# Paul Bederke

Doctoral Student

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## Education

**Aarhus University** *Aarhus, Denmark*

PhD Political Science *2026/09 - Present*

- Title: The Effect of Climate-Related Disasters on Women's Local Political Participation in Sub-Saharan Africa
- 1st Supervisor: Assoc. Prof. Merete Bech Seeberg, Aarhus University
- 2nd Supervisor: Assoc. Prof. Nicholas Haas, Aarhus University

**S³ School – Sustainable Scientific Software School** *Annecy, France*

One-week training program *2026/01*

- Open Science Clusters' Action for Research and Society (OSCARS)
- European Virtual Institute for Research Software Excellence (EVERSE)

**University of Kostanz** *Konstanz, Germany*

MA Politics and Public Administration *2021/10 - 2025/01*

- Specialization Area: Comparative Politics and Policy Analysis
- Thesis: Barrier or Empowerment? Climate-Related Disasters and Women's Local Political Participation in Namibia
- 1st Advisor: Prof. Dr. Gabriele Spilker, University of Konstanz (Germany)
- 2nd Advisor: Prof. Aksel Sundström, University of Gothenburg (Sweden)
- Thesis Grade: 1.1

**University of Gothenburg** *Gothenburg, Sweden*

Study Abroad (Erasmus+) *2023/01 - 2023/06*

- Department of Political Science

**University of Agder** *Kristiansand, Norway*

European Integration Summer School 2022 *2022/07*

- Topic: Current Issues in the European Union

**University of Bremen** *Bremen, Germany*

BA Political Science *2017/10 - 2021/09*

- Thesis: The gender gap in populist radical-right voting: re-examining the mediation and moderation effect
- 1st Advisor: Dr. Bastian Becker, University of Bremen (Germany)
- 2nd Advisor: Prof. Dr. Philip Manow, University of Bremen (Germany)
- Thesis Grade: 1.0

**University of Bergen** *Bergen, Norway*

Study Abroad (Erasmus+) *2019/08 - 2020/07*

- Department of Comparative Politics

## Research Experience

**Junior Researcher** *Cologne, Germany*

GESIS - Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences *2025/02 - 2026/08*

- Project: "Harmony in the Democratic Ideological Space (HarDIS)"
- Together with: Dr. Lea Kaftan

**Project Coordinator**

Party Facts *2020/06 - 2026/07*

- Website: https://partyfacts.herokuapp.com/
- Together with: Dr. Holger Döring

**Associate Researcher** *Gothenburg, Sweden*

University of Gothenburg - Department of Political Science *2024/03 - 2025/01*

- Project: "Female Leadership and Effects from African Droughts (Fem-LEAD)"
- Principal Investigator: Prof. Aksel Sundström

**Research Assistant** *Konstanz, Germany*

University of Konstanz - Department of Politics and Public Administration *2023/10 - 2024/05*

- Research Group: "German Politics"
- Project: "Ethnic Party Competition (EPAC)"
- Supervisor: Prof. Christina Zuber

**Research Assistant** *Konstanz, Germany*

University of Konstanz - Department of Politics and Public Administration *2022/01 - 2023/03*

- Research Group: "German Politics"
- Project: "Nationalist mobilisation, illiberal elites and democratic backsliding in Europe"
- Supervisor: Prof. Christina Zuber

**Student Research Assistant** *Bremen, Germany*

University of Bremen - Department of Political Science *2018/05 - 2021/03*

- Project: "Global Dynamics of Social Policy (CRC 1342 - A01)"
- Supervisor: Dr. Nils Düpont

**Research Intern** *Gothenburg, Sweden*

University of Gothenburg - Department of Political Science *2020/08 - 2020/10*

- Research Program: Varieties of Democracy (V-Dem)
- Supervisor: Dr. Anna Lührmann

## Publications

### Research Paper

Zuber, Christina, **Paul Bederke**, & Edina Szöcsik. 2026. *Nationalist Parties and Transnational Cleavages*. Journal of European Public Policy. https://doi.org/10.1080/13501763.2026.2756969.

### Working Paper

**Bederke, Paul**, Lea Kaftan, Sarah Bachmeier, Jakob Mansius, Kyra Meyer, Selcuk Timur Uluer, & Amelie Veit. *PolPaL (Political Party Links): Expanding the Linking and Harmonization Infrastructure for Data on Political Parties*. *last presented at Dreiländertagung 2026 in Friedrichshafen*.

### Preprint

David, Romain, Friederike Schmidt-Tremmel, Nicoletta Carboni, Fernando Aguilar, Pablo Atienza Lopez, Christos Arvanitidis, **Paul Bederke**, Charles Bo, Fredrik Bolmsten, Jordi Bodera Sempere, Volodymyra Boichuk, Sally Chambers, Ana Conesa, Jonathan Ewbank, Fabio Feudo, Darja Fišer, Patrick Fuhrmann, Markel García-Díez, Carole Goble, Clara Grilo, Giovanni Guerrieri, Robert Harb, Tina Heger, Anca Hienola, Bernd Hinrichsen, Fatiha Idmhand, Alberto Iess, Jurjen de Jong, Lea Kaftan, Oliver Knodel, Volodymyr Kotsiubynskyi, Giovanni Lamanna, Sylvia E. Le Dévédec, Federica Legger, Iulianna van der Lek, Nektarios Liaskos, Leandro Liborio, Lorenz Makula, Paul Millar, Pedro T. Monteiro, Sarah Morgan, Roman-Ulrich Müller, Melanie Nentwich, Massimiliano Novelli, Panče Panov, Papadimitriou Eleftheria, Reynier I. Revilla, David Stansby, Jonathan Tedds, Laurent Tessier, Justine Thomas, Warren Thompson, Aneta Wiśniewska, & Zhiming Zhao. 2025. *Building Capacity for FAIR and Open Science: Insights from the World Café sessions at the OSCARS 1st AGM*. zenodo. doi: https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.17854378. *in submission process to Open Research Europe Journal*.

