

Fabio Angiolillo

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Academic Appointments	University of Gothenburg Postdoctoral Researcher, V-Dem Institute	2022-
	Cornell University Research Fellow (host Thomas Pepinsky)	2021-2022
Education	University of Hong Kong PhD in Political Science — 2023 <i>Outstanding Research Top 5% Quality HKU</i> — 2022 <i>Virginia Gray Graduate Research Award APSA POP Section</i>	2023
	University of Bologna MA, Political Science & International Relations <i>With Distinction</i>	2018
	University of Rome “La Sapienza” BA, Political Science & International Relations <i>With Honors</i> – Freiburg University, Department of Political Science	2016 2015-2016
Research Interests	Comparative politics, political parties, autocracies, regime change, East Asian politics	
Methods	Causal inference, panel data, text-as-data, web scraping, spatial analysis, fieldwork	
Co-Founder	Authoritarian Political Systems Group	2021 –

Research

Book Project	<i>Authoritarian Political Parties: Attacking Democracies and Defending Autocracies</i>	
Articles	4. Angiolillo F. , M. Lundset, M. Nord, S. Lindberg (2024). State of the World 2023: Democracy Winning and Loosing at the Ballot, p. 1-25, <i>In Production at Democratization</i>	
	3. Angiolillo, F. (2023). Authoritarian Ruling Parties’ Recruitment Dilemma: Evidence from China , <i>Journal of East Asian Studies</i> , vol. 23, issue 3, pp. 491-515	
	2. Angiolillo, F. (2023). Introducing the One-Party Membership Dataset: A Dataset on Party Membership in Autocracies , <i>Journal of Peace Research</i> , 1-15	
	1. Wiebrecht, F., Y. Sato, M. Nord, M. Lundset, F. Angiolillo , S. Lindberg (2023). State of the World 2022: Defiance in the Face of Autocratization , <i>Democratization</i> , vol. 30, issue 5, pp. 769-793	

- Book Chapters** 1. Casarini, N., L. Mariani, **F. Angiolillo**, Political Values in Italy’s China policy: A “Constructive Approach”, in *Political values in Europe-China relations*, edited by Tim Nicholas Rühlig, Björn Jerdén, Frans-Paul van der Putten, John Seaman, Miguel Otero-Iglesias and Alice Ekman, ETNC, 51-55, 2018
- Under Review** 6. **Angiolillo, F.**, F. Wiebrecht, S. Lindberg. [Party Systems, Democratic Positions, and Regime Changes: Introducing the Party-System Democracy Index](#), V-Dem Working Paper Series, 143, pp. 1-49
5. **Angiolillo, F.**, A. Matthews. [Cutting Across the Diagonal Line: Coordinated Purges and Coup Reactions in Authoritarian Ruling Parties](#). SSRN Working Paper, 1-49
4. **Angiolillo, F.**. When the Party Fails: The Role of Party Members for Authoritarian Ruling Party Survival
3. **Angiolillo, F.**. Silent Resistance and Social Elites’ Politics of Opposition in Autocracies
2. **Angiolillo, F.**, F. Wiebrecht. [From Individual Parties to Party System: A New Approach to Calculate Party Systems’ Variables](#)
1. Nord, M., **F. Angiolillo**, M. Lundstedt, F. Wiebrecht, S. Lindberg. [When Autocratization is Reversed: Episodes of Democratic Turnarounds since 1900](#),
- Working Papers** 3. **Angiolillo, F.** The Persistent Effect of State-Based Political Violence on Support for Fascism: Evidence from a Spatial Regression Discontinuity Design
2. **Angiolillo, F.** Four Party Membership Recruitment Strategies: Democratic, Elitist, Sanctioned, and Coercive
1. **Angiolillo, F.**, F. Wiebrecht, Authoritarian Party Building, Elites’ Retention, and the Effects on Clientelism
- Work in Progress** 4. **Angiolillo, F.**, Kuraishi, A., Triggers of Democratic Values: Experimental Evidence from Southeast Asia (*Survey Development*)
3. **Angiolillo, F.**, M. Lundstedt, F. Wiebrecht. Party Systems’ Dimensions: A Historical Domination Analysis (*Data Analysis*)
2. Ordanoski, G., **F. Angiolillo**‡. Incumbent-led Strategies of Repression During Autocratization (*Writing*)
1. **Angiolillo, F.**. Fascist Historical Persistence in the Ballot Box: a Natural Experiment (*Data Collection*)
- ‡: Co-authored with Master’s student
- Policy Outputs** 5. Nord, M., M. Lundstedt, M., D. Altman, **F. Angiolillo**. (et al.) [Democracy Report 2024](#), University of Gothenburg, V-Dem Institute, v.12, March 2024
4. Papada, E., D. Altman, **F. Angiolillo** et al., [Democracy Report 2023](#), University of Gothenburg, V-Dem Institute, v.11, March 2023

