

# Annual Conference Comparative Agendas Project Konstanz 2025

## PROGRAM

Wednesday, 11 June 2025

SCHEDULE	ACTIVITY	VENUE
12:00–13:00	Registration	A Building
12:00–13:00	Sandwich	Y214
13:00–14:45	SESSION A	
	<p><b>Panel 1.</b>  <i>Leveraging Machine Learning for Policy Agenda Research: Challenges and Innovations</i></p> <p>Chair: <a href="#">Christoffer Green-Pedersen</a>            Discussant: <a href="#">Alison Craig</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Measuring Complexity and Reproducibility: A Comprehensive Benchmark of LLMs for Multilingual Policy Agenda Topic Annotation – <a href="#">Bastián González-Bustamante</a></li> <li>Challenges and Strategies in Large-Scale Text Classification: Lessons from the Congressional Bills Project – <a href="#">Alison Crain</a>, <a href="#">Max Goplerud</a>, <a href="#">Shruti Khandekar</a>, <a href="#">Eric Kim</a>, <a href="#">Miranda Sullivan</a>, <a href="#">Sean Theriault</a></li> <li>ParlaCAP: Comparing Agenda-Setting across Parliaments via the ParlaMint Dataset – <a href="#">Nikola Ljubešić</a>, <a href="#">Daniela Sirinic</a></li> <li>Evaluating the Co-variates of Multilingual Machine Coding for Policy Agendas, Manifesto, and Sentiment Classification – <a href="#">Miklós Sebők</a>, <a href="#">Viktor Kovács</a>, <a href="#">Martin Bánóczy</a>, <a href="#">Bálint Jeszenői</a></li> </ul>	Y326
	<p><b>Panel 2.</b>  <i>Shifting Moods and Political Dynamics: Populism, Media, and Public Opinion</i></p> <p>Chair: <a href="#">Henrik Bech Seeberg</a>            Discussant: <a href="#">Isabelle Engeli</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Twenty Years of Populist Mood in Europe – <a href="#">Marcello Carammia</a>, <a href="#">Giona Panarello</a>, <a href="#">Filippo Tronconi</a>, <a href="#">Mattia Zulianello</a></li> <li>Does Media Move Mood? An Analysis of PAP Media and Policy Moods Data – <a href="#">Nicholas Damico</a>, <a href="#">Amber Morris</a></li> <li>Comparative Trends in Cultural Liberalism – <a href="#">Derek Epp</a>, <a href="#">Jelle Koedam</a></li> </ul>	Y213

14:45–15:00	<b>Coffee Break</b>	Y214 Y310
15:00–16:45	<b>SESSION B</b>	
	<p><b>Panel 3.</b>  <i>Electoral Strategies and Voter Dynamics: Issue Ownership, Preferences, and Campaigning</i></p> <p><b>Chair:</b> <a href="#">Isabelle Guinaudeau</a>  <b>Discussant:</b> <a href="#">Alexander Horn</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Appealing to core voters or potential voters? How splitting issue ownership allows political parties to select campaign issues – <a href="#">Henrik Bech Seeberg</a></li> <li>• Size matters. Party vote share, News Visibility and Vote Intentions – <a href="#">Emiliano Grossman</a>, <a href="#">Gunnar Thesen</a></li> <li>• Election Agenda in Japan: Candidate Promises and Voter Preferences – <a href="#">Hidehiro Yamamoto</a></li> <li>• Issue positions and ideological constraint of voters and parties – <a href="#">Stefaan Walgrave</a>, <a href="#">Philippe Mongrain</a></li> </ul>	Y326
	<p><b>Panel 4.</b>  <i>Interest Group Influence: Biases, Endorsements, and the Revolving Door</i></p> <p><b>Chair:</b> <a href="#">Frank Baumgartner</a>  <b>Discussant:</b> <a href="#">Ilana Shpaizman</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• From Interests to Agencies – <a href="#">Christian Breunig</a>, <a href="#">Jonathan Klüser</a></li> <li>• Representation bias in interest group mobilization on multiple levels – <a href="#">Florian Spohr</a>, <a href="#">Patrick Bernhagen</a>, <a href="#">Krispin Krüger</a></li> <li>• Nonpartisan Elections: How do Interest Groups Endorse Candidates? – <a href="#">Daniel Little</a>, <a href="#">Grace Morris</a></li> <li>• Persuade Your Foes or Inform your Friends?: Partisan Context and Adaptive Lobbying Strategy – <a href="#">Timothy M. LaPira</a>, <a href="#">Isabel Laterzo-Tingley</a>, <a href="#">Herschel F. Thomas</a></li> </ul>	Y311
	<p><b>Panel 5.</b>  <i>The Power of Bureaucracy: How Non-Elected Actors Shape Policy Agendas</i></p> <p><b>Chair:</b> <a href="#">Sarah Pralle</a>  <b>Discussant:</b> <a href="#">Gerard Breeman</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gatekeepers or enablers? How bureaucratic capacity determine whether parties matter – <a href="#">Jon Boe Valgermo</a></li> <li>• Policy Agendas without Parliament: Bureaucratic Structures and Secondary Legislation in Europe – <a href="#">Julia Fleischer</a>, <a href="#">Zoe Maurer</a>, <a href="#">Sven Oke Seilliger</a></li> <li>• Scientists as Producers of Emotions in Policy Agendas – <a href="#">Eric Montpetit</a></li> </ul>	Y213
17:00–18:00	<b>Roundtable: A Tribute to Frank Baumgartner</b>	A701
	<p><b>Chair:</b> <a href="#">Sean Theriault</a>  <b>Discussants:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Laura Chaqués Bonafont</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Emiliano Grossman</a></li> </ul>	

