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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Sacha Rangoni is conducting a thesis in political science in which he analyzes the relationship of French-speaking Belgian elected officials to citizen participation. To do this, he examines the role played by institutional constraints as well as individual differences in shaping their attitudes. In general, he is interested in all forms of participatory processes and the actors involved.

As part of his thesis, he develops and mobilizes a variety of empirical and theoretical tools to address his research question and thus achieve the most comprehensive overview possible of elected officials' attitudes toward participation. This notably involves the use of different qualitative methods for data collection and analysis.

During his research, he has had the opportunity to observe and participate in numerous participatory processes led by public authorities as well as private actors. Additionally, he regularly interacts with participation actors, whether they are elected officials, members of the administration, cabinets, or civil society.

EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant and PhD Student

08/2019 – 09/2026

Centre d'étude de la vie politique (CEVIPOL), Université libre de Bruxelles (ULB), Belgium

Completion of a doctoral thesis entitled “Élu-es, participation citoyenne et institutions démocratiques participatives : entre enjeux de représentation et processus de légitimation” (“*Elected Officials, Citizen Participation, and Participatory Democratic Institutions: Between Representation Issues and Legitimization Processes*”) under the supervision of Pr. Jean-Benoit Pilet.

Pedagogical supervision of various courses and seminars.

EXPERTISES

Political Sociology | Participatory and Deliberative Processes | Political Actors | Qualitative Methods

EDUCATION

Master Degree in Political Science

Université libre de Bruxelles (ULB)

2019

Bachelor Degree in Political Science

Université libre de Bruxelles (ULB)

2016

SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS

Close, C., Pilet, J.-B., Rangoni, S., Vandamme, P.-É., 2022. La demande de démocratie directe, in: Magni-Berton, R., Morel, L. (Eds.), *Démocraties directes, Études parlementaires*. Bruylant, Bruxelles, pp. 105–115.

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Talukder, D., Bedock, C., Rangoni, S., 2022. Comment les député-es perçoivent la démocratie participative et les mini-publics: une enquête en Belgique francophone. *Politique et Sociétés* 41, 93–122. <https://doi.org/10.7202/1086926ar>

SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS UNDER REVIEW

Legein, T., Rangoni, S., *Between Decline and Distress Innovations: The Transformation of the Belgian French-Speaking Christian-democratic Party (cdH)*. *Political Studies*. (Accepted for publication).

Rangoni, S., Legein, T., Talukder, D., Van Haute, E., *Why do party actors use democratic innovations to conduct internal reforms? The case of the transformation of the Belgian French-speaking Christian Democratic Party*, in: Gherghina, S. (Ed), *Political Parties and Deliberative Democracy in Europe: A Convenient Relationship?*, Routledge. (Accepted for publication).

COMMUNICATIONS AT SCIENTIFIC EVENTS

Rangoni, S. *Try It, You Won't Like It? Elites' Conceptions of Citizen Participation and Attitudes Towards the Institutionalization of DMPs*. COST Workshop: *Varieties of Deliberative Practices: Forms, Evolutions and Consequences*. Lisbon (Portugal). September 2024.

Rangoni, S., Vandamme, P.-É. The future of representative democracy in the eyes of elected representatives. ECPR General Conference. Dublin (Ireland). August 2024.

Rangoni, S., Legein, T., Talukder, D., Van Haute, E. Why do party actors use democratic innovations to conduct internal reforms? The case of the transformation of the Belgian French-speaking Christian Democratic Party. ECPR General Conference. Dublin (Ireland). August 2024.

Rangoni, S. "Try it, you'll (don't) like it" : les attitudes de élus face à l'institutionnalisation des mini-publics délibératifs. Congrès National de l'AFSP. Grenoble (France). July 2024.

Rangoni, S. La pratique du métier d'élu : perceptions des fonctions et des difficultés du mandat part députés régionaux bruxellois. Colloque anniversaire de la RIPC : Crises et mutations du politique au XXIe siècle : regards comparatifs. Lille (France). June 2024.

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Close, C. Kins, L. Rangoni, S. What's wrong with the system? Analyzing elite discourse over the pitfalls of the political system in French-speaking Belgium. CPSA Conference 2023, Toronto, Canada. June 2023

Legein, T. Rangoni, S. The last stand of a mainstream party doomed to die? A study of the causes of the transformation of the cdH into Les Engagé.e.s. Belgium: The State of the Federation 11th Edition. Brussels (Belgium). Decembre 2022.

Rangoni, S. Talukder, D. Two faces of the same coin? Are French-speaking MPs mirroring citizens' critique about Belgian politics?. Belgium: The State of the Federation 8th Edition. Brussels (Belgium). Decembre 2020.

Talukder, D. Bedock, C. Rangoni, S. How MPs perceive participatory democracy: an inquiry into French-speaking Belgium. Conference "Democratic Renewal in Times of Polarisation: The Case of Belgium. Leuven (Belgium). September 2019.

Talukder, D. Rangoni, S. Bedock, C. How MPs perceive democratic innovations: an inquiry into the Belgian case. ECPR Joint Session. Mons (Belgium). April 2019.

NON-SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS

Rangoni, S. Vandamme, P-E. La vague participative : beaucoup de bruit pour rien ?. IMAG n°367 – Participation citoyenne. May/June 2023.

Rangoni, S. Le rôle des acteurs politiques, des « expertes » et des « corps intermédiaires » dans les processus participatifs. Actes de la 54^e école urbaine de l'ARAU : Participez ! Comment intégrer la voix des habitants dans la fabrique de la ville. March 2023.

Rangoni, S. Vandamme, P-E. "Is deliberative democracy an hopeless ideal?". *Social Europe*. July 2022.