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Education

- 2013–2017 **Social Sciences, B.A.**, *University of Stuttgart*.
- 2017–2020 **Empirical Political and Social Science Research, M.A.**, *University of Stuttgart*.
- 2020–Present **Political Communication, Ph.D. Candidate**, *University of Amsterdam*.

Practical Experiences

- 2016 **Research Intern**, *Project for an Informed Electorate*, Sacramento, CA.
- 2016–2018 **Student Ambassador**, *German-American Center*, Stuttgart.
- 2017–2019 **Teaching Assistant for Statistics**, *University of Stuttgart*, Stuttgart.
- 2018–2019 **Junior Data Scientist**, *Paraboost*, Markgröningen.
- 2018–2019 **Research Assistant**, *GIFCT funded Research*, Swansea University.
- 2019–2021 **Data Scientist**, *OpenMind Platform*, New York.
- 2021–Present **Data Scientist**, *Who Targets Me*, London.

Publications & Working Papers

- May 2018 **Variants of Populism - Support for Populist Parties in the EU**, *Annual Dutch Political Science Conference 2018*, Nguyen, Q., Schumacher, M., Votta, F.
- June 2018 **Deliberation Across the World - Examining Deliberation and Regime Legitimacy**, *Hamburg ECPR General Conference 2018*, Seitz, R. Votta, F.
- July 2018 **A Psychological Approach to Promoting Truth in Politics: The Pro-Truth Pledge**, *Published in: Journal of Social and Political Psychology*, 6(2), 271-290, Tsipursky, G., Votta, F., & Mulick, J. A.
- July 2018 **Godly Governance A Cross-National Examination of Religious Politics in Arab Muslim-Majority Countries**, *Published in: Arab Barometer Working Paper Series 01/2018*, Votta, F.
- August 2018 **Decoding the Alt Right - Analyzing Online Toxicity on Social Media**, *Amsterdam VOX-Pol General Conference 2018*, Votta, F., Roth, S.
- July 2019 **Radical Filter Bubbles: Social Media Personalisation Algorithms and Extremist Content**, *Global Research Network on Terrorism and Technology: Paper No. 8*, Published in: Royal United Services Institute for Defence and Security Studies. Reed, A. Whittaker, J., Votta, F., Looney, Sean

Awards

- June 2018 **Naomi C. Turner Prize 2018**, *World Association for Public Opinion Research*.

Additional Experiences

- 2015–2016 **Government Major, Exchange Student**, *California State University*, Sacramento.
- Spring 2016 **Youth Delegate at NMUN 2016**, *New York Model United Nations*.
- 2016–2020 **R User Group Stuttgart Founder & Administrator**, Stuttgart.
- 2017–2020 **Treasurer**, *Funding Organization for Political and Social Sciences*, FOEPS e.V.

Languages

Fluent German, Italian, English
Conversational Spanish, French
Beginner Arabic

Computer skills

Advanced R, L^AT_EX, SPSS, MS Office
Intermediate Python, HTML, CSS, JavaScript

Attended Workshops & Summer/Winter Schools

- Octob. 2016 **Introduction to Methods of Modern Causal Analysis**, *GESIS Workshop*.
- Novem. 2016 **Introduction to Logistic Regression for Social Scientists**, *GESIS Workshop*.
- Feb. 2017 **Introduction to Bayesian Statistics for the Social Sciences**, *GESIS Workshop*.
- Novem. 2017 **Mathematics for Research: A Refresher Course with R**, *GESIS Workshop*.
- Jan. 2018 **Sequence Analysis in the Social Sciences**, *GESIS Workshop*.
- March 2018 **Webscraping with R**, *ECPR Winter School 2018*.
- March 2018 **Introduction to Quantitative Text Analysis**, *ECPR Winter School 2018*.
- May 2018 **Combating Online Extremism**, *VOX-Pol Network of Excellence*,
VOX-Pol Workshop at University of Oxford.
- May 2018 **Challenges of Terrorism Informatics**, *VOX-Pol Network of Excellence*,
VOX-Pol Workshop at Dublin City University.
- Septem. 2018 **Topic Modeling in the Social Sciences**, *GESIS Workshop*.
- March 2019 **Introduction to Bayesian Models for the Social Sciences**, *48th GESIS Spring Seminar 2019*.
- March 2019 **Bayesian Structural Equation Modelling**, *48th GESIS Spring Seminar 2019*.
- March 2019 **Bayesian Multilevel Modelling**, *48th GESIS Spring Seminar 2019*.
- June 2019 **Introduction to Machine Learning with R**, *GESIS Workshop*.

Presentations at Conferences

- June 2018 **Politologenetmaal 2018**, *Annual Dutch Political Science Conference*.
Presenting *Variants of Populism - A Cross-National Examination of the Support for Populist Parties*
- June 2018 **WAPOR 71st Annual Conference**, *World Association for Public Opinion Research*.
Presenting two papers: *Godly Governance* and *Deliberation Across the World*
- August 2018 **ECPR General Conference 2018**, *European Consortium for Political Research*.
Presenting *Deliberation Across the World*
- August 2018 **VOX-Pol General Conference 2018**, *VOX-Pol Network of Excellence*.
Presenting research on "Alt-Right" social media activity
- July 2019 **Terrorism and Social Media Conference 2019**, *Swansea University*.
Presenting research on far-right echo chambers

Software

- May 2019 **peRpective**, *R Programming Language*.
A wrapper for Google's Perspective API to score comments with various machine learning models