3. **Angiolillo, F.**, “Development Through Acquisition”: The Domestic Background of China’s Europe Policy, *IAI Working Paper*, 19(1), 2019, DOI: [978-88-9368-093-6](#)

2. Mariani, L., **F. Angiolillo**, Unconventional Diplomacy on the Korean Peninsula: Implications for Seoul, Pyongyang and Washington, *IAI Commentaries*, 18:31, 2018, ISSN: [22532-6570](#)

1. **Angiolillo, F.** China-Vatican Talks: Covert Negotiations Aim to End Decades of Severed Relations, *IAI Commentaries*, 18:43, 2018, ISSN: [2532-6570](#)

Datasets

2. Coppedge, M., Gerring, J., Knutsen, C.H., Lindberg, S.I., Teorell, J., Altman, D., **Angiolillo, F.**, (24 more authors) (2024). Varieties of Democracy Dataset, v14, V-Dem Project, University of Gothenburg

— Project Manager of “Section 6: Party Systems”

— Co-developer of 12 indexes on party systems (with Wiebrecht, F.)

1. **Angiolillo, F.** (2023). One-Party Membership Dataset [OPAMED](#) in 44 Ruling Parties between 1945 and 2020

Selected Guest Essays

4. **Angiolillo, F.**, How Ruling Parties’ Relationship with Citizens Changes the Nature of Autocracy, *The Loop – Autocracies with Adjectives*, 24 April 2023, [link](#)

3. **Angiolillo, F.**, Active Resistance in Autocratic China, *Democracy Paradox*, 30 November 2022 [link](#)

2. **Angiolillo, F.**, Beyond the Protests: The Social Identity Formation of Hong Kong’s Citizens, *The Asia Dialogue*, Nottingham University, 26 September 2019 [link](#)

1. **Angiolillo, F.**, Hong Kong: A Political Crisis Impossible to Solve with Economic Leverages, *Observatory on Democracy*, Fondazione Giangiacomo Feltrinelli, 9 March 2020 [in Italian] [link](#)

Policy Work

International Affairs Institute (IAI), Olof Palme International Center, Research and Advocacy Unit (RAU), Human Rights Foundation

Newspaper Appearance

Reuters, Ouest France, Kristeligt Dagblad, Dagbladet Information

Teaching & Supervision

Certificate Certificate in Teaching and Learning for Higher Education 2019
Center for Teaching & Learning HKU

Co-Lecturer SK2222 (MSc) Varieties of Democracy and Democratization 2024 (Spring)
University of Gothenburg

SF2324 (MSc) Introduction to Applied Research Design 2023 (Fall)
& Quantitative Research Methods
University of Gothenburg

SK2222 (MSc) Varieties of Democracy and Democratization 2023 (Spring)
University of Gothenburg

