



D V Arbeitskreis für
P W Analytische Politische Theorie
der Deutschen Vereinigung für Politikwissenschaft (DVPW)

Call for Papers

Annual Meeting 2025

Analytical Political Theory Group

Thursday, October 9 – Friday, October 10 2025, JGU Mainz

We invite submissions for the annual meeting of AK Analytical Political Theory. This year, we aim to focus on ***Democratic Process Preferences*** and seek to bring together scholars working on democratic theory, democratic process preferences, democratic decision-making procedures as well as on attitudes towards democracy and democratic institutions. We also invite scholars working on the dimensionality of the policy space, particularly in combination with democratic process preferences. We welcome contributions from both empirical-analytical and normative theoretical perspectives, employing qualitative and quantitative research methodologies.

We are particularly interested in research on democratic theory, exploring how different theoretical frameworks conceptualize democratic legitimacy, decision-making, and citizen participation. Additionally, we seek studies on preferences for democratic processes, examining the factors that shape citizen and elite preferences for specific democratic procedures, such as majority rule, consensus, or deliberative formats. We also encourage submissions that address the opportunities and challenges of direct democratic instruments and deliberative processes in contemporary political systems.

In addition, we welcome submissions addressing the group's general topics (analytical theory, action and decision theory, experiments, PPE, theory-guided research on democracy, elections and political attitudes). Scholars whose work falls outside the primary focus of this year's conference are encouraged to submit their research to our open panel.

The meeting will be organized by Christina Juen and Claudia Landwehr.

Please send proposals for presentations (300 words) to one of the speakers by **June 1st, 2025**. Conference languages are German and English.

For early career scholars without access to an own travel budget, we expect to be able to cover costs for travel and accommodation up to 250 Euro per person.

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