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PROFILE

Dr. Staffan Lindberg is a leading governance expert on Africa and currently holds a professorship at the University of Gothenburg, Sweden. Dr. Lindberg is co-principal investigator the V-Dem (Varieties of Democracy) project, which aims to produce better indicators of human rights and democracy. V-Dem consists of team of fifty social scientists working with thousands of country experts. The ILPI team member has written widely on accountability, elections, human rights and governance in Africa and recently concluded the main evaluation of the Afrobarometer project on behalf of the donors. He was also a resident officer on Parliamentarians for Global Actions West African program on support for governance and institution building in legislatures.

SELECTED WORK EXPERIENCE

Senior Advisor, International Law and Poilcy Institute (ILPI), Oslo	2011 –
Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Gothenburg (Associate Professor 2010-2013)	2010 –
Research Director, World Values Survey-Sweden, Department of Political Science, University of Gothenburg	2010 –
Associate Professor, Department of Political Science and Center for African Studies, University of Florida, Gainesville	2006 –2013
Research Fellow, Quality of Government Institute, University of Gothenburg	2010 –
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Kent State University	2005 – 2006
Parliamentary Fellow in Parliament of Ghana, Parliamentarians for Global Action, New York	Sep 1999 – Sep 2001
Research Assistant, Project on the UN-Conferences 1990-1996, Department of Political Science, Lund University	1997 – 1998

RELEVANT PROJECTS

- PI, “Varieties of Democracy”: Collaborative research project with Michael Coppedge (U of Notre Dame), John Gerring (Boston U), and Jan Teorell (Lund U), Ministry of Foreign Affairs-Sweden
- Programme Director for the Center for African Studies component of the DFID funded ‘African Power and Politics’ project.
- May – October 2011 – Team Leader: Good Governance & Anti-Corruption project at Zanzibar, International Law and Policy Institute,
- 2010 – 2012 – Project Coordinator: Center for Data Analysis (CDA), College of the Social Sciences, University of Gothenburg.
- July – October 2010 – Team Leader: Evaluation of the Afrobarometer Project Round 4, Swedish International Development Agency
- Advisor on the US Government-funded Political Instability Task Force, Phase V. The ILPI team member worked specifically on predictive modeling of instability in terms of transitions to and from democracy.
- March 2010 – Appraiser: Assessing Assistance for Democracy, The National Endowment for Democracy, on behalf of the World Movement for Democracy.
- November 2009: Assessment of Regimes Transitions Predictive Models, SAIC’s Political Instability Task Force,
- 2007 – 2012: Co-PI, Research Consortium Grant “Power, Politics and the State“, DFID, (\$7.5mn over 5 years of which approx. \$1.2mn for faculty at Center for African Studies/UF)
- December 8 2006 – Expert: Briefing on Elections and Democracy in West Africa, US Department of State, on Elections and Democratization in West Africa, Washington DC.
- March – April 2005 – Good Governance and Democratization Expert, Final Program Review. Government of Zambia and Danida’s Thematic Program for Good Governance and Democratization.
- August 2004 – Final Program Report Reviewer, Population and Sustainable Development 6-Year Program, Parliamentarians for Global Action,
- January 2004 – Governance Expert: Organizational and Audit Review for Danida-sponsored international NGO IBIS on it’s operations in West Africa,
- September – October 2003 – Governance Expert: Appraisal Team for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Denmark, 5-year Thematic Program on Good Governance and Human Rights in Ghana.

EDUCATION

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| Lund University, Sweden | 2005 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ PhD. Department of Political Science. Dissertation: “The Power of Elections: Democratic Participation, Competition and Legitimacy in Africa.” Lund Political Studies 134. | |
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| Lund University, Sweden | 1997 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ MA in Political Science | |
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| Roskilde University, Denmark | 1995 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Undergraduate Certificate in International Cultural Studies | |

LANGUAGES

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- **Swedish, English, Danish** – Fluent
 - **French, Twi** - Basic

PUBLICATIONS (SELECTED)

