



International SOG Workshop 2024

Research Committee 27 of the International Political Science Association

„Structure and Organization of Government”

Münster (Germany), October 17-18, 2024

Workshop Schedule

Wednesday, October 16th, 2024

17:30 - 20:30 Welcome Reception at the German Police University

Thursday, October 17th, 2024

08:30 - 09:00 Registration, welcome and introduction to workshop

09:00 - 10:15 Panel 1: Foundations and theoretical expositions – resilience, democracy, and public administration

Chair: Robert Cox
Discussant: Kutsal Yesilkagit

1.1 Public administration and democratic resilience: A critical analysis of the concept of resilience from an organizational theory perspective

Eckhard Schroeter (German University of the Police)

1.2 Authorized discretion, the rule of law, and the democratic essentials of the administrative state in Europe

Anthony Bertelli (Pennsylvania State University and Barcelona Institute of International Studies, IBEI), Vincenza Falletti (Pompeu Fabra University) & Silvia Cannas (Barcelona Institute of International Studies, IBEI)

10:15 - 10:30 Coffee & tea break

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10:30 - 12:30 **Panel 2: The administrative state under pressure: How it is affected and how it responds**

Chair: Eckhard Schroeter

Discussant: Robert Cox

2.1 Regulating access to public services: administrative state responses in Britain

Christel Koop (King's College London) & Martin Lodge (The London School of Economics and Political Science)

2.2 Rule-making resilience: Populist Presidents and bureaucratic autonomy in environmental agencies in the US and Brazil

Katherine Bersch & Cameron Unice (Davidson College)

2.3 Fighting the Devil? Democratic Backsliding and Bureaucratic Professionalism in Developing Countries: The Case for Bureaucratic Robustness in Ghana

Frank L. K. Ohemeng (Concordia University), Joseph R. A. Ayee (University of Ghana) & Abena Dadze-Arthur (University of Birmingham)

12:30 - 13:30 **Lunch break**

13:30 - 15:30 **Panel 3: Bureaucratic responses to democratic backsliding and populist governments**

Chair: Michael Ibrahim-Sauer

Discussant: Katherine Bersch

3.1 Bureaucratic responses to democratic backsliding: Lessons in preventive resilience from Brazil

Gabriela Lotta & Mariana Costa (Getulio Vargas Foundation)

3.2 Democratic resistance: The role of countering disinformation by the superior electoral court in the 2022 Brazilian presidential elections

Izabela Cavalcanti Pereira, University of Lisbon, Higher Institute of Social and Political Sciences (ISCSP)

15:30 - 16:00 **Coffee & tea break**

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16:00 - 17:30

Panel 4: Democratic resilience at the intersection between politics and administration

Chair: Katherine Bersch
Discussant: Eckhard Schroeter

4.1 Acquiring political astuteness in order to work with elected politicians in policing

Jean Hartley & Jane Roberts (The Open University, UK)

4.2 Uncovering the links between top leadership characteristics and subordinate public employees' work motivation in high merit-bureaucracies

Pierre Squevin & Tobias Bach (University of Oslo)

19:00

Workshop dinner

Friday, October 18th, 2024

08:30 - 10:00

Panel 5: Political beliefs, attitudes, and professional norms of public administrators

Chair: Donella König
Discussants: Sjors Overman, Thomas Schillemans

5.1 Between ideology and impartiality: How political beliefs shape professional norms and resilience of civil servants

Víctor Lapuente (University of Gothenburg), Ramin Shirali (European University Institute) & Kohei Suzuki (Leiden University)

5.2 Explaining populist attitudes among German civil servants: Will they stand up against democratic backsliding?

Markus Tepe (University of Bremen, SOCIUM Research Center Inequality and Social Policy)

10:00 - 10:30

Coffee & tea break

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10:30 - 12:30

Panel 6: Public service delivery and policy implementation

Chair: Kutsal Yesilkagit
Discussant: Gabriela Lotta

6.1 Resilient implementation

Fritz Sager & Bettina Stauffer (University of Bern)

6.2 Non-state actor participation and democratic public sector resilience

Sarah Cardaun (Helmut Schmidt University Hamburg)

6.3 Political and administrative elites under authoritarian rule: Elite transformations and economic policymaking in Italy and Germany during the Interbellum

Kutsal Yesilkagit & Johan Christensen (Leiden University)

12:30 - 13:30

Lunch break

13:30 - 15:00

Panel 7: Public sector resilience and external oversight

Chair: Jean Hartley
Discussant: Sarah Cardaun

7.1 Assessing the impact of court of audit reports on government effectiveness through emotional reception

Sjors Overman, Marija Aleksovska, Thomas Schillemans (Utrecht University School of Governance)

