

Newsletter SVPW/ASSP - August/Août 2014

Liebe Mitglieder

Willkommen zur aktuellen Ausgabe des Newsletters der Schweizerischen Vereinigung für Politische Wissenschaft - SVPW/ASSP.

Bitte beachten Sie, dass der nächste Jahreskongress der SVPW am 5-7 Februar 2015 an der Universität Lausanne stattfindet.

Dieses Newsletter enthält auch die Jahresberichte der Arbeitsgruppen für 2014.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen
Omar Serrano, Sekretär SVPW

Chers membres,

Vous recevez ici l'édition actuelle du bulletin de l'Association suisse de science politique - SVPW/ASSP.

Veillez noter que le prochain congrès annuel de l'ASSP se déroulera les 5-7 février 2015 à l'Institut d'études politiques et internationales de l'université de Lausanne.

Ce bulletin présente aussi les rapports annuels des groupes de travail pour 2014.

Avec mes meilleures salutations
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1. Jahreskongress SVPW 2015/ Congrès annuel ASSP 2015 - Call for papers



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Rappel: propositions de panel 6ème Congrès des Associations Francophones de Science Politique - CoSPoF 2015 - 5 au 7 février 2015 à l'Institut d'études politiques et internationales de l'université de Lausanne

Propositions de communications

Vous trouvez la liste de toutes les Sections Thématiques (ST) retenues avec leur titre et leur appel à communications ici: http://www3.unil.ch/wpmu/cospof15/?page_id=455) répartis sous 46 chapeaux thématiques.

Pour proposer ou soumettre une communication dans une de ces Sections Thématiques, notez le numéro de votre Section et inscrivez votre propositions de communication ici : <https://www3.unil.ch/cospof15-registration/?target=submission>.

Il n'y a pas besoin d'envoyer de courriel au responsables des Sections Thématiques puisque les propositions de communications sont gérées de manière centralisée.

1er Septembre 2014: Clôture des envois de propositions de communications !

2. Jahresberichte 2014 der Arbeitsgruppen/ Rapports annuels 2014 des groupes de travail

2.1 Political economy and social policy

This year's most important event was the Annual Congress of our association which was held on January 30-31, 2014 at the University Berne. As in previous years we organized a workshop centered on topics of political economy and social policy. We received 11 paper proposals, 10 of which were accepted in the final conference program (1 was re-directed to another working group). The papers were distributed into 3 substantively coherent panels, namely: "economic crisis and its political consequences"; "political representation and actors' strategies"; and "social policy and electoral mobilization". For a lively and substantive debate, we invited three internationally distinguished scholars as discussant for each panel. We thank the discussants for accepting our invitation and providing generous and thoughtful comments. Our thanks go also to the Swiss Academy of Humanities and Social Sciences whose generous subsidy made this possible.

As a second important point of our activity, we continued to notify the members of our working group of upcoming conferences, call for papers and job opportunities via our mailing list. Do not hesitate to forward us information relevant to our members. Please contact Damian Raess (Damian.Raess@unige.ch) or Hanna Schwander (hanna.schwander@uni-bremen.de).

Damian Raess and Hanna Schwander

2.2 European Integration

A number of aspects characterized the meeting of the working on European Integration of the Swiss Political Science association this year. To start with, for the third time in a row, the number of applications went beyond the time slots available. Secondly, the applications came both from researchers working at Swiss and international universities, including Poland, Italy, Spain, Turkey and Germany. We interpret both the number and the diversity of the applications as an expression of the observation that the annual meeting of the Swiss Political Science Association in general and the working group on European Integration in particular has well managed to establish itself as an middle sized conference that allows for intense discussions and that has an increasingly international appeal. Thirdly, while the leaders of the working group abstained from issuing a special call this year, the topics addressed by the applications and presentations reiterated a trend of the previous years, i.e. that the more conventional inward looking studies of processes of European policy-making and Europeanization is increasingly supplemented by an outward looking perspective that addresses the external effects of European policies and Europe as an international actor.

Despite two drop outs at short notice, we had very interesting discussions about the presentations by the following researchers and their respective topics:

Magnus G. Schoeller (European University Institute): "Germany as a Reluctant Leader in the Eurozone Crisis"

Eva Ruffing (Leibniz Universität Hannover): "From CESR to ESMA: national securities regulators in European policy-making"

Jørgen Bølstad (ETH Zürich)"Treaty reforms and legislative efficiency in the EU: An interrupted time-series analysis"

Pawel Szczerbak (Universität Göttingen): "Tentative Democratisation of the European Policies through National Parliaments?"

