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The Swedish Research Council (VR). Total: SEK 7.8 mn. PI: Ellen Lust. Activities: research grant for project on Social Institutions and Governance: Lessons from Sub-Saharan Africa. Four-year grant 2016-2019.

Reviews, Newsletters and Short Interventions

Ellen Lust, Gamal Soltan and Jakob Wichmann. 2016. "Why Fear Explains the Failure of Egypt's Revolution." *Washington Post*, Jan. 25:
https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2016/01/25/why-fear-explains-the-failure-of-egypts-revolution/?utm_term=.16b10410dfd8

Kristen Kao. 2016. "How Jordan's Election Revealed Enduring Weaknesses in its Political System." (Alternative title: "Why Jordanian Elections Lack Political Parties (and the Answer is Not Tribes).") *Washington Post*, Oct. 2:
<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2016/10/03/how-jordans-election-revealed-enduring-weaknesses-in-its-political-system/>

Peer-Reviewed Articles

Ariel Ahram and Ellen Lust. 2016. "The Decline and Fall of the Arab State." *Survival*, 58, 2 (March): 7-34:
<http://www.iiss.org/en/publications/survival/sections/2016-5e13/survival--global-politics-and-strategy-april-may-2016-eb2d/58-2-02-ahram-and-lust-f3d2>

Lindsay Benstead, Kristen Kao, Pierre Landry, Ellen Lust, and Dhafer Malouche. Forthcoming. "Using Tablet Computers to Implement Surveys in Challenging Environments." *Survey Practice*.

Michael Findley, Adam Harris, Helen Milner, and Daniel Nielson. Forthcoming. "Elite and Mass Support for Foreign Aid Versus Government Programs: Experimental Evidence from Uganda." *International Organization*.

Margit Bussmann and Sebastian Nickel. Forthcoming. "Transnational Cooperation: A Network Analysis of Town Twinning in the Baltic Sea Region." *Journal of Baltic Studies*.

Book Chapters

Ellen Lust and David Waldner. 2016. "Parties in Transitional Democracies: Authoritarian Legacies and Post-Authoritarian Challenges in the Middle East and North Africa," in Nancy Bermeo and Deborah Yashar (Eds.), *Parties, Movements and Democracy in the Developing World* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press).

Edited Volumes

Ellen Lust (Ed.). 2016. *The Middle East*, 14th Edition (Sage).

Reports

Boniface Dulani, Ellen Lust and Hannah Swila, *Binding Constraints in Service Delivery in Malawi*, Prepared for the World Bank, May.

The Tunisian Local Governance Performance Index: Selected Findings on Gender. Report 2016:2, The Program on Governance and Local Development. September:

<http://gld.gu.se/media/1173/tunisia-gender-final.pdf>

The Tunisian Local Governance Performance Index: Selected Findings on Political Participation. Report 2016:3, The Program on Governance and Local Development. October:

<http://gld.gu.se/media/1150/tunisia-political-participation-report.pdf>

The Local Governance Performance Index (LGPI) in Malawi: Selected Findings on Land. Report 2016:4, The Program on Governance and Local Development. October:

<http://gld.gu.se/media/1159/report-lgpi-land-malawi.pdf>

The Local Governance Performance Index (LGPI) in Malawi: Selected Findings on Livelihood. Report 2016:5, The Program on Governance and Local Development. October:

<http://gld.gu.se/media/1156/livelihood-report-malawi.pdf>

The Local Governance Performance Index (LGPI) in Malawi: Selected Findings on Education. Report 2016:6, The Program on Governance and Local Development. November:
<http://gld.gu.se/media/1171/education-report-malawi.pdf>

The Local Governance Performance Index (LGPI) in Malawi: Selected Findings on Health. Report 2016:7, The Program on Governance and Local Development. November:
<http://gld.gu.se/media/1170/health-report-malawi.pdf>

Working Papers Series

Adam Bazcko, Gilles Dorronsoro, Arthur Quesnay, and Maaï Youseef. *The Rationality of an Eschatological Movement: The Islamist State in Iraq and Syria.* University of Gothenburg, Program on Governance and Local Development: Working Paper No. 7:
<http://gld.gu.se/media/1122/gld-wp7.pdf>

Jumana Alaref, Hans Lueders and Ellen Lust. *We Don't Need No Education: Resource Endowments and the Demand for Social Service Provision.* University of Gothenburg, Program on Governance and Local Development: Working Paper No. 8:
<http://gld.gu.se/media/1123/gld-wp8.pdf>