**Bederke, Paul** & Holger Döring. 2023. *Harmonizing and linking party information: The ESS as an example of complex data linking (v0.1)*. Zenodo, https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.10061174. *rejected after review at Research and Politics in 2023*.

### Datasets

**Bederke, Paul**, Christina Isabel Zuber, & Edina Szöcsik. 2026. *EPAC 2023*. Harvard Dataverse. V1. https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/WIHH2W

Lindberg, Staffan I., Nils Düpont, Masaaki Higashijima, Yaman Berker Kavasoglu, Kyle L. Marquardt, Michael Bernhard, Holger Döring, Allen Hicken, Melis Laebens, Juraj Medzihorsky, Anja Neundorf, Ora John Reuter, Saskia Ruth–Lovell, Keith R. Weghorst, Nina Wiesehomeier, Joseph Wright, Nazifa Alizada, **Paul Bederke**, Lisa Gastaldi, Sandra Grahn, Garry Hindle, Nina Ilchenko, Johannes von Römer, Steven Wilson, Daniel Pemstein, & Brigitte Seim. 2022. *Varieties of Party Identity and Organization (V–Party) V2*. Varieties of Democracy (V–Dem) Project. `https://doi.org/10.23696/vpartydsv2`.

Düpont, Nils, Holger Döring, & **Paul Bederke**. 2021. *Leaders Global: Party affiliations of leaders (HoS/HoG) in 183 countries, 1880–2020*. Harvard Dataverse. V1. `https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/Z6V1ST`.

Edgell, Amanda B., Jean Lachapelle, Anna Lührmann, Seraphine F. Maerz, Sandra Grahn, Palina Kolvani, Ana Flavia Good God, Martin Lundstedt, Natalia Natsika, Shreeya Pillai, **Paul Bederke**, Milene Bruhn, Stefanie Kaiser, Cristina Schaver, Abdalhadi Alijla, Tiago Fernandes, Hans Tung, Matthew Wilson, & Staffan I. Lindberg. 2020. *Pandemic Backsliding: Democracy During Covid-19 (PanDem), Version 6*. Varieties of Democracy (V-Dem) Institute. `https://www.v-dem.net/pandem.html`.

### Party Facts

**Bederke, Paul**, Holger Döring, & Sven Regel. 2023. *Party Facts – Version 2023*. Harvard Dataverse. V1. `https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/TJINLQ`.

**Bederke, Paul**, Holger Döring, & Sven Regel. 2022. *Party Facts – Version 2022*. Harvard Dataverse. V1. `https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/BUWAAF`.

**Bederke, Paul**, Holger Döring, & Sven Regel. 2021. *Party Facts – Version 2021*. Harvard Dataverse. V1. `https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/GM8LWQ`.

**Bederke, Paul**, Holger Döring, & Sven Regel. 2020. *Party Facts – Version 2020b*. Harvard Dataverse. V1. `https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/LWFAHU`.

**Bederke, Paul**, Holger Döring, & Sven Regel. 2020. *Party Facts – Version 2020a*. Harvard Dataverse. V1. `https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/QHJLQS`.

**Bederke, Paul**, Holger Döring, & Sven Regel. 2019. *Party Facts – Version 2019b*. Harvard Dataverse. V1. `https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/UUMC31`.

**Bederke, Paul**, Holger Döring, & Sven Regel. 2019. *Party Facts – Version 2019a*. Harvard Dataverse. V1. `https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/FTQAYT`.

## Grants

2024 **OSCARS 1st Open Call**, *Project: 01-415-Harmony in the Democratic Ideological Space (HarDIS)* Project application together with Lea Kaftan, Sebastian Ziaja, & Alexia Katsanidou — *€ 250,000*

## Presentations

**Dreiländertagung 2026**. 2026. *PolPaL (Political Party Links): Expanding linking and harmonisation possibilities for data on political parties*. Friedrichshafen, Germany.

**DEMSCORE Conference 2026**. 2026. *PolPaL (Political Party Links)*. Gothenburg, Sweden.

**2026 International Workshop on Comparative Survey Design and Implementation**. 2026. *PolPaL (Political Party Links)*. Vienna, Austria.

**WhoGov workshop**. 2025. *Above and Beyond: Expanding the Party Facts Infrastructure*. Oslo, Norway.

**Webinar: Mid Sweden University**. 2025. *Above and Beyond: Expanding the Party Facts Infrastructure*. Online.

**DEMSCORE Conference 2025**. 2025. *Above and Beyond: Expanding the Party Facts Infrastructure*. Gothenburg, Sweden.

**1st OSCARS Annual General Meeting**. 2025. *HarDIS - Harmony in the Democratic Ideological Space*. Rome, Italy.

## Organized Events

**Modern Infrastructures for the Study of Parties – Community Workshop**. 2026. Cologne. Germany. *co-organized with Dr. Lea Kaftan*

## Skills

### Technical Skills

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| R/RStudio | STATA | GIS |
| GitHub | TypeScript | Docker |
| Overleaf | Qualtrics | |

### Methodological Skills

OLS Regression
Logistic Regression
Multi-Level Regression
Survival analysis

### Language Skills

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| German (native) | English (fluent) |
| Norwegian (basic) | Swedish (basic) |