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## Employment

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- 2020 – **Post-doctoral researcher**, *Chair for Political Science, especially Comparative Government, Helmut Schmidt University, Hamburg.*
- 2018 – 2020 **Post-doctoral researcher**, DFG project: "Career Profiles and Prime Ministerial Performance in Central and Eastern European Democracies", *Chair for Political Science, especially Comparative Government, Helmut Schmidt University, Hamburg.*
- 2013 – 2014 **Technical Assistant**, Course: "Political System of Croatia", *Faculty of Political Science, University of Zagreb.*

## Education

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- 2014 – 2018 **PhD in Political Science (summa cum laude)**, *Berlin Graduate School of Social Sciences, Humboldt Universität zu 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).
- 2013 – 2014 **Master of Arts in Political Science (summa cum laude)**, *Faculty of Political Science, University of Zagreb*  
Thesis: Voter Turnout at Croatian Local Elections 2001-2013 (supervisor: dr. Goran Čular).
- 2012 – 2013 **Master of Arts in Political Science (with distinction)**, *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).
- 2012 **Student Exchange**, *Department of Political Science, University of Oslo.*
- 2008 – 2012 **Bachelor of Arts in Political Science (summa cum laude)**, *Faculty of Political Science, University of Zagreb.*

## Teaching

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2023	<b>Introduction to Comparative Politics</b> , <i>Helmut Schmidt University</i> (BA lecture)
2023	<b>Transformation Processes</b> , <i>Helmut Schmidt University</i> (MA seminar)
2021 – 2023	<b>Voting Behavior</b> , <i>Helmut Schmidt University</i> (BA seminar).
2020 – 2022	<b>Political Systems of Central and Eastern Europe in Comparative Perspective</b> , <i>Helmut Schmidt University</i> (BA seminar).
2020	<b>Parliaments in Comparative Perspective</b> , <i>Helmut-Schmidt University</i> (BA seminar)
2020	<b>Parties and Party Systems</b> , <i>Helmut Schmidt University</i> (BA seminar)
2017	<b>Statistics</b> , <i>Faculty of Political Science, University of Zagreb</i> (BA seminar).
2017	<b>Research Methods</b> , <i>Faculty of Political Science, University of Zagreb</i> (BA seminar).

## Presentations at conferences

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2022	<b>ECPR General Conference</b> , Innsbruck, 22-26 August
2022	<b>ECPR General Conference</b> , Prague, 4-8 September
2021	<b>ECPR General Conference</b> , Virtual, 30 August - 3 September
2021	<b>IPSA World Congress</b> , Virtual, 10-15 July
2019	<b>ECPR General Conference</b> , Wrocław, 4-7 September
2019	<b>APSA Annual Meeting &amp; Exhibition</b> , Washington DC, 29 August - 1 September
2019	<b>ECPR Joint Sessions of Workshop</b> , Mons, 8-12 April
2018	<b>Congress of the German Political Science Association</b> , Frankfurt, 25-28 September
2018	<b>Conference of the ECPR Standing Group on Central and Eastern European Politics: Party Leaders in Central and Eastern Europe: Roles, Actions and Consequences</b> , Cluj, 19-21 April
2018	<b>International Workshop: Populism and Ethno-Territorial Politics in Western and Eastern Europe</b> , Salzburg, 12-13 April
2017	<b>ECPR Summer School on Parliaments</b> , Berlin, 16-25 August
2017	<b>ECPR Joint Sessions of Workshop</b> , Nottingham, 25-30 April
2017	<b>9th Graduate Network Conference</b> , Barcelona, 29-31 March
2016	<b>ECPR General Conference</b> , Prague, 7-10 September
2016	<b>Düsseldorf Graduate Conference on Party Research</b> , Düsseldorf, 12-13 February
2016	<b>Congress of the Swiss Political Science Association</b> , Basel, 21-22 January
2015	<b>International Conference of Council for European Studies</b> , Paris, 8-10 July
2014	<b>ECPR Graduate Student Conference</b> , Innsbruck, 2-5 July