Mara Revkin. *Does the Islamic State Have a "Social Contract"? Evidence from Iraq and Syria.* University of Gothenburg, Program on Governance and Local Development: Working Paper No. 9. August:
<http://gld.gu.se/media/1133/gld-wp9.pdf>

Visiting Scholars

1. January: Lindsay Benstead, Associate Professor of Political Science in the Mark O. Hatfield School of Government at Portland State University. Jan. 20-24.
2. January: Boniface Dulani, Senior Research Partner at the Institute of Public Opinion and Research (IPOR), Malawi, and Senior Lecturer in Political Science, University of Malawi. Jan. 20-24.
3. January: Pierre Landry, Professor of Political Science at New York University (NYU), Shanghai, and Director of Global China Studies, affiliated with the Politics Department, NYU-New York. Jan. 20-24.
4. January: Dhafer Malouche, Associate Professor of Statistics, University of Carthage, Ecole Supérieure de la Statistique et de l'Analyse de l'Information. Jan. 20-24.

5. January: Atusaye Zgambo, Research Associate at the Institute of Public Opinion and Research (IPOR), Malawi. Jan. 20-24.
6. February: Janine Clark, Associate Professor of Political Science at the University of Guelph. Feb. 2-6.
7. February: Emanuela Delmasso, Research Fellow, University of Amsterdam, Feb. 2-6.
8. May: Pierre F. Landry, Professor of Political Science at New York University (NYU), Shanghai, and Director of Global China Studies, affiliated with the Politics Department, NYU-New York. May 22-27.
9. May: Lindsay Benstead, Associate Professor of Political Science in the Mark O. Hatfield School of Government at Portland State University. May 22-29.
10. July: Rabab El Mahdi, Associate Professor of Political Science at The American University in Cairo. July 5-9.
11. August: Pierre Landry, Professor of Political Science at New York University (NYU), Shanghai, and Director of Global China Studies, affiliated with the Politics Department, NYU-New York. Aug. 17-23.
12. October: Mayling Birney, Assistant Professor, Department of International Development, London School of Economics. Oct. 13-14.
13. October: Melani Cammett, Professor of Government, Harvard University. Oct. 13-14.

Short-Term Research Grants Provided by GLD

“The Local Determinants of Swing Voters in South Africa’s 2016 Local Elections.” Adam Harris.

Presentations and Conferences

January

Lindsay Benstead, Kristen Kao, and Ellen Lust. “Why Does it Matter What Observers Say? The Impact of International Monitoring on the Electoral Legitimacy.” Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Juan, Puerto Rico, Jan. 7-9.

Lindsay Benstead and Dhafer Malouche. "Interviewer Religiosity and Polling in Transitional Tunisia." Southern Political Science Association, San Juan, Puerto Rico, Jan. 7-9.

Pierre Landry. "Using Remote Sensing to Measure the Quality of Local Governance." Southern Political Science Association, San Juan, Puerto Rico, Jan. 7-9.

Ellen Lust. "Rupture and Reform: The Case of Slippery Concepts and Muddled Measurements in the Study of Regime Change." Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Juan, Puerto Rico, Jan. 7-9.

Ellen Lust. "Poor People's Perceptions Paper." Quality of Government Conference, Nice, France, Jan. 27-29.

February

Ellen Lust. "Egypt: Five Years Later." University of Gothenburg, Gothenburg, Sweden Feb. 3.

Ellen Lust. "Social Ties and Local Governance: Toward a Theory of Social Institutions." Middle East Institute Seminar, Harvard University, MA, U.S., Feb. 23.

Ellen Lust. Northeast Middle East Politics Working Group (participant), Columbia University, NY, U.S. Feb. 26-27.

March

Ellen Lust. "Regime, Nation, and, Regional Disorder in the Arab World." NYU Shanghai, China, Mar. 3.

Kristen Kao. "Rigging Democracy: Maintaining Power Through Authoritarian Electoral Institutions." After the Uprising: The Arab World in Freefall, Fragmentation or Reconfiguration? Conference sponsored by the American University in Beirut, the Mamdouha S. Bobst Center for Peace and Justice at Princeton University, and Project on Middle East Political Science (POMEPS), Princeton, NJ, U.S., Mar. 4-5.