- [Christoffer Green-Pedersen](#)

18:00–20:00      **Opening Plenary and Welcome Reception**      **K7**

**Welcome Address by Prof. [Dirk Leuffen](#)** (Vice Rector for Research, Innovation and Impact, University of Konstanz)

## Thursday, 12 June 2025

SCHEDULE	ACTIVITY	VENUE
09:00–10:45	<b>SESSION C</b>	
	<p><b>Panel 6.</b>  <i>Policy Success, Agenda Control, and Issue Prioritization</i></p> <p><b>Chair:</b> <a href="#">Emiliano Grossman</a>  <b>Discussant:</b> <a href="#">Sean Theriault</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue Complexity and Agenda Denial – <a href="#">Jonathan Lewallen</a></li> <li>• Is policy success on the agenda? – <a href="#">Sarah Palle</a></li> <li>• Two Audiences, Two Agendas: Issue Prioritization in Congressional Communications – <a href="#">Alison Craig</a></li> </ul>	<b>Y326</b>
	<p><b>Panel 7.</b>  <i>Unequal Representation? Age, Gender, and Equality in Political Discourse</i></p> <p><b>Chair:</b> <a href="#">Tinette Schnatterer</a>  <b>Discussant:</b> <a href="#">Derek Epp</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Politicians' (under)representation of young voters' preferences in parliamentary speeches – <a href="#">Sofia Marini</a>, <a href="#">Henrik Bech Seeberg</a></li> <li>• Unequal Issue Responsiveness by Politicians in the European Parliament to Age and Gender – <a href="#">Henrik Bech Seeberg</a>, <a href="#">Enrico Borghetto</a>, <a href="#">Marcello Carammia</a></li> <li>• Equality positions and policies of governments, 1970-2020. How egalitarian parties evoke equality yet evade redistribution – <a href="#">Alexander Horn</a>, <a href="#">Leo Ahrens</a></li> <li>• Decoding Responsiveness: Exploring the Criteria Politicians Use to Evaluate Public Opinion Signals (or mood panel) – <a href="#">Stefaan Walgrave</a>, <a href="#">Chris Butler</a>, <a href="#">Bart Maes</a></li> </ul>	<b>Y311</b>
10:45–11:00	<b>Coffee Break</b>	<b>Y214</b> <b>Y310</b>
11:00–12:45	<b>SESSION D</b>	

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**Panel 8.**  
***Shaping the Political Agenda: From Democratic Backsliding to Authoritarian Control***

