



# The Manifesto Project User Conference

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## Useful Information

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### Organizational information

#### Paper Submission

Please submit your paper for the conference until November 20, 2023 to

[manifesto-conference@wzb.eu](mailto:manifesto-conference@wzb.eu)

#### Registration for Guests

Persons who would like to attend the conference as a guest (without an active role) are asked to register until October 31, 2023 by email

[manifesto-conference@wzb.eu](mailto:manifesto-conference@wzb.eu)

## Tagungszentrum an der Sternwarte

The Manifesto User Conference will be held at the Tagungszentrum an der Sternwarte, a building next to the Historic Observatory. The meeting room is the Großer Seminarraum. Eduroam will be available during the conference. The address of the Tagungszentrum is

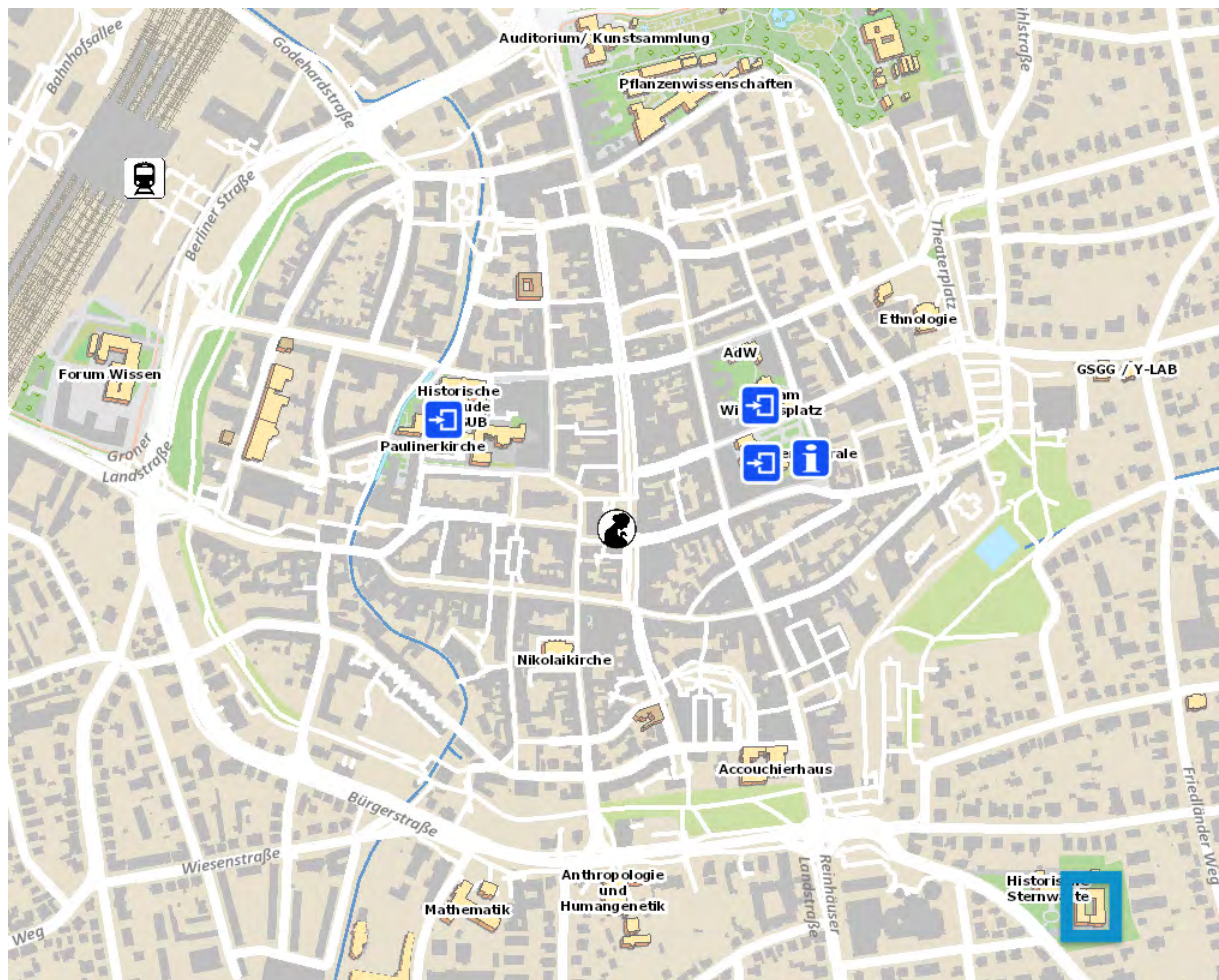
Tagungszentrum an der Sternwarte

Geismar Landstr. 11b

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Göttingen has a rather small inner city and the Tagungszentrum is in walking distance (less than 30 minutes) from all the hotels on the list (see the following page).