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- **Lindberg, S**, Coppedge, M, Gerring, J & Teorell, J 2014. “A New Approach to Measuring Democracy”, *Journal of Democracy*, vol. 25, no. 3.
 - Lindberg, S 2013, “Mapping Accountability: Core Concept and Subtypes”, *International Review of Administrative Sciences*, vol. 79, no. 2, pp. 202 - 226. Impact factor 0.783 (2011).
 - Weghorst, K & **Lindberg, S** 2013, “What Drives the Swing Voter in Africa?”, *American Journal of Political Science*, vol. 57, no. 3, pp. 717-734. Impact factor 2.756 (2011).
 - Lindberg, S 2013, “Confusing Categories, Shifting Targets”, *Journal of Democracy*, vol. 24, no. 4, pp. 161-167.
 - Lindberg, S 2013, “Have the Cake and Eat It: The Rational Voter in Africa”, *Party Politics*, vol. 19, no. 6, pp. 945-961. Impact factor 0.954 (2011).
 - Lindberg, S 2012, ‘Legislators and Variation in Quality of Government’, in *Understanding Quality of Government*, eds S Holmberg & B Rothstein, Edward Elgar Publisher, California, pp. 210-229.
 - Coppedge, M, Gerring, J, Altman, D, Bernhard, M, Fish, S, Hicken, A, Kroenig, M, **Lindberg, S**, McMann, K, Paxton, P, Semetko, HA, Skaaning, SE, Staton, J & Teorell, J 2011, “Conceptualizing and Measuring Democracy: A New Approach”, *Perspectives on Politics*, vol. 9, no. 2, pp. 247-267. Impact factor 1.519 (2010).
 - **Lindberg, S** & Weghorst, K 2011, ‘Effective Opposition Strategies: Collective Goods or Clientelism?’ in *Democratization*, vol. 18, no. 5, pp. 1193-1214.
 - Lindberg, S 2010, ‘What Accountability Pressures Do MPs in Africa Face and How Do They Respond? Evidence from Ghana’, in *Journal of Modern African Studies*, vol. 48, no. 1, pp. 117-142.
 - Lindberg, S (ed) 2009, *Democratization by Elections: A New Mode of Transition*, Johns Hopkins University Press, Baltimore.
 - **Lindberg, S** & Zhou, Y 2009, ‘Cooptation Despite Democratization in Ghana’, in *Legislative Power in Emerging African Democracies*, ed J Barkan, Lynne Rienner publishers, Boulder, Colorado, pp. 147-176.
 - **Lindberg, S** & Morrison, MKC 2008, ‘Are African Voters Really Ethnic or Clientelistic?: Survey Evidence from Ghana.’ in *Political Science Quarterly*, vol. 123, no. 1, pp. 95-122.

- **Lindberg, S** & Clark, JF 2008, 'Does Democratization Reduce the Risk of Military Interventions in Politics in Africa?', in *Democratization*, vol. 15, no. 1, pp. 86-105.
- Lindberg, S 2006, *Democracy and Elections in Africa*, Johns Hopkins University Press, Baltimore.
- Lindberg, S 2005, 'Consequences of Electoral Systems in Africa: A Preliminary Inquiry' in *Electoral Studies*, vol. 24, no 1, pp. 41-64.
- Lindberg, S 2004, 'Democratization and Women's Empowerment: The Effects of Electoral Systems, Participation and Repetition in Africa', *Studies in Comparative International Development*, vol. 39, no. 1, pp. 28-53.
- Lindberg, S 2003, 'It's Our Time to 'Chop': Do Elections in Africa Feed Neopatrimonialism rather than Counter-Act It?', in *Democratization*, vol. 14, no. 2, pp. 121-140.
- Lindberg, S 2001, 'Forms of State, Governance and Regime: Reconceptualising the Prospects for Democratic Consolidation in sub-Saharan Africa' in *International Political Science Review*, vol. 22, no. 2, pp. 173-199.

RELEVANT MEMBERSHIPS

- Member, Executive Committee, Comparative Politics Section of the American Political Science Association, 2011 – 2013.
- Member, Editorial Board, APSA-CD, Newsletter of the Comparative Democratization Section of the APSA, 2010 – present.
- Member, International Advisory Board, Democratization, 2010 – present.
- Member, Reference Group, African Governance Forum VIII, United Nations Development Program, 2010 – present.