

Curriculum Vitae (brief)

Name and date of birth

Åsa von Schoultz (née Bengtsson)

14th February 1973

Education/grades attained

Professor in Political Science, Mid Sweden University	1.7.2013
Adjoint Professor (Docent), Åbo Akademi University	7.12.2007
Doctor of Political Science, Åbo Akademi University	14.6.2002
Licentiate of Political Science, Åbo Akademi University	17.12.1999
Master of Arts, Göteborg University	26.3.1997

Academic appointments

Professor, Mid Sweden University	1.7.2013 –
Academy Researcher Fellow, Academy of Finland	1.8.2010 – 31.7.2015
Senior researcher, The Society of Swedish Literature in Finland	1.8.2007 – 31.7.2010
Post doc, Åbo Akademi University	1.8.2004 – 31.7.2007
Senior researcher in the project 'Elections and Democracy in Finland', University of Turku	1.2.2004 – 31.7.2004
Assistant professor, Department of Political Science	1.4.2002 – 31.1.2004
Post gradual fellowship, National graduate school of political science and international relations, Finland	1.1.1999 – 31.3.2002

Attained project funding (responsible leader, larger projects only)

European Values Study, Riksbankens jubileumsfond, 2015 – 2017, 4 995 000 SEK

Preferred political processes. Voters' preferences for political decision, Academy of Finland, 2010 – 2015, 575 280 EUR

Commissions of trust

Social Science Research Institute, Åbo Akademi University, board member (chair), 2015 – 2017

Balkan Comparative Electoral Study. Impact of Personal Vote on Internal Party Democracy. Project funded by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), Mentor, 2014-2016

D:CE, Democracy: a citizen perspective, Centre of Excellence, Åbo Akademi University, steering committee member 2010 – 2015

Research institute Aronia, University of Applied Science NOVIA, Finland, member of advisory board, 2014 – 2017

Comparative Candidate Survey (CCS), steering group member, 2014 –

Finnish National Election Study, steering group member, 2011 –

ECPR Standing group on 'Forms of Participation', Steering group member, 2006 – 2007

Duties as Scientific Expert

Assessments/opponent:

Assessment of Adjoint professorship, Linneaus University, 2010, 2014, Gothenburg University, 2014

Opponent on PhD-thesis, University of Oslo, 2013, Åbo Akademi University, 2015

Pre-examiner of PhD-thesis, Örebro University, 2013

Examiner of licentiate-theses, Åbo Akademi University, 2012, 2012

Scientific conferences:

Invited discussant, *Democracy: a citizen perspective*, Åbo Akademi University, 2015

Workshop director at ECPR Joint Session, Warsaw, 2015

Panel chair at the ECPR general conference, Potsdam 2009, Bordeaux 2013

Workshop director at NOPSA (Nordic Political Science Association), Reykjavik, 2005, Gothenburg 2014

Workshop director at the Annual meeting of the Finnish political science association, Helsinki 2001

Reviewer of research proposals:

Gesis, Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences, 2014

Volkswagen foundation, 2013

Research council of Norway, 2010, 2011

The Swedish Cultural Foundation in Finland, 2011, 2012, 2013

Reviewer for scientific journals:

American Journal of Political Science, British Politics, Comparative Political Studies, European Journal of Political Research, International Political Science Review, Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties, Journal of Politics, Political Geography, Party Politics, Political Behavior, Political Studies, Public Administration, Scandinavian Political Studies, YOUNG

Other:

Principal Investigator, Comparative Candidate Study, Finland, 2011, 2015

Program sensor (Bachelor-program), Bergen University, 2014 – 2017

Expert panel of the yearly survey 'Barometern' 2005 – 2014

Research hearing, Swedish parliament, The Committee on the Constitution, 13.3.2012

Regularly consulted scientific advisor at the think-tank 'Magma' 2009 –

Member of editorial board: *Politiikka* 2010-2014, *Comparative Balkan Politics*, 2015 –

Networks and projects (most important)

Citizen Involvement in Political Decision-Making (INVOLVE), network of scholars from Åbo Akademi University, University of Gothenburg, University of Leuven, Goethe University Frankfurt am Main, University of Lucern, Mid Sweden University, 2014 –

Intra party dimension of Politics, project chaired by Matthew S. Shugart, UC Davis, Finnish collaborator, 2011 –

