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Education and Career

2016-	Lecturer in Political Science , University of Melbourne, Australia.
2010–2016	Ph.D. in Government, Harvard University. Thesis title: “Ancient Polities, Modern States” Dissertation committee: James A. Robinson (chair), Steven Wilkinson, Daniel Ziblatt, Ronald Inglehart.
2008–2010	M.A. in Government, Harvard University.
2006–2008	Extended Term Consultant, World Bank, Washington DC.
2004–2005	M.Phil, Social and Political Sciences, University of Cambridge.
2003–2004	Peter Martin Fellowship, Financial Times, London. Rédacteur en chef de l'édition anglaise, Café Babel, Paris.
2000–2003	BA in Politics, Philosophy and Economics, University of Oxford. Degree class: First.

Journal Publications

2017	Roberto Stefan Foa. “Persistence or Reversal of Fortune? Early State Inheritance and the Legacies of Colonial Rule”, Politics and Society , Vol. 45(2).
2017	Roberto Stefan Foa, Ronald F. Inglehart, Tatiana Karabchuk and Eduard Ponarin. “Set-Point Theory and Societal Collapse: The Case of Russia”, Journal of Happiness Studies , Vol. 18(3).
2017	Roberto Stefan Foa and Yascha Mounk. “The Signs of Deconsolidation”, Journal of Democracy , Vol. 28(1).
2017	Roberto Stefan Foa and Grzegorz Ekiert. “The Weakness of Postcommunist Civil Society Reassessed”, European Journal of Political Research , Vol. 56(1).
2016	Roberto Stefan Foa and Yascha Mounk. “The Danger of Deconsolidation: Democratic Disconnect”, Journal of Democracy , Vol. 27(3). Winner of the Magna Carta Prize, World Association of Public Opinion Research.
2016	Roberto Stefan Foa and Anna Nemirovskaya. “How State Capacity Varies Within Frontier States: A Multi-Country Subnational Analysis,” Governance , Vol. 29 (1).
2014	Irene van Staveren, Ellen Webbink, Roberto Stefan Foa, and Arjan de Haan. “The Last Mile in Analysing Well-Being and Poverty: Indices of Social Development.” Journal for Social Economics . Winner of the Patrick J. Welch Award .
2011	Stephen Knowles, Hari Dulal, and Roberto Stefan Foa. “Social Capital and Cross-Country Environmental Performance.” Journal of Environment and Development , Vol. 20 (2).
2008	Ronald Inglehart, Roberto Stefan Foa, Christian Welzel and Chris Peterson. “Development, Freedom, and Rising Happiness: A Global Perspective, 1981-2007.” Perspectives on Psychological Science , Vol. 3 (4).

Book Chapters and Reviews

- 2017 “The End of the Consolidation Paradigm: A Response to Our Critics” (with Yascha Mounk), *Journal of Democracy Web Exchange*, 26 June 2017.
- 2013 “Civil Society: from Myth to Reality” (with Grzegorz Ekiert). In Jacques Rupnik (ed.), *1989 as a Political World Event: Democracy, Europe and the New International System in the Age of Globalization*. New York: Routledge.
- 2013 “A Review of ‘The Capitalist Personality. Face-to-Face Sociality and Economic Change in the PostCommunist World’ by Christopher S. Swader (London, Routledge, 2013)”, *Politics, Culture and Socialization*, Vol. 4, No. 2, pp. 274-7.
- 2013 “Banking on Social Institutions for Poverty Reduction” (with Hari B. Dulal). In Hari B. Dulal (ed.), *Poverty Reduction in a Changing Climate*. New York: Lexington Books.
- 2010 “Religion and Values in a Global Era” (with Ronald Inglehart). In Saskia Sassen, Peter Singer, Wallace Broecker et al. *The Multiple Faces of Globalization*. Madrid : BBVA.
- 2010 “Prospects for Democratic Consolidation in Nepal” (with Hari B. Dulal). In Surendra Devkota (ed.) *Nepal in the Twenty-First Century*. New York: Nova Science.
- 2009 “Social Capital and the Rule of Law: Lessons from Contemporary Rwanda”. In *Poverty and Social Analysis in Conflict-Affected Countries*. Washington, DC: World Bank.

Background Papers

- 2015 “Creating an Inclusive Society: Evidence from Social Indicators and Trends”, *Expert Group on Social Development and Agenda 2030*. New York, NY: United Nations.
- 2014 “Indices of Social Development and their Application to Africa” (with Arjan de Haan). *United Nations University/World Institute for Development Economics Research*, WP/2014/132.
- 2013 “Household Risk Preparation Indices: Construction and Diagnostics.” *World Development Report 2014 Background Papers*. Washington, DC: World Bank.
- 2012 “Methodology of the Social Development Indices” (with Jeffery Tanner). *International Institute for Social Studies Working Paper # 2012-04*. The Hague: International Institute of Social Studies.
- 2012 “The Role of Social Institutions in Determining Aid Effectiveness.” *International Institute for Social Studies Working Paper # 2012-02*. The Hague: International Institute of Social Studies.
- 2011 “The Economic Rationale for Social Cohesion.” *Perspectives on Global Development*, OECD Development Centre. Paris: OECD.
- 2011 “Social Institutions as a Form of Intangible Capital.” *International Institute for Social Studies Working Paper 2011-01*. The Hague: International Institute of Social Studies.
- 2011 “Indices of Social Development: Research Applications.” *International Institute for Social Studies Working Paper Series*. The Hague: International Institute of Social Studies.
- 2009 “Social and Governance Dimensions of Climate Change: Implications for Policy.” *World Development Report 2010 Background Papers*. Washington, DC: World Bank.

Teaching Experience

University of Melbourne, Australia	Governance (masters) Comparative Politics (undergraduate)
Harvard University, United States	Sophomore Tutorial on Democracy (undergraduate) Politics of India (undergraduate, Bok Prize Winner)
Higher School of Economics, Russian Federation	Visiting Lecturer: States and State Formation (undergraduate) Head of course (two Teaching Assistants)

Memberships

Principal Investigator, World Values Survey Association (2012-)
Member, the Oxford Altius Society (2013-)
Member, International Political Science Association (2009-)
Member, American Political Science Association (2008-)
Founding President, the Washington European Society (2007-)

Newspaper Articles

2016	“Yes, People Are Really Turning Away from Democracy” (with Yascha Mounk) The Washington Post , December 8th.
2016	“It’s the Globalization, Stupid”, Foreign Policy , December 7th.
2016	“Donald Trump’s Lasting Impact on U.S. Democracy”, Newsday , October 8th.
2016	“The Historiography of Medieval India Needs a Middle Way” (with Ajay Verghese), The Wire .
2015	“Losing Faith in the Process: More Voters Are Willing to Consider Alternatives to Representative Regimes” (With Yascha Mounk), New York Times .
2015	“Are Americans Losing Faith in Democracy? Charts That Might Make You Fear for Democracy’s Future” (With Yascha Mounk), Vox .
2012	“Will Brussels ever become Washington?” E!Sharp , January.
2011	“The Last Word: An Interview with Daniel Bell” (With Thomas Meaney), The Utopian .
2011	“Eurozone Crisis: End, Middle, or Just the Beginning?” E!Sharp .
2010	“Europe’s Democratic Surfeit”, E!Sharp .
2008	“The Key to Happiness is Freedom Not Income”, Financial Times .

Languages

English	Native language
French	Fluent
German	Conversational
Italian	Conversational

References

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