## Accommodation

We recommend the following hotels:

FREIgeist Göttingen Innenstadt \*\*\*\*, Berliner Str. 30, 37073 Göttingen

Hotel: +49 (0) 551 999530

Booking: +49 (0) 551 30381799

Walking distance to the Tagungszentrum: ~ 20 minutes

Romantik Hotel Gebhards\*\*\*\*, Goethe-Allee 22-23, 37073 Göttingen

Hotel: +49 (0) 551 49680

Walking distance to the Tagungszentrum: ~ 30 minutes

Hotel Stadt Hannover\*\*\*, Goethe-Allee 21, 37073 Göttingen

Hotel: +49 (0) 551 547960

Walking distance to the Tagungszentrum: ~ 30 minutes

GHOTEL hotel & living Göttingen\*\*\*\*, Bahnhofsallee 1a, 37081 Göttingen

Hotel: +49 (0) 551 5211 – 0

Walking distance to the Tagungszentrum: ~ 30 minutes

Eden-Hotel\*\*\*\*, Reinhäuser Landstraße 22a, 37083 Göttingen

Hotel: +49 (0) 551 50 72 00

Walking distance to the Tagungszentrum: ~ 5 minutes

Hotel Central, Jüdenstrasse 12, 37073 Göttingen

Hotel: +49(0) 551 57 157

Walking distance to the Tagungszentrum: ~ 20 minutes

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## Conference Program

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Monday, November 27

09:30 – 10:00	Registration
10:00 – 10:30	Welcome and Introduction
10:30 – 12:15	<p><b>Panel 1: Natural Language Processing</b> Chair: Felicia Riethmüller Discussants: Marius Sältzer, William Lowe</p> <p>Classifying political speeches from the European Parliament using Structural Topic modelling and the Manifesto Project <i>Éric Brousseau, Bruno Chaves Ferreira, José Carlos Romero Moreno</i></p> <p>Using Multilingual Large Language Models for Large Scale Classification of Manifestos <i>Ákos Máté, Miklós Sebők, Orsolya Ring, Viktor Kovacs</i></p> <p>Classifying Multilingual Party Manifestos: Domain transfer across country, time, and genre <i>Matthias Aßenmacher, Nadja Sauter, Christian Heumann</i></p> <p>The Best of Both Worlds – Improving Human Coding with Automatic Classification Models <i>Pola Lehmann, Tobias Burst</i></p>
12:15 – 13:15	Lunch
13:15 – 15:00	<p><b>Panel 2: Coding other Issues/Dimensions</b> Chair: Simon Franzmann Discussants: Theres Matthieß, Soo Jin Kim</p> <p>Partisan Approaches to the Digital Age. Coding the Positions and <b>Salience in Parties'</b> Manifestos <i>Marco Guglielmo</i></p> <p>Do Extreme Weather Events Change Party Climate Policy Preferences? <i>Yaoyao Dai, Xun Cao</i></p> <p>Measuring populism with Manifesto Project Coding Categories <i>George Makris, Ioannis Andreadis</i></p> <p>Measuring a Multiverse of Morality - A Comparison of Automated Content Analysis Approaches in Party Communication <i>Marvin Stecker, Freddy Hopp</i></p>

15:00 – 15:30	Coffee Break
15:30 – 17:00	<p><b>Panel 3: Party Communication</b>  Chair: Denise Al-Gaddooa  Discussants: Christoph Ivanusch, Nils Düpont</p> <p>How Populist Parties Talk About Deliberation in Europe  <i>Sergiu Gherghina, Bettina Mitru</i></p> <p>Changing the channel: Investigating the convergence in issues between party election manifestos and candidate tweets  <i>Elise Frelin, Louise Luxton</i></p> <p>Either in male company or restricted? (Anti-)Feminism and Gender in (Populist) Radical Right Communication  <i>Felicia Riethmüller, Lisa Zehnter</i></p>
17:00	End

## Tuesday, November 28

09:00 – 09:30	Welcome and Coffee
09:30 – 11:15	<p><b>Panel 4: Party Competition</b>  Chair: Pola Lehmann  Discussants: Simon Franzmann, Bernhard Weßels</p> <p>Looking Behind the Politics of Regional Growth Models: Insights from New Regional Party Manifesto Data in the US (1880-2017) and Germany (1946-2023)  <i>Jonas von Ciriacy-Wantrup, Sebastian Kohl</i></p> <p>Programmes, Ideologies, and Issues in Ten Latin American Countries  <i>Itzel Ethelvina Cruz Perez</i></p> <p>Valence or Position? Both! A Unified Conception of Party Competition and Its Implication for the Model-Based <b>Reconstruction of Parties' Political</b> Profiles from Their Manifestos  <i>Martin Elff</i></p> <p>Standing Out From the Crowd: Issue Specialization and Electoral Gains In Post-Communist Polities  <i>Matthew Bergman</i></p>
11:15 – 11:45	Coffee Break

11:45 – 12:45	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Panel 5: Performance &amp; Output</b>  Chair: Christoph Ivanusch  Discussant: Denise Al-Gaddooa</p> <p>Who Keeps their Promises? Ministerial Characteristics and Pledge Fulfilment  <i>Theres Matthieß, Fraser McMillan, Petra Vodová</i></p> <p>A comparative analysis of climate crisis response across countries using MPD  <i>Soo Jin Kim</i></p>
12:45 – 13:45	<b>Lunch</b>
13:45 – 15:30	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Panel 6: Scaling &amp; Positions</b>  Chair: Lisa Zehnter  Discussants: Ákos Máté, Yaoyao Dai</p> <p>Determination of Peripheral Issue Positions Using The Manifesto Project  <i>Firat Efe</i></p> <p>Arch enemies: Geometrical artifacts in count data scaling  <i>William Lowe</i></p> <p>Second-Order Saliency Theory Towards a Theoretical Foundation for Text Scaling  <i>Marius Sältzer</i></p> <p>A New Bayesian Scaling Approach to Party Position and Issue Saliency  <i>Chendi Wang, Haoyu Zhai</i></p>
15:30	<b>End</b>



