

## Dr. Silvana Tarlea

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### Employment History

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Sep 2024–today: Research Associate, Center for Energy and the Environment, **Zurich University of Applied Sciences**

Apr 2017–Aug 2024: *Lecturer (Oberassistentin)*, Political Science & Institute for European Global Studies, **University of Basel**.

Jan 2017–Aug 2019: Postdoc Horizon2020 project, *The Choice for Europe since Maastricht*, **University of Basel**.

Jan–Aug 2016: Visiting Research Scholar, **University of California**, Berkeley.

Sep 2014–Sep 2016: Max Weber Post-Doc, **European University Institute**, Florence.

Jan 2011–Dec 2013: Research Assistant, *Media and Democracy*, St Antony's College, **University of Oxford**.

Jan 2010–Dec 2011: Research Assistant, *Center for Experimental Social Sciences*, Nuffield College, **University of Oxford**.

### Education

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#### University of Basel

Habilitation, 2026 (expected)

Title: *Negotiating Cooperation in European and Global Governance*

#### University of Oxford, Nuffield College

DPhil in Political Science, Jul 2015

Thesis: *Dependency and Development in Central and Eastern Europe's New Capitalist Systems*

#### University of Amsterdam

MSc. International Relations, Jul 2009

#### University of Bucharest

BA (honors) Political Science, Aug 2008

Erasmus exchange student **Albert Ludwigs Universitat Freiburg**, Sep 2006–Feb 2007

### Offers of Appointment

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2022: Assistant Professorship in European Union Politics, University of Groningen (declined).

### Publications

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#### Book

**Tarlea, S. 2019.** *Parties, Power and Policy-making: From Higher Education to Multinationals in Post-communist Societies.* Routledge, United Kingdom.

#### Peer-Reviewed Articles

**Tarlea, S.** and Weiler, F., **2025**, What Drives International Cooperation?, *World Trade Review*, online first

**Tarlea, S., 2025.** Knowledge as power: China's think tanks and the European Union, *Journal of European Integration*, online first.

**Tarlea, S.,** Bailer, S., Kudrna, Z., & Wasserfallen, F. **2023.** Executive Politics in European Union Politics, *Governance*, Vol.37, No 11, pp. 161–178.

Weber, R., & **Tarlea, S. 2021**. Politics of Immobility: Global Knowledge Production and the Study of Europe in Asia, *JCMS: Journal of Common Market Studies*, Vol. 59, No. 2, pp. 371–387.

Tortola, P. D., & **Tarlea, S. 2020**. The power of expertise: gauging technocracy in EMU reform negotiations. *Journal of European Public Policy*, Vol. 9, No.4, pp. 1–23.

**Tarlea, S.**, Bailer, S., Degner, H., Dellmuth, S., Leuffen, D., Tallberg, J., Wasserfallen, F. **2019**, Explaining Governmental Preferences on Economic and Monetary Union Reform, *European Union Politics*, Vol. 20. No. 1, pp. 24–44.

Lundgren, M., Bailer, S., Dellmuth, S., Tallberg, J., **Tarlea, S. 2019**. Bargaining Success in the Reform of the Eurozone, *European Union Politics*, Vol. 20. No. 1, pp. 65–88.

**Tarlea, S. 2018**. Low- and High-Skills Equilibria in Central and Eastern Europe: What Role for the Government? *East European Politics and Societies and Cultures*, Vol 33, No. 1, pp. 157-175.

**Tarlea, S.** and Freyberg-Inan, A., **2018**. The Education Skills Trap in a Dependent Market Economy. Romania's Case in the 2000s. *Communist and Post-Communist Studies*, 51(1), pp.49-61.

**Tarlea, S., 2017**. Higher Education Governance in Central and Eastern Europe: A Perspective on Hungary and Poland, *European Educational Research Journal*, 16(5), pp.670-683.

#### Articles under Review

Tegas, S. **Tarlea, S.**, Klöck, C. Castro, P. How States Participate in UN Climate Negotiations.

#### Book Chapters

**Tarlea, S.** and Bailer, S. **2020**. Technocratic Governments in European-wide Policy Negotiations, in *The Technocratic Challenge to Democracy*, Bertson, E. and Caramani, D (eds.), Routledge.

**Tarlea, S., 2014**. Complementarity in a Mixed-methods Design: Political Economy of Skill Formation in Central and Eastern Europe. SAGE. *Sage Cases in Political Methodology*. London.

#### Book Review

**Cimpoca, S., 2013**. Capitalist Diversity at Europe's Periphery, book review in *West European Politics* by Dorothee Bohle and Bela Greskovits, Cornell University Press 2012, 36/4.

