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Scientist- in - charge: **Anne-Marie Jeannet**

MATHILDE MARIA VAN DITMARS

CURRICULUM VITAE

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Surname	van Ditmars
Name	Mathilde Maria

PRESENT OCCUPATION

Appointment	Structure
Senior researcher	Department of Political Science, University of Lucerne, Switzerland

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Degree	Course of studies	University	year of achievement of the degree
Degree	B.Sc. in Political Science	University of Amsterdam	2011
Specialization			
PhD	PhD in Political and Social Sciences	European University Institute	2017
Master	M.Res in Political and Social Sciences	European University Institute	2014
	M.Sc. (res) Social Sciences Research, track Comparative Politics	University of Amsterdam	2013
Degree of medical specialization			
Degree of European specialization			
Other			



REGISTRATION IN PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Date of registration	Association	City
2024	European Political Science Association	

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Languages	level of knowledge
Dutch	native
English	C2
Italian	C1
French	B2
German	B2

AWARDS, ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, SCHOLARSHIPS

Year	Description of award
2023, 2019	Travel grant, Swiss Academy of Humanities and Social Sciences (SAGW)
2022	Open Access Publication Grant, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Lucerne
2016	Mobility Grant, European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR)
2016	PhD completion grant (1 year), European University Institute
2015	Research visit grant, GESIS EUROLAB
2013	PhD grant (3 years) for the European University Institute, EP-Nuffic
2013	Finalist Annual Thesis Prize of the Dutch Political Science Association

TRAINING OR RESEARCH ACTIVITY

description of activity	
11/2022 -	Associated Researcher. Department of Political Science, University of Zurich
10/2021 -	Senior Researcher (SNSF-funded). Department of Political Science, University of Lucerne
02/2019-09/2021	Senior Researcher & Lecturer. Department of Political Science, University of Lucerne
09/2017-01/2019	Postdoctoral Researcher. Leiden University College, Leiden University
09/2013-08/2017	PhD in Political and Social Sciences, European University Institute.



PROJECT ACTIVITY

Year	Project
2021-2024	Scientific coordinator & co-applicant, project 'Digitalization and Political Conflict: Parties, Voters, and Electoral Alignment' (DIGIPOL), University of Lucerne, Funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation, 880'744 CHF (grant number 100017_200836). PI: Prof. Dr. Alexander H. Trechsel.
2017-2018	Daily coordinator (post-doctoral researcher), Girls in Science ERC Consolidator Grant, Leiden University. PI: Prof. Dr. Judi Mesman.
2019	Country Team Leader, euandi 2019 (VAA for EP elections), European University Institute. PI: Alexander Trechsel
2017-2018	Country Specialist, Issue Competition Comparative Project, LUISS University. PI: Lorenzo De Sio
2014-2017	Research Assistant & Data Manager, ERC project POLCON, European University Institute. PI: Prof. Dr. Hanspeter Kriesi
2013-2014	Country Team Associate, euandi 2014 (VAA for EP elections), Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies. PI: Alexander Trechsel

PATENTS

Patent

CONGRESSES AND SEMINARS

Date	Title	Place
30/04/2024	*invited speaker "A life course approach to political preference formation across social classes"	Nuffield College, University of Oxford, Oxford, United Kingdom
07/03/2023	* invited speaker "The political conflict potential of digitalization: DIGIPOL project 2021-2015"	Digital Society Initiative, University of Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland
26/04/2023	"A life course approach to political preference formation across social classes"	European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR), Toulouse, France
03/02/2023	Two presentations: - "The political conflict potential of the digital revolution" - "Political preference formation across social classes: self- selection or workplace socialization?"	Swiss Political Science Association Conference (SPSA), Basel, Switzerland
28/10/2022	"Socio-political consequences of the digital revolution: a new cleavage?"	Digital Democracy Lab, Digital Society Initiative