Ellen Lust. "Workshop in Big Data and Social Science Research in China" (participant), NYU Shanghai, China, Mar. 4-5.

Lindsay Benstead and Ellen Lust. "Traits, Competencies or Policy Signals? How Candidate Electability Affects Arab Election." Second International Conference on Political Participation and Leadership in the Developing World, NYU Abu Dhabi, Mar. 6-7.

Ellen Lust. "Explaining Women's Electability: The Importance of Candidate Type and Role Congruity." NYU Abu Dhabi, Mar. 7-8.

Lindsay Benstead and Ellen Lust. "Traits, Competencies or Policy Signals? How Candidate Electability Affects Arab Election." Political Science conference on Women and Politics in the Middle East, George Washington University, Washington DC, U.S., Mar. 11.

April

Lindsay Benstead. "Why Do Gender Gaps in Services Exist in Some Tunisian Localities?" Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, U.S., Apr. 7-10.

Kristen Kao. "How Formal Electoral Institutions Affect Informal Redistribution Patterns." Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, U.S., Apr. 7-10.

Ellen Lust. "The Arab Uprisings: Challenges and Prospects." University of Gothenburg, Gothenburg, Sweden Apr. 26.

Kristen Kao. "Examining the Effects of Gender, Islamism, and Ethnicity on Voter Preferences." Survey Methodology Group, University of Gothenburg, Gothenburg, Sweden. Apr. 27.

May

Lindsay Benstead and Abdel Samad Mounah. "Why Do Islamist Parties Reduce the Gender Gap in Service Provision?" Presented at After the Uprisings: Public Opinion, Gender, and Conflict in the Middle East Workshop, Kansas State University, KA, U.S., May 5.

Lindsay Benstead and Dhafer Malouche. "Interviewer Religiosity and Polling in Transitional Tunisia." Annual conference of the American Association of Public Opinion Research (AAPOR), Austin, Texas, U.S., May 12-15.

Lindsay Benstead. "New Challenges in Conducting Middle East Field Research" (participant), POMEPS, Washington DC. U.S., May 19-20.

Lindsay Benstead. "From Prison to Parliament: Evidence from a Priming Experiment in Turkey" by Kimberly Guiler (participant), POMEPS, Washington DC. U.S., May 19-20.

Ellen Lust. "Comparing the New and Old Arab Authoritarianism" (participant), POMEPS, Washington DC. U.S., May 19-20.

Ellen Lust. "Pathways to Moderation: A Quasi-Natural Experiment in Tunisia's Ennahda" by Sharan Grewal (participant), POMEPS, Washington DC. U.S., May 19-20.

Ellen Lust and Lindsay Benstead. "Explaining Women's Electability: Role Congruity and the Importance of Candidate Type." POMEPS, Washington DC. U.S., May 19-20.

Lindsay Benstead and Ellen Lust. "Why Do Some Voters Prefer Female Candidates? The Role of Perceived Incorruptibility and Ability to Provide Wasta." Gender and Corruption Workshop, University of Gothenburg, Gothenburg, Sweden, May 23-24.

Ellen Lust. "Gender and Corruption: The Electoral Arena" (participant), Gender and Corruption Workshop, University of Gothenburg, Gothenburg, Sweden, May 23-24.

June

Felix Hartmann. "Getting Ahead Collectively – Using Positive Psychology to Improve Civic Engagement." CeCAR Workshop, University of Gothenburg, Gothenburg, Sweden, June 16-17.

Lindsay Benstead, Boniface Dulani, Ragnhild Muriaas, Lise Rakner, Vibeke Wang. "Using Traditional Leaders to End Child Marriage: Evidence From a Survey Experiment in Malawi." EPSA Annual Conference, Brussels, Belgium, June 23-25.

Ellen Lust. "The Politics of Freedom in China" (participant), European Political Science Association, Brussels, Belgium, June 23-25.

Ellen Lust and Adam Harris. "Local Discrimination and Ethnic Access to Service Delivery: Evidence from Malawi." EPSA Annual Conference, Brussels, Belgium, June 23-25.

July

Ellen Lust and Rabab El Mahdi. "The Arab Spring - What Went Wrong - and Right?" Almedalen Week, Visby, Sweden, July 7-9.

Lindsay Benstead. "Why Do Gender Gaps in Services Exist in Some Tunisian Localities?" International Political Science Association 24th World Congress on Political Science, Poznan, Poland, July 23-28.

