries (e.g. Ukraine, Moldova, Georgia). The aim is to understand and address the main challenges to democracy in the EU's eastern neighbourhood, and to provide ways forward for EU democracy support in the region. To this end, the consortium members develop a new concept for democracy collaboration, in which the conditions of national democracy development are more strongly integrated into the approaches of European democracy promotion. The REDEMOS consortium is coordinated by the Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU) and brings together a consortium of eleven research-oriented and academic institutions, including six universities, four independent think tanks, and one small and medium-sized enterprise from all across Europe. The St.Gallen team (Tina Freyburg, Ioannis Vergioglou, Danyl Denysenko primarily studies the images associated with EU democracy promotion prevalent within the European Commission and among its Eastern partners and explores how they shape the policy actions of EU and EaP policy agents. For more information please contact [ipw@unisg.ch](mailto:ipw@unisg.ch).

## Books

### Université de Lausanne, IEP

Ivan Sainsaulieu et Jean-Philippe Leresche. 2023. [\*C'est qui ton chef ? Sociologie du leadership en Suisse\*](#). Lausanne : EPFL Press.

## Dissertations

### Université de Genève, Département de science politique et relations internationales

Alexandre Veuthey: « The European union external action: toward a joined-up approach? L'action extérieure de l'Union européenne : vers une approche conjointe ? »

Yoann Della Croce : « Unjust Inequality of Access to Assisted Suicide: Cases and Theory. Inégalités et injustices dans l'accès au suicide assisté : cas et théorie »

Melis Pinar Akdag: « On contestation. Republicanism and the Gezi Park protests. Sur la contestation. Le républicanisme et les manifestations du Parc Gezi »

Alexander Matthias Geisler : « Combining sortition and direct democracy: Designing the role of minipublics in the Swiss democratic system »

Max Joosten : « Pressuring Platforms: How party programs shape and are shaped. Plateformes de pression : Comment les programmes politiques façonnent et sont façonnés »

Valentina Holecz : « Young Citizens : A Study on Shaping Conceptions, Overcoming Obstacles, and Political Participation in Times of Increasing Inequalities »

## Jobs

You can find all job advertisements [here](#).

## Administratives / Kontakt

Please notify us of a change of postal or e-mail address: [office.assp@bluewin.ch](mailto:office.assp@bluewin.ch)

---

SVPW

Geschäftsstelle / Mitgliederverwaltung

Postfach

CH-3000 Bern

Tel. 031 332 33 61

[office.assp@bluewin.ch](mailto:office.assp@bluewin.ch)

[www.svpw-assp.ch](http://www.svpw-assp.ch)

As always, you will find links to Call for papers [here](#).

Kind regards from Bern and see you soon,

Karin Ingold, Isabelle-Stadelmann-Steffen & Manuela Liem

PS: We write to you here in English because you have indicated that this is your language of correspondence. If you would like to receive the newsletter in French or German in the future, please let Monika Spinatsch know.

