

## **Dr. Dipl.-Soz. Alexander Seymer MSc**

University of Salzburg

Department of Political Science and Sociology

Division Sociology and Cultural Science

Rudolfskai 42, 5020 Salzburg, Austria

Email: alexander.seymer@sbg.ac.at - Mobile: +43 699 1949 7243

### **CURRENT POSITIONS**

---

since Oct 2017	Senior Lecturer - University of Salzburg
since Jan 2013	Lecturer on Statistics - Paracelsus Medical University Salzburg

### **PROJECTS**

---

2016 – 2018	Nursing relatives of dementia patients in Salzburg (PAiS), Paracelsus Medical University Salzburg ( <a href="http://www.pais-studie.at">http://www.pais-studie.at</a> ) (Project staff)
2017	Evaluation and documentation of the recruitment experiments during the PUMA survey Q4/2016 (Single Author)
2016 – 2017	PostDoc-Researcher - Project ForeStrat-Cockpit, University of Salzburg (Project staff)
2016 – 2017	Evaluation and documentation of the recruitment experiments during the PUMA survey Q2/2016 (Single Author)
2016 – 2017	Conception and preparation of a statistical yearbook on interpersonal violence prevention (Project leader)
2015 – 2016	PostDoc-Researcher - Project ForeSight-Cockpit, University of Salzburg (Project staff)

### **RESEARCH VISITS**

---

Feb 2014	Research visit at the EUROLAB, GESIS Cologne
2009 – 2010	Research visit at the Department of Sociology, University of Tilburg

### **EDUCATION**

---

2008 – 2013	Ph.D. in Sociology - Salzburg Centre for European Union Studies, University of Salzburg (Degree: Dr.)
-------------	---

Alexander Seymer

2004 – 2005	Master in comparative social policy analysis, KU Leuven and associated institutes (Degree: MSc)
1998 – 2004	Studies in sociology and economics, University of Leipzig (Degree: Dipl.-Soz.)

MEMBERSHIPS

---

since 2017	Member of the Austrian Sociological Association
since 2009	Member of the German Sociological Association

SCHOLARSHIPS

---

Feb 2014	Research visit at EUROLAB, GESIS, Köln
Dez 2013	Dissertation scholarship of the Salzburg Chamber of Labor
2008 – 2011	Dissertation scholarship of the Humer-Foundation for academic talent (in co-operation with the Salzburg Center of European Union Studies)

WORK EXPERIENCE

---

2006 – 2008	Parliamentary assistant to MEP Gabriele Zimmer
2005	Stagaire at the European Social Insurance Platform

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

---

September 2015	Seymer, Alexander: Konstruktäquivalenz von sozialen Klassen im internationalen Vergleich. <i>Österreichische Zeitschrift für Soziologie</i> , September 2015, 40(3): 265-280.
February 2014	Kulin, Joakim and Seymer, Alexander: What's driving the public? A cross-country analysis of political attitudes, human values and political articulation. <i>Sociological Research Online, Special Issue on Attitudes: Ontology, Methodology, Impact</i> , 19(1)

BOOK CHAPTERS (PEER-REVIEWED)

---

February 2016	Kulin, Joakim and Seymer, Alexander: Economic crisis, human values and political attitudes, in: <i>Values, economic crisis and democracy</i> , edited by Ingvill Mochmann, Hermann Dülmer und Malina Voicu.
---------------	---

## REPORTS

---

- Juli 2017 Evaluation and documentation of recruitment experiments at the PUMA survey Q4/2016, on behalf of Statistics Austria and PUMA
- January 2017 Evaluation and documentation of recruitment experiments at the PUMA survey Q2/2016, on behalf of Statistics Austria and PUMA

## BOOK REVIEWS

---

- October 2011 Mau, Steffen and Verwiebe, Roland: *European Societies: Mapping Structure and Change*. Bristol, The Policy Press, 2010, 438 pp., ISBN 978 1 84742 654, 24.99 (pbk), *Journal of European Social Policy*, October 2011, 21(4): 383-384.

## PRESENTATIONS AND TALKS

---

- Apr 2018 *Sociology in the interplay between economic commercialization and political application of Big Data*, Conference: Democracy and (Dis-)Information Society, Salzburg.
- Mar 2018 *Opportunities and limitations of the automatic analysis of online media: a case study*, Research Seminar in Economics, Salzburg.
- Feb 2018 *Opportunities and limitations of the Weblizard technology for automated observation of security perception in Austria*, Workshop: Mass not class?, Kiel.
- Nov 2017 *Social Class - Conceptualisation and measurement from a sociological viewpoint*, Workshop: Social background and its effects - an interdisciplinary perspective, Salzburg.
- Nov 2017 *Social inequality and personal values*, Workshop: Applied classification analysis, Salzburg.
- Nov 2016 *Recruitment for the PUMA online survey - design and preliminary results*, PUMA-Symposium: Survey research in Austria, Vienna.
- Jul 2016 *Perceptions of Democracy and the Impact of Basic Human Values on Left-Right Voting in Europe*, 3rd International ESS Conference, European Social Survey European Research Infrastructure Consortium (ESS ERIC) und the Swiss Centre of Expertise in the Social Sciences (FORS), Lausanne.

