

## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford** **Oxford, UK**  
**Leverhulme Early Career Fellow** **Jan. 2024 – Jun. 2027**
- Project title: “Land inequality and the politics of place in advanced democracies”
  - Academic mentor: Stathis Kalyvas
  - Career break: September 2024 – February 2025 (maternity leave)
- European Institute, London School of Economics** **London, UK**  
**Hellenic Bank Association Postdoctoral Fellow** **Jan. 2023 – Dec. 2023**
- Academic mentor: Kevin Featherstone
- European Institute, London School of Economics** **London, UK**  
**ESRC Postdoctoral Fellow** **Jan. 2022 – Dec. 2022**
- Academic mentor: Waltraud Schelkle

## EDUCATION

- European Institute, London School of Economics** **London, UK**  
**PhD in European Studies** **Sep. 2016 – Oct. 2020**
- Dissertation title: “Cooperation against the odds: A study on the political economy of local development in a country with small firms and small farms” (full text available [here](#))
  - Supervisors: Bob Hancké, Vassilis Monastiriotis; Examiners: Colin Crouch, William Ferguson
  - PhD award date: 30 Sep. 2021
- Johns Hopkins University** **Washington DC, United States**  
**School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS)** **Bologna, Italy**  
**Master of Arts, International Relations & International Economics** **Aug. 2013 – May 2015**
- GPA: 4.0/4.0; graduated with honors
- New College, University of Oxford** **Oxford, United Kingdom**  
**Bachelor of Arts, History and Politics** **Oct. 2010 – Jun. 2013**
- Degree classification: First class; Result of preliminary examinations: Distinction

## PUBLICATIONS

Full-length journal articles:

- Sonja Avlijaš and Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (2024) ‘Firm-centered approaches to overcoming semi-peripheral constraints’, *Studies in Comparative International Development*, 59(4): 611-635.
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (2024) ‘How can public policies facilitate local cooperation? Insights from the EU’s wine policy’, *New Political Economy*, 29(4): 597-615.
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (2024) ‘Obstacles to local cooperation in fragmented economies: An integrated framework’, *Cambridge Journal of Regions, Economy and Society*, 17(2): 359-374.
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni, Max Kiefel and Jose Olivas Osuna (2022) ‘Voting for your pocketbook, against your pocketbook? A Study of Brexit at the local level’, *Politics & Society*, 50(1): 3-43.
- Jose Olivas Osuna, Max Kiefel and Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (2021) ‘Place matters: analyzing the roots of political distrust and Brexit narratives at a local level’, *Governance*, 34(4): 1019-1038.
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni, Kalypso Nicolaidis, and Claudia Sternberg (2015) ‘La Crise de la Zone Euro et le Dénî de l’Autre: Pour une Reconstruction de la Reconnaissance Mutuelle’, in Éric Monnet and Claudia Sternberg (eds.) *Euro, les années critiques*, special issue of *La Vie des Idées*.

Book Publications:

- Claudia Sternberg, Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni, and Kalypso Nicolaidis (2018) *The Greco-German Affair in the Euro Crisis: Mutual Recognition Lost?* London: Palgrave Pivot.

Book Chapter Publications:

- Sonja Avlijaš and Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (2025) 'Firms and economic development in the semi-periphery'. Marino Regini (ed.), *Handbook of Comparative Political Economy*. Cheltenham: Edward Elgar.
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (2020) 'Backdoor Colonialism or Anchor of Modernity? A Short History of Ideas about European Integration within the Greek Left', in Mark Gilbert and Daniele Pasquinucci (eds.) *Euroscepticisms: The Historical Roots of a Political Challenge*. Leiden: Brill.

Short journal articles:

- Roch Dunin-Wąsowicz and Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (2025) 'Geographical Dimensions of Populist Euroscepticism', *Political Studies Review*, 23(2): 678–689.
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (2024) 'Fostering Coordination to Bridge the UK's Regional Disparities: A Response to Rachel Reeves's Mais Lecture', *The Political Quarterly*, 95(4): 592-597.

Work in progress:

- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni, *Cooperation against the odds: How economic actors start working together despite institutional obstacles*. Book manuscript under contract, Business & Politics series, Cambridge University Press.
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni, Philip Schnattinger and Sofia Vasilopoulou, 'Regional trade integration and the anti-globalisation backlash'. Paper under preparation.
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni, 'From statism to cooperation for export-oriented production? The case of contract farming in Greece'. Paper under preparation.
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni and Lamprini Rori, 'Resort capitalism or smallholder tourism? How the land distribution still shapes the politics of place in advanced economies'. Paper under preparation.
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni, *Politics and Policies of the European Union*. Textbook under contract, Sage.

## SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS

Grants and scholarships:

- Research grant by Piraeus Bank, Deputy Scientific Advisor, July 2025-June 2027 (€99,200)
- Leverhulme Early Career Fellowship, January 2024-June 2027
- Hellenic Bank Association Postdoctoral Fellowship, January-December 2023
- ESRC Postdoctoral Fellowship, January-December 2022
- London School of Economics, Full PhD Scholarship, 2016-2020
- UACES Travel Scholarship, 2018 (*competitive grant for my PhD fieldwork*)
- Johns Hopkins SAIS, Stavros Niarchos Foundation Fellowship, 2013-2015
- New College Scholarship, 2011-2013

Awards:

- Early Career Plenary Speaker, Regional Studies Association (RSA), 2024
- Early Career Workshop Award, Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE), 2019
- Highly Commended, Department of Government, London School of Economics teaching awards, 2019 (*awarded in recognition that: "Kira has outstanding TQARO scores all round, and has been an excellent class teacher in all respects, supplying timely feedback, helpful advice and was able to engage students in the course material."*)
- Class Teacher Award, Department of Government, London School of Economics teaching awards, 2018 (*awarded in recognition of: "Kira's excellent teaching, reflected in strong student feedback scores. Students particularly appreciate her timely, effective feedback and the inclusive, interactive nature of her classes."*)
- Christian A. Herter Award for outstanding academic achievement, 2015 (*awarded by Johns Hopkins SAIS to the student with the highest grade point average among 400 graduating MA students*)

## TEACHING AND SUPERVISION EXPERIENCE

**Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford** **Oxford, UK**  
**Lecturer** **Oct. 2025 – Mar. 2026**

- I am delivering lectures for the undergraduate course “Politics of the European Union”

**Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford** **Oxford, UK**  
**Course Instructor** **Jan. 2024 – Mar. 2026**

- I am delivering classes and tutorials in the team-taught MPhil courses “European Governance” and “Advanced Themes in European Politics”

**Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford** **Oxford, UK**  
**Dissertation Supervisor** **Jan. 2024 – Jun. 2027**

- I am supervising three students writing their dissertation in the “MPhil in Politics” programme

**European Institute, London School of Economics** **London, UK**  
**Guest Teacher** **Jan. 2024 – Mar. 2024**

- Delivered three lectures for the MSc course on the “Political Economy of the Green Transition in Europe”

**European Institute, London School of Economics** **London, UK**  
**Dissertation Supervisor** **Feb. 2022 – Jun. 2022**

- Supervised five students writing their dissertation in the MSc “Political Economy of Europe” programme

**LSE Executive Education, London School of Economics** **London, UK**  
**Graduate Teaching Assistant** **Sep. 2019 – Dec. 2019**

- Taught the weekly seminars for the LSE custom course “Politics, Institutions and Economy in 21st Century Europe” for visiting students from University of California, Davis (one 2-hour class/ week with 13 students)

**Methods Hub, hosted by Panteion University** **Athens, Greece**  
**Course Convener and Instructor** **16-20 September 2019**

- Co-convened and co-taught a 5-day workshop on “Quantitative and qualitative research design in political science” together with Oxford PhD Candidate Elli Palaiologou (10am-4pm each day; attended by 12 advanced undergraduate, master’s and PhD-level students selected from political science departments in Greece)
- Since 2024, I also offer an annual workshop on research design at Panteion University in my role as a member of the Executive Committee of the Political Science Association’s Greek Politics Specialist Group.

**European Institute, London School of Economics** **London, UK**  
**Dissertation Surgeon** **Jun. 2019 – Aug. 2019**

- Provided dissertation advice to 35 European Institute MSc students in one-to-one appointments after their supervision period had ended.

