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Danish 2010 data ready

The coding of Danish data from 2010 on the parliamentary, the administrative and the media arena is now finished. The first results have been utilized in several conference papers (see interarena.dk) and further analyses are being conducted. Data collection for Denmark 1975 is starting up with student coders establishing new databases on media appearance and group letters to parliament.

Ongoing coding in UK and NL

Darren Halpin is coordinating data collection in the UK. Data for the parliamentary arena has been collected and a database established and at present data for the media arena is being collected. Anne Rasmussen is responsible for the Netherlands and here student coders are working intensively on the coding of several types of group-parliament contacts as well as government consultations.

International collaboration

The INTERARENA project collaborates with several other research teams. Notably, Rainer Eising has applied for funding for similar data collection in Germany. Also, a Spanish team led by Laura Chaques has already established a database of parliamentary contacts and is planning to work on other arenas as well.

Upcoming conferences

In the spring conference season INTERARENA papers will be presented at the Council of European Studies annual meeting as well as in a workshop on group influence at the ECPR Joint Sessions.

