



# Newsletter

September 2022

## News From the Chair

### **Launch of Worldwide Age Representation in Parliaments Dataset**

In the summer 2022, the chair launched the Worldwide Age Representation in Parliaments Dataset (WARP dataset). The WARP dataset is a comprehensive and ongoing data collection effort that provides information about the numerical presence of age groups in lower house parliaments, spanning across the globe and over time. To date, it contains over 800 elections in 150 countries. In more detail, we provide information on the mean and median age of Members of Parliament (MPs), as well as information of the share of young or older MPs. We also provide figures that compare the presence of a certain age group of legislators in relation to the same age group in the general population. Finally, we include gendered figures, such as the presence of young female MPs. The interactive WARP dataset is accessible free of charge for everyone at: <https://www.warpdataset.com/>

### **Summer School on German Reunification**

The chair co-organized an international summer school on German Reunification with his partners the University of Rostock and Ehwa University in South Korea. Ten students from each of the three partner universities participated in this 2-week long program in Rostock and Berlin from June 26 to July 9. Under the theme, "Revisit the past experience the present and imagine the future", the summer school covered various topics ranging from politics, history and demographic changes to economic systems, the secret police, gender relations and language/linguistic aspects.

## Outreach

Over the past six months the chairholder Daniel Stockemer has been interviewed by L'Agence France Presse, Radio Canada, Le Devoir, the Ottawa Citizens, among others on topics ranging from anti-COVID-19 vaccine protest, to democratic backsliding in the US, to the French presidential and parliamentary elections.

Ph.D. student Jean Nicolas Bordeleau also gave some interviews with Radio Canada on the Ontario municipal elections.

## Service to the discipline

Daniel Stockemer served as a juror for the 2022 Best Book Prize in Comparative Politics awarded by the Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA)

## Student News

Ph.D. student Michael Wigginton won a prestigious post-doctoral fellowship from the Social Sciences and Humanities Council of Canada (SSHRC) for his project Candidate Selection and Women's Representation: Recruitment, nomination, and election of female candidates in Western Europe. Michael will start this fellowship at the Canada Research Chair in Gender, Race and Inclusive Politics at Carleton University in January 2023.

Ph.D. students Kofi Arhin and Marie Soleil Normandin each spent the spring and summer 2022 doing fieldwork for their dissertation; Marie Soleil as a visiting scholar at Sciences Po, Paris and Kofi travelling through the United States interviewing Black Trump voters.

The chair welcomes two new Ph.D. students, Jean-Nicolas Bordeleau and Francine Pauvin. Jean-Nicolas plans to study the effects of perceptions of electoral fraud on trust in democracy and electoral participation. Francine wants to study youth representation in politics with a particular focus on Chile.

## New Publications (February 2022-September 2023)

Stockemer D. (ed.) Muslims in the Western World: Sense of Belonging and Political Identity. Cham: Springer.

Praino, R., & Stockemer, D. (2022). The electoral consequences of scandals: A meta-analysis. *Parliamentary Affairs*, 75(3), 469-491.

Stockemer, D., Reidy, T., Teodoro, A., & Gerba, G. (2022). Student publishing in peer reviewed journals: Evidence from the *International Political Science Review*. *Learned Publishing*, 35(3), 341-349.

Sundström, A & D. Stockemer (2022). Measuring support for women's political leadership: Gender of interviewer effects among African survey respondents. *Public Opinion Quarterly* (<https://doi.org/10.1093/poq/nfac031>)

## Upcoming Events

The Chair organizes an international conference "Youth without representation: Discovering the mechanisms behind youth's underrepresentation in elected bodies" on September 12 and 13, 2022 at the University of Ottawa. For more information please visit <https://yprn22.my.canva.site/> or please contact the Chair at [dstockem@uottawa.ca](mailto:dstockem@uottawa.ca)