Guest Lecturer	PUM6301 (MSc) Study of Contemporary Chinese Public Policy <i>Shanghai Jiaotong University</i>	2023 (Fall)
	(BA) Introduction to Quantitative Data Analysis <i>Sorbonne Paris 1</i>	2022 (Spring)
Teaching Assistant	POLI1003 (BSc) Making Sense of Politics <i>University of Hong Kong</i> — <i>Top 5% Teaching Assistants Award</i>	2021 (Spring)
	POLI2105 (BSc) Introduction to Comparative Politics <i>University of Hong Kong</i>	2019 (Fall)
Supervision	— <i>Master's Thesis</i> : Gorazd J.G. Ordanoski, Martin Hertzman, Alexander Heinrich, Ingrid Dahlén, Amalie L. Christensen — <i>Bachelor's Thesis</i> : Jouman Tafnkji	

Research Grant and Further Research Experience

Research Grants	New Faces and Methods in Authoritarian Politics, Tulane (ca. £10,000)	2023
	Visiting Fellowship, Department of Government Cornell (ca. £24,000)	2021-2022
	Travel Grant for Research Activities, HKU (ca. £2,600)	2022
	Seed Fund for Basic Research, HKU (ca. £4,300)	2020
	Travel Grant for Research Activities, HKU (ca. £2,600)	2019
	Postgraduate Scholarship, HKU (ca. £22,300 <i>per year</i>)	2019-2022
	Mario Negri Award for Study Excellence (ca. £3,000)	2016-2019
	Travel Grant for Study Activities, Copenhagen University	2017 (Declined)
	Travel Grant for Study Activities, Freiburg University (ca. £2,100)	2015
Fieldwork	China: 2019; 2020 - 2021 Italy: 2022	
Languages	— Italian (native), German (moderate), Spanish (moderate), Chinese (basic) — R, Python, L ^A T _E X	
Software	Qualtrics, QGIS, STATA, SPSS	
Additional Training	Causal Inference & Experiments; Panel Data; MLE; Fieldwork [<i>Essex Summer School</i> , 2019, 2020, 2021]; Natural Experiments [<i>Cornell</i> , 2021]	

International Outreach

Conferences	APSA	2021, 2022, 2023
	EPSA	2022, 2023, 2024*
	ISA	2023
	MPSA	2021, 2022
	SISP	2022†
	IMEBESS	2023

Workshops	Comparative Asian and International Studies - HKU	2021
	APOSS (Asian Politics Online Seminar Series) - Online	2022
	Graduate Students Dissertation Colloquium - Cornell	2022
	Comparative Politics Workshop - Cornell	2022
	Autocratization Workshop – V-Dem Institute	2022
	Resisting Autocratization Workshop – V-Dem Institute	2023
	Demscore Conference – Gothenburg	2023
	Pre-EPISA Authoritarian Politics Conference – Glasgow	2023†
	Authoritarian Politics Workshop – SWEPSA	2023†
	Democratic Reversals Workshop – V-Dem Institute	2024
	Göteborg-Aarhus Party Politics Workshop – Skagen	2024*
	New Faces and Methods in Authoritarian Politics – New Orleans	2024*†
	Demscore Conference – Gothenburg	2024*
	Pre-EPISA Authoritarian Politics Conference – Köln	2024*†

Invited Talks	Public Opinion, Parties, and Elections — Essex	2021
	Measuring Global Authoritarianism — Exeter	2023
	Democracy-Autocracy in Party Systems — University Institute of Lisbon	2023
	How to Navigate Job Market for PhD Students — Gothenburg	2023
	History and Data — American University of Sharjah	2024*

* : *Confirmed*; † : *Co – Organizer*

Service

Reviewer	Journal of Politics, Comparative Political Studies, Studies in Comparative International Development, Political Research Quarterly, Party Politics, British Journal of Politics and International Relations, Journal of East Asian Studies
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Administrative	Hiring Committee Postdoctoral Fellows, University of Gothenburg	2022-2023
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Membership	— <i>Co-Convenor & Founding Member</i>	
	Autocracies and Regime Change Standing Group, PSA	2023-

— APSA, EPSA, ISA, SWEPSA, SISP

List of references

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