Michal Tomczyk (Universität Luzern): "The determinants of the decision-making process in Swiss policy towards the EU".

Tanja Klein (Universität Basel): "The Common Security and Defence Policy. Continuity and Change in the Dutch Position".

Pawel Frankowski (Maria Curie-Sklodowska University): "Labor standards and external promotion of European norms".

Katharina Luise Meissner (European University Institute): "Challenged from the inside, determined by the outside? The European foreign trade policy towards South America"

Stefanie Bailer und Dirk Lehmkuhl

2.3 Representation and Political Behaviour

The main activity of the working group "Representation and political behavior" in 2013-4 was the preparation of the annual conference in Berne (January, 30-31). On the one hand, the working group organized an interdisciplinary roundtable on "electoral reforms in Switzerland", with six panelists from various disciplines. The roundtable was attended by some 80 participants - mainly specialists from the public administration, politicians, and academics. On the other hand, the working group accepted 24 individual paper proposals, which were presented in five panels. These panels dealt with core questions of political behavior, notably elections and representation, attitudes and trust, direct democracy, participation and political engagement, and identity and integration of social groups. Given the large number of papers of high quality, two panel sessions were held in parallel. The working group would like to thank all paper givers and participants for stimulating discussions. Special thanks go to our discussants: Daniel Bochsler (University of Zurich), Marco Giugni (Université de Genève), Romain Lachat (Universitat Pompeu Fabra), Georg Lutz (Université de Lausanne), Anita Manatschal (Universität Bern), Lionel Marquis (Université de Lausanne), Line Rennwald (Université de Genève), Jan Rosset (FORS, Université de Lausanne), Didier Ruedin (Université de Neuchâtel), Pascal Sciarini (Université de Genève).

Daniel Bochsler, Regula Hänggli, Georg Lutz, Anke Tresch

2.4 Federalism and Territorial Politics

The call for papers of the federalism and territorial politics working group for Berne attracted ten abstracts. One was rejected as beyond the topical frame and allocated to a different panel. Eventually, nine papers were presented in three different panels. Paper givers came from the Universities of Berne, Geneva, Lausanne, Zurich (two each), and Mannheim. The quality of the workshop was felt to be very good because all papers addressed the issue of local and urban politics in multilevel systems, albeit in different empirical contexts and using different methods. Guest speaker Prof. Anders LIDSTRÖM, Umea University, delivered a 30-min keynote speech at the beginning, commented on every paper, and highlighted the need for future research in his concluding remarks. The Congress in Berne also marked the handover of the co-convenorship of the working group by Philippe Koch to Oliver Dlabac.

Oscar Mazzoleni, Oliver Dlabac, Sean Mueller

2.5 International Relations

The activities of the group were focused on our meeting at the SVPW annual conference in Bern in January 2014. Our meeting consisted of two thematic parts:

- (1) International Organizations And Agency Properties
- (2) Issue Domains and Institutional Structure

This year five individual papers were presented by scholars from Switzerland. More specifically, the papers focused on the governance structures of international organizations, gender equality in a comparative perspective, refugee protection etc. The methods used to study the different topics varied from quantitative regression analysis, network analysis, structured interviews to process tracing. Although this year the IR group attracted applications from only a low number of scholars, both the content and the methods displayed the field of international relations in its great variety.

Stephanie Hofmann and Gabriele Spilker

3. Online-Umfrage/ Online Survey

Sehr geehrte Mitgliederinnen und Mitglieder der Schweizerischen Vereinigung für politische Wissenschaft

Online-Medien sind aus unserem Alltag nicht mehr wegzudenken - doch wie sieht es in der Wissenschaftskommunikation aus?

Um das zu herauszufinden, sind Ihre Erfahrungen als Wissenschaftlerin und Wissenschaftler gefragt!

Im Rahmen meiner Masterarbeit bei Herrn Professor Dr. Mike S. Schäfer am Institut für Publizistikwissenschaft und Medienforschung der Universität Zürich untersuche ich, wie Wissenschaftlerinnen und Wissenschaftler Online-Medien für ihre Arbeit und die Kommunikation in der wissenschaftlichen Gemeinschaft nutzen.

Um spannende und aufschlussreiche Erkenntnisse für meine Masterarbeit zu gewinnen, würde ich mich sehr freuen, wenn Sie über den untenstehenden Link an meiner Befragung teilnehmen würden.