- November 2014 *Stratification and Values - potential for an integrated measure of societal position?*, at Fourth LCSR International Annual Research Conference, Laboratory for Comparative Social Research, Higher School of Economics, Moscow.
- October 2014 *Reviving social class with latent profile analysis for cross-sectional research*, at ESQM and ESA RN21 conference: "Modes, Measurement, Modelling: Achieving Equivalence in Quantitative Research", GESIS, Mannheim.
- October 2014 *Equivalence of social classes on an international comparison? A contribution to the debate on the necessity and limitations of equivalence*, at Austrian Society for Sociology (ÖGS) conference: "Between cultures. Social research in an intercultural comparison", Institute for Sociology and Cultural Studies, University Salzburg.
- February 2014 *Milieus as analytical framework for political attitudes?*, at the EDAC-ESPAnet Winterschool 2014, Centre for Sociological Research, University Leuven.
- November 2014 *Measurement of social milieus in a cross-sectional context* at Third LCSR International Annual Research Conference, Laboratory for Comparative Social Research, Higher School of Economics, Moscow.
- September 2014 *Time trends in the influence of human values on political attitudes across Europe*, at Authors' Conference: "Values, Crisis and Democracy", GESIS, Cologne (collaboration with Joakim Kulin).
- July 2013 *What's driving the public? A cross-country analysis of political attitudes, human values and political articulation*, at ESRA 2013, University Ljubljana (collaboration with Joakim Kulin).
- May 2013 *Milieus as framework to analyze welfare attitudes transnationally?*, at the Postdoctoral Conference "The future of welfare state studies" at Umea University.
- April 2013 *Climate change in public opinion? Public opinion shifts throughout the crisis in EU regions*, at the IMPALLA-ESPAnet conference 'Building blocks for an inclusive society: empirical evidence from social policy research', Luxembourg.
- April 2011 *Values and Political Attitudes: an Argument for Complexity*, at the Sixth Graduate Student Conference on the European Union Paper, Pittsburgh University.

- August 2010 *The Value Attitude Relationship in a Multi-Group Model* at the Joint NordWel and REASSESS International Summer School 2010: 'State, Society & Citizen - Cross- and Multi-disciplinary Perspectives on Welfare State Development' at University Southern Denmark, Odense.
- June 2010 *The Value Attitude Relationship in a Multi-Group Model* at the ESPAnet Israel Doctoral Workshop: 'Welfare State Transformation: The role of institutions, ideas, gender, religion, and ethnicity' at Tel Hai College, Israel.

#### CONSULTANCY PROJECTS

---

- October 2015 Meissnitzer, Thomas, Matthias Wolfgang Meissnitzer, Alexander Seymer, Klaus Hergan and Daniel Neureiter: Relative Uptake Factor of Invasive Ductal Breast Cancer in Breast-specific Gamma Imaging as a Surrogate Parameter for Sub-typing. *Anticancer Research*, October 2015, 35(10): 5671-5677.
- May 2015 Meissnitzer, T., A. Seymer, P. Keinrath, J. Holzmannhofer, C. Pirich, K. Hergan and M. W. Meissnitzer: Added value of semi-quantitative breast-specific gamma imaging in the work-up of suspicious breast lesions compared to mammography, ultrasound and 3-T MRI. *The British Journal of Radiology*, May 2015, 88(1051).

#### REVIEWER ACTIVITIES

---

International Journal of Comparative Sociology, Austrian Journal of Sociology, European Union Politics

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

---

- since Mar 2017 Seminar: *Advanced statistics and quantitative data analysis* and *Advanced statistics using SPSS*, Paracelsus Medical University Salzburg
- since WS 2016 Course: *Statistics III - Introduction to advanced statistical procedures*, University Salzburg
- since Jan 2013 Online-Teaching: *Evaluating the quality of quantitative data*, Paracelsus Medical University Salzburg
- since SS 2011 Course: *Statistics I+II - An introduction to statistical analysis using SPSS*, University Salzburg
- SS 2014 Seminar: *Quantitative research methods*, Salzburg University of Applied Sciences

WS 2013/14	Seminar: <i>Statistical analysis and its presentation using R</i> , University Salzburg
SS 2013	Seminar: <i>Creating a research design</i> , Salzburg University of Applied Sciences
WS 2012/13	Seminar: <i>Principles of applied statistics</i> , Salzburg University of Applied Sciences
WS 2010/11	Lecture: <i>An introduction to descriptive and inferential statistics</i> , Paracelsus Medical University Salzburg
WS 2010/11	Seminar: <i>Varieties of capitalism applied</i> (together with Mag. Moritz Buschmann), University Salzburg

#### FURTHER TRAINING

---

WS 2010/11	University didactics, University of Salzburg
Sep 2010	Mathematical Tools for Social Scientists, GESIS, Köln
Mär 2010	39. GESIS Spring Seminar: Comparative Research with Confirmatory Factor Analysis and Structural Equation Models, GESIS, Köln
WS 2009/10	Categorical Data Analysis, University of Tilburg

#### SKILLS

---

Statistical software	SPSS, AMOS, R, Mplus
Office software	Microsoft Office, LibreOffice, $\LaTeX$
Languages	German (native), English (advanced), Dutch (passive)

Salzburg, 10. Juli 2018