**Y326**

**Chair:** [Amber Morris](#)  
**Discussant:** [Amnon Cavari](#)

- Illiberal 'regime changes' in Central Europe – [Csaba Molnár](#)
- Placing hope on the agenda: Constructing hope in protests against democratic backsliding – [Ilana Shpaizman](#), [Liron Lavi](#)
- Who leads? Who follows? The role of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences in defining Legislative Agendas – [Xinwei Chen](#)
- Agenda-setting from the Kremlin: Presidential Communication and Policy Dynamics in Russia, 2014-2024 – [Olga Litvyak](#), [Andrey Shadurskiy](#)

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**Panel 9.**  
***Agenda Setting across Policy Areas***

**Y311**

**Chair:** [Enrico Borghetto](#)  
**Discussant:** [Elisa Deiss-Helbig](#)

- Media Systems and the Representation of Interest Groups in AI Policy Debates – [Laura Chaqués Bonafont](#), [David García-García](#), [Xavier Fernández-i-Marín](#)
- Partisan Priorities in Higher Education Policy: An Examination using Bill Summaries – [Shruti Khandekar](#)
- Blame games and the parliamentary and media agenda on Antibiotic Resistance – [Manuel Fischer](#), [Josefine Wyser](#), [Johanna Hornung](#)
- Do Threatened Subsystems Manufacture Policy Slowdown in Times of Economic Crisis? Evidence from Banking and Internet Regulation Policy in the US, 1998-2022 – [Gauthier Fally](#)

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**Panel 10.**  
***Constructing Deservingness: Group images in Public Opinion and the Media***

**Y213**

**Chair:** [Miranda Sullivan](#)  
**Discussant:** [Chris Koski](#)

- "Good immigrants", "Endangerers" and "Childless couples": How government polls contribute to the creation of group images in public opinion – [Tinette Schnatterer](#), [Rémi Passerotti](#)
- Perceptions of Deservingness: The Role of Racial and Gender Attitudes in American Welfare Policy Preferences – [Chris Faricy](#), [Chris Ellis](#)
- Measuring social constructions of groups based on media discourses – [Selma Sarenkapa](#), [Elisa Deiss-Helbig](#), [Mathieu Dubied](#), [Isabelle Guinaudeau](#), [Theres Matthieß](#), [Raphael Heiberger](#)

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12:45–14:00     **Lunch**

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14:00–15:45     **SESSION E**

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**Panel 11.**  
***Strategic Agendas: Opposition Dynamics in and Beyond Election Campaigns***

**Y326**

**Chair:** [Isabelle Engeli](#)

**Discussant:** [Benjamin Engst](#)

- Promises in the shadows: How opposition parties use promises outside election campaigns – [Mathias Bukh Vestergaard](#), [Daniel Sandvej Eriksen](#)
- Responsible Opposition: Assessing the determinants of opposition control of the public legislative agenda – [Shahaf Zamir](#), [Amnon Cavari](#), [Illana Shpaizman](#)
- Releasing a Trojan Horse: How Government Parties Use Social Media to Influence the Opposition's Agenda in Parliament – [Daniel Sandvej Eriksen](#)

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**Panel 12.**  
***Government Agendas in Dynamic Political Contexts***

**Y311**

**Chair:** [Shaun Bevan](#)

**Discussant:** [Stefaan Walgrave](#)

- Governing in a turbulent world: Comparing inside and outside government agendas in Denmark 2001-2018 – [Christopher Green-Pedersen](#), [Peter B. Mortensen](#), [Henrik Bech Seeberg](#)
- Government Polling in Times of Crises: When Capacity Meets Incentives – [Tinette Schnatterer](#), [Anja Durovic](#)
- The Climate Agendas of US State Executives, 2020-2024 – [Chris Koski](#), [Owen Wegner](#)

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**Panel 13.**  
***From Questions to Innovations: Understanding Agenda Dynamics in Legislative Bodies***

**Y213**

**Chair:** [Cheyenne Lee](#)

**Discussant:** [Peter Bjerre Mortensen](#)

- Questioning Defence Spending in the French Parliament: A Study of Parliamentary Questions on Military Operations (2012–2024) – [Delphine Deschaux-Dutard](#), [Jean Joana](#), [Friederike Richter](#)
- The determinants of issue attention in the European Parliament – [Marcello Carammia](#), [Federico Russo](#)
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- The Legislative Effectiveness of Congressional Reports – [Sean Theriault](#)
- Congressional Staffer Policy Portfolios, 1987-2024 – [Tim LaPira](#), [Jesse Croson](#), [Alexander Furnas](#)

