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Université libre de Bruxelles (Belgium)



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EDUCATION

- 2007 – Jan. 2013 Ph.D., Political Science, *Université libre de Bruxelles*
Title doctoral thesis: S’opposer à l’Europe. Quels rôles pour les eurosceptiques au Parlement européen? (Opposing Europe. Which roles for Eurosceptics in the European Parliament?)
- 2005 - 2006 Master of Arts (Bilingual English-French), European Political and Administrative Studies, *College of Europe* (Bruges)
- 2003 - 2005 Master in Political Science, *Université libre de Bruxelles*
- 2001 - 2003 B.A., (Bilingual Dutch-French), Political and Social Sciences, *FUSL and KU Brussel*

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

- 2016 Visiting Professor, Sciences Po Bordeaux, France
- 2015 Visiting Fellow, University of Antwerp (M2P), Belgium
- 2014- 2017 FNRS Researcher, Cevipol, Université libre de Bruxelles
- 2014-2017 Visiting Professor, College of Europe, Bruges, Belgium
- 2014 - 2015 Visiting Professor, Université Saint-Louis, Brussels
- 2013 – 2014 Post-doctoral Fellow, European Studies Center (St Antony’s College) and Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford (Grant of the Wiener-Anspach Foundation)
- 2013 - 2014 Part-time Lecturer, Department of Political Science, Université libre de Bruxelles
- 2013 (July) Lecturer, LUISS Summer School “Parliamentary Democracy in Europe”, Rome, Italy
- 2007 - 2013 Research and Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, Université libre de Bruxelles
- 2011 (July) Lecturer, Summer School, James Madison College on International Relations, Michigan State University
- 2010 Visiting research fellow, European University Institute, Florence

TEACHING TASKS

University level

- 2015-2016 Lecturer, « Political Representation and Institutions », MA 1, 24h, ULB
- 2015-2016 Lecturer, « L'Europe au concret », MA 1, 24h, ULB
- 2014-2015 Lecturer, "Sociétés européennes: adhésion, participation et résistances", 15 hours, FUSL/UCL
- 2014-2015 Lecturer, "The Political System of the European Union", 24 hours, ULB
- 2013-2014 Lecturer, "From the nation-state to the EU", 24 hours, ULB
- 2011 Lecturer, "EU Politics and Policies", 28 hours teaching at the Brussels Summer School of the James Madison College on International Relations (Michigan State University)
- 2010-2013 Graduate Assistant, "The political system of the European Union", ULB
- 2009-2013 Undergraduate Assistant, "Introduction to Research Methodology in Political Science", ULB (weekly seminars)
- 2007-2011 Graduate Assistant, "Globalization and Welfare States", ULB (weekly seminars- 24h each)
- 2007-2009 Undergraduate Assistant, "Political Regimes: Western Countries", ULB (weekly seminar on federalism, 24h)

Non-university level

- 2013 3 hours-Training for France3 journalists on the European institutions and law-making procedures, Paris, France
- 2011 18 hours Training for Romanian civil servants on the European Union and its institutions, Romanian Diplomatic Institute, Bucharest, Romania
- 2008 2 hours Workshop on the EU decision-making process, University of Iasi, organized for Romanian civil servants

GRANTS, PRIZE AND FELLOWSHIPS

- ▶ 2015 : Winner of the Xavier Mabile Prize for best PhD thesis, Belgian Political Science Association
- ▶ 2014-2017: Postdoctoral grant, Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique (FNRS)
- ▶ 2013-2014: Postdoctoral grant, Wiener-Anspach Foundation
- ▶ 2011 (August): APSA travel grant
- ▶ 2010 (May): FNRS grant for short research stay abroad (EUI, Italy)
- ▶ 2006-2007: Bernheim Foundation Grant "Esprit européen/European Spirit"

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- ▶ Brack, N., *L'euroscpticisme au Parlement européen. Stratégies d'une opposition anti-*

système au cœur des institutions, Luxembourg, Larcier, 2014

- ▶ Costa, O., Brack, N., *How the EU really works*, Farnham, Ashgate, 2014
- ▶ Brack, N., Costa, O. (ed.), *Diverging views of Europe: Euroscepticism within EU institutions*, London, Routledge, 2012.
- ▶ Brack, N., Coman, R., Rittelmeyer, Y-S., Stanculescu, C., *Partide: Parlament si algeri europene*, Iasi, Institutul European, 2011.
- ▶ Costa O., Brack N., *Le fonctionnement de l'Union européenne*, Brussels, Editions de l'Université de Bruxelles, 2011 (2nd edition 2015)
 - Translation: Costa, O., Brack, N., *Sistema decisório da União Europeia*, Porto Alegre, Editora Sulina, 2011

