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CURRENT POSITION

Research Fellow and Associate Director of the Observatory of Public Attitudes to Migration -
Migration Policy Centre, European University Institute 2017 - present

EDUCATION

European University Institute, Florence, Italy 2013 - 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)
Junior Visiting Scholar, Nuffield College, Oxford University. Mentor: Professor Geoff Evans

London School of Economics and Political Science, London, United Kingdom 2009 - 2010
MSc Political Science and Political Economy

BOOKS

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

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

Dennison, J. (forthcoming) 'How issue salience explains the rise of the populist right in Western Europe' in *International Journal of Public Opinion Research*

Dennison, J. (forthcoming) 'A Review of Public Issue Salience: Concepts, Determinants and Effects on Voting' in *Political Studies Review*

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*

Dennison, J., Carl, N. and Evans, G. (2018, online first) 'European but not European Enough: An Explanation for Brexit' in *European Union Politics*

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 2017' in *Parliamentary Affairs*, 71(1): 91-108

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, online first) 'How Protest Voters Choose' in *Party Politics*

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. & 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

TEACHING

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| The Politics of the ‘Migration Crisis’: Attitudes, Behaviour & Policies, EUI PhD seminar | 2019 |
| EU JRC Evidence and Policy Summer School, Lecturer, Speaker | 2017, 2018 |
| Migration Policy Centre Summer School, Lecturer | 2017, 2018 |
| University of Sheffield, Graduate Teaching Assistant | 2015-2016 |
| POL229 - Political Analysis: Research Design and Data Analysis (SPSS) | |

WORKING PAPERS / RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

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| ‘The Determinants of Party Support After the Arab Spring: Libya, Egypt, Tunisia’ (under review) | |
| ‘Explaining changing 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’ | |
| ‘Why was the radical right unsuccessful in Iberia? Salience, stigma and the case of Vox’ (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) | |
| ‘Socialisation and Voter 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

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| Contributor to: IOM (2018) <i>Informing the Implementation of the Global Compact for Migration</i> | |
| Dennison, J. and Dražanová, L. (2018) <i>Attitudes to Immigration in Europe and the Southern Mediterranean</i> , ICMPD report | |
| Contributor to: CEPS (2018) <i>The Cost of Non-Europe in Migration Policy</i> | |
| Dennison, J. (2017) <i>Strategic Report for the Green Party of England and Wales</i> | |

SERVICES TO PROFESSION

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| Reviewer – <i>British Journal of Political Science; Electoral Studies; West European Politics; Bulletin of Economic Research; Parliamentary Affairs; 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; Intersections: East European Journal of Society and Politics; Party Politics; Studies in Ethnicity and Nationalism</i> | |
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STATISTICAL SOFTWARE

R, Stata, SPSS, RATS

TRAINING

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| 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

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| 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 (intermediate); French, Greek, Italian (elementary)

Robert Schuman Centre: EU Democracy Observatory. Lead Translator (Spanish to English) 2015

RESEARCH POSITIONS

UKIP British Academy project, Lead Research Assistant 2014 - 2015

EUandI: 2014 European Parliament Voting Advice Application, Team Leader: UK 2013 - 2014

INVITED SPEAKER

‘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, Tunisia, 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’, 2018, Metropolis conference. See video [here](#).

Presenting evidence to the European Parliament Select Committees. See video [here](#).

‘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, 2017

‘Explaining the Causes and Consequences of Brexit’, EUI, SPS department seminar, 2016

‘What now for the Green Party?’ Presentation to the Green Party of England and Wales HQ, 2016

Modelling individual dynamics with political science data, University of Essex, 2016

‘Still Strategic Eurosceptic and Polite Xenophobes?’, St. Antony’s College, 2015

‘Green party voters: populist, socialists or environmentalist’, Friends of the Earth, London, 2015

CONFERENCES

EGPP- ‘2017, Europe’s Bumper Year of Elections’, EUI, 9/3/18

‘An Explanation for Brexit’ & ‘Re-specifying Values and Attitudes to Immigration’, *EPOP*, 10/9/17

‘How Protest Voters Choose’, *Political Studies Association*, Brighton, 21/3/16

‘The Greens at the 2015 General Election’, *Elections, Public Opinion and Parties (EPOP)*, 12/11/15

‘Explaining Changing Political Interest’ *8th Swiss Household Panel Conf.*, Lausanne, CH, 2/6/15

‘Immigration and the Rise of UKIP’, British Votes Election Conference, Manchester, 29/5/15

‘Explaining Changing Political Interest’ *German Socio-Economic Panel Symposium*, Bremen, 13/3/15

‘Changing Financial Circumstances and Voter Turnout’ *ECPR Conference*, Glasgow, 5/9/2014

BLOG POSTS AND PRESS

On-going blogging at https://medium.com/@jamesdennison_7425
Why immigration has the potential to upend the Italian election, LSE Europ
Op-ed: Are Europeans turning against asylum seekers and refugees?, European Council on Refugees and Exiles
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 rinasce 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 British Politics and Policy
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 British Politics and Policy
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
Professor Geoffrey Evans, University of Oxford geoffrey.evans@nuffield.ox.ac.uk
Professor Matthew Goodwin, University of Kent m.j.goodwin@kent.ac.uk
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Professor Sarah Birch, King's College London, sarah.birch@kcl.ac.uk