Friday 9th September

Pre-conference workshops
10.30-12.30  Experimental political science (led by Ray Duch, Oxford; details)
10.00-12.30  Qualitative research methods (organised by PSA Qualitative Research Specialist Group; details)

Reception of delegates (Atrium, Keynes College)
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12.30-13.30 Lunch (Keynes Atrium)
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13.30-15.00  SESSION 1

(1.1) Analysing the EU referendum using new data sources

Clifton van der Linden and Harry Carr
Orders of magnitude: Big Data applications in political science

Marcel van Egmond, Rob Johns, Heinz Brandenburg, Maarja Lühiste and Laura Sudulich
#Brexit. Analyzing tweets, surveying tweeters to understand public opinion dynamics during the EU Referendum campaign

Stephen Ward, Rachel Gibson, Liam McLoughlin and Ros Southern
MPs, Twitter and the EU Referendum Campaign

(1.2) Public attitudes towards government

Caroline McEvoy
Mind the Gap! Assessing the Impact of Public Perceptions of a Democratic Deficit on Citizens’ Political Engagement in European Democracies.

Edward Morgan-Jones and Matthew Loveless
Constitutional Rules and Citizen Evaluations: Do constitutional rules governing early election calling shape perceptions of democratic quality?

Tom Holbrook and James Garand
Identity and Information Gaps in Perceptions of Local and State-Level Corruption in the United States
Stuart Fox and Sioned Pearce
How deep is the Divide? Generational Trends in Euroscepticism

(1.3) Voting for fringe and radical parties I: The UK

Eric Kaufmann
The ‘Left Behind’? Reconciling individual and aggregate UK Independence Party voting

Geoff Evans and Jon Mellon
UKIP: Immigration, Europe and the rise of ethno-nationalism

John Meadowcroft and Elizabeth Morrow
Leadership, incentives and the decline of the English Defence League

Matthew Goodwin and Eric Kaufmann
Does Diversity Produce Hostility? A Meta Analysis

(1.4) Party campaigning

David Cutts and Tristan Hotham
Facebook and Big Data: Has it changed party campaigning in Britain forever?

Justin Fisher, David Cutts, Ed Fieldhouse and Bettina Rottweiler
The Evolution of District-Level Campaigning in Britain: the Resilience of Traditional Campaigning?

Caitlin Milazzo and Jesse Hammond
Negative Messaging in 2015 General Election Leaflets

Giordano Neuenschwander and Florian Foos
Mobilizing Party Activism: A Field Experiment with Party Members and Sympathizers

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15.00-15.30 Coffee/tea
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15.30-17.00 SESSION 2

(2.1) 2015 general election I: findings from the BES

Ed Fieldhouse
The Fragmentation of British Electoral Politics: A Punctuated Equilibrium Perspective on Political Change

Chris Prosser, Ed Fieldhouse and Jane Green
Reward, blame and guilt by association: How coalition helped the Tories but hurt the Lib Dems

Jane Green and Chris Prosser

Shocks and ripples: The on-going effects of the 2008 financial crisis on the 2015 British general election

Cees Van der Eijk and Hermann Schmitt

Evolving boundaries of electoral change in Britain: How long-term evolution of social and political factors transforms the parameters of electoral competition

Geoff Evans and Jon Mellon


(2.2) Electoral administration

Alistair Clark and Toby James

Why Volunteer? The motivations of poll workers on election day

Davide Tiberti and Katie Hamilton

Electoral registration in 2016: the new system of Individual Electoral Registration

Katie Hamilton, Emma Noyes and Michael Turner

Is 7 weeks a long time in politics? Comparing public attitudes towards 2016’s electoral events

(2.3) Participation

Aleksandra Cichocka

What inverted U can do for your country: Is there a curvilinear relationship between system justification and political engagement?

Timothy Vercelotti

Is Winning Everything? Activism, Campaigns, and Political Efficacy in the UK

Stuart Fox, Ceryn Evans, Chris Taylor and Gareth Rees

Is it all Relative? Revisiting the Effect of Higher Education on Civic Participation

Judith Sijstermans

Young (Inter)Nationalists: Understanding the Impact of Young People’s Transnational Political Activism

(2.4) Attitudes to the politics of gender

Peter Allen and David Cutts

Blame assignation for women’s numeric under-representation in politics: the influence of individual characteristics and political context

Susan Banducci, Laszlo Horvath, Ekaterina Kolpinskaya, and Samuel Vine

Stereotype threat effects on women’s political engagement
Rosie Campbell and Oliver Heath
*Candidate effects and the gender gap*

Lisa Keenan
*Gender stereotyping and candidate evaluations: evidence from an experimental study of direct and indirect voter bias*

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17.00-18.30  **Plenary: ‘The Future of Opinion Polling’**

Professor Patrick Sturgis, University of Southampton
Martin Boon, Director, ICM
Joe Twyman, Head of Social and Political Research, YouGov

Location: Keynes Lecture Theatre 4 (ground floor)

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19.00  **Drinks reception and dinner (followed by quiz and bar)**
Darwin conference suite

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Saturday 10th September

9.30-11.00 SESSION 3

(3.1) EU referendum I: Findings from the ESRC’s EU Referendum study

Chair: Anand Menon (Kings London)

Geoff Evans, Ed Fieldhouse, Jon Mellon and Chris Prosser
The psychology and economics of the vote: identity versus the pocket book

Risking it for Brexit?

