

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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• EDUCATION

1991 PhD (with distinction), Social and Political Sciences, European University Institute, Florence, Italy
1984 MA in Political Science, Faculty of Social Sciences, Department of Political Science, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands

• CURRENT POSITION(S)

2010–present Full professor of Comparative Politics, School of Business and Social Sciences, Department of Political Science, Aarhus University

• PREVIOUS POSITIONS

2013–2022 Vice-Head of the Department of Political Science, School of Business and Social Sciences, Aarhus University
2004–2010 Head of Department, Faculty of Social Sciences, Department of Political Science, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
2004–2007 Chair of the Board of the Centre for Comparative Social Studies (CCSS), Faculty of Social Sciences, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
2003–2010 Full professor of Political Science, Faculty of Social Sciences, Department of Political Science, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
2003–2007 Director of the research program of the Centre for Comparative Social Studies (CCSS) of the Faculty of Social Sciences, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
2002–2009 Chair of the Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO) Program ‘Shifts in Governance’
2001–2003 Director of the research program in Economics, Public Administration and Political Science at the Nijmegen School of Management of Nijmegen University
1997–2003 Full professor of Political Science, Nijmegen School of Management, Department of Political Science and Public Administration, Nijmegen University
1991–1997 Associate Professor of Political Science, Faculty of Social and Cultural Sciences, Department of Political Science, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

• FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

2014 Award for the best article published in the journal *Socio-Economic Review: The Paternalist Politics of Punitive and Enabling Workfare: Evidence from a New Dataset on Workfare Reforms in 16 Countries, 1980–2015*, *Socio-Economic Review* (2023, with Alexander Horn and Anthony Kevins)
2023 Small research grant for student assistants for a project on artificial intelligence and social trust, Department of Political Science, Aarhus University (€4000)
2021–2023 Showcase Grant from Platform for Inequality Research Aarhus University for cross-disciplinary (with Law and Economics) research on artificial intelligence and inequality (€268,000)
2020–2021 Jens Christian Skou fellowship at the Aarhus Institute of Advanced Studies (€67,000)

- 2018 Small research grant for student assistants for measuring social acceleration project, Department of Political Science, Aarhus University (€5425)
- 2013 Research grant as PI of the Danish National Research Fund (€293,000) project: Diverging Welfare State Reform in Scandinavia: Is the Middle Class Abandoning Universalism?
- 2013 AU IDEAS (Aarhus University's independent research foundation) research grant as PI (€538,000): Universalism and the Welfare State in Scandinavia
- 2011 Eilert Sundt Honorary Lecture 2011, Oslo University
- 2008–2009 One year replacement grant (fellowship) by the University of Konstanz' Centre of excellence 'Cultural Foundations of Social Integration' (salary replacement)
- 2006–2010 Grant offer from the National Dutch Science Foundation (NWO) to write the concluding study of the Shifts in Governance programme (I declined)
- 2001 Grant from NWO to write a background study for NWO's strategic research policy
- 2001 Research grant from NWO for a collaborative research project (universities of Leiden, Nijmegen and Utrecht): Analyzing European Union Policies: The Transposition of Directives
- 1997 Honorary Professorship, P.W. Segers chair, Centre for Social Policy, Antwerp University, Belgium
- 1997 Visiting Professorship, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, NC, USA
- 1996 Seventh Stein Rokkan Prize in Comparative Social Science for *Social Capitalism: A Study of Christian Democracy and the Welfare State* (London/New York: Routledge, 1995)
- 1987–1991 Grant from the Dutch Ministry of Education and from the European Community to conduct PhD research at the European University Institute, Florence, Italy

- **SUPERVISION OF GRADUATE STUDENTS AND POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWS**

- 1991–2023 At various institutions as (co-)supervisor, program leader, and director of research: over 30 PhD students; over 20 postdocs; many MA students (16 MA theses since 2010 at Aarhus University). I am currently supervising two PhD students.

- **TEACHING ACTIVITIES**

- Since 1984 I have taught courses at BA, MA, and PhD levels, and at more advanced specialized levels on many different topics at Aarhus University, Oslo Summer Schools, Sichuan University, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Nijmegen University, Netherlands Institute of Government, and Universiteit van Amsterdam. Courses since 2010 (AU) include Democratic Deficits and the Dissatisfaction with Politics; Power and Faith: On the Role of Religion in Contemporary Politics; The Politics and Policies of Welfare State Reform; The Comparative Politics of Inequality; Populism: Where Does It Come From and Where Is It Heading?; The Comparative Politics of European Welfare State Reform; Power and Faith: Religion and Politics in an Expanding Europe; Power and Democracy: From the Classic Debate to Contemporary Research; Public Policy; Comparative Politics; Is the Party Over?; The Contested Concepts and Approaches of Political Science; Comparative Political Institutions and Public Policy; High Speed Society, Slow Motion Democracy; Inequality and the Welfare State; Social Science as a Craft (PhD course); Theory and Theorizing in Social Science Research (PhD course); Globalization's Challenges for Nation, Welfare State and Democracy; Artificial Intelligence and Democracy; supervision of bachelor, master and doctoral theses

- **OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

I have been a member of numerous advisory and editorial boards of journals and publication series and editor of *Acta Politica* (2008–2010). I frequently act as a referee

for high-ranking academic journals, including the American Political Science Review, Comparative Political Studies, European Journal of Political Research, Party Politics, Public Administration, West European Politics, World Politics, Socio-Economic Review, and Government Information Quarterly.

I receive various invitations for presentations at international conferences in various years; specific mentions: Eilert Sundt Honorary Lecture 2011, Oslo University, Norway; keynote speaker at the 16th Annual Conference of the East Asian Social Policy Research Network on July 2-3 2019, National Taiwan University, Taiwan.