**Department of Government, London School of Economics** **London, UK**  
**Graduate Teaching Assistant** **Sep. 2017 – May 2019**

- Taught the weekly seminars for the full-year undergraduate course “Government, Politics and Public Policy in the EU” (two 1-hour classes/ week with 15 students in each class/ year)
- Completed the PGCertHE Associate Level Certificate (incl. workshops, assignments & teaching observation)

**Johns Hopkins University (SAIS)** **Washington DC, U.S. and Bologna, Italy**  
**Teaching Assistant** **Sep. 2013 – May 2014**

- Taught a weekly review session for the MA-level core course “Theories of International Relations” (one 2-hour class/ week with 10-15 students)

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE IN PUBLIC POLICY

### **Greek Ministry of Education Policy advisor**

**Athens, Greece  
Oct. 2020 – Jan. 2022**

- Worked on the design and implementation of major reforms and investment projects in the Greek education sector, including projects in the Greek Recovery and Resilience Plan; the decentralisation of the education system; a comprehensive reform in Vocational Education and Training; the internationalisation of Greek tertiary education; and a strategic plan on inclusive education. Worked on mitigating the disruptive effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on the education system.
- Acted as the coordinator of the policy team in the Minister's office between Sep. 2021 and Jan. 2022.

### **European Commission, Structural Reform Support Service Policy Officer**

**Athens, Greece  
Jan. 2016 – Sep. 2016**

- Worked on the management of the migration crisis in Greece, and in particular on the operational implementation of the EU relocation mechanism and the EU-Turkey deal.
- Acquired an in-depth practical knowledge of EU migration policy and the hurdles faced during the implementation stage.

### **European Commission, Cabinet of President Juncker Blue Book Trainee**

**Brussels, Belgium  
Oct. 2015 – Jan. 2016**

- Assisted President Juncker's legal adviser on issues related to migration policy, and the President's economic adviser on issues related to economic policy.
- Acquired an excellent overview of the policy-making process at the European Commission.

### **NATO Parliamentary Assembly Research Assistant**

**Brussels, Belgium  
Jun. 2014 – Aug. 2014**

- Did research and wrote reports on the challenges posed by the Syrian refugee flow for neighbouring states, the evolving security situation in Iraq and Syria, and on data protection policy in the EU and the US

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED TALKS

Conference and Workshop Presentations (selected):

- Annual Conference of the Political Studies Association (PSA), Oxford, UK, 30/3-1/4/26.
- Annual Conference of the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR), Thessaloniki, Greece, 26-29/8/25.
- Annual Conference of the Society for Advanced Socio-Economics (SASE), Montreal, Canada, 9-12/7/25.
- Annual Conference of the European Political Science Association (EPSA), Cologne, Germany, 4-6/7/24.
- SASE Annual Conference, Limerick, Ireland, 27-29/6/24.
- Annual Conference of the Regional Studies Association (RSA), Florence, 11-14/6/24. I participated in the conference as the Early Career Plenary Speaker.
- Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association (APSA), Los Angeles, USA, 31/8-3/9/23.
- Annual Conference of the Council for European Studies (CES), Iceland, 27-29/6/23.
- SASE Annual Conference, Netherlands, 9-11/7/22.
- 11<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference of the ECPR Standing Group on the European Union (SGEU), Rome, Italy, 8-10/6/22.
- Workshop on "Populist Euroscepticism at local level. State of research and future research agenda", Central European University (CEU) in Vienna, Austria and online, 12 May 2022.
- ECPR Joint Sessions of Workshops, University of Edinburgh, U.K., 19-22/4/22.
- SASE Annual Conference, virtual, 2-5/7/21.

- CES Annual Conference, virtual, 21-25/6/21.
- “Social Dimensions of Cohesion Policy” workshop, Regional Studies Association (RSA) Research Network on the EU Cohesion Policy, virtual, 26-27/10/2020.
- SASE Annual Conference, New York, U.S.A., 27-29/6/19. Participation at SASE the Early Career Workshop.
- CES Annual Conference, Madrid, Spain, 20-22/6/19. Participation at the Graduate Student Workshop of the European Integration and the Global Political Economy (EIGPE) network.
- RSA Winter Conference 2018, London, U.K., 15-16/11/18.
- Workshop on “We, the people: Political, media and popular discourses of ‘us’ and ‘them’”, organised by the LSE Department of Media and Communications in London, UK on 26 October 2018.
- SASE Annual Conference, Kyoto, Japan, 23-25/6/18.
- 8th Biennial Hellenic Observatory PhD Symposium on Contemporary Greece and Cyprus, LSE, 1/7/17.
- “Greece in Translation” Conference, Oxford, 5-6/10/12.