Referendum Fallout: Democratic disaffection or loser’s consent?

Was it always a done deal? The demographic structuring of the vote

Brexit: the revenge of the repressed ethnocentric?

(3.2) Turnout

Frederico Ferreira da Silva
Fostering turnout? Assessing leaders’ capacity to mobilise voters

Kaat Smets
Competing or Complementary? Local and National Competitiveness as Explanatory Factors of Turnout in SMP Systems

James Dennison
Westminster constituency-level political supply and individual turnout dynamics

Patrick Kuhn and Nick Vivyan
Reducing Turnout Misreporting by Addressing Psychological Threat

(3.3) Responsiveness to public opinion I: party policies and issues

Chitralekha Basu
Choosing Your Battles Wisely? Activist Preferences, Party Size and Issue Selection

Fraser McMillan
Do political party issue emphases anticipate changes in government expenditure? Reassessing the saliency approach to democratic linkage

Magdalena Staniek and Carolina Plescia
In the Eye of the Beholder: Voter Perceptions of Parties’ Policy Shifts

Michael Turner and Clive McDonnell
Using Tricked Regression to Re-Estimate Issue Salience in the United Kingdom

(3.4)  Party competition

Anne-Kristin Kölln
*When size matters: party size and ideological cohesion in Europe*

Mads Thau
*Who represents whom? How parties’ changing group appeals influence class-party linkage and the class basis of electoral choice*

Tarik Abou-Chadi and Markus Wagner
*Party strategies in post-industrial societies*

Philipp Dreyer
*Ideological Congruence, Voter Polarisation and Electoral Participation*

11.00-11.30  Coffee/tea

11.30-13.00  SESSION 4

(4.1)  Elections and party politics in the devolved systems

Roger Scully
*More Welsh than British? Voter Choice in the 2016 Welsh Elections*

Ailsa Henderson, Chris Carman, Rob Johns and James Mitchell
*Identity, valence issues and constitutional preference: the 2016 Scottish Parliament elections*

John Coakley, John Garry, Neil Matthews and Brendan O’Leary
*Party Images in Northern Ireland: What do citizens think their parties stand for?*

Sofia Collignon
*A closer look to the effect of decentralization in the stability of party systems: Analysing parties’ sub-national electoral trajectories*

(4.2)  Party membership, supporters and organisation

Chair: Alistair Clark (Newcastle)

Tim Bale, Paul Webb, Monica Poletti
*Apples and Oranges? Labour’s members before and after Corbyn*
Lynn Bennie, James Mitchell and Rob Johns
*The Rise of Party Membership in the Wake of Referendum: A New Generation of Members?*

Neema Begum and Paula Surridge
*Partisan Dealignment and Ethnic Minorities in Britain*

Patricia Correa Vila and Nicole Bolleyer
*Parties and Associations in the UK and Norway: Consequences of State Funding and Regulation in Constraining and Permissive Legal Settings*

**(4.3) Voting for fringe and radical parties II: comparative perspectives**

Todd Donovan
*Right-Wing Populism in the US Compared*

James Downes
*‘Crisis Rewards Salience’: Extreme Right-Wing and Centre Right Party Competition at the Onset of the 2008 Economic Crisis*

Raul Gomez
*Is populism just for populists? Populist attitudes and support for populism in Latin America*

Roland Kappe
*Media attention, party positioning and public support for right-wing populist parties: The emergence of the ”Alternative für Deutschland” (AfD) party in Germany*

**(4.4) Responsiveness to public opinion II**

Paolo Bellucci and Alessandro Pellegata
*Performance, policy preferences and government ideology in Italy, 1968-2015*

John Bartle
*Policy representation in the UK, 1945-2015*

Rebecca McKee
*Is there discrimination in the responsiveness of Members of Parliament to their constituents? Yes: Evidence from a campaign experiment in the UK*

Stan Hok-Wui Wong, Harold Clarke and Karl Ho
*The Political is Personal: Machine Politics in Hong Kong’s District Council Election*

13.00-14.00 Lunch (Dolce Vita, Keynes College)
(5.1) EU referendum II

Kelvyn Jones, David Manley and Ron Johnston
*Forecasting the geography of Brexit: success or failure?*