7.2 Internal and external scrutiny and oversight: Assets and liabilities

Michael Ibrahim-Sauer & Eckhard Schroeter (German University of the Police)

15:00 - 15:30

Closing of workshop & light refreshments

Important Dates:

Submission registration form – please return by **June 20th, 2024**

Submission of full papers – please upload by **September 28th, 2024**

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Workshop venue:

Universität Münster Professional School
Königsstr. 47
48143 Münster
<https://professional-school.uni-muenster.de/en/directions/>

Conference hotel:

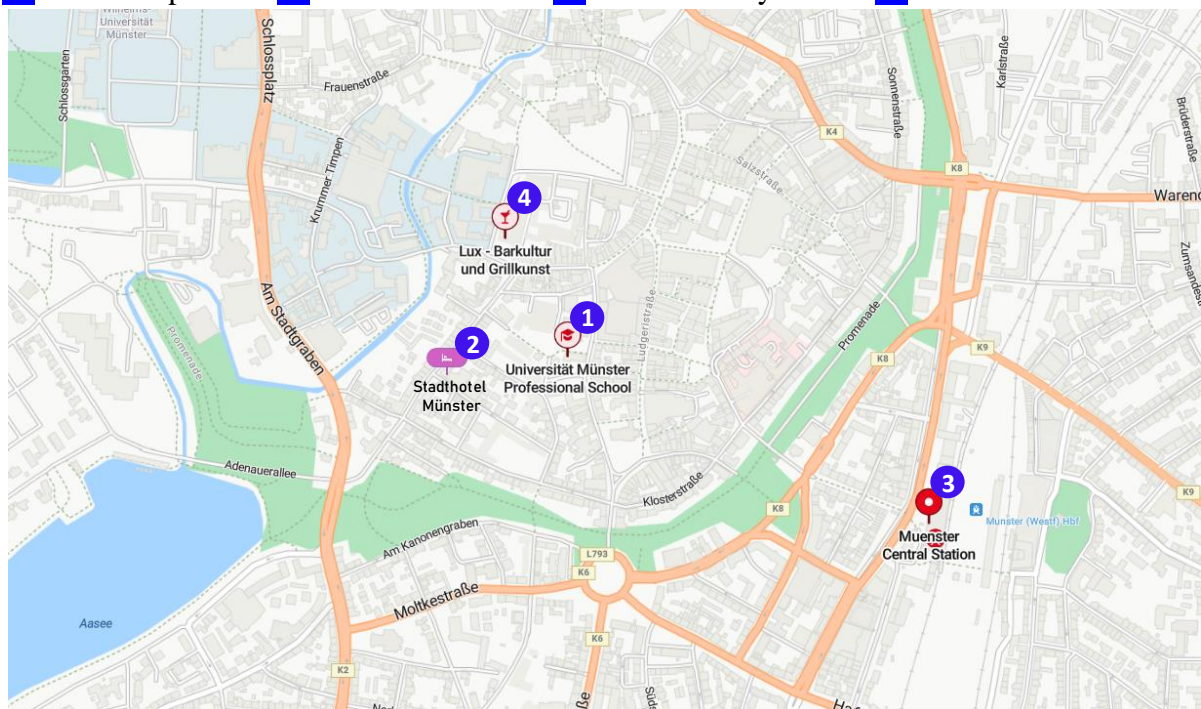
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Aegidiistraße 21
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Conference dinner:

LUX
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City map of Münster:

1: Workshop venue **2**: Conference hotel **3**: Main railway station **4**: Conference dinner



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Information on travel / transportation options:

Airports:

[Münster/Osnabrück Airport \(FMO\)](#) – 25 km

The nearest airport with a travel time of approximately 30 to 45 minutes to the city center of Münster by public transit or taxi.

[Düsseldorf Airport \(DUS\)](#) – 130 km

A viable option, with a train journey to Münster taking approximately 2 hours.

[Frankfurt International Airport \(FRA\)](#) – 260 km

A major hub with a direct train connection to Münster taking approximately 3 hours.

Train:

Traveling by train is practical, as Münster is connected to several major train lines that offer direct connections to many German cities and can be easily planned via the [Deutsche Bahn website](#).

Public Transit:

There is a regular shuttle bus service between FMO Airport and Münster main station including the lines S50 (Schnellbus HBF) and R51 of Regionalverkehr Münsterland GmbH (RVM) with a duration of around 30 to 45 minutes. Information on timetables and fares can be accessed easiest via the [Deutsche Bahn website](#).

Taxi:

Taxis are available at the exists of Münster/Osnabrück (FMO) airport and also in front of Münster main station.

Taxi companies offering a shuttle from Münster/Osnabrück airport can be found [here](#). The journey from the airport to the city center of Münster is around €56 to €75 and takes about 30 minutes.

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