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FIELDS

Political Economy, Political Behavior, Public Policy

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

ERC Fellow, Dept. of Politics and International Relations, 2024—Royal Holloway University of London

Research Affiliate, Hellenic Observatory Centre for Research on Contemporary Greece, 2024—London School of Economics & Political Science

Research Fellow, Dept. of Behavioural Science , 2021-24 London School of Economics & Political Science

Visiting

Research visit, Dep. of Psychology, Harvard University, April 2024

Senior Research Fellow (Hon.), Institute for Global Prosperity, UCL, 2021 —

PhD Research Visit, Dep. of Political Science, Yale University, Spring 2019

EDUCATION

D.Phil. in Economics, Swansea University, 2021

M.Sc. in Financial Economics, Cardiff University, 2016

B.Sc. in Economics and Regional Development, Panteion University, 2015

PUBLICATIONS

- B. Klein Teeselink and G. Melios. (2025). Origin of (A)symmetry: Evolution of Out-Party Distrust in the United States. *Journal of Politics*, Forthcoming
- B. Klein Teeselink and G. Melios. (2025). Weather to Protest: The Effect of Black Lives Matter Protests on the 2020 Presidential Election. *Political Behavior*, Forthcoming
- Media: Nature, Economist, The Nation, Daily Caller; Waging NonViolence, Social Change Lab

- G. Melios, Y. Sleiman and P. Dolan. (2025). Sleeping with the enemy: Partisanship and Tolerance in online dating. *Political Science Research & Methods*, Forthcoming
- B. Klein Teeselink and G. Melios. (2024). Partisanship, political alignment, and charitable donations. *Public Choice*, Forthcoming
- Best Paper Award IOEA 2022, Discussed in: Marginal Revolution
- G. Melios, Laffan K., Kudrna L., & Dolan P. (2023) Les Misérables: An analysis of suffering and misery across the world. *Frontiers in Psychology*

R. & R.

'Not as bad as I thought': Economic attitudes and motivated reasoning in coalition governments (2024) — with G. Kavetsos and C. Krekel

- R & R, Political Psychology

Who Needs Security in a Crisis? Evidence from an In-the-Field Choice Experiment in Lebanon (2022) — with Y. Sleiman, E. Pietrostefani, H. Moore

- R & R, Journal of Development Studies
- Funded by Leverhulme Trust

WORK IN PROGRESS

Religion, Identity and Preferences — with B. Klein Teeselink

- Under Review
- Funded by the British Academy / Leverhulme Small Grants scheme

Remnants of civil war: Immediate and long-term effects of electoral oppression — with V. Logothetis

The political effects of inequalities: Evidence from movers in the UK — with B. Klein Teeselink & J. Van Spanje

Choices, Preferences, and Character: A Framework for Endogenous Preference Formation — with B. Klein Teeselink

BOOK CHAPTERS

Regional job polarization in OECD countries (2024), - with E. Pietrostefani & G. Garofani **OECD Handbook on Labour Markets in Transition**, Edward Elgar

TEACHING

London School of Economics and Political Science

- 'Causal Inference for Behavioural Science', M.Sc. Behavioural Science (core): 2022-25 Module Leader
- Redesigned the class curriculum and evaluation
- Developed an interactive website for students
- 'Data Science for Social Sciences', B.Sc. programme (3rd year): 2021/22
- Led applications part of the class
- Redesigned seminars & assignment

M.Sc dissertations (15 students per year), M.Sc. Behavioural Science - LSE, 2021—

 \rightarrow Students with the Best Dissertation Award 3 times in a row (2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24)

Queen Mary University of London

- 'Applied Economics', B.Sc. Business Economics, School of Business and Management, 2024/25
- Module Leader

Swansea University

- 'Advanced Macroeconomics', B.Sc. programme (2^{nd} year core): 2018/19, 2017/18, 2016/17
- Teaching Assistant
- 'Advanced Microeconomics', B.Sc. programme (2^{nd} year core): 2018/19, 2017/18, 2016/17
- Teaching Assistant
- 'MaSS- Mathematics and Statistics Support', B.Sc. programme: 2018/19, 2017/18
- Course Leader