#### Policy Reports

**Tarlea, S., 2023**. The politicisation of education in Europe's new democracies, *Oxford Analytica*.

**Tarlea, S.**, Han Yue, C., Nugroho, D., Karamperidou, D. **2021**. Time to Teach: Teacher attendance and time on task in primary schools South Sudan, UNICEF, *Innocenti Research Report*.

Belakova, N. and **Tarlea, S., 2013**. The Legislative and the Media in the Czech Republic, Romania and Slovakia, *MDCEE Working Paper*, St. Antony's College, University of Oxford.

#### Approved Research Projects

Sep 2018–Mar 2020: *Time to Teach*, UNICEF Innocenti Office of Research, \$40.000.

Sep 2019–Sep2020: Research funding for project: *International Negotiations*, University of Basel, CHF15000.

May 2019: Freie Akademische Gesellschaft Basel, for project: *European Studies in Asia*, CHF2500.

Jul 2013: Grant for EITM Mannheim, project: *Strategic Interaction in a Dependent Market Economy*, €500.

Jul 2012: EITM certification scholarship, ICPSR Ann Arbor, project: *Skill Formation in New Democracies*, \$2000.

## Competitive Funding

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2023: SNSF Starting Grant — interview stage.

## Prizes & Awards

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2024: Freie Akademische Gesellschaft Basel, Habilitation fellowship (CHF15000)

2020: Antelope Program, Career Advancement Award, University of Basel (CHF8000).

2010–2014: Departmental Studentship, Department of Politics, University of Oxford (£8000).

2010–2013: Nuffield College Studentship, awarded to pursue the DPhil in Politics (£25000).

2010–2012: Dinu Patriciu Foundation Scholarship, Open Horizons program (\$22500).

2008–2009: Huygens Scholarship, Dutch government tuition & living expenses, University of Amsterdam, (€13.500).

2005–2008: Merit scholarship, awarded yearly, University of Bucharest (€3000).

2009: Full grant, Spring School on European Dimension of Soft Security, European Commission (€1500).

2006: Fund for American Studies, Summer School Georgetown University in Prague (\$1500).

## Additional Training

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Jan 2022–Jan 2024: Teaching Certificate: Learning psychology, Grading in a world with AI, University of Basel.

Jun 2020: University of Pompeu Fabra, *Survey Experiments*, online course.

Jan–May 2016: UC Berkeley, Political Science Department, *Quantitative Methods - Causality*, Berkeley.

Apr 2015: EUI Economics Department, *The Problem of Causality*, Florence.

Jul 2013: EITM Europe, *Selection and Strategic Modelling*, Mannheim.

Apr 2013: Oxford Spring School *Presenting Statistical Results Effectively using R, Multilevel Analysis*.

Jan–Dec 2013: University of Oxford, *Nuffield Seminar in Qualitative and Field-based Research*.

Jul 2012: ICPSR – Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, Ann Arbor Michigan.

## Institutional Responsibilities

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Aug 2020–Aug.2024: Member of the Interfaculty Commission, European Institute, University of Basel.

Jan 2020–Aug.2024: Postdoc Representative in Promotion Committee, Social Sciences, University of Basel.

Sep 2019–present: Faculty member of the Graduate School of European Studies, University of Basel. Deciding on curriculum, structure of the program, and identifying financial resources for the program.

Sep 2010–Dec 2012: Students Welfare Representative, Nuffield College, University of Oxford.

## Supervision of Junior Researchers at Graduate and Postgraduate Level

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2020–2023: Supervision of ten MA theses in European Global Studies and in Political Science: meeting with students, guiding them towards research questions and appropriate research designs.

2021–2023: Supervision of honours theses in Political Science.

Sep 2018–Sep 2019: hired and supervised two graduate research assistants.

## Teaching Activities

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### University of Basel

Feb 2022–Jun 2022: Master's level: *Global Debates in European Studies*, co-taught with an economist and a lawyer.

Sep 2021–Jan 2023: BA level: *European societies and politics: voters, parties and governments* (in German).

Feb 2021–Jun 2021: Master's level: *European politics. Between National Politics and the European Union* (online).

Sep 2020–Jan 2021: Course for doctoral students: *Research Design and Empirical Research for Social Scientists* (online).

Sep 2019–Jan 2020: BA level: *Intermediate Statistical Methods*.

Feb 2018–Jun 2018: BA level: *From Policy to Politics: Knowledge Transfer in International Organisations*.

Feb 2017–Jun 2017: Master's-level: *Introductory Statistics using R* (in German).

Sep 2017–Jan 2018: Master's-level: *The Politics of Public Policy in Europe*.

Sep 2016–Jan 2017: Master's-level: *The Political Economy of the European Crisis*.