23/06/2022	“Socio-political consequences of the digital revolution: a new cleavage?”	European Political Science Association (EPSA), Prague, Czech Republic
11/03/2021	*invited speaker “Parental separation and young adults’ political ideology”	Seminar in Politics and Society, Collegio Carlo Alberto, Turin, Italy
25/06/2021	“Political gender gaps across countries and generations: the impact of socioeconomic position over the life course”	European Political Science Association (EPSA), Online due to pandemic
04/02/2021	“Parental separation and young adults’ political ideology”	Swiss Political Science Association Conference (SPSA), Online due to pandemic
03/02/2020	Two presentations: - “Political socialization in European multiparty systems: the intergenerational transmission of mothers’ and fathers’ left-right ideology.” - “Who continues to vote for the left? Intergenerational social mobility and social-democratic party support in the UK and Switzerland.”	Swiss Political Science Association Conference (SPSA), Lucerne, Switzerland
13/07/2019	“The gender gap in political interest: interplay of genes and gendered socialization?”	International Society of Political Psychology, Lisbon, Portugal
20/06/2019	“Who continues to vote for the left? Intergenerational social mobility and social-democratic party support in the UK and Switzerland.””	European Political Science Association Conference (EPSA), Belfast, Ireland
08/03/2018	*invited speaker “Small winners and big losers. Strategic party behaviour in the 2017 Dutch general election”	European Governance & Politics Programme (EGPP), Robert Schuman Centre, European University Institute, Florence, Italy
30/06/2017	“Opposing Forces? Intergenerational Social Mobility and the Transmission of Political Preferences in Europe.”	International Society of Political Psychology, Edinburgh, United Kingdom
23/06/2017	“Who is left, who is right? The use of the left-right scale by European voters and elite from the sub- and supranational level.”	European Political Science Association (EPSA), Milan, Italy
07/06/2017	*conference grant “Who continues to vote for the left? The effect of intra- and intergenerational social mobility on support for social-democratic parties in the UK, Germany, and Switzerland”	FORS, University of Lausanne, Switzerland



14/10/2016	“How Parental Separation Shapes Political Preferences within the Family”	European Network for the Sociological and Demographic Study of Divorce, Stockholm, Sweden
14/07/2016	“Political Socialization after Parental Separation: Breaking with the Traditional Family Model”	International Society of Political Psychology Conference (ISPP), Warsaw, Poland
24/06/2016	“Political Socialization after Parental Separation: Breaking with the Traditional Family Model”	European Political Science Association (EPSA), Brussels, Belgium
02/12/2015	“The Power of the Sexes. Gendered Political Socialization among Parents and Sibling”	Benelux Political Psychology Conference, Department of Political Science, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands
25/06/2015	“Political Socialization Among Siblings: Do Number and Gender Matter?”	European Political Science Association (EPSA), Vienna, Austria
04/09/2014	Two presentations: - “Bridging the Gap? Mainstream and Niche Party Representation in Dutch Local Politics” - ‘Are Lower Educated Citizens Better Represented by Lower Educated Representatives? Evidence from Local Politics in The Netherlands’	European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR), Glasgow, United Kingdom

PUBLICATIONS

Books
No books. But several book chapters:
Ares, M. & Van Ditmars, M.M. (forthcoming June 2024) Who continues to vote for the left? Social class of origin, intergenerational mobility and party choice in Western Europe. In: Kitschelt, H. & Häusermann, S. (eds.) Beyond Social Democracy: Transformation of the Left in Emerging Knowledge Societies. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
Lorenzini, J., & Van Ditmars, M.M. (2019) Austria, France, the Netherlands, and Switzerland: Old and new winning formulas of the radical populist right. In: Hutter, S., & Kriesi, H. (eds.) Transformative elections? Restructuring the National Political Space in Europe in Times of Multiple Crises (pp. 261-280). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
De Sio, L. & Van Ditmars, M. (2018) It’s the culture, stupid! Issue competition in the 2017 Dutch election. In: De Sio, L. & Paparo, A. (Eds.) The year of challengers? Issues, public opinion, and elections in Western Europe in 2017 (pp. 53-59). Rome: Italian Center for Electoral Studies (CISE).
Emanuele, V., De Sio, L., & Van Ditmars, M. (2018) Towards the next Dutch general election: issues at stake, support, and priority. In: De Sio, L. & Paparo, A. (Eds.) The year of challengers? Issues, public opinion, and elections in Western Europe in 2017 (pp. 21-26). Rome: Italian Center for Electoral Studies (CISE).
Maggini, N., De Sio, L., & Van Ditmars, M. (2018) Towards the next Dutch general election: the issue opportunity structure for parties. In: De Sio, L. & Paparo, A. (Eds.) The year of challengers? Issues, public opinion, and elections in Western Europe in 2017 (pp. 37-52). Rome: Italian Center for Electoral Studies. (CISE)



Paparo, A., De Sio, L., & Van Ditmars, M. (2018) Towards the next Dutch general election: party credibility on different issues. In: De Sio, L., & Paparo, A. (Eds.) The year of challengers? Issues, public opinion, and elections in Western Europe in 2017 (pp. 27-35). Rome: Italian Center for Electoral Studies (CISE).

