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RESEARCH INTERESTS

I am a Postdoctoral Researcher at the Department of International Economics, Government and Business, Copenhagen Business School. I am part of the AGILE project, where we examine how work, family and free time interact, shaped by politics and policies. I completed my PhD at the European University Institute, where I examined the changing politics of work-life balance reforms across Continental and Southern Europe, drawing on Historical Institutionalism. In parallel, I also research on comparative politics, institutional processes and other policy fields such as gender equality and labor market regulation. I employ diverse methods from inductive and deductive process tracing based on interviews and document analysis to multilevel panel data statistical models with available and hand-coded original data.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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| 2025 – Present | Postdoctoral researcher
Department of International Economics, Government and Business,
Copenhagen Business School |
| 2021 – 2025 | PhD researcher in Social and Political Sciences
European University Institute (EUI)
Thesis: ‘Conservative Parties, Progressive Policies. The Politics of the Ongoing Gender Revolution.’
Supervisors: Anton Hemerijck (EUI) and Margarita León (UAB). |
| 2024 Fall semester | Research and teaching visit at the University of Zürich
Mentor: Silja Häusermann |
| 2023 Fall semester | Research and teaching visit at Autonomous University of Barcelona
Mentor: Margarita León |
| 2021 - 2025 | Participation in WellSIRE ERC Research Project
Experience in project management tasks such as budget allocation, delivering progress and financial reports and conference organization.
I have also coordinated the Social Investment Working Group, contacting and moderating presentations and discussions by junior and senior scholars. |

2020 – 2023	Participation in EUROSHP Horizon 2020 Research Project Experience in coordinating large inter-university research projects.
2019 - 2020	Research technician at IGOP (UAB) Planning and delivering academic research and knowledge transfer with prof. Margarita León.
2018 Spring	Research Assistant, GREDS research group, Pompeu Fabra University. Conducting research-related tasks such as literature review and archival research.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2024 Fall semester	Designing, teaching and evaluating the seminar ‘Inequality, Gender and Welfare Politics’, at the University of Zürich. It was an elective seminar, part of the ‘International Political Economy’ course directed by Silja Häusermann. It consisted of 14 sessions where we discussed readings and the submission of a final essay.
2023 Fall semester	Invited lecturer in Autonomous University of Barcelona: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two lectures on comparative welfare state analysis. Master’s of Science in Political Science, Public Policy and Public Management course. • Five hours of seminars on gender and the welfare state. Inter-university Master’s in Public Administration, Public Policy Analysis course. • A lecture and a seminar on the comparative politics of family policy. Political Science Bachelor, Comparative Politics course • Two lectures and one seminar on family policy analysis. Political Science Bachelor, Management and Public Policy course.

EDUCATION

2021 - 2025	PhD program in Social and Political Sciences European University Institute (EUI)
2021 - 2022	Master of Research European University Institute (EUI)
2020 - 2021	Master’s in Teaching in Higher Education and Vocational Training Barcelona University (UB)
2019 - 2020	Master’s of Science in Political Science, Political Economy track

University of Amsterdam (UvA).

Cum Laude special mention. Master thesis: 'Part-time to Care? Women's part-time jobs in Spain and work-family reconciliation'.

- 2014 – 2018 **Bachelor of Philosophy, Politics and Economics**
Degree shared by Pompeu Fabra University (UPF), Autonomous University of Madrid (UAM) and Carlos III University (UC3M).
Bachelor thesis: 'In which sense are Podemos and Front National populists?'
- 2017 – 2018 **Erasmus+ bachelor program**
University of Konstanz
- June 2018 **Teacher of Spanish as a Foreign Language course**
Cervantes International School

KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER AND EXTRA-ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

- 2021 – present **Press publishing**
In Spanish and Catalan newspapers such as Agenda Publica (El País) or Catalunya Plural. All available on www.manuelalvarino.com.
- March 2022 **Sticky Floors and Broken Ladders**
I participated on a panel discussion at the School of Transnational Governance together with Florencia Caro and Lian Ryan-Hume, moderated by Costanza Hermanin.
- November 2021 **Next Generation Labour**
I coordinated a working group on Minimum Income Schemes in a workshop organized by Fondazione Feltrinelli. The outcome was the chapter of an E-Book entitled 'The active dimension of Minimum Income: entrenched in negative incentives'.
- 2019 – present **Founder member of Espai Zero Vuit**
A policy-oriented economics junior think tank based in Catalonia.
www.espaizerovuit.com
- 2015 – 2018 **Active involvement in Post-Crash UPF**
A student organization with the purpose of bringing a pluralist approach to economics education, part of 'Rethinking Economics' global network.