Democracy: A Citizen Perspective (D:CE), Centre of Excellence, Åbo Akademi University, member of steering group, 2009 – 2015

Finnish National Election Study, member 2002 –, steering group member 2010 –

True European Voter (TEV), COST-action, Finnish representative, 2010 – 2015

Comparative Candidate Survey (CCS), Finnish PI, 2011, 2015, steering group member, 2013 –

Nordic Elections and Democracy Research Cooperation (NED), Finnish representative, 2004 –

Teaching

Extensive experience of teaching in the fields of research methodology, introduction to political science, electoral behaviour, political parties, political participation, democratic theory

Supervisor at all graduate and post graduate levels

Invited guest lectures at University of Darmstadt (Germany), University of Helsinki, Swedish School of Social Science (Helsinki)

Responsible leader of the Swedish Speaking Research School for PhD-candidates in Political Science, Finland, 2002 – 2007

Interaction with society

Recurrent commentator on elections, politics and democracy in TV, radio and news papers

Frequently invited speaker or to act as chair for panels and debates at NGOs, parties, and public authorities

Awards

Distinction for teaching from the Student Union of Åbo Akademi University, 2005

Stiftelsens för Åbo Akademis award for young promising researchers, (12,000€), 2005

Administrative duties (most important)

Deputy member of the board for post graduate education, Mid Sweden University, 2015 – 2017

Member of the faculty board for the Faculty of Economic and Social Science, Åbo Akademi University, 2002 – 2009

List of publications

Monographs

1. Bengtsson, Åsa, Hansen, M. Kasper, Hardarson, Olafur, Narud, Hanne Marthe & Oscarsson, Henrik. 2014. *The Nordic Voter: Myths of Exceptionalism*. ECPR Press.
2. Anckar, Carsten, Bengtsson, Åsa, Denk, Thomas &, Karvonen, Lauri. 2013. *Komparativ Politik. Institutioner och beteende*. Lund: Studentlitteratur.
3. Bengtsson, Åsa. 2007. *Politiskt deltagande*. Lund: Studentlitteratur.

4. Bengtsson, Åsa. 2002. Ekonomisk röstning och politisk kontext – En studie av 266 val i parlamentariska demokratier. Åbo: Åbo Akademis förlag.

Edited volumes

5. Bengtsson, Åsa & Hanna Wass (eds.) 2010. Special issue: 'Representation som representativitet, relation och deliberation'. *Politiikka*. 52(3).
6. Bengtsson, Åsa & Kimmo Grönlund (eds.). 2005. Den finlandssvenska väljaren. Vasa: Samforsk.
7. Bengtsson, Åsa & Kimmo Grönlund (eds.). 2004. Partier och ansvar. Stockholm: SNS Förlag.

Peer-reviewed articles

8. von Schoultz, Åsa & Hanna Wass. 2015. 'Beating issue congruence: Congruence in the Representational Preferences of Candidates and Voters' *Parliamentary Affairs*, 10.1093/pa/gsv001
9. Bengtsson, Åsa & Henrik Serup Christensen. 2014. 'Ideals and Actions - Do Citizens' Patterns of Political Participation Correspond to their Process Preferences?', *Government & Opposition*, doi:10.1017/gov.2014.29.
10. Bengtsson, Åsa. 2012. 'Citizens' perceptions of political processes. A critical evaluation of consistency and survey items'. *Revista Internacional de Sociología*. 70(2): 45-64.
11. Christensen, Henrik Serup & Åsa Bengtsson. 2011. 'The Political Competence of Internet Participants – Evidence from Finland'. *Information Communication and Society*. 14(3): 1-21.
12. Bengtsson, Åsa & Hanna Wass. 2011. 'The Representative Roles of MPs: A Citizen Perspective'. *Scandinavian Political Studies*. 34(2): 143-167.
13. Bengtsson, Åsa & Hanna Wass. 2010. 'Styles of political representation: What do voters expect?'. *Journal of Elections and Public Opinion*. 20(1): 55-81.
14. Bengtsson, Åsa. & Mikko Mattila. 2009. 'Direct democracy and its critics: Support for direct democracy and "stealth" democracy in Finland'. *West European Politics*. 32(5): 1031-1048.
15. Bengtsson, Åsa & Hanna Wass. 2009. 'Äänestäjien edustusta koskevat odotukset'. (Väljarnas förväntningar på representation). *Politiikka*. 51(3):187-207.
16. Bengtsson, Åsa & Henrik Serup Christensen. 2009. 'Politiskt deltagande i Finland'. *Politiikka*. 51(2): 77-95.
17. Bengtsson, Åsa. 2004. 'Economic Voting: The Effect of Political Context, Volatility and Turnout on Voters' Assignment of Responsibility'. *European Journal of Political Research*. 43:749-768.
18. Bengtsson, Åsa. 2004. 'Valdeltagande i Finland: Rationalitet eller socialt tryck?'. *Politiikka*. 1:3-16.

