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CURRENT POSITIONS

European University Institute	
Part-time Professor, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies	2019 – present
Research Fellow, Migration Policy Centre	2017 – 2019
Associate Director, Observatory of Public Attitudes to Migration	
Harvard University, Visiting Fellow, Center for European Studies	2019 – present
University of Stockholm, Researcher, Department of Sociology	2019 – present

EDUCATION

European University Institute	2014 – 2017
PhD Social and Political Sciences (defended July 2017)	
Thesis: ‘Re-Thinking Turnout: Explaining Within-Individual Variation in Electoral Participation’	
Supervisors: Professor Hanspeter Kriesi and Professor Harold Clarke (University of Texas, Dallas)	
Nuffield College, Oxford University, Junior Visiting Fellow. Mentor: Professor Geoff Evans	2015
European University Institute, MRes Social and Political Science	2013 – 2014
London School of Economics, MSc Political Science and Political Economy	2009 – 2010

BOOKS

Dennison, J. (2016) *The Greens in British Politics: Protest, Anti-Austerity and the Divided Left*. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES (1/2)

- Dennison, J. and Geddes, A. (2020, forthcoming) ‘The centre no longer holds: the Lega, Matteo Salvini and the remaking of Italian immigration politics’ in *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*
- Dennison, J. (2020, forthcoming) ‘Niche parties in turbulent party systems: the cases of the Brexit Party, Change UK and the Greens’ in *Parliamentary Affairs*
- Dennison, J. (2020, forthcoming) ‘What policy communication works for migration? A human values approach’ in *Data and Policy*
- Dennison, J. (2020, forthcoming) ‘A proposal for simultaneous reform of the House of Commons and House of Lords’ in *The Political Quarterly*
- Dennison, J. and Draege, J. (2020, forthcoming) ‘The dynamics of electoral politics after the Arab Spring: Evidence from Tunisia’ in *Journal of North African Studies*
- Dennison, J. (2019, online first) ‘How issue salience explains the rise of the populist right in Western Europe’ in *International Journal of Public Opinion Research*
- Dennison, J. (2019) ‘A Review of Public Issue Salience: Concepts, Determinants and Effects on Voting’ in *Political Studies Review*, 17(4): 436-446
- Dennison, J. and Geddes, A. (2018) ‘A Rising Tide? The Salience of Immigration and the Rise of Anti-Immigration Political Parties in Western Europe’ in *The Political Quarterly*, 90(1): 107-116
- Dennison, J., Carl, N. and Evans, G. (2019) ‘European but not European Enough: An Explanation for Brexit’ in *European Union Politics*, 20(2): 282-304
- Dennison, J. and Geddes, A. (2018) ‘The Perils of Europeanised Migration’ in *Journal of European Public Policy*, 25(8): 1137-1153
- Dennison, J. (2018) ‘The rug pulled from under them. UKIP and the Greens’ in *Parliamentary Affairs*, 71(1): 91-108

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES (2/2)

- Dennison, J. & Draege, J. (2017) 'Making Sense of the 2016 Italian Constitutional Referendum' in *Mediterranean Politics*, 23(3): 403-409
- Birch, S. and Dennison, J. (2017) 'How Protest Voters Choose' in *Party Politics*, 25(2): 110-125
- Dennison, J. (2015) 'The Other Insurgency? The Greens and the Election' in *Parliamentary Affairs*, 68(1): 188-205
- Dennison, J. & Goodwin, M. (2015) 'Immigration, Issue Ownership and the Rise of UKIP' in *Parliamentary Affairs*, 68(1): 168-187

CHAPTERS IN EDITED VOLUMES

- Dennison, J. and Geddes, A. (2020, forthcoming), 'Migration and the Future of Europe' in, eds, *Fifty Years of the Edinburgh Europa Institute*. Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press
- Dennison, J. & Goodwin, M. (2018), 'The Radical Right in the United Kingdom' in eds. Rydgren, J. *The Oxford Handbook of the Radical Right*. Oxford: Oxford University Press
- Dennison, J., Grumbinaitė, I. and Oliver, T. (2018) 'Baltic member states: Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania' in, ed. Oliver, T., *Europe's Brexit*, Newcastle: Agenda.
- Evans, G., Carl, N. and Dennison, J. (2017) 'Brexit: The Causes and Consequences of the UK's decision to leave the EU' in, eds. Castells, M. et al, *Europe's Crises*. Chichester: Polity

GRANT CAPTURE AND FUNDING

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| International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD) | 2018 – 2023 |
| Migration Policy Centre research contribution for EuroMed IV and EuroMed V (€520,000) | |
| Swedish Research Council | 2019 – 2021 |
| International Postdoc (€300,000) | |
| Department of Business, Innovation and Skills | 2013 – 2017 |
| PhD tuition fees (€48,000) and grant (€60,000) | |