August

Adam Harris and Ellen Lust. "Drivers of Local Service Provision: Evidence from Malawi." Development Research Conference, Stockholm, Sweden, Aug. 22-24.

Kristen Kao. "The Effect of Election Laws on Ethnic Favoritism in Service Provision: Evidence from Jordan." Development Research Conference, Stockholm, Sweden, Aug. 22-24.

Ellen Lust and Pierre Landry. "Citizen Engagement: Participation and Assistance-Seeking in Malawi." Development Research Conference, Stockholm, Sweden, Aug. 22-24.

September

Lindsay Benstead, Boniface Dulani, Ragnhild Muriaas, Lise Rakner, Vibeke Wang. "Using Traditional Leaders to End Child Marriage: Evidence From a Survey Experiment in Malawi." American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, U.S., Sept. 1-4.

Lindsay Benstead and Ellen Lust. "Traits, Competencies or Policy Signals? How Candidate Electability Affects Arab Election." American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, U.S., Sept. 1-4.

Adam Harris and Ellen Lust. "Determinants of Local Service Provision in Africa: Evidence from Malawi." American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, U.S., Sept. 1-4.

Kristen Kao. "Electoral Institutions and Ethnic Clientelism." American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, U.S., Sept. 1-4.

Ellen Lust. "Toward a Theory of Social Institutions." American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, U.S., Sept. 1-4.

Ellen Lust and Lindsay Benstead. "Does it Matter What Observers Say? The Impact of International Monitoring on the Electoral Legitimacy." American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, U.S., Sept. 1-4.

Ragnhild Muriaas and Vibeke Wang "Money Talks: Gendered Electoral Financing in Malawi." American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, U.S., Sept. 1-4.

Miguel Pellicer, Eva Wegner, Lindsay Benstead and Ellen Lust. "Poor People's Perceptions and Different Forms of Clientelism." American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, U.S., Sept. 1-4.

Ellen Lust. "After the Arab Uprisings." Comparative Politics Course (participant), University of Bergen, Norway, Sept. 21.

Ellen Lust. "Studying Governance and Development: The GLD Program." Chr. Michelsen Institute, Bergen, Norway, Sept. 22.

Ellen Lust. "Toward a Theory of Social Institutions." Comparative Politics Workshop, University of Bergen, Norway, Sept. 23.

Ellen Lust. "From the Fall of Mubarak to the Fall of Morsi." MENA-GU Workshop, University of Gothenburg, Gothenburg, Sweden, Sept. 30.

October

Ellen Lust, Boniface Dulani, and Lise Rakner. "Governance and Service Delivery in Malawi: Selected Findings from the 2016 Malawi LGPI+." Malawi project dissemination, Oslo, Norway, Oct. 11.

Ellen Lust. "The LGPI in Malawi: Findings on Land and Livelihoods." Crossroads Hotel, Lilongwe, Malawi, Oct. 27.

November

Ellen Lust. "Detecting Structural Determinants of Youth Unemployment in the MENA." Co-Opinion Workshop on Youth Unemployment in the MENA, Bellagio, Italy, Nov. 2.

Ellen Lust. "Navigating the Southern Mediterranean." Europe and its Neighbourhood: Conflict Prevention and Crisis Management in the 21st Century, Chatham House, London, UK, Nov. 14.

Adam Harris. "Malawi Education and Health Dissemination." Malawi project dissemination, Blantyre, Malawi, Nov. 17.

Ellen Lust, Janine Clark, and Emanuela Delmasso. "Not the Only Game in Towns: Local Level Representation in Transitions." MESA Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, U.S., Nov. 20.

Lindsay Benstead and Ellen Lust. "Traits, Competencies or Policy signals? How Candidate Electability Affects Arab Elections." Middle East Studies Association, Denver, CO, U.S., Nov. 21-24.

December

Lindsay Benstead, Ragnhild Muriaas, and Vibeke Wang. "Why Does the Impact of Western Donor Endorsements Depend on the Type of Women's Rights? Experimental Evidence from Malawi." African Studies Association Meeting, Washington DC, U.S., Dec. 1-3.

Ragnhild Muriaas and Vibeke Wang "Reaching Gender Parity in Political Office: The Malawi Non-Quota Solution." African Studies Association Meeting, Washington DC, U.S., Dec. 1-3.

Ellen Lust. "The Middle East in 2020." World Cultural Museum, Gothenburg, Sweden, Dec. 7.

Online

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