Edited journals

- ▶ Special issue of the *International Political Science Review*, "Euroscepticism: from the Margins to the Mainstream", vol. 36, n°3, 2015 (with N. Startin)
- ▶ Special issue of the *Journal of European Integration*, "Diverging views of Europe: the EU against itself?", vol. 34, n°2, 2012 (with O. Costa)
- ▶ Special issue of the *Revue Internationale de Politique Comparée*, "Oppositions Politiques et Politiques d'Opposition", vol. 18, n°2, 2011. (with S. Weinblum)

Articles

- ▶ Brack, N., Pilet, J-B., "Explaining MPs' constituency service in multilevel systems: the case of Belgium", *French Politics*, forthcoming
- ▶ Brack, N., Costa, O., "Introduction: MPs between territories, assembly and party – Investigating parliamentary behaviour at the local level in France, Belgium and Germany", *French Politics*, forthcoming
- ▶ Brack, N., « The roles of Eurosceptic Members of the European Parliament and their implications for the EU », *International Political Science Review*, 36(3), 2015, pp. 337-350
- ▶ Brack, N., Startin, N., "Euroscepticism : from the Margins to the Mainstream », *International Political Science Review*, 36(3), 2015, pp. 239-249
- ▶ Brack, N., "Het Front National en de Europese Verkiezingen van 2014", *Res publica*, vol. 56, n°3, 2014, pp. 389-394
- ▶ Brack, N., "Poor linkage and lacking representation, a thorn in the side of the European Parliament only ?", *Politique européenne*, n°44, 2014/2, pp.183-191
- ▶ Brack, N., Costa, O., "The Challenges of Territorial Representation at the Supranational Level: the Case of French MEPs", *French Politics*, vol.11, n°1, 2013, pp. 1-23
- ▶ Brack, N., "Euroscepticism at the supranational level: the case of the untidy right", *Journal of Common Market Studies*, vol. 51, n°1, 2013, pp. 85-104
- ▶ Brack, N., Costa, O., Teixeira, C.P., "Attitudes towards the focus and style of political representation among Belgian, French and Portuguese Parliamentarians", *Representation*, vol. 48, n°4, 2012, pp. 387-402

- ▶ Brack, N., "Eurosceptics in the European Parliament: Exit or Voice?", *Journal of European Integration*, vol. 34, n°2, 2012, pp. 151-168
- ▶ Brack, N., Costa, O., "Beyond the pro/anti-Europe divide: Diverging views of Europe within EU institutions", *Journal of European Integration*, vol. 34, n°2, 2012, pp. 101-111
- ▶ Brack, N., "Eurosceptycy w Parlamencie Europejskim", *Wrocławskie Studia Politologiczne*, vol.13, 2012, pp. 47-59
- ▶ Brack, N., Weinblum, S., "Oppositions Politiques et Politiques d'Opposition : une introduction", *Revue Internationale de Politique Comparée*, vol. 18, n°2, 2011, pp. 7-12
- ▶ Brack, N., Weinblum, S., "Pour une approche renouvelée de l'opposition politique", *Revue Internationale de Politique Comparée*, vol. 18, n°2, 2011, pp. 13-27
- ▶ Brack, N., "S'opposer au sein du Parlement européen: le cas des eurosceptiques", *Revue Internationale de Politique Comparée*, vol. 18, n°2, 2011, pp. 131-147
- ▶ Brack, N., Weinblum, S., "Political Opposition: Toward a Renewed Research Agenda", *Interdisciplinary Political Studies*, vol.1, n°1, 2011, pp. 69-79
- ▶ Brack N., Pilet J.-B., "One Country, Two Party Systems? The 2009 Belgian Regional Elections", *Regional and Federal Studies*, vol. 20, N°4-5, 2010, pp. 549-559
- ▶ Brack, N., Costa, O., "Le Parlement européen : des prérogatives croissantes", *Questions Internationales*, n°45, 2010, pp. 57-66
- ▶ Brack N., Rittelmeyer Y-S., Stanculescu C., "L'Europe en campagne : une analyse croisée des medias", *Politique européenne*, n°31, 2010, pp. 173-203

