

Institut für Politikwissenschaft  
Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz

# Citizen Perspectives on Democracy

## Aspirations, Evaluations, and Deficits

March 21-22, 2024

# Program

## Wednesday, March 20

7:00 PM Dinner at Eulchen Brauerei (Kupferbergterrasse 17, Mainz)

## Thursday, March 21 (Room 01-611 GFG)

10:00 AM Welcome

10:15 AM Mapping Conceptions of Democracy among German Citizens: A Latent Class Analysis  
*Leonard Häfner/Lea Stallbaum/Jonas Wenker*

11:00 AM Democratic lip service? Conceptions of democracy and support for illiberal politicians  
*Carsten Wegscheider*

11:45 AM People-centred or institutional democrats? A study of German and US legislators' understandings of democracy  
*Melody Crowder-Meyer*

12:30 PM Catered Lunch

1:30 PM AI-enabled In-Depth Interviewing: Mapping Democratic Belief Systems at Scale  
*Alexander Wuttke*

2:15 PM Citizens' Views on the Trade-Offs of Democracy  
*Enrique Hernandez*

3:00 PM Coffee Break

3:30 PM Institutional Design Preferences Among German and US citizens: Results from a Factorial Survey  
*Lea Stallbaum*

4:15 PM Good News for Democracy: Citizens Do Not Want Strong Leaders, But Rather Inclusive Representative Institutions With Checks and Balances  
*Andre Bächtiger*

5:00 PM What actually makes a good citizen? Analyzing citizenship beliefs using a conjoint experiment  
*Kathrin Ackermann*

5:45 PM End

7:00 PM Dinner at Hof Ehrenfels (Greibenstraße 5-7, Mainz)

**Friday, March 22**  
**(Room 01-611 GFG)**

9:00 AM	Arrival and Coffee
9:15 AM	Views of Democracy <i>Monica Ferrin</i>
10:00 AM	What is democracy (to you)? <i>Vanessa Boese</i>
10:45 AM	Coffee Break
11:15 AM	The Sad Citizen: How Politics Makes Us Depressed <i>Christopher Ojeda</i>
11:45 AM	There is no alternative? How voters perceive democratic choices over economic policies <i>Lea Heyne</i>
12:30 PM	End

## Accommodation

IntercityHotel Mainz

Binger Straße 21, 55131 Mainz

We recommend taking tram lines 51, 53, or 59 (in the direction of Lerchenberg/  
Marienborn/ Hochschule Mainz) from **Hauptbahnhof West** to **Universität**.

## Venue

Johannes Gutenberg-University Mainz

Georg-Forster-Gebäude (GFG), Room 01-611

Jakob-Welder-Weg 12, 55128 Mainz

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