Book chapters in edited volumes

19. von Schoultz, Åsa. 2015. 'Förändringar i det politiska landskapet' In: Sandberg, S. & Sjöblom, S. (eds). *Finlandssvenska vägval*. Helsingfors: Kulturfonden
20. Bengtsson, Åsa. 2014. 'Riksdagsledamöternas roller och medborgarnas förväntningar'. In: Wiberg, M. & T. Raunio (eds.) *Eduskunta Suomen poliittisessa järjestelmässä*. Helsinki: Gaudeamus.
21. Bengtsson, Åsa & Christensen, Henrik Serup. 2012. 'The Political Competence of Internet Participants – Evidence from Finland'. In Loader & Mercea (eds.) *Social Media and Democracy: Innovations in Participatory Politics*. Routledge.
22. Bengtsson, Åsa. 2012. 'Norms of citizenship – Views on "Good Citizenship" in Scandinavia'. In Anckar, Carsten & Anckar, Dag (eds.). *Comparisons, Regimes, Elections*. Festschrift for Lauri Karvonen. Åbo: Åbo Akademis förlag.

23. Bengtsson, Åsa. 2012. Kandidatval. Rörlighet och motiv. In Borg, S. (ed.) Muutosvaalit. Helsingfors: Justitieministeriet.
24. Åsa Bengtsson & Christensen, Henrik Serup. 2012. 'Medborgarnas förväntningar på politiskt beslutsfattande'. In Borg, S. (ed.) Muutosvaalit. Helsingfors: Justitieministeriet.
25. Bengtsson, Åsa & Mikko Mattila. 2011. 'Finlandssvenska demokratiseringer: Mer med medborgarinflytande eller skuggdemokrati?'. In Grönlund, K. (ed.) Finlandssvenskar i publikdemokrati. Helsingfors: SLS.
26. Bengtsson, Åsa. 2011. 'Minoritetens politiska mobilisering. En västeuropeisk kartläggning'. In Grönlund, K. (ed.) Finlandssvenskar i publikdemokrati. Helsingfors: SLS.
27. Bengtsson, Åsa. 2011. 'Svenska folkpartiet som förvaltare av det politiska och sociala kapitalet'. In Sundback, S. & Nyqvist, F. (eds.) Det finlandssvenska sociala kapitalet. Fiktion eller fakta? Helsingfors: SLS.
28. Bengtsson, Åsa & Mikko Mattila. 2009. 'Suoran demokratian ja häivedemokratian kannatus Suomessa'. In Paloheimo, H. & Borg, S (eds.). Vaalit yleisödemokratiassa. Tampere: Tampere University Press.
29. Bengtsson, Åsa & Hanna Wass. 2009. 'Kansalaisten edustuksellisuus-odotukset'. In Paloheimo, H. & Borg, S. (eds.). Vaalit yleisödemokratiassa. Tampere: Tampere University Press.
30. Bengtsson, Åsa, Göran Djupsund & Lauri Karvonen. 2008. 'Finlandssvenskar och politik på 2000-talet: partisimpatier, opinioner och aktivitet'. In Herberts, K. (eds.). Opinioner och trender i Svenskfinland. Vasa: Samforsk.
31. Bengtsson, Åsa. 2006. 'Rösträttens utveckling i Europa. En historisk tillbakablick'. In Käkönen & Paastela (eds.). Demokratia ja poliittinen osallistuminen. Tampere: Studia Political Tamperensis.
32. Bengtsson, Åsa. 2005. 'Utmaningar för svensk politik'. In Bengtsson, Å & Grönlund, K. (eds.) Den finlandssvenska väljaren. Vasa: Samforsk.
33. Bengtsson, Åsa, Kimmo Grönlund & Lauri Karvonen. 2005. 'Språk och parti'. I Bengtsson, Å. & Grönlund, K (eds.). Den finlandssvenska väljaren. Vasa: Samforsk.
34. Sundberg, Jan, Niklas Wilhelmsson & Åsa Bengtsson. 2005. 'Svenskt och finskt väljarbeteende'. In Bengtsson, Å. & Grönlund, K. (eds.). Den finlandssvenska väljaren. Vasa: Samforsk.
35. Bengtsson, Åsa & Kimmo Grönlund. 2005. 'Muu Poliittinen osallistuminen'. In Paloheimo, H. (red.). Vaalit ja demokratia Suomessa (Val och demokrati i Finland). Helsingfors: WSOY.
36. Bengtsson, Åsa & Kimmo Grönlund. 2005. 'Ehdokasvalinta'. In Paloheimo, H. (red.). Vaalit ja Demokratia Suomessa (Val och demokrati i Finland). Helsingfors: WSOY.
37. Bengtsson, Åsa. 2004. 'Utkräver väljarna ansvar?'. In Bengtsson, Å. & Grönlund, K. (red.). Partier och ansvar. Stockholm: SNS Förlag.
38. Bengtsson, Åsa. 2004. 'Demokrati, eliter och ansvar'. In Bengtsson, Å. & Grönlund, K. (red.). Partier och ansvar. Stockholm: SNS Förlag.