Invited talks (selected):

- Hellenic Observatory research seminar series, LSE, 18 March 2026.
- Early Career Plenary Speaker, Annual Conference of the Regional Studies Association (RSA), 11 June 2024.
- Hellenic Observatory research seminar series, LSE, 6 February 2024.
- Workshop on “Under the radar. Female scholarship in Political Economy”, co-organised by Dorothee Bohle and Waltraud Schelkle at the European University Institute in Florence on 20-21 April 2023.
- Europe@LSE seminar series, European Institute, LSE, 13 February 2023.
- Early Researcher Career Panel, “Third Joint EU Cohesion Policy Conference”, co-organised by the European Commission (DG REGIO), the Croatian Ministry of Regional Development and EU Funds, and the Regional Studies Association (Europe) in Zagreb on 15-16 November 2022.
- Pre- and post-doc Colloquium “Amici Come Prima? Social science perspectives on Germany, Italy and the EU in times of crisis”, organized at Villa Vigoni, Italy on 10-12 April 2017.

Workshops organised:

- Special Issue workshop on “The Political Economy of Tourism”, organised at Nuffield College on 5 December 2025.
- [Special Issue workshop](#) on “Firm-centred, multi-level approaches to overcoming semi-peripheral constraints”, co-organized with Sonja Avlijaš at LSE on 20 March 2023.
- [Workshop](#) on “The Political Economy of Local Development in the Semi-Periphery”, co-organized with Sonja Avlijaš at the Economics Faculty of the University of Belgrade, Serbia and online, on 20 May 2022.

Book Launches:

- Claudia Sternberg, Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni, and Kalypso Nicolaïdis. Presentation of the book *The Greco-German Affair in the Euro Crisis: Mutual Recognition Lost?* at the London School of Economics (LSE) on 20 March 2018. Discussants: Jonathan White, Kevin Featherstone.
- Claudia Sternberg, Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni, and Kalypso Nicolaïdis. Book launch at South East European Studies at Oxford (SEESOX), University of Oxford, on 7 February 2018. Discussants: Mehmet Karli, Adis Merdzanovic, Manolis Pratsinakis.

Guest lectures:

- Guest lecture at the BA course “European Political Economy”, convened by Dr. Chrysoula Papalexatou at the University of Macedonia, Greece, on 5 May 2023.
- Guest lecture at the BA course “European Integration and Eastern Europe: the Challenge of Europeanization”, convened by Dr. Chrysoula Papalexatou at the University of Macedonia, Greece, on 13 May 2022.

## PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

### Policy reports (selected):

- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (May 2023) “The 2019-23 New Democracy government’s record: domestic and international perceptions”, contribution included in the 7<sup>th</sup> Pamphlet of the Greek Politics Specialist Group of the Political Studies Association (PSA), available [here](#).
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (November 2022) “Cooperation against the odds: Getting small firms to work together in unfavourable circumstances”, Policy Paper #115, Greek & European Economy Observatory, Hellenic Foundation for European & Foreign Policy (ELIAMEP), available (in both English and Greek) [here](#).
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (July 2019) “Understanding the Greek election result: a multi-dimensional framework”, contribution included in the 6<sup>th</sup> Pamphlet of the Greek Politics Specialist Group of the Political Studies Association (PSA), available [here](#).
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (February 2019) “Europe for the Many? Realising left-wing reforms in the European Union”, LSE Continental Breakfasts series, available [here](#).
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni, Jose Javier Olivas Osuna, Josh De Lyon, Kuba Jablonowski, Max Kiefel, Diane Bolet, Alexandra Bulat and Mary Kaldor (September 2018), “Understanding Brexit Impacts at Local Level: Mansfield Case Study” case study report, LSE Conflict and Civil Society Research Unit, available [here](#).

### Dissemination of research output in public events (selected):

- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (18 April 2019, Santorini, Greece). “The contribution of cooperation and networking to the development of gastronomical tourism in Greece”. Presentation my PhD findings at a public event hosted by Santorini’s wine cooperative, in the framework of the EU-funded award programme “South Aegean: European Region of Gastronomy 2019”.
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni, Diane Bolet and Jose Olivas Osuna (11 March 2019, London, UK). Presentation of the results of our project on “Debating Brexit at a Local Level” at a public meeting in the House of Commons on “Brexit: Its Impact Nationally and Locally”, organised by GlobalNet21 and hosted by Bambos Charalambous MP.
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni, Jose Olivas Osuna and Mary Kaldor (24 January 2019, Mansfield, UK). Presentation of the project report “Understanding Brexit Impacts at Local Level: Mansfield Case Study” at a discussion panel organised at the Mansfield Central Library in collaboration with Mansfield & Ashfield 2020, and chaired by Dr. Lynn Oxborrow. Discussion available [here](#).

