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## Current and past positions

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- Since 2021 **Research associate (Principal investigator DFG funded project)**, University of Stuttgart, Institute for Social Sciences, Department of Political Systems and Political Sociology
- 2012 – 2021 **Research associate, lecturer and program manager of a French-German Joint-Degree Program**, University of Stuttgart, Institute for Social Sciences, Department of Political Systems and Political Sociology
- 2018 **Lecturer for Comparative Politics (temporary)**, Sciences Po (Campus de Nancy)
- 2017 **Maternity/parental leave**, 8,5 months
- 2012 – 2013 **Maternity/parental leave**, 9,5 months
- 2010 – 2012 **Research associate and project coordinator ANR-DFG funded project (CITREP)**, Centre Emile Durkheim, Sciences Po Bordeaux

## Education

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### University of Stuttgart

PHD IN POLITICAL SCIENCE (DR. RER. POL.)

2012 – 2018

- Advisor: Prof. Dr. Oscar W. Gabriel
- Title: "Within the secret garden of politics" - Candidate selection and the political representation of immigrant-origin citizens in Germany

### University of Stuttgart

M.A. (MAGISTER ARTIUM)

2003 – 2010

- Political Science and French Studies

### Sciences Po Bordeaux

CERTIFICAT D'ÉTUDES POLITIQUES (CEP)

2006 – 2007

- Erasmus student exchange program

## Grants & Scholarships

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- 2022 **Unequal mandate responsiveness? How electoral promises and their realizations target groups in France and Germany (UNEQUALMAND)**, DFG & ANR funded project (PI together with I. Guinaudeau & T. Matthieß), 2022-2025 *approx. 130,000 EUR (Stuttgart part)*
- 2021 **Group targeting and citizens' responses to electoral promises and their realization (GROUPTA)**, DFG funded project (PI, own position), 2021-2023 *approx. 295,000 EUR*
- 2016 **Joint Sessions Young Scholar's Grant**, ECPR
- 2015 **Travel Grant**, DAAD

## Publications

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### ARTICLES (PEER-REVIEWED)

- Deiss-Helbig, E.**, and U. Remer. 2022. "Does the Local Presence of Asylum Seekers affect Attitudes toward Asylum Seekers? Results from a Natural Experiment." *European Sociological Review* 38(2): 219-233.
- Deiss-Helbig, E.** 2016. "Les modes de sélection des candidats affectent-ils la représentation parlementaire des minorités d'origine étrangère? Une analyse des élections législatives allemandes de 2013." *Politique et Sociétés* 36(2): 63-90.
- Brouard, S., O. Costa, **E. Deiss-Helbig**, and E. Kerrouche. 2013. "From Theory to Practice: Citizens' Attitudes about Representation in France." *Journal of Legislative Studies* 19(2): 178-195.
- Deiss-Helbig, E.** 2013. "'Ich bin einer von Euch' - Zur Bedeutung sozialer und politischer Kongruenz von Abgeordneten und Bürgern für das Gelingen von Repräsentation." *Zeitschrift für Parlamentsfragen* 44(3): 566-580.
- Tiberj, V., **E. Deiss-Helbig**, and E. Kerrouche. 2012. "The 'Value Connection': MPs, voters and values in three European countries." *Representation* 48(4): 403-418.

### BOOK CHAPTERS

- Goldberg, F., **E. Deiss-Helbig**, and P. Bernhagen. 2022. "Mitgenommen und dennoch abgehängt? Themenkongruenz und wahrgenommene politische Responsivität in Ost- und Westdeutschland." In *Wahlen und politische Einstellungen in Ost- und Westdeutschland. Persistenz, Konvergenz oder Divergenz?*, edited by Martin Elff, Kathrin Ackermann and Heiko Giebler, 89-116. Wiesbaden: Springer VS.
- Deiss-Helbig, E.** 2021. "Do different candidate selection methods produce different types of candidates? An analysis of the German case." In *New Paths for Selecting Political Elites. Investigating the impact of inclusive candidate and party leader selection methods*, edited by Giulia Sandri and Antonella Seddone, 180-203. London/New York: Routledge.
- Deiss-Helbig, E.**, L. Squarcioni, and D. Schindler. 2018. "Where is the party? Party work and party representation in the district." In *Political Representation in France and Germany: Activities of MPs and Views of Citizens*, edited by Oscar W. Gabriel, Eric Kerrouche, and Suzanne S. Schüttemeyer, 117-139. London: Palgrave.
- Brouard, S., **E. Deiss-Helbig**, and M. Dageförde. 2018. "Do candidates' ethnic background and gender matter? An experimental approach." In *Political Representation in France and Germany: Activities of MPs and Views of Citizens*, edited by Oscar W. Gabriel, Eric Kerrouche, and Suzanne S. Schüttemeyer, 309-339. London: Palgrave.
- Deiss-Helbig, E.** 2017. "Repräsentation von Frauen in der lokalen Politik." In *Politische Orientierungen von Kommunalpolitikern im Vergleich*, edited by Markus Tausendpfund and Angelika Vetter, 387-413. Wiesbaden: Springer VS.
- Dageförde, M., and **E. Deiss-Helbig**. 2012. "Die Unterstützung des Parlaments: Bestimmt durch die Arbeit von Abgeordneten oder den Zugang der Bürger zum politischen System? Ein deutsch-französischer Vergleich." In *Zivile Bürgergesellschaft und Demokratie. Aktuelle Ergebnisse der empirischen Politikforschung*, edited by Silke Keil and Isabell Thaidigsmann, 387-412. Wiesbaden: Springer VS.