Executive Teaching

National Centre for Public Administration & Local Government, Greece

- 'Public Policy Evaluation ' for Public Administration and Local Government officers at the Training Institute of the Centre (INEP) 2023/26
- Developed curriculum and evaluation
- Delivered lectures and seminars to >1.000 executive students

GRANTS

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BENEFITS - Building Economic, Needs-Based and Environmental evaluation Frameworks for Inclusive Transformation of Social services in Europe (2025)	£405,450	Horizon Europe	co-I
MultiPoD - Promoting inclusion and overcoming barriers to political participation (2024)	£390,900	Horizon Europe	co-I
Develop an inequalities dashboard for the UK (2022)	£120,000	ESRC	co-I
Informality in times of economic instability in Lebanon (2020-23)	£250,012	Leverhulme Trust	co-I

Small grants	Amount	Funder	
Shifting Involvements or Shifting Identities? (2023) Endogenous Preferences: Choice to Actions (2023)	£9,700 £3,000	BA/Leverhulme	
Public Choice Fellows Grant (2019)	£1,500	Public Choice	
Oversees Institutional Visit Grant (2019) ESRC Doctoral Award (fees and stipend) (2016)	£ $7,500$ £ $75,000$	ESRC ESRC	

Citizenship

Organised Dissertation workshops for M.Sc. & Ph.D. students on Data cleaning, Quantitative analysis and Data visualisations, London School of Economics & Political Science, 2021—

Mentor to M.Sc. students (circa 15 students per year), London School of Economics & Political Science, 2021—

Undergraduate Tutor (circa 10 students annually), Swansea University, 2016-19

Refereeing

American Political Science Review; Economic Journal; Electoral Studies; Environment and Development Economics; Journal of Economic Psychology; Journal of Politics; Nature Human Behaviour; Political Behaviour; Political Psychology

RA/TA supervision

Clemens Bauer-Mitterlehner (2023-24), Placement: Research Fellow - University College London Lazaros Chatzilazarou (2023-25), Placement: Economist - Deloitte UK Mathew Sushil (2022-23), Placement: PhD in Economics and Public Policy - Imperial College London Giorgio Maarraoui (2020-22), Placement: PhD in Economics - Manchester University

Impact

London Longitudinal Study — Co-designed a 10-year study examining the prosperity of over 4,000 households in 15 areas of east London

- 5 Policy reports after each survey wave
- 1 Policy dashboard

Camden Council, Lendlease & Camden Giving— Co-designed a study to measure inequalities and livelihoods in 1.200 households in Camden with regards to providing access to Universal Basic Services

Hellenic Gambling Commission — Designed a policy intervention for betting caps in online casinos (2022)

Ministry of Labour & Social Affairs — Consulted on designing the Strategic Framework for the design and implementation of the policy toolkit of the Next Generation EU — National Recovery and Resilience Fund (RRF)

- Participated in the development of the PM Office
- 5 Policy Implementations Experiments currently implemented

Conferences, Seminars & Talks

- 2025 SPSA, EUI Political Behaviour Colloquium, MPSA
- 2024 LSE, SPSA, Bank of Greece, PSA, King's Policy Institute, Sheffield, ECPR, EPOP, ASREC, UoVienna
- 2023 LSE, UCL, IOEA (Invited), Oxford, Political Psychology Seminar (PSA), City University London
- 2022 LSE, UCL, ULB (Invited), IOEA, ISPP, Reading
- 2021 LSE, ILO, RELIEF, UCL
- 2020 Panteion University, Public Choice Society Annual Conference, RELIEF Conference, AUEB
- 2019 Yale, Public Choice Society, Athens (AUEB), WISERD, World Interdisciplinary Network for Institutional Research, UCL, Oxford
- 2018 Swansea, Athens University of Economics and Business AUEB, IOEA, Cardiff, SIOE, WISERD

Organising

- 'Assessing welfare disparities in EU Regions workshop', March 2022
- 'Post-Covid Recovery and Employment workshop', University College London, May 2021

Languages

Greek (native), English (fluent), French (C1)