### Television appearances, newspaper articles, blog posts and podcasts (selected):

- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (29 March 2023), “Women in Greek politics: It’s time to turn the page” (in Greek), opinion article in the Greek newspaper *LIFO*, available [here](#).
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (10 November 2022), invitation to discuss my ELIAMEP policy report at the 8pm news programme “Prime” of the Greek public broadcaster (ERT), available [here](#) (in Greek).
- Stathis Kalyvas and Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (31 May 2020), “The tourism that we wish for” (in Greek), opinion article in the Greek newspaper *Kathimerini*, available [here](#).
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (10 December 2019), letter to *The Guardian*, available [here](#).
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni and Philip Schnattinger (29 November 2019), “The misuse of CAP funds in Central and Eastern Europe is a symptom of corruption, not a cause.” Published at the LSE EUROPP blog, available [here](#).
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (April 2019), “Mansfield and Brexit: The impact of Brexit on British communities – the case of the industrial town of Mansfield” (in German). Published in the journal of the Austrian Association of Cities and Towns, available [here](#). This article was also published in English at the LSE’s *Euro Crisis in the Press* blog (15 March 2019), available [here](#). We also created a short documentary film about Mansfield, which is available alongside the blog.
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (April 2019), “Interview with Yannis Boutaris: There is no Future without a Past” (in German). Published in the journal of the Austrian Association of Cities and Towns, available [here](#).

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- Claudia Sternberg, Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni, Kalypso Nicolaïdis and Uta Staiger (July 2018), “The Greco-German Affair in the Euro Crisis”. Podcast published as part of the UCL European Institute’s *Talking Europe* series, available [here](#).
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (24 June 2018), “The relocation of refugees from Greece: A success story that wasn’t heard” (in Greek), opinion article published in the online version of the Greek daily *Kathimerini*, available [here](#).
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni and Philip Schnattinger (3 July 2015), “Say ‘Yes’ to Europe: A response to Joseph Stiglitz’s ‘How I would vote in the Greek referendum’”. Published at the UCL European Institute’s *Britain and Europe* blog, available [here](#).
- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (24 June 2015), “What Precisely is the Greek Government’s Mandate?” Published at the UCL European Institute’s *Britain and Europe* blog, available [here](#).

Media mentions (selected):

- Aristos Doxiadis (1 January 2022), “Cooperation in unfavourable circumstances” (in Greek), opinion article in the Greek daily *Kathimerini*, available [here](#).

## SERVICE

Peer review:

- I have acted as peer reviewer for the *Journal of European Public Policy, Competition & Change, Cultural Critique, Regional Science Policy & Practice*, and *Economic Annals*, as well as for a grant application submitted to the Leverhulme Trust.

Book reviews:

- Kira Gartzou-Katsouyanni (2017). Review of *Varietals of Capitalism: A Political Economy of the Changing Wine Industry* by X. Itçaina, A. Roger and A. Smith. EUSA Review of Books, available [here](#).

Positions of responsibility:

- Member of the Equality and Diversity Committee of Oxford’s DPIP, as of 2/25.
- Executive Committee Member of the Political Studies Association’s Greek Politics Specialist Group (GPSG), as of 7/23.
- Co-Convenor, Nuffield Comparative Political Economy Seminar, 2025-26.
- Organiser, LSE Comparative Politics and Comparative Political Economy Workshop, 9/19-6/20.
- Staff Student Liaison Committee (SSLC) representative, 10/19-6/20.
- LSE Graduate Teaching Assistant (GTA) representative, 10/18-10/19.
- Peer supporter at New College, Oxford, 9/11-6/13. The role included 30 hours of training.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Languages:** Modern Greek (native); English (proficient); French (intermediate); Italian (intermediate), German (intermediate)
- Software Skills:** MS Office (proficient), R (intermediate), ArcGIS (intermediate)
- Career breaks:** Maternity leave (Aug. 2024-Jan. 2025).