### DISSERTATION

- Deiss-Helbig, E.** 2019. "Within the secret garden of politics" – Candidate selection and the representation of immigrant-origin citizens in Germany. <https://doi.org/10.18419/opus-10356>

### OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Wüst, A.M., and **E. Deiss-Helbig**. 2022. "Ansätze zur Steigerung politischer Partizipation von Menschen mit Einwanderungsgeschichte in Deutschland. Erkenntnisse aus dem Projekt BePart 2019-2022." <https://minor-kontor.de/bepart/>
- Deiss-Helbig, E.** 2021. "Vielfältige Parlamente. Die Parteien als 'gatekeeper to elected office'." [www.regierungsforschung.de](http://www.regierungsforschung.de)
- Deiss-Helbig, E.** 2014. "Im 'secret garden of politics': Visible minority-Aspiranten zur Bundestagswahl 2013." *Mitteilungen des Instituts für deutsches und europäisches Parteienrecht und Parteienforschung* 20: 160-169.
- Kerrouche, E., S. Brouard, **E. Deiss-Helbig**, and T. Schnatterer. 2011. "Les deux Sénats: mode de scrutin et profil des sénateurs français." *Pôle Sud* 35: 113-128.

### IN PROGRESS

- "No rewards despite targeting: Voters' reactions to incumbents' group targeted pledge performance." Together with T. Matthieß & I. Guinaudeau. Under review.

- "Who deserves? Explaining individual variations in the deservingness perceptions of social groups." Together with I. Guinaudeau & T. Matthieß (earlier version presented at the EPSA 2022 & ECPR 2022)
- "From Electoral Pledges to Coalition Agreements. Coalition Bargaining and policy-payoffs in Germany (2002-2021)." Together with I. Guinaudeau (earlier version presented at the ECPR 2020)
- "Parties as Transmission Belts: How well do parties in Germany represent citizens and influence the government agenda?" Together with F. Goldberg & P. Bernhagen (earlier version presented at the ECPR 2021 and CAP Conference 2021)