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15:45–16:15	<b>Coffee Break</b>	<b>V1008</b>
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16:15–17.45	<b>Keynote Speech “Problem Definition in Digital Democracy”</b> Prof. <a href="#">Fabrizio Gilardi</a> (University of Zurich)	<b>V1001</b>
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19:30	<b>Dinner at Constanzer Wirtshaus</b>	
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Friday, 13 June 2025

SCHEDULE	ACTIVITY	VENUE
09:00–10:45	<b>SESSION F</b>	
	<p><b>Panel 14.</b>  <i>Institutions, Jurisdictions, and the Limits of Majority Rule</i></p> <p><b>Chair:</b> <a href="#">Friederike Richter</a>  <b>Discussant:</b> <a href="#">Javier Martinez Canto</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Institutions and policy agendas across the Irish border – <a href="#">Conor Little</a></li> <li>• How jurisdiction size shapes the role of politicians – <a href="#">Peter B. Mortensen</a>, <a href="#">Jan Erling Klausen</a>, <a href="#">Signy Vabo</a></li> <li>• Excessive majoritarianism: how majority rule may weaken the electoral mandate – <a href="#">Emiliano Grossman</a>, <a href="#">Isabelle Guinaudeau</a></li> <li>• Malapportionment, Legislator Effort and the Representation of District Interests. Evidence from the Italian Senate – <a href="#">Massimo Troncone</a></li> </ul>	<b>Y326</b>
	<p><b>Panel 15.</b>  <i>Crisis and the Public Agenda: Issue Attention and Party Strategies</i></p> <p><b>Chair:</b> <a href="#">Tim LaPira</a>  <b>Discussant:</b> <a href="#">Julia Fleischer</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Polarized Public Agenda in Times of Crisis – <a href="#">Amnon Cavari</a>, <a href="#">Asif Efrat</a></li> <li>• Varieties of Crisis. Issue attention during different crises in Europe – <a href="#">Alice Cavalieri</a></li> <li>• Don't talk about what we can't do: parties' issue emphasis in times of economic crisis – <a href="#">Jaime Coulbois</a></li> <li>• Crowding-Out and the Public Agenda: How Core Issues and Crises Drive the 'Most Important Issue' – <a href="#">Shaun Bevan</a>, <a href="#">Will Jennings</a></li> </ul>	<b>Y213</b>
	<p><b>Panel 16.</b>  <i>Media and Politics: Visibility, Perceptions, and Reactions</i></p> <p><b>Chair:</b> <a href="#">Annelise Russell</a>  <b>Discussant:</b> <a href="#">Jonathan Klüser</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Role of Social Media in Explaining Politicians' Media Visibility – <a href="#">Daniel Sandvej Eriksen</a>, <a href="#">Gunnar Thesen</a>, <a href="#">Tevfik Murat Yildirim</a></li> <li>• Media, Ministers, and Public Opinion: Analyzing the Impact of Coverage on Performance Perceptions – <a href="#">Laura Chaqués Bonafont</a>, <a href="#">Xavier Fernández-i-Marín</a>, <a href="#">David García-García</a>, <a href="#">Javier Martínez Cantó</a>, <a href="#">Cristina Zapatero</a></li> <li>• Political Violence and Partisan Reactions on Polarised Debates – <a href="#">Daniel Saldivia Gonzatti</a>, <a href="#">Teresa Völker</a></li> <li>• State Colleague Similarity and Digital Communication – <a href="#">Cheyenne Lee</a></li> </ul>	<b>Y311</b>
10:45–11:15	<b>Coffee Break</b>	<b>V1008</b>
11:15–13.00	<p><b>Closing Plenary “Reflections on CAP”</b>  <b>Prof. <a href="#">Jale Tosun</a></b> (University of Heidelberg) &amp; <b>Prof. <a href="#">Daniel Béland</a></b> (McGill University)</p> <p><b>Bryan D. Jones Best Paper Award</b></p>	<b>V1001</b>