### University of Bern

Feb 2023–Jun 2023: BA-level: *Europe in Crisis. Five Decades of European Integration and Disintegration*.

Feb 2020–Jun 2020: Master's-level: *States versus Markets. European Political Economy* (partly online).

### University of Geneva

Sep 2024–Jan 2025: MA-level course: *European Politics*.

### University of Luzern

Feb 2022–Jun 2022: MA-level: *Research Design in International Political Economy*.

Feb 2023–Jun 2023: MA-level: *Research Design in International Political Economy*.

### European University Institute

May 2015: Teaching certificate - exchange with the London School of Economics, *Migration and Integration in Europe*.

### University of Oxford

Jan 2012–Dec 2013: *Comparative Political Economy; Theories of Political Economy*, 3rd year undergraduate tutorials.

Jun 2011: Teaching Assistant for *Nuffield Experimental Summer School*, Nuffield College, graduate course.

## Invited Talks and Presentations

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**Tarlea, S.**, Oct 2025: University of Bergen, *What explains parties' active participation in UN climate negotiations?*

**Tarlea, S.**, Oct 2022: School for International Training, *International Studies and Multilateral Diplomacy*, Geneva.

**Tarlea, S.**, Oct 2021: University of Bern, *Narratives of the Past and the Appeal of Trade Protectionism*.

**Tarlea, S.**, Jan 2020: London School of Economics, *Bargaining Strategies in Economic Monetary Union Reform Negotiations*.

## Organization of Conferences

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Sep 2021: *Young Researchers' Workshop in European Politics*, ETH Zurich, co-organizer with Dominik Schraff.

May 2019: University of Basel, *The Politics of European Studies in Asia*, co-organizer with Ralph Weber.

Jun 2018: Max Weber Alumni Conference, European University Institute, Florence.

Apr 2018: University of Basel, *The Politics of European Studies in Asia*, co-organizer with Ralph Weber.

## Research Fieldwork

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Nov 2024: Observer, United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP29), Baku, Azerbaijan.

## Conference Presentations (last year)

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**Tarlea, S.** & Castro, P. 2026 *The European Union and its Member States in UN Climate Negotiations*, Swiss Political Science Association Annual Meeting.

Castro, P., **Tarlea, S.**, Winkler, M. 2025: *Presence in Climate Negotiations*, Environmental Politics and Governance (EPG) Annual Conference, Flueli Ranft, Switzerland.

**Tarlea, S.** & Weiler, F. 2025 *Democracies and Authoritarian Regimes in WTO Negotiations*, European Political Science Association.

## Outreach Activities

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**Tarlea, S. 2022.** What do we know about crises in the European Union and how can this help us understand current ones? **Editorial** for newsletter no. 136, Institute for European Global Studies, University of Basel

**Tarlea, S. 2019.** Je exponierter der Finanzsektor, desto mehr Europäische Integration, blog post on *De Facto* , last accessed 23.10.2020.

**Tarlea, S. 2019.** Have Austria, Germany and the Netherlands impeded Eurozone reforms?, blog post on LSE Europe blog, last accessed 23.10.2020.

Weber, R., and **Tarlea, S. 2018.** The Politics of Studying Europe in China, *Europe Now*, Europe-China Relations Special Issue, Council for European Studies, Columbia University.

Weber and **Tarlea, S. 2016-2020.** Co-founder and organizer of research group on European Studies in a global perspective, Institute for European Global Studies, University of Basel.

**Tarlea, S. 2016.** Masurile economice si programele partidelor politice pentru alegerile din decembrie 2016, (Economic measures in the manifestos of political parties for the 2016 elections), Romanian politics portal.

## Service to the Profession

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### Selection Committee Membership

2018–2025: Member of selection committee for the master’s in European studies at College of Europe in Bruges, SNSF, Bern.

### Professional Memberships

Swiss Political Science Association (SPSA), European Political Science Association (EPSA), Council of European Studies (CES), Society of Advancement of Socioeconomics (SASE), Austrian Society of Political Science (AuPSA).

### Reviewing Activities

Journal reviewer for: *Journal of European Public Policy*, *Socio-Economic Review*, *European Union Politics*, *Government and Opposition*, *European Political Science Review*, *International Politics*, *European Politics and Societies*, *Climatic Change*, *Journal of Economic Geography*,

Book reviewer for: *Palgrave Macmillan*, *Oxford University Press*.

Abstract reviewer for: *Swiss Political Science Association General Conference*, European politics section, 2021–present.

## Skills

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**Programming:** R, Stata, Latex, Qualtrics

**Languages:** English, German (fluent), French (intermediate), Romanian (native)

## Personal Information

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**Google Scholar:** Silvana Tarlea

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**Children:** 2016 and 2018

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