WORKING PAPERS / RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

- 'Explaining Europe's Changing Party Systems: An Issue Salience Approach'
- 'Explaining migration politics and policy in the Middle East and North Africa: A seven-country study'
- 'How issue salience explains the decline of social democrat parties in Europe'
- 'Under what conditions does the populist radical right succeed? Salience, stigma and the case of the end of Iberian exceptionalism' ([Here](#), with Mariana Mendes, under review)
- 'The relationship between human values and voting in the EU referendum' (with Eldad Davidov)
- 'Voter Psychology and Turnout: A Panel Data Approach' (under review)
- 'Resources and Voter Turnout: A Panel Data Approach' (under review)
- 'Partisan Mobilisation and Voter Turnout: A Panel Data Approach' (under review)

NON-ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

- Dennison, J. and M. Nasr. *Impact of Public Attitudes to migration on the political environment in the Euro-Mediterranean Region: Southern Partner Countries*. ICMPD report: [here](#)
- Dennison, J. 2019. *Impact of Public Attitudes to migration on the political environment in the Euro-Mediterranean Region: Europe*. ICMPD report: [here](#)
- Contributor to: IOM (2018) *Informing the Implementation of the Global Compact for Migration*
- Dennison, J. and Dražanová, L. (2018) *Attitudes to Immigration in Europe and the Southern Mediterranean*, ICMPD report: [here](#)
- Contributor to: CEPS (2018) *The Cost of Non-Europe in Migration Policy*
- Dennison, J. (2017) *Strategic Report for the Green Party of England and Wales*

SERVICES TO PROFESSION

Reviewer – *British Journal of Political Science; Journal of Politics; Electoral Studies; West European Politics; Bulletin of Economic Research; Parliamentary Affairs; European Journal of Legal Studies; Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties; European Union Politics; Publius; Political Studies; Review of International Political Economy; Economic Inquiry; Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies; Environmental Politics; East European Journal of Society and Politics; Party Politics; Studies in Ethnicity and Nationalism; International Journal of Public Opinion Research; British Journal of Politics and International Relations, Political Research Quarterly, Journal of Theoretical Social Psychology*

STATISTICAL SOFTWARE

R, Stata, SPSS, RATS

TRAINING

National University of Singapore Summer School: Network Analysis	2016
University of Essex Summer School: Time Series Analysis	2015
University of Essex Summer School: Panel Data Analysis, Structural Equation Modelling	2014
European University Institute Workshops: Regression Discontinuity, Diff-in-Diff, R	2014 – 2016

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

National Audit Office, London, United Kingdom	2012 - 2013
The Houses of Parliament, London, United Kingdom	2011 - 2012
The European Commission, Brussels, Belgium	2010 - 2011
The House of Lords, London, United Kingdom	2009 - 2010

LANGUAGES

English (native); Spanish (conversational); French, Greek, Italian (elementary)

RESEARCH POSITIONS

British Academy project, for 2015 general election, Lead Research Assistant	2014 - 2015
EUandI: 2014 European Parliament Voting Advice Application, Team Leader: UK	2013 - 2014

INVITED SPEAKER (1/2)

Club of Venice, EU28 Heads of Government Communications meeting, London, 2020
2nd Euro-Mediterranean Communicators' Workshop and High-Level Event on Public Communication on Migration, Athens, 2019
Global Forum on Migration and Development, Government of Morocco, Rabat, 2019
The Migration Policy Centre Annual Conference, EUI, Florence, 2019
'Europe's Turning Point on Migration?', (Organiser) Migration Policy Centre, Brussels, 2019. See video [here](#).
'Attitudes to immigration and the future of the European Union', Club of Venice, Venice, 2018
'The political effects of attitudes to immigration', MIDEM conference, Berlin, 2018
'Brexit: Why the UK and why now?', University of Amsterdam, 2018
'Explaining Attitudes to Immigration in Europe', European Parliament, Brussels, 2018
'Attitudes to Immigration in Europe and the Southern Mediterranean', Tunis, 2018
'What would a fair Brexit look like?', EUI Thoughts on the future of Europe series, 2018
State of the Union 2018, EUI Florence, Narratives and Attitudes to Migration. See video [here](#).
Understanding attitudes to immigration in Italy today', Metropolis conference. Florence, 2018. See video [here](#).
Presenting evidence to the European Parliament Select Committees. See video [here](#)

INVITED SPEAKER (2/2)

- ‘What Europeans think of immigration’ at EPIM, Brussels, 2018
- ‘Looking behind the culture of fear’ Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, Budapest, 2018
- ‘Public Attitudes on Migration’, European Commission talk with cabinet, Brussels, 2017
- ‘The Rise of Populism’, After dinner speaker with Barclays and McKinsey, London, 2017
- ‘International cooperation in responsibility-sharing for refugees’, American University in Cairo, 2017
- ‘Movements and Parties’, Invited workshop discussant at University of Aberdeen, 2017
- ‘Brexit: The Causes, Process and Consequences’, Swedish Network for EU Legal Studies, Stockholm, 2017
- ‘Explaining the Causes and Consequences of Brexit’, EUI, SPS department seminar, Florence, 2016
- ‘What now for the Green Party?’ Presentation to the Green Party of England and Wales HQ, London, 2016
- Modelling individual dynamics with political science data, University of Essex, Colchester, 2016
- ‘Still Strategic Eurosceptic and Polite Xenophobes?’, St. Antony’s College, Oxford, 2015
- ‘Green party voters: populist, socialists or environmentalist’, Friends of the Earth, London, 2015