Articles in reviews

Van Ditmars, M.M. & Shorrocks, R. (forthcoming 2024) Social change and women's left vote. The role of employment, education, and marriage in the gender vote gap. *Comparative Political Studies*, Accepted for Publication June 2024.

Dehdari, S.H., Van Ditmars, M.M., Lindgren, K.O., Oskarsson, S., Vernby, K. (2024) Early Voting Can Widen the Turnout Gap: The Case of Childbirth. *Electoral Studies*, Online First. doi: 10.1016/j.electstud.2024.102817

Van Ditmars, M.M. & Ksiazkiewicz, A. (2023) The gender gap in political interest: Heritability, gendered political socialization and the enriched environment hypothesis. *Politics and the Life Sciences*, Online First. doi: 10.1017/pls.2023.16

Ares, M. & Van Ditmars, M.M. (2023) Intergenerational social mobility, political socialization, and social-democratic party support. *British Journal of Political Science*, 53(2), 536-554.

Van Ditmars, M.M. (2023) Political socialization, political gender gaps, and the intergenerational transmission of left-right ideology. *European Journal of Political Research*, 62(1), 3-24.

Van Ditmars, M.M. & Bernardi, F. (2023) Political socialization, parental separation and political ideology in adulthood. *Frontiers in Political Science*, Section Political Participation. doi: 10.3389/fpos.2023.1089671

Van Ditmars, M.M. (2020) Opposing Forces? Intergenerational Social Mobility and the Transmission of Political Ideology. *Swiss Journal of Sociology*, 46(3), 203-229.

Van Ditmars, M.M., Maggini, N., & Van Spanje, J.H.P. (2020) Small Winners and Big Losers. *Strategic Party Behaviour in the 2017 Dutch General Election*. *West European Politics*, 43(3), 543-564.

Van Ditmars, M.M. & De Lange, S.L. (2019) Differential representation? The gaps between mainstream and niche party representatives and their voters in The Netherlands. *Acta Politica*, 54(2), 295-314.

Other publications

Häusermann, S., Kitschelt, H., Abou-Chadi, T., Ares, M., Bischof, D., Kurer, T., Van Ditmars, M., Wagner, M. (2021). *Transformation of the Left. The Myth of Voter Losses to the Radical Right*. Berlin: Friedrich Ebert Stiftung.

Van Ditmars, M.M. (2017) *Family and Politics. The enduring influence of the parental home in the development and transmission of political ideology*. Doctoral Dissertation. Florence: European University Institute. doi:10.2870/158529.

Van Ditmars, M.M. *Survey Dutch Municipal Council Members 2012-2013*. Dataset deposited in DANS EASY (2016), doi: 10.17026/dans-x8m-8j4a

Den Ridder, J., Dekker, P., Van Ditmars, M. *Continu Onderzoek Burgerperspectieven Kwartaalbericht 2012|4*. (2012) The Hague: The Netherlands Institute for Social Research.

OTHER INFORMATION

OUTREACH/MEDIA

Coverage of research findings and contribution to media coverage on political affairs: [Süddeutsche Zeitung \(15/02/2024\)](#), [The Guardian \(13/03/2022\)](#), [Times Radio \(15/03/2022\)](#), [Zentralplus \(18/04/2022\)](#), [Deutschlandfunk Kultur \(13/06/2022\)](#), [Algemeen Dagblad \(29/11/2016\)](#).

Van Ditmars, M.M. (2022) Politische Sozialisation in der Familie. Wie wichtig sind die Eltern für die eigenen politischen Ansichten? *beziehungsweise. Informationsdienst des Österreichischen Instituts für Familienforschung*, September 2022, p. 6-7.

Contributor to the Dutch political science blog "[Stuk Rood Vlees](#)" (2016-2021).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Spring 2023 Organiser of Brown Bag Seminar, Department of Political Science, University of Lucerne
2014-2017 Co-convenor of the Political Behaviour Colloquium, European University Institute



2014; 2015 Researcher reviewer and representative in pre-selection procedure and interview panel for the PhD programme of the Department of Political and Social Sciences, European University Institute

Reviewer for *European Journal of Political Research*; *Electoral Studies*; *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion, and Parties*; *Journal of European Integration*; *International Journal of Social Welfare*; *Political Studies*; *Socio-Economic Review*.

Review editor for *Frontiers in Political Science*, section Elections and Representation.

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