Book chapters

- ▶ Brack, N., Kelbel, C., "The Greens in the European Parliament: Evolution and Cohesion", in Van Haute, E. (ed.), *Green Parties in Europe*, Abingdon, Routledge, 2015, pp. 217-237
- ▶ Brack, N., Deruelle, T., "Towards a More Politicised Interparliamentary Cooperation? The European Parliament's Political Groups and the European Parliamentary Week", in N. Lupo, C. Fasone (eds), *Interparliamentary Cooperation in the Composite European Constitution*, Hart Publishing, 2016, pp. 131-146
- ▶ Brack, N., Pilet, J.-B., « Belgium », in Viola, D. (ed.), *Routledge Handbook of European Elections*, London, Routledge, 2015
- ▶ Brack, N., « UKIP au Parlement européen: rôles et pratiques parlementaires » in Gainar, M., Libera, M. (ed.), *Contre l'Europe? Anti-européisme, euroscepticisme et alter-européisme dans la construction européenne, de 1945 à nos jours*, vol. 2, Stuttgart, Steiner Verlag, 2013, pp. 141-156
- ▶ Costa, O., Brack, N., « The Role of the European Parliament in Europe's Integration and Parliamentarization Process » in Costa, O., Stavridis, S., Dri, C. (ed.), *The parliamentary dimension(s) of regionalization and globalization*, Londres, Palgrave, 2013, pp. 45-69
- ▶ Brack, N., « Eurosceptics in the European Parliament: Exit or Voice? », in Brack, N.,

- Costa, O. (ed.), *Euroscepticism within the EU Institutions. Diverging Views of Europe*, Londres, Routledge, 2012, pp. 51-68
- ▶ Brack, N., Costa, O., « Introduction: Beyond the Pro/Anti- Europe Divide: Diverging Views of Europe within EU institutions », in Brack, N., Costa, O. (ed.), *Euroscepticism within the EU Institutions. Diverging Views of Europe*, Londres, Routledge, 2012, pp. 1-12
 - ▶ Brack N., « Quelle opposition au Parlement européen ? », in Crespy A., Petithomme M. (ed.), *L'Europe sous tensions. Appropriation et contestation de l'intégration européenne*, Paris, L'Harmattan, 2010, pp. 179-196
 - ▶ Costa O., Brack N., « The Role(s) of the Eurosceptic MEPs », in D. Fuch, R. Magni-Berton, A. Roger (ed.), *Euroscepticism. Images of Europe among mass publics and political elites*, Opladen and Farmington Hills, MI, Barbara Budrich Publishers, 2009, pp. 253-272

Working papers, book reviews, blog piece and reports

- ▶ Brack, N., "Populist and Radical Right Parties at the 2014 European Parliament Elections: Much Ado About Nothing?", in *Parliaments, Public Opinion and Parliamentary Elections in Europe, EUI Working Papers*, MWP 2015/18: 93-102
- ▶ Brack, N., « Book review: Vollaard, H., Beyers, J., Dumont, P., *European Integration and Consensus Politics in the Low Countries*, London, Routledge, 2015", *Regional and Federal Studies*, forthcoming
- ▶ Brack, N., Costa, O., Dri, C., " Le Parlement européen à la recherche de l'efficacité législative : une analyse des évolutions de son organisation », *Bruges Political Research Papers*, n°35, January 2015
- ▶ Brack, N., "Recension: Démocratiser l'Europe", *Revue française de science politique*, vol.65, n°1, 2015 : 141-143
- ▶ Brack, N., «Lecture critique : Construction européenne et légitimité démocratique. Les relations difficiles entre l'UE et les citoyens », *Politique européenne*, 2015/1, pp. 146-154
- ▶ Brack, N., "Book review: From nation-states to Member states", *Acta Politica*, vol. 49, 2014, pp. 486-487
- ▶ Baeselen, X., Toussaint, S., Pilet, J-B., Brack, N., « Quelle activité parlementaire en période d'affaires courantes ? », *Les cahiers de l'ULB et du PFWB*, n°1, 2014, <http://www.pfwb.be/AffairesCourantes>
- ▶ Brack, N., "Eurosceptic Members of the European Parliament: All Rebels and Radicals?", *Political Insight (PSA Blog)*, 16 April 2014, <http://www.psa.ac.uk/insight-plus/blog/eurosceptic-members-european-parliament-all-rebels-and-radicals>
- ▶ Brack, N., « Book Review: Representing Europeans: A Pragmatic Approach », *LSE Review of Books*, 27 June 2013, <http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/lsereviewofbooks/2013/06/27/book-review-representing-europeans-a-pragmatic-approach>
- ▶ Brack, N., « Quelles sont les limites de la construction européenne », reflexion note for the Belgian Socialist Party, April 2013.
- ▶ Brack, N., « Compte-rendu de l'ouvrage Introduction à l'Union européenne.