Other scientific publications

39. Bengtsson, Åsa. 2011. 'Book review on Tael Harper, Democracy in the Age of New Media: The Politics of the Spectacle'. Information, Communication and Society. (Available online 27 Oct 2011).
40. Bengtsson, Åsa & Hanna Wass. 2010. 'Representation som representativitet, relation och deliberation'. Politiikka. 52(3). (introduction to special issue)
41. Bengtsson, Åsa. 2006. 'Att ge mandat eller utkräva ansvar'. Finsk Tidskrift. 9/2006.

42. Bengtsson, Åsa. 1999. Retrospektivitet och ekonomisk röstning: Tre förklaringsmodeller. Department of Political Science, Åbo Akademi University, Occasional Papers Series, Nr.13.
43. Bengtsson, Åsa. 2002. Economic effects on voting and turnout: Sweden in a comparative perspective. Meddelanden från Ekonomisk-statsvetenskapliga fakulteten vid Åbo Akademi. Ser. A:527.
44. Bengtsson, Åsa. 2002. 'Om komparativ politik och ekonomisk röstning'. *Politiikka*. 4:363-366.

Publications of popular science

45. 'Yhteensopivaa edustusta? Ehdokkaiden ja kansalaisten näkemykset kansanedustajien edustusrooleista,' blogpost at the blog *Poliitiika.fi*, 1st April 2015
46. 'Myths of Nordic exceptionalism' blogpost at *European Politics and Policy*, London School of Economics, 28th March 2014
47. 'Kommunalval 2012'. In Kawecki, Sophie & Virta, Tove (red.). *Västnyländsk årsbok 2013*. Västnyländska kultursamfundet.
48. Monthly blog posts at Åbo Akademi University research blog, 2011 – 2013
49. Monthly columns in the newspaper *Västra Nyland*, 2008 – 2013.
50. 'Äänestäjien mielestä edustajien tulee yhä ajaa alueellisia etuja', Debate article (*Vieraskynä*) in *Helsingin Sanomat* with Hanna Wass. 4th April 2009
51. 'Alueellinen edustus yhä tärkeää äänestäjille', column at *Kansanvalta.fi* (ministry of Justice, Finland) with Hanna Wass, 6th May 2009.
52. 'Politiska framgångar och bakslag', *Finlands kommuntidning*. No. 8, 2008
53. 'Att ge mandat eller att utkräva ansvar. Om väljarnas möjlighet att påverka i olika politiska system'. Column at *grundlagsutredningen.se.*, 19th April, 2006.
54. 'Ekonomisk röstning och politisk kontext', Debate article in *Hufvudstadsbladet*. 26th August 2002
55. Review of Petersson, Holmberg, Lewin och Narud (2002) "Demokrati utan ansvar". *Demokratirådets rapport*. Stockholm: SNS förlag, in Åbo Underrättelser. 26th July 2002
56. 'Socialliberalism eller Nyliberalism - En undersökning bland Folkpartiets väljare', Debate article in *Göteborgsposten*. 2nd February 1995.