## Presentations

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- Deiss-Helbig, E.**, I. Guinaudeau, and T. Matthieß. 2022. Who deserves? Explaining individual variations in the deservingness perceptions of social groups. EPSA Annual Conference, Prague & ECPR General Conference, Innsbruck.
- Matthieß, T., **Deiss-Helbig, E.**, and I. Guinaudeau. 2022. Retrospective pledge voting, policy consistency and group belonging: A survey experimental test on voters' reactions to group targeted pledge performance. EPSA Annual Conference, Prague & ECPR General Conference, Innsbruck.
- Deiss-Helbig, E.**, and I. Guinaudeau. 2022. From Electoral Pledges to Coalition Agreements: Coalition bargaining and policy payoffs in Germany (2002-2021). Conference "Jetzt wird regiert? Aktuelle Herausforderungen der deutschen Koalitionsdemokratie".
- Deiss-Helbig, E.**, I. Guinaudeau, and T. Matthieß. 2021. Unequal responsiveness, group targeting & electoral pledges. Online Workshop of the Comparative Party Pledges Project.
- Deiss-Helbig, E.**, and I. Guinaudeau. 2021. Targeting social groups in electoral promises. 28. Wissenschaftlicher Kongress der Deutschen Vereinigung für Politikwissenschaft.
- Goldberg, F., **E. Deiss-Helbig**, and P. Bernhagen. 2021. Parties as Transmission Belts: How well do parties in Germany represent citizens and influence the government agenda? ECPR Virtual General Conference & 13th Annual Conference of the Comparative Agendas Project (CAP), Aarhus.
- Deiss-Helbig, E.**, and I. Guinaudeau. 2020. From Electoral Pledges to Coalition Agreements: Coalition bargaining and policy payoffs in Germany (2005-2017). ECPR Virtual General Conference.
- Deiss-Helbig, E.** 2019. Parties' attention towards the refugee issue: Exploring issue attention in parliamentary debates. ECPR General Conference, Wrocław.
- Deiss-Helbig, E.**, and U. Remer-Bollow. 2017. Exploring the Impact of Local Presence on Attitudes towards Asylum Seekers. ECPR General Conference, Oslo.
- Deiss-Helbig, E.** 2016. Digging the "secret garden of politics": An exploration of the role of formal and informal candidate selection processes regarding ethnic minority representation. ECPR Joint Sessions of Workshops, Pisa.
- Deiss-Helbig, E.** 2016. Within the "secret garden of politics": Exploring candidate selection from a party internal perspective". VII. Düsseldorfer Graduiertenkonferenz Parteienwissenschaften, Düsseldorf.
- Deiss-Helbig, E.** 2015. Die Relevanz des Migrationshintergrundes bei der innerparteilichen Kandidatenauswahl – Eine Analyse der Präferenzen der Parteiselektoren anhand eines mixed-methods Designs". VI. Düsseldorfer Graduiertenkonferenz Parteienwissenschaften, Düsseldorf.
- Deiss-Helbig, E.** 2015. Does ethnic background matter? Using a mixed-methods approach to study party selectors' preferences". 73rd annual MPSA conference, Chicago.
- Deiss-Helbig, E.** 2014. Ethnic minorities in the German parliament: Analyzing the role of candidate selection within political parties with particular respect to the 2013 federal election. Annual BAGSS Conference (ABC): Migration and Integration Research, Bamberg.
- Deiss-Helbig, E.** 2014. Ethnische Minderheiten im Deutschen Bundestag: Eine Untersuchung der Rolle parteiinterner Kandidatenauswahl am Beispiel der Bundestagswahlen 2013. V. Düsseldorfer Graduiertenkonferenz Parteienwissenschaften, Düsseldorf.
- Deiss-Helbig, E.** 2014. The Nomination of Minority Candidates for the 2013 German Legislative Elections: Testing the 'Catch-All Party' Hypothesis. ECPR General Conference, Glasgow.
- Deiss-Helbig, E.**, D. Schindler, and L. Squarcioni. 2014. Party Politics on the Ground: Comparing the Relationship of MPs and Their Local Parties in France and Germany. Second General Conference of the ECPR Standing Group on Parliaments, Vienna.

- Deiss-Helbig, E.** 2013. Ethnic minority candidates in Germany: Political parties as main gatekeepers to elected office? ECPR General Conference, Bordeaux.
- Deiss-Helbig, E.** 2013. Représentation politique des minorités ethniques dans le parlement allemand: Le rôle de la sélection des candidats au sein des partis politiques. 5ème congrès du réseau des associations francophones de science politique, Luxembourg.
- Dageförde, M., and **E. Deiss-Helbig**. 2012. Mandatsausübung versus Eingebundenheit: Die Determinanten der Performanzbewertung des Parlaments im deutsch-französischen Vergleich. DVPW-Kongress, Tübingen.
- Dageförde, M., and **E. Deiss-Helbig**. 2012. Support for the national parliament: Driven by MPs' behavior or by citizens' nearness to the political system? The case of France and Germany. IPSA World Congress, Madrid.
- Deiss-Helbig, E.**, and L. Squarcioni. 2012. MPs and parties in France. Représentation im Wahlkreis – Bevölkerung und Abgeordnete in Deutschland und Frankreich. DVparl-CITREP Konferenz, Berlin.
- Deiss-Helbig, E.** 2011. Ethnic minorities in parliament in France and Germany: The role of candidate selection within political parties. Conference & Doctoral Workshop "Parliamentary legitimization and democratic government in France and in the European Union", Bordeaux.
- Brouard, S., M. Dageförde, **E. Deiss-Helbig**, V. Le Hay, F. Rabuza, and V. Tiberj. 2011. Choosing an MP in France and Germany: The impact of political, gender and ethnic features. APSA Annual Meeting, Seattle.
- Brouard, S., O. Costa, **E. Deiss-Helbig**, E. Kerrouche, and T. Schnatterer. 2011. From Theory to Practice: Political Representation in France. IPSA Workshop "Changing Modes of Parliamentary Representation", Prague.