PUBLICATIONS

Alvariño, M. and León, M. (on press). *Riding Social Investment Waves: partisan agreements in Spain's unstable economic currents*, in Hemerick, A. and Bokhorst, D. (Eds.) 'Governing the Welfare Commons', Oxford University Press.

León, M., Ibañez, Z., Alvariño, M. and Offredi, A. (on press) *Work-life conflicts in demanding labour markets*, in Halvorsen, R., León, M., Pfau-Effinger, B., Schoyen, M. A., Grages, C. and Zyab, I. (Eds.) 'The Capacitating Welfare State: Closing gaps in European social citizenship', Edward Elgar Publishing.

Alvariño, M. and León, M. (on press). *The Politics of Family and Childcare Policy Reform: Do parties still matter?* in Rostgaard, T. and Ranci, C. (Eds.) 'Research Handbook on Social Care Policy', Edward Elgar Publishing.

Alvariño, M. (2025). Care at the Crossroads: How policy feedback shaped competing feminist advocacy for parental leave reform in Spain, *Politics & Policy*.

Alvariño, M. (2024). Partisan politics and feedback effects: comparing defamilialization by center-right parties across six familistic countries, *Politics & Society*.

Alvariño, M. and Thies, M. (2024). Conviction or Consent? Tracing the Influence of Coalition Partners on Family Policy under Centre-Right Ministers, *Government and Opposition*.

León, M., Alvariño, M., and Soler-Buades, L. (2022). Explaining Morality Policy Coalitions in Spanish Parliamentary Votes: The Interaction of the Church-State Conflict and Territorial Politics, *South European Society and Politics*. 27 (2), 197-222.

León, M., Alvariño, M., and Soler, L. (2022). *A Political Culture Unaccustomed to Dialogue*. In L. Ayala (Ed.), *Inequality and Social Contract* (pp. 165–180). Observatorio Social Fundación La Caixa.

Alvariño (2022), *The active dimension of Minimum Income: entrenched in negative incentives in 'Next Generation labour'*, Scenari (40). Fondazione Feltrinelli, Milan, Italy.

Ibañez, Z., León, M., Soler, L., and Alvariño, M. (2021). *Fostering work-life balance for precarious workers: culture and social protection systems in comparative perspective*. EUROSHIP Working Paper, Issue 5.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Alvariño, M. and León, *Riding Social Investment Waves: partisan agreements in Spain's unstable economic currents*. Paper presented at ECPR 2024 conference, panel: 'Political and social consequences of the crises in Southern Europe'.

Alvariño, M. *Explaining Spain's equal parental leave through the interaction of interest groups and political parties*. Paper presented at ECPR 2024 conference, panel: 'The Evolving Landscape of Interest Group Politics: Navigating a Research Area of Increasing Complexity and Unprecedented Importance'

Torres, P., Soler-Buades, L., Alvariño, M. and Claramunt, J. *New Dog Old Trick: From CiU to Junts, 45 Years of Catalan Nationalist Right*. Paper presented at ECPR 2024 conference.
Ferragina, E., Alvariño, M., Soler-Buades, L. and Arrigoni, A. *The End of 'the Age of Dualization': A Comparative Historical Analysis of 50 years of Labor Market Protection Reforms in Spain and Italy*. Paper presented at ESPANET 2024 Conference.

Alvariño, M. *The Politics of Degenderization: feminist organizations and policy feedback effects in Spanish parental leave reform*. Paper presented at CES 2024 conference, panel: 'Feminist (Re)actions in the Era of the Far Right's Resurgence'.

Alvariño, M. *Right' behind you: comparing feedback effects on defamilialization by center-right parties across six familistic countries*. Paper presented at ESPANET-SPAIN 2023 conference (REPS), panel: 'The Southern European Welfare Regime Revisited'.

Alvariño, M. and Thies, M. *'Conviction or Consent? Tracing the Influence of Coalition Partners on Family Policy under Centre-Right Ministers'*. Paper presented at CES 2023 conference, panel: 'The Causes and Consequences of Social Investment Welfare States'.