Michael Thrasher, Galina Borisyuk, Colin Rallings, Harry Carr and Michael Turner
*Estimating local authority level distributions of referendum voting using aggregate and survey-level data*

Liam Delaney, Ailsa Henderson and Robert Liñeira
*Risk and the Brexit Choice*

David Morisi
*Leaving or staying in the EU? The impact of Brexit arguments in the EU referendum*

(5.2) Electoral rules and electoral behaviour

Jon Fiva and Helene Lie Røhr
*A Personal Affair: Incumbency Effects in Open-List Proportional Representation*

Neil Matthews
*Constituency-level campaigning in Northern Ireland: personalisation in a hyper-party environment or donkeys wearing collarettes?*

Martin Elff, Spyros Kosmidis and Andrea Murr
*Campaign Dynamics and Mixed Incentives for Strategic Voting: The Case of the UK Parliamentary Elections of 2010 and 2015*

Jack Vowles and Shaun Bowler
*The New Zealand Party System and Electoral System Change: Testing Duverger’s Psychological Effect*

(5.3) The Post-Crisis Irish Voter: Insights from the 2016 Irish National Election Study

Michael Marsh
*The missing economic vote in the Irish 2016 election*

Gail McElroy
*Gender and the Vote*

Kevin Cunningham
*Mining the Ballot, Preferences and Transfers*

Theresa Reidy and Jane Suiter
Campaign Dynamics; the air war and the ground war

(5.4)  Candidate effects in the 2015 British general election
Caitlin Milazzo and Jennifer vanHeerde-Hudson

Competition and Candidate Extremity

Peter Allen, Rosie Campbell, Jennifer Hudson and Chrysa Lamprinakou
The attitudinal and behavioural characteristics of ‘super-candidates’

Jennifer Hudson, Wolfgang Rudig and Javier Savier
The advantage of the local candidate?

Rosie Campbell, Phil Cowley, Nick Vivyan and Markus Wagner
Explaining voter preferences for local legislators using experimental evidence

(5.5)  Public opinion towards minority groups, immigrants and terrorism

Lauren McLaren
Framing the immigration debate

Jonathan Mellon
Experimentally Testing the Effect of Economic Threat on Anti-Immigrant Sentiment

Patrick English, Manlio Cinalli and Steven Van Hauwaert
The Limits of Desire: Policy Making and Public Opinion toward the Integration of Muslims in the United Kingdom and France

Maria Sobolewska, Rob Ford, Paul Sniderman
Democratic Resilience: How some individuals resist the threat of terrorism and maintain their core values of tolerance

15.30-16.00  Coffee/tea

16.00-17.30  SESSION 6

(6.1)  EU referendum III

Stephen Fisher and Alan Renwick
Public opinion change in referendum campaigns: how did the UK EU referendum compare?

Harold Clarke, Matthew Goodwin, Marianne Stewart and Paul Whiteley
What Explains the Referendum Vote on UK Membership of the European Union? A Dynamic Panel Analysis

Ece Atikcan, Richard Nadeau and Éric Bélanger
Framing the Choice in the Brexit Referendum

Sara Hobolt, Thomas Leeper and James Tilley
Social Identity Cues and Policy Preferences: An experimental study of the British referendum on EU membership

(6.2) Political representation

Rosie Campbell, Sarah Childs & Joni Lovenduski
Gender and elite/mass attitudinal congruence

Maria Sobolewska, Patrick English, Laura Morales, Marc van de Wardt, and Steven van Hauwaert
Mobilization, Counter-Mobilization and Access to Power: Does descriptive Representation follow the anti-immigration mood?

Peter Allen and Sarah Childs
Capturing critical actors: the benefits of structural topic modelling

Maria Sobolewska, Rosie Campbell and Rebecca McKee
Representation of minorities: how voters’ and candidates’ attitudes compare

(6.3) Electoral behaviour

Alia Middleton
More than a vote on the government? The changing nature of by-elections in the UK political system

Roderick Kiewiet
Toward a political seismology

Ron Johnston, Kelvyn Jones and David Manley
Has there been a ‘Big Sort’ in recent US electoral geography?

John Ault
‘Split Ticket Voting’: Explaining voter choice between Constituency and List ballots in Wales 2016

(6.4) Political communication

Florian Foos
Enabling Persuasion Experiments in Cash-Strapped Environments: Two Cluster-Randomized Experiments based on Canvassing Data
Lamprini Rori
Party organizations in the light of professionalization of political communication: A comparative analysis among socialist parties in Europe

Ekaterina Kolpinskaya, Gabriel Katz, Susan Banducci, Travis Coan and Daniel Stevens
The effect of post-electoral communication frames on attitudes towards government: Evidence from a survey experiment after the 2015 British election

Sarah Tiplady
Changes to Campaign Strategy in US Presidential Elections.