## Research projects

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- 2022-2025 **"Unequal Mandate Responsiveness? How electoral promises and their realizations target groups in France and Germany"**, funded by the DFG & the French Research Agency ANR. PI: E. Deiss-Helbig and T. Matthieß (Germany), I. Guinaudeau (France).
- 2021-2023 **"Group targeting and citizens' responses to electoral promises and their realization"**, funded by the DFG. PI: E. Deiss-Helbig.
- 2020-2023 **"The construction of 'surveyed public opinion' in France and Germany"**, funded by the ANR. PI: T. Schnatterer.
- 2020-2021 **"Agendas and Interest Groups in Germany: The mediating role of parties and the media"**, funded by the DFG. PI: P. Bernhagen.
- 2019-2021 **Expertise for "BePart – Teilhabe beginnt vor Ort!"**, funded by the Federal Government Commissioner for Migration, Refugees & Integration and the Federal Agency for Civic Education. In collaboration with A. Wüst.
- 2009-2017 **"Citizens and Representatives in France and Germany"**, funded by the DFG & ANR. PI: O.W. Gabriel, S.S. Schüttemeyer, E. Kerrouche.

## Professional service

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- Since 2020 **Elected representative of the institute's academic mid-level staff**, University of Stuttgart, Institute for Social Sciences
- 2012–2021 **Selection committee member for a French-German Joint Degree Program**, University of Stuttgart, Institute for Social Sciences

## Peer review

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European Journal of Political Research, European Political Science Review, Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies, Political Research Quarterly, Politische Vierteljahresschrift, Revue internationale de science politique comparée, Swiss Journal of Sociology

## Workshop organization

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- 04/2023 **Social Groups and Electoral Politics: Group Appeals, Targeted Policy and Voter Responses**, Joint Sessions of Workshops (with I. Guinaudeau & T. Matthieß) *Toulouse*
- 08/2022 **The role of social groups in politics: what parties offer and how voters respond**, Panel at the ECPR General Conference (with T. Matthieß) *Innsbruck*

## Teaching Experience

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### FIRST YEAR M.A. TAUGHT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF STUTTGART (IN GERMAN)

- 2021 **Political representation and social inequality**, 21 hrs

### THIRD YEAR B.A. TAUGHT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF STUTTGART (IN ENGLISH)

- 2021 **Race and Ethnicity in American Politics**, 21 hrs

### FIRST AND SECOND YEAR B.A. TAUGHT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF STUTTGART (IN GERMAN)

- 2019-20 **Methods and Applied Statistics in the Social Sciences**, 42 hrs  
2019 **Populist Radical Right Parties in (Western) Europe**, 42 hrs  
2018 **Anti-Immigrant Prejudice in Europe**, 42 hrs  
2013-16 **Political Parties and Party Systems in Germany**, 21 hrs  
2013-16 **Minority Representation - Theory and Empirical Evidence**, 42 hrs  
2013 **Political Representation and Participation in Ethnic Heterogeneous Societies**, 21 hrs  
2012 **Political Parties and Party Systems in Germany and France**, 42 hrs

### SECOND YEAR B.A. TAUGHT AT SCIENCES PO (CAMPUS NANCY) (IN ENGLISH)

- 2018 **Comparative Politics**, 24 hrs

### FIRST YEAR B.A. TAUGHT AT SCIENCES PO BORDEAUX (IN GERMAN)

- 2013-21 **Evolution of the German party system**, 9 hrs

## Outreach & Professional Development

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### TALKS & MEDIA MENTIONS

- 2021 **Zur Sache Baden-Württemberg – Was aus Wahlversprechen wird**, SWR  
2021 **Halten Politiker Wort?**, SWR  
2021 **Vielfältiger Bundestag: Wie divers muss Politik sein?**, hr info  
2021 **Mit unabhängiger Hilfe in den Bundestag**, Stuttgarter Zeitung/Stuttgarter Nachrichten  
2021 **Warum der neue Landtag von Baden-Württemberg kein Abbild der Gesellschaft ist**, SWR  
2020 **Keynote speech on unequal political representation and participation of social groups**, Virtual opening event Team Tomorrow Stuttgart  
2019 **Stuttgart wählt – was wollen die Kleinen im Gemeinderat?**, LIFT Magazine  
2016 **Radio interview on the possible consequences of banning the National Democratic Party of Germany (NPD)**, Antenne 1

### ADDITIONAL TRAINING

- 2020 **Introduction to Quantitative Text Analysis**, ECPR Winter School in Methods & Techniques *Bamberg*  
2019-20 **Module Teaching & Learning**, HDZ Baden-Württemberg *Stuttgart*  
2019 **Automated Web Data Collection with R**, ECPR Winter School in Methods & Techniques *Bamberg*  
2018 **Text mining of parliamentary debates**, Workshop *Duisburg*  
2013 **Process Tracing**, Workshop *Stuttgart*  
2013 **Qualitative interviews**, GESIS Workshop *Mannheim*

## Skills

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### SOFTWARE & PROGRAMMING

R, SPSS, stata,  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , Markdown

### LANGUAGES

German (mother tongue); French (professional working proficiency); English (professional working proficiency)