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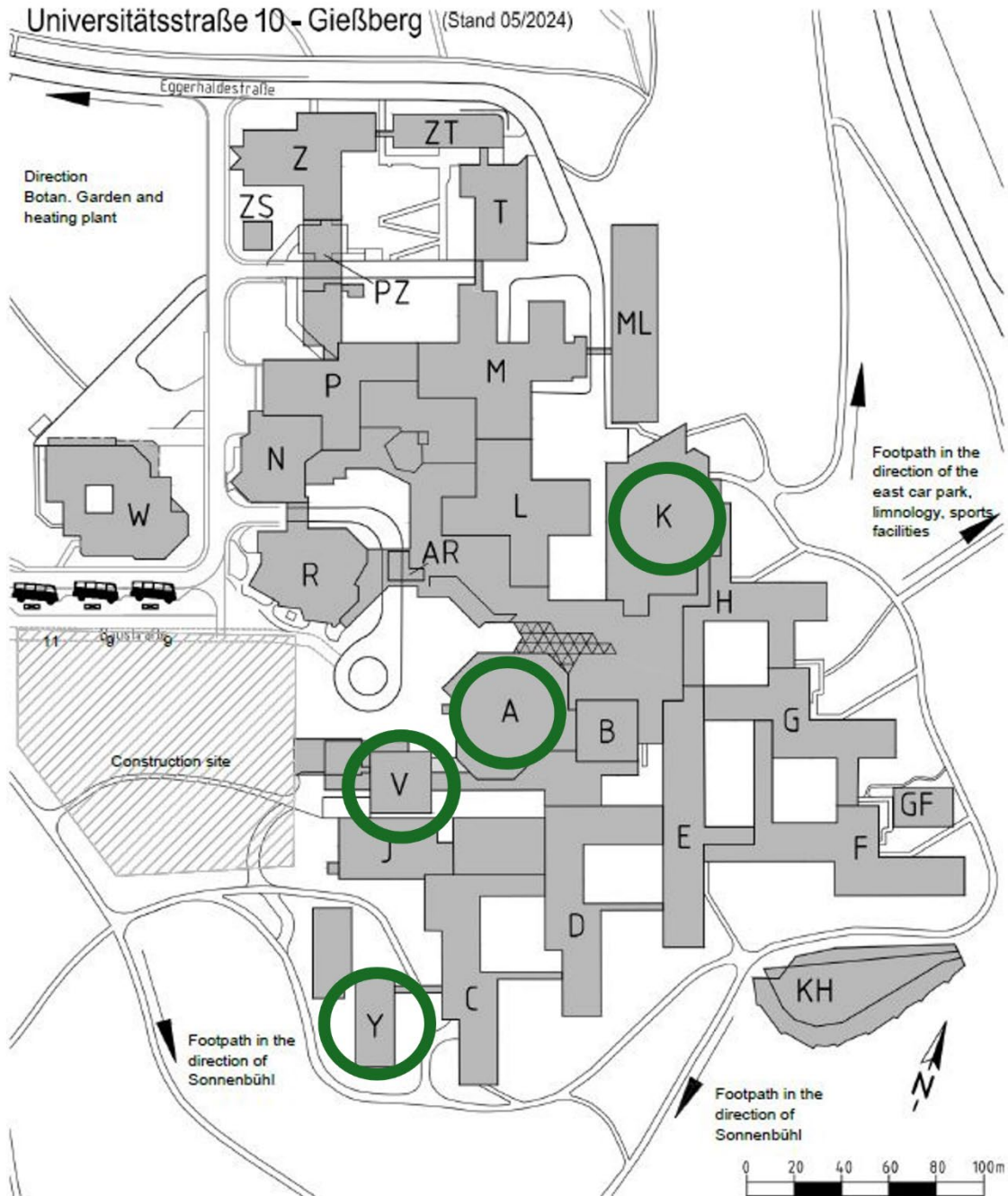
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### UNIVERSITÄT KONSTANZ

Universitätsstraße 10 - Gießberg (Stand 05/2024)



Building A: Registration

Building V: Keynote Speech, Closing Plenary

Building Y: Panel Sessions

Building K: Welcome Reception