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18.45  Coaches to Canterbury Cathedral Lodge
19.00  Drinks reception and conference dinner
Speaker: Daniel Hannan, MEP
Canterbury Cathedral Lodge

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Sunday 11th September

09.30-11.00  SESSION 7

(7.1)  2015 general election II

Nicole Martin
*Ethnic minority voters in 2015: A breakthrough for the Conservative party?*

Heinz Brandenburg and Robert Thomson
*Does it matter what they promised? Election pledges, valence politics and vote choice in the British General Election 2015*

Paula Surridge
*Identity, Values and Valence: Understanding support for parties in a fragmenting system*

David Cutts and Andrew Russell
*Did they see it coming? Why did the Liberal Democrats really lose so badly in those seats they were defending from the Conservatives?*

(7.2)  Qualitative research methods in the study of elections, public opinion and parties

Kristi Winters, Thom Oliver and Edzia Carvalho
*Designing qualitative research for replication and secondary analysis: a case study using the Qualitative Election Study of Britain*

Avril Keating
*Participatory methods and political research on youth: challenges, benefits and lessons*

Iro Konstantinou
*Engaging neoliberal subjects in politics: First-time voters and their understandings of politics*

Kristi Winters, Thom Oliver, Edzia Carvalho
*Popular Leader Evaluations across two UK General Elections: A qualitative analysis of focus group data*

(7.3)  Voter loyalty and decision-making under different electoral rules

Stephen Quinlan and Hannah Schwarz
*The Transfers Game': A cross-national multilevel exploration of vote transfers in preferential voting systems*

James Gilmour
*Voter Loyalty to “Party Pairs” in the STV-PR 2012 Scottish Local Government Elections*

Jac Larner
Strategic Ticket-Splitting at National Assembly for Wales Elections

Simon Willocq
*Why Do They Take Longer to Make up Their Mind? A Comparative Study on Late Deciding Voters in Western Democracies*

(7.4) **Party systems**

Tim Haughton and Kevin Deegan-Krause
*Annuals and Perennials: Why Some Parties in Europe Die More Quickly than Others*

Fernanda Flacco and Dani Marinova
*Strong leader effects across old and young democracies: Weighing systemic, party and voter explanations*

Tom Quinn
*Two-Party Dynamics, Executive Formation and the UK Party System*

Raimondas Ibenskas
*Explaining Party Splits: A Comparative Study of 24 European Democracies*

11.00-11.30 Coffee/tea

11.30-13.00 **SESSION 8**

(8.1) **Legislative behaviour**

Einion Dafydd
*Rebels or Party Poodles? Legislative Voting in the National Assembly for Wales*

Marijke van der Velden
*“Flirting” for Coalition Participation? Exploring Parties’ Communication Strategies in Parliamentary Debates*

Martin Battle
*Committee Membership Strategies in the Scottish Parliament*

(8.2) **Media effects**

Susan Banducci, Iulia Cioroianu, Travis Coan, Gabriel Katz, Ekaterina Kolpinskaya and Daniel Stevens
*Media Effects in the 2015 British General Election*
Daphne van der Pas  
*Who’s in the news: A comparative analysis of MP visibility in newspapers in six European countries*

Susan Banducci, Travis Coan, Gabriel Katz and Daniel Stevens  
*Re-Examining the Role of Partisan Media in British Politics*

Loes Aaldering  
*Meditatized Leader Effects: How Leadership Images in Dutch Media Affect Voters’ Leader Perception and Voting Behavior*

### (8.3) Public attitudes towards the role of the state

Rosalind Shorrocks and Maria Grasso  
*Gender and political generations: support for redistribution and spending in the US and Britain*

Ann-Kristin Kölln and Christopher Wlezien  
*Conjoint Experiments on Political Support for Governmental Spending Profiles*

John Kenny  
*Analysing the Impact of Fluctuating Levels of Economic Insecurity on Individuals’ Environmental Protection Preferences*

Javier Sajuria and Paolo Morini  
*Is it simply an issue of Left-Right? Partisanship in the UK and support for Overseas Development Aid*

### (8.4) Elections and accountability

Martin Okolikj and Johan Elkink  
*Comparing with Which Neighbours? A Test of Economic Benchmark Voting*

Liisa Talving and Piret Ehin  
*Economic voting and constraints on government accountability: Are small, open and integrated nations different?*

Spyros Kosmidis  
*The Long Term Dynamics of Voter Persuasion*

Christopher Prosser and Jonathan Mellon  
*Does (lowering) crime pay? Accountability voting at the 2016 Police and Crime Commissioner elections*

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13.00-14.00  Lunch and depart.

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