CONFERENCES

- ‘How issue salience explains variation in voting for Social Democrat parties’, *APSA*, Washington DC, 2019
- ‘The relationship between human values and voting in the EU referendum’ (with Eldad Davidov), ISPP, Lisbon, 2019
- ‘European but not European enough: An explanation for Brexit’, *CES*, Madrid, 2019
- ‘How issue salience explains variation in voting for Social Democrat parties’, *ISPG*, Genoa, 2019
- EGPP- ‘2017, Europe’s Bumper Year of Elections’, EUI, 2018
- ‘An Explanation for Brexit’ & ‘Re-specifying Values and Attitudes to Immigration’, *EPOP*, 2017
- ‘How Protest Voters Choose’, *Political Studies Association*, Brighton, 2016
- ‘The Greens at the 2015 General Election’, *Elections, Public Opinion and Parties (EPOP)*, 2015
- ‘Explaining Changing Political Interest’ *8th Swiss Household Panel Conf.*, Lausanne, CH, 2015
- ‘Immigration and the Rise of UKIP’, British Votes Election Conference, Manchester, 2015
- ‘Explaining Changing Political Interest’ *German Socio-Economic Panel Symposium*, Bremen, 2015
- ‘Changing Financial Circumstances and Voter Turnout’ *ECPR Conference*, Glasgow, 2014

BLOG POSTS AND PRESS (1/2)

- On-going blogging at https://medium.com/@jamesdennison_7425
- Europe’s Greens are on fire... and it’s not just because of the sweltering heat*, in [The Guardian](#)
- The green ripple in British politics* in [The Economist](#)
- The emergence of the populist radical right in Spain demonstrates the conditions when such parties succeed*, LSE Europp
- Why immigration has the potential to upend the Italian election*, LSE Europp
- Op-ed: Are Europeans turning against asylum seekers and refugees?*, European Council on Refugees and Exiles
- Brexit and NATO: Never the twain shall meet?* (with Dr. Tim Oliver), Dahrendorf Forum: [here](#)
- Experts react to the Florence Speech*, LSE Brexit blog
- Norway elects a new parliament on 9/11. Here are 4 things to know.* Monkey Cage Blog, Washington Post
- Ma nel Regno Unito rinascie la militanza*, Pagina 99
- The Dutch aren’t turning against immigration*, LSE EUROPP
- Television interview on Brexit with *Savaite* – See video [here](#)
- Italianos votam em referendo que pode levar à queda de premiê*, Folha de São Paulo

Voor betere grondwet (of tegen Renzi), De Volksrant
Stemmen over wet is stemmen over Renzi, De Morgen
La London School scommette sulla vittoria del No, La Repubblica
Unless the Yes campaign can shift tactics, Italy's constitutional referendum is heading for a No vote, LSE EUROPP
The Ultimate Causes of Brexit: History, Culture and Geography, LSE Brexit Vote
Interview with LBC radio
A Long Time Coming: Brexit and What Happens Next, LSE Brexit Vote
What next for the Greens? The Green Party after Natalie Bennett, LSE British Politics and Policy
The Green Surge and how it changed the membership of the party, (with Dr. Poletti), LSE Blogs
Reluctant Europeans? Britain and the EU Referendum, EUI Times
Portugal's change of government puts the country firmly in uncharted territory, LSE EUROPP
The EU Referendum in Northern Ireland, LSE British Politics and Policy
How Portugal's Election resembled the UK's general election, LSE EUROPP
Populist Personalities? LSE British Politics and Policy
Why Preventing Brexit is by No Means a Done Deal, London Evening Standard
From Devo-Max to West Lothian Max, LSE British Politics and Policy
A Lib-Lab Coalition is Perfectly Possible, with the SNP as the Silent Partner, LSE General Election
Election 2015: Is Natalie Bennett to blame for Green Party boom to bust?, *International Business Times*
英国迎来最难预测大选, Hong Kong Weekly Phoenix
The Loser Takes it All—The SNP After the Referendum, LSE General Election 2015 (cited in the FT)
Green Party Voters Look Like Lib Dems, think like Labour voters and are as dissatisfied as 'Kippers, LSE
UKIP- A flash-in-the-pan or a long-term insurgent? Ballots and Bullets
An English Parliament: The Best Way to Save the UK? Open Democracy
Though the Green Party's popularity may continue to rise, it is too ideological to become a 'UKIP of the left', LSE
Carswell's defection to UKIP will harm Cameron because it was based on principle, but don't expect other Eurosceptics to follow, LSE British Politics and Policy

REFERENCES

Professor Hanspeter Kriesi, European University Institute hanspeter.kriesi@eui.eu
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Professor Harold Clarke, University of Texas at Dallas hclarke@utdallas.edu
Professor Sarah Birch, King's College London, sarah.birch@kcl.ac.uk