## Professional service

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Country expert	V-Dem Chapel Hill Expert Survey CureOrCurse ERC project (Free University of Brussels) European National Elites and the Eurozone Crisis (University of Almeira)
Editorship	Prime Ministers and Party Governments in Central and Eastern Europe, <i>East European Politics</i> , 37(3), 2021 (with Florian Grotz)
Peer review	Political Studies Review, International Area Studies Review, Annals of the Croatian Political Science Association
Panel chair/discussant	The Politics of Democratic Backsliding: Executive Measures and Counter-Reactions, ECPR General Conference, Innsbruck, 22-26 August 2022  National Populist Parties in Central Europe, IPSA World Congress, Virtual, 10-15 July 2021
Academic self-administration	Doctoral Committee, <i>Faculty of Economics and Social Science, Helmut Schmidt University Hamburg</i>

## Additional professional training

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2013	<b>Social and Political Survey Research</b> , Istanbul Quantitative Lectures Summer School, School of Business, Istanbul University (with Allan L. McCutcheon).
2013	<b>Transitiation Spring Seminar</b> , Széchenyi István College for Advanced Studies, Budapest, Hungary. Section: Post-communist Party Systems.
2012	<b>Summer School: Atlantic and Continental Approaches to Energy Security</b> , Department of International Relations and European Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, Masaryk University of Brno.
2011 – 2012	<b>GONG</b> , Election monitoring, 2011 Croatian parliamentary elections monitoring, 2012 Croatian EU accession referendum monitoring.
2011	<b>Winter School: Achievement of national minority rights in democratic societies</b> , Center for International and Security Studies, Faculty of Political Science, University of Zagreb.
2011	<b>Summer School: Regional School of Minority Rights</b> , Center for International and Security Studies, Faculty of Political Science, University of Zagreb.
2010	<b>Summer School: Political and Security Phenomena and Processes in Southeast Europe</b> , Center for International and Security Studies, Faculty of Political Science, University of Zagreb.

## Languages

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Croatian	Native
English	Fluent
German	Advanced
Indonesian	Basic

## Skills

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Data analysis	Stata, SPSS, MaxQDA
Online survey	SurveyMonkey, Lime Survey
Text Formatting	Latex

## Awards

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- 2014 **Elsa Neumann Stiftung Scholarship**, to support doctoral studies at Humboldt University
- 2013 **Departmental Excellence Award**, Department of Political Science, Central European University
- 2012 **The Full CEU Fellowship**, Central European University
- 2012 **Dean's Award**, Faculty of Political Science, University of Zagreb
- 2012 **Scholarship** of the University of Zagreb, to support the exchange at the University of Oslo
- 2008 **Scholarship** of the town of Koprivnica, to support BA studies at the University of Zagreb

## Publications

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- Book **Kukec M** (2019) *Individual Representation and Local Party Government: Representative Behavior of Croatian and Slovenian Municipal Councilors*. Wiesbaden: Springer
- Peer-reviewed articles **Kukec M** (2023) Localisation of Politics and Local Electoral Participation. *Local Government Studies*, 49(1): 120-150.
- Grotz F, Kroeber C, and **Kukec M** (2022) Cabinet Reshuffles and Prime-Ministerial Performance in Central and Eastern Europe. *Government & Opposition*, Online First.
- Kukec M** (2022) Ask Me Something I Know: Cabinet Members in Question Time. *The Journal of Legislative Studies*, Online First.

Kocijan B, and **Kukec M** (2022) Immigration Attitudes among Western and Eastern European MPs: Social Identity, Economic Aspects and Political Ideology. *Comparative European Politics*, 20(1): 33-52.

Grotz F, Müller-Rommel, F, Berz J, Kroeber C, and **Kukec M** (2021) How Political Careers affect Prime-Ministerial Performance: Evidence from Central and Eastern Europe. *Comparative Political Studies*, 54(11): 1907-1938.

Grotz F and **Kukec M** (2021) Prime Ministers and Party Governments in Central and Eastern Europe. *East European Politics*, 37(3): 401-416.

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

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.

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

**Kukec M** (2019) Regionalist populism in Croatia: the case of the Croatian Democratic Alliance of Slavonia and Baranja - HDSSB. In: Heinisch R, Massetti E and Mazzoleni O (eds) *The People and the Nation: Populism and Ethno-Territorial Politics in Europe*. London: Routledge.

**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.