Institutions, politique et société par F. Mérand et J. Weisbein (De Boeck, 2011) », *Revue française de science politique*, vol. 61, n°6, 2011, pp. 1170-1172

- ▶ Brack, N., Dandoy, R., "Belgium", *EU-27 Watch*, n°9, Institut für Europäische Politik, Berlin, 2010
- ▶ Brack, N., Rittelmeyer, Y-S., Stanculescu, C. "Les élections européennes de 2009: entre national et européen. Une analyse des campagnes électorales dans 22 Etats membres", *Les Cahiers du Cevipol*, n°3, 2009
- ▶ Pilet J-B., Brack N., "The European and Regional Elections of 7 June 2009 in Belgium", *EPERN European Parliament Election Briefings*, n°33, 2009, p.1-26
- ▶ Brack N., Dandoy R., « Belgium », *EU-27 Watch* n°8, EU-Consent, Institute for European Politics, Berlin, 2009
- ▶ Brack N., Dandoy R., « Belgium », *EU-27 Watch* n°7, EU-Consent, Institute for European Politics, Berlin, 2008, pp.21-23, 67-70, 129-130, 162, 183, 209-211, 254-255.
- ▶ Brack N., Dandoy R., « Belgium », *EU-27 Watch* n°6, EU-Consent, Institute for European Politics, Berlin, 2008, 19 p.
- ▶ Brack N., Dandoy, R., « Belgium », *EU-25/27 Watch* n°5, EU-Consent, Institute for European Politics, Berlin, 2008, 16 p.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Participation to international research projects and networks

- ▶ 2011-2015: Co-leader Belgian Team, Project IMPLOC on territorial representation in France and Belgium, financed by FNRS
- ▶ 2011- : Member, UACES Collaborative Research Network on Euroscepticism, <https://sites.google.com/site/uaceseuroscepticismcrn/>
- ▶ 2010 - 2012: Associate Member, Research Project LEGIPAR - "Parliamentary legitimization and democratic government in France and in the European Union", <http://www.legipar.sciencespobordeaux.fr/membres.htm>
- ▶ 2009 - 2013: Associate Member, Research Project PARENEL - "Parliamentary Representation at National and European levels"
- ▶ http://www.cevipol.site.ulb.ac.be/fr/projets-recherche_parenel.html
- ▶ 2009 - : Member, Research Network "European Parliament Qualitative Research Network", <http://www.sussex.ac.uk/sei/1-4-15-3.html>

Media-related activities

- ▶ Electoral Debate at the Parlamentarium (European Parliament) "nuit des élections", 25 May 2014
- ▶ Interviews for La Libre Belgique, France 3, The Los Angeles Times, Kristeligt Dagblad, Agence France Presse, TV Bruxelles, Marianne Belgique, Europolitique, Vers L'Avenir, BNR nieuwsradio, Radio France International, Le Figaro, Eyes on Europe.

- ▶ N. Brack, O. Costa, “Lobbys or not lobbys”, *Alternatives internationales*, Hors série Quel Monde en 2014?, January 2014, pp. 64-65
- ▶ Participation to the radio show « Forum du Midi » on UK and the EU, RTBF, 25 January 2013
- ▶ N. Brack, C. Stanculescu, « Schuman’s Europe (1950-2010). Dead ...but not yet buried », Shift Mag, n°16 ‘Faraway Europe’, December 2010, pp. 12-13
- ▶ Participation to the debate on the European elections organized by the newspaper Le Soir at the Book fair, Brussels, 7 March 2010
- ▶ N. Brack, « The multiple Faces of Euroscepticism », Shift Mag, n°12 ‘Europe in doubt’, January 2010

Editorial activities

- ▶ 2011-2013: Co-Editor of *i-See!*, trimestral newsletter of the Section d’Etudes Européennes of the French Political Science Association (AFSP)
- ▶ Peer Review for Party Politics, the Journal of Legislative Studies, Journal of Contemporary European Research, European Journal of Political Research, Journal of Common Market Studies, the International Political Science Review, Journal of European Integration, Government and Opposition, Politique européenne, Editions de l’Université de Bruxelles, Parliamentary Affairs, Ashgate, European Political Science Review

LANGUAGE SKILLS

French: native
 Dutch: fluent
 English: fluent