Der Fragebogen ist in Deutsch und Englisch verfügbar und dauert maximal 15 Minuten.

Ihre Angaben sind für das Gelingen meines Projektes überaus wertvoll.

Über diesen Link gelangen Sie zur Online-Umfrage:

<https://unizh-ipmz.su.datacoll.net/nq.cfm?q=DFB6EBC9-B47C-4F42-AC4D-011B04FB17DB>

Ich freue mich auf Ihre Teilnahme.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen
Amanda Michelich

Dear Members of the Swiss Political Science Association,

Online media have become an essential part in our everyday life - but what role do they play in scholarly communication?

To find out, your experience as a scientist is in demand!

As part of my master's thesis, which is supervised by Professor Dr. Mike S. Schäfer at the Institute of Mass Communication and Media Research at the University of Zurich, I am examining how scientists use online media for their work and communication within the scientific community.

In order to gain exciting and insightful knowledge for my master's thesis, I would be very thankful if you would participate in my survey via the link below.

The questionnaire is available in English and German and takes no longer than 15 minutes.

Your information is very valuable for the success of my project.

This link will lead you to the online survey:

<https://unizh-ipmz.su.datacoll.net/nq.cfm?q=DFB6EBC9-B47C-4F42-AC4D-011B04FB17DB>

I thank you for your cooperation.

Yours faithfully,
Amanda Michelich

4. Agenda/ Agenda

Nachwuchspreis der Arbeitsgemeinschaft Friedens- und Konfliktforschung (AFK). Die Preissumme beträgt 2.500,-Euro. Die Preisverleihung findet im Rahmen des Jahreskolloquiums der AFK im ersten Quartal des Jahres statt. Einsendeschluss für Bewerbungen um den Preis des Jahres 2015 ist der 15. Oktober 2014. See:

<http://www.sagw.ch/de/svpw/agenda/Ausschreibung/Nachwuchspreis-AFK.html>

Call for papers: 8th Annual Conference on the Political Economy of International Organizations February 12-14, 2015, Hertie School of Governance, Berlin, Germany.

<http://www.sagw.ch/de/svpw/agenda/Call-for-papers/Berlin0.html>

5. Jobs/ Offres d'emploi

University of Zurich: Ph.D. position in Political Economy and Development.

<http://www.sagw.ch/de/svpw/Jobs/UZH1.html>

University of St. Gallen: Professor of Comparative Politics.

http://www.sagw.ch/de/svpw/Jobs/USG_VP.html

Kompetenzzentrum für Public Management der Universität Bern: Forschungsassistentz (m/w) (80 %, 3 Jahre). <http://www.sagw.ch/de/svpw/Jobs/KPMG.html>

University of Geneva: Open Position: PhD candidate (70%) SNIS funded project "A Social Clause through the Back Door: Labor Provisions in Preferential Trade Agreements".
<http://www.sagw.ch/de/svpw/Jobs/UNIGE.html>

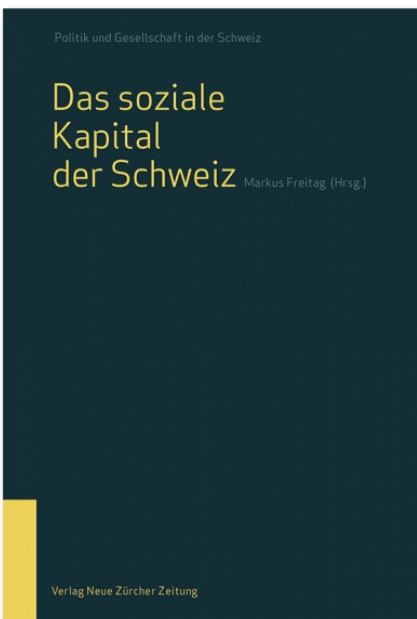
Embassy of Switzerland in the USA: Internship in the Office of the Defense Attaché.
http://www.sagw.ch/de/svpw/Jobs/EDA_internship.html

6. Publikationen/ Publications



Kübler, Daniel (Hrsg.); Stojanovic, Nenad (Hrsg.) **Demokratie in der Europäischen Union - Democracy in the European Union Ein Schweizer Beitrag zur Debatte - A Contribution from the Swiss Perspective** (deutsch/englisch).

Info: <http://www.sagw.ch/de/svpw/publikationen/Stojanovic-Kuebler.html>



Markus Freitag (Hrsg.) **Das soziale Kapital der Schweiz**

Info: <http://www.sagw.ch/de/svpw/publikationen/Freitag.html>

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