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## Education

2014  
2018

**PhD in Political Science**, *Berlin Graduate School of Social Sciences, Humboldt Universität zu Berlin*, Berlin,

Dissertation: Representation in post-Yugoslav local governments: Local councilors' representational role conceptions and behavior (supervisors: Prof. Dr. Silvia von Steinsdorff and Prof. Dr. Bernhard Weßels).

Summa cum laude

2013  
2014

**Master of Arts in Political Science**, *Faculty of Political Science, University of Zagreb*, Zagreb, Thesis: Voter Turnout at Croatian Local Elections 2001-2013 (supervisor: dr. Goran Čular).

Summa cum Laude

2012  
2013

**Master of Arts in Political Science**, *Department of Political Science, Central European University*, Budapest, Thesis: Think Croatian, Act Slavonian: HDSSB as a regionalist patriot (Specialization in Electoral Politics) (supervisor: Prof. Zsolt Enyedi).

With Distinction

2012

**Student Exchange**, *Department of Political Science, University of Oslo*, Oslo.

2008  
2012

**Bachelor of Arts in Political Science**, *Faculty of Political Science, University of Zagreb*, Zagreb.

Summa cum Laude

## Professional Experience

2018

**Post-doctoral researcher**, *Institute for Political Science, Helmut Schmidt University*, Hamburg,

DFG Project: Career Profiles and Political Performance of Prime Ministers in Central and Eastern European Democracies (Project leaders: Prof. Dr. Florian Grotz and Prof. Dr. Ferdinand Müller-Rommel).

2017

**Lecturer**, *Course: Research Methods*, Faculty of Political Science, University of Zagreb.

2017

**Lecturer**, *Course: Statistics*, Faculty of Political Science, University of Zagreb.

2013  
2014

**Technical Assistant**, *Course: Political System of Croatia*, Faculty of Political Science, University of Zagreb.

Administrative support

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## Participation in other research projects

2019

**CureOrCurse**, *Project leader: Jean-Benoit Pilet, Universite Libre de Bruxelles*  
*Country Expert on Croatia.*

2015

**European National Elites and the Eurozone Crisis**, *Project coordinator: Jose Real-Dato, University of Almeria*  
*Country Expert on Croatia.*

2013

**Populism in Central and Eastern Europe, Baltic states and Former Soviet Republics**, *Project leader: Kirk Hawkins, Brigham Young University*  
*Quantitative coding of speeches.*

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## Presentations at conferences

**ECPR General Conference**, Wrocław, 4-7 September 2019

**APSA Annual Meeting & Exhibition**, Washington DC, 29 August - 1 September 2019

**ECPR Joint Sessions of Workshop**, Mons, 8-12 April 2019

**Congress of the German Political Science Association**, Frankfurt, 25-28 September 2018

**Conference of the ECPR Standing Group on Central and Eastern European Politics: Party Leaders in Central and Eastern Europe: Roles, Actions and Consequences**, Cluj, 19-21 April 2018

International Workshop: **Populism and Ethno-Territorial Politics in Western and Eastern Europe**, Salzburg, 12-13 April 2018

**ECPR Summer School on Parliaments**, Berlin, 16-25 August 2017

**ECPR Joint Sessions of Workshop**, Nottingham, 25-30 April 2017

**9th Graduate Network Conference**, Barcelona, 29-31 March 2017

**BGSS Graduate Conference**, Berlin, 31 October 2016

**ECPR General Conference**, Prague, 7-10 September 2016

**Düsseldorf Graduate Conference on Party Research**, Düsseldorf, 12-13 February 2016

**Congress of the Swiss Political Science Association**, Basel, 21-22 January 2016

**International Conference of Council for European Studies**, Paris, 8-10 July 2015

**ECPR Graduate Student Conference**, Innsbruck, 2-5 July 2014

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## Additional professional training

2013

**Istanbul Quantitative Lectures Summer School**, *School of Business, Istanbul University*,  
Course: Social and Political Survey Research.

2013

**Transituation Spring Seminar**, *Széchenyi István College for Advanced Studies, Budapest, Hungary*,  
Section: Post-communist Party Systems.

2011  
2012

**GONG**, *Election monitoring*,  
2011 Croatian parliamentary elections monitoring,  
2012 Croatian EU accession referendum monitoring.

2011

**Winter School: Achievement of national minority rights in democratic societies**, *Center for International and Security Studies*, Faculty of Political Science, University of Zagreb.

2011

**Summer School: Regional School of Minority Rights**, *Center for International and Security Studies*, Faculty of Political Science, University of Zagreb.

2010

**Summer School: Political and Security Phenomena and Processes in Southeast Europe**, *Center for International and Security Studies*, Faculty of Political Science, University of Zagreb.

## Languages

Croatian Native  
English Fluent  
German Intermediate

## Skills

Software Stata, SPSS, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, MAXQDA, Unipark

## Awards

**Elsa Neumann Stiftung Scholarship**, to support doctoral studies at Humboldt University

**Departmental Excellence Award**, Department of Political Science, Central European University

**The Full CEU Fellowship**, Central European University

**Dean's Award**, Faculty of Political Science, University of Zagreb

**Scholarship** of the University of Zagreb, to support the exchange at the University of Oslo

**Scholarship** of the town of Koprivnica, to support BA studies at the University of Zagreb

## Publications

Kucec M (2020) Party Leaders in Croatia: Comparing Ivo Sanader and Zoran Milanović. In: Gherghina S (ed) *Party Leaders in Eastern Europe: Personality, Behavior and Consequences*. London: Palgrave Macmillan.

Kucec M (2019) *Individual Representation and Local Party Government: Representative Behavior of Croatian and Slovenian Municipal Councilors*. Wiesbaden: Springer

Kucec M (2019) Regionalist populism in Croatia: the case of the Croatian Democratic Alliance of Slavonia and Baranja - HDSSB. In: Heinisch R, Masetti E and Mazzoleni O (eds) *The People and*

*the Nation: Populism and Ethno-Territorial Politics in Europe*. London: Routledge.

Kukec M (2019) Intra-party conflict at grassroots: Party-councillor ideological congruence in Croatia. *Party Politics*, 25(5): 679-689

Kukec M, Kocijan B, and Verzichelli L (2018) Individuals vs. parties: Comparing MPs' positions to the positions of their own parties. In: Conti N, Göncz B and Real-Dato J (eds) *National Political Elites, European Integration and the Eurozone Crisis*. London: Routledge, pp. 115-135.

Kocijan B and Kukec M (2016) From Hard Consensus to Soft Euroscepticism: Attitudes of Croatian MPs on EU Integration. *Historical Social Research*, 41(4): 38-60