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CURRICULUM VITAE

EMPLOYMENT

2022- **Senior Lecturer**, Department of Sociology, Political Science and Communication, The Open University of Israel.

2016- 2022 **Lecturer**, Department of Sociology, Political Science and Communication, The Open University of Israel.

2014-2015 **Postdoctoral Fellow**, Center on Democracy, Development and the Rule of Law, Stanford University. Host: Prof. Larry Diamond.
Title of research project “Back to Square One? Reestablishing the Relationship between Representative Role Perceptions and Legislative Behavior.”

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Comparative Politics; Quantitative Methods; Political Representation; Israeli Politics; Gender and Politics; Democratic Legislatures; Legislative Behavior; Party Politics; Electoral Systems; Candidate Selection Methods.

EDUCATION

2009-2014 **PhD**, Department of Political Science, the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.
Dissertation Title “Perceptions of Representation Employed by Elected Representatives: A Top-Down Analysis.” Supervisor: Prof. Reuven Y. Hazan. Committee members: Prof. Matthew S. Shugart (UC Davis), Prof. Gideon Rahat (HUJI).

2007-2009 **MA (Summa Cum Laude)** Department of Political Science, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

2004-2007 **BA (Magna Cum Laude)** Political Science and Jewish History, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

PUBLICATIONS

Articles in peer-reviewed journals

1. **Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut.** 2025. Law, Gender Justice, and the Dynamics of Democratic Backsliding. *Laws*, 14(5), 77. <https://doi.org/10.3390/laws14050077>

2. **Reut Itzkovitch-Malka**, Harsgor, Liran, and Or Tuttnauer. 2025. "The effect of formateur expectations on vote choice: A comparative analysis". *European Journal of Political Research*, 1-22. <https://doi:10.1017/S1475676525100236>
3. Oshri, Odelia and **Reut Itzkovitch-Malka**. 2025. "Muslims' vote choice: Exclusion and group voting in Europe", *Politics and Governance*, 13. <https://doi.org/10.17645/pag.9313>
4. **Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut** and Vered Porzycki. 2025. "Contending with Disadvantage: Women MPs' Coping Strategies in Gendered Parliaments", *International Feminist Journal of Politics*, 1-24. <https://doi.org/10.1080/14616742.2025.2471052>
5. **Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut** and Odelia Oshri. 2024. "The Weight on her Shoulders: Marginalization of Women Legislators in Parliaments and Substantive Representation of Women", *British Journal of Political Science*, 54(4): 1340-1361.
6. **Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut**. 2024. "How do Gender Stereotypes about Leadership Positions Change in the Face of a Crisis?", *Research and Politics*, 11(4). <https://doi.org/10.1177/20531680241293602>.
7. **Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut**, Guy Mor, Odelia Oshri and Shaul Shenhav. 2023. "Talking Representation: How Legislators Re-establish Responsiveness in Cases of Representation Deficits", *European Journal of Political Research*, 63(3): 950-972.
8. Oshri, Odelia, Liran Harsgor, **Reut Itzkovitch-Malka** and Or Tuttnauer. 2023. "Risk Aversion and the Gender Gap in the Vote for Populist Radical Right Parties", *American Journal of Political Science*, 67(3): 701-717.
9. **Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut** and Matthew S. Shugart. 2023. "Party Personnel Practices and Coalition Management in a Multiparty, Fragmented Setting", *Party Politics*, 29(6): 1001-1012.
10. Harsgor, Liran, **Reut Itzkovitch-Malka** and Or Tuttnauer. 2022. "Vote Switching and Coalition-Directed Voting", *European Political Science Review*, 15(1): 96-115.
11. **Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut**. 2020. "Members of Parliaments' Constituency Orientation in the Absence of Electoral Districts: The Case of Extreme Proportional Electoral systems", *Parliamentary Affairs*, 74(2): 421-442.
12. **Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut**, Shaul R. Shenhav, Gideon Rahat and Reuven Y. Hazan. 2019. "The Collective Memory of Dominant Parties in Parliamentary Discourse", *Party Politics*, 27(3): 489-500.
13. **Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut** and Chen Friedberg. 2018. "Gendering Security: The Substantive Representation of Women in the Israeli Parliament", *European Journal of Women's Studies* 25(4): 419-439.
14. **Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut** and Reuven Y. Hazan. 2017. "Unpacking Party Unity: The Combined Effects of Electoral Systems and Candidate Selection Methods on Legislative Attitudes and Behavioral Norms", *Political Studies*, 65(2): 452-474.
15. Rahat, Gideon and **Reut Itzkovitch-Malka**. 2012. "Political Representation in Israel: Minority Sectors vs. Women", *Representation*, 48(3): 307-319.

Under review

1. “Political Gender Stereotypes and Attitudes Toward Women in Office among Palestinians and Jews in Israel” (With Ronit Weismal-Manor).
2. “Outsiders at the Ballot Box: Integration, Discrimination, and Voting Patterns among Muslims in Europe” (with Odelia Oshri and Shaul Shenhav).

Work in progress

“Safety First, Peace Later: Women's Response to Escalating Conflict” (With Liran Harsgor and Odelia Oshri).

Chapters in peer-reviewed edited volumes

1. **Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut**. 2021. “Gender in Israel,” in Reuven Y. Hazan, Alan Dowty, Menachem Hofnung and Gideon Rahat (eds.), *Oxford Handbook of Israeli Politics and Society*. New York: Oxford University Press.
2. Hazan, Reuven Y. and **Reut Itzkovitch-Malka**. 2021. “Parliamentarians and Party Groups: The Role of Intra-party Cohesion,” in Robert Rohrschneider and Jacques Thomassen (eds.), *Oxford Handbook of Representation*. New York: Oxford University Press.
3. **Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut** and Chen Friedberg. 2019. “The Representation of Women in Israel: A Century of Political Involvement,” in Tan, Netina, Mona Lena Krook and Susan Francheschet (eds.), *Global Handbook on Women's Political Rights*. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan.
4. **Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut**. 2018. “Women in Israel: Political Representation as a Mirror to Gender (in)Equality,” in Joel Peters and Rob Pinfold (eds.), *Understanding Israel: Political, Social and Security Challenges*. New York: Routledge.
5. Hazan, Reuven Y. and **Reut Itzkovitch-Malka**. 2018. “Mind the Gap: The Effects of Inter- and Intra-Party Competition on Legislative Unity,” in Robert G. Boatright (ed.), *Routledge Handbook of Primary Elections*. New York: Routledge.
6. Hazan, Reuven Y., **Reut Itzkovitch-Malka** and Gideon Rahat. 2018. “Electoral Systems in Context: Israel,” in Erik Herron, Robert Pekkanen and Mathew S. Shugart (eds.), *Oxford Handbook of Electoral Systems*. New York: Oxford University Press.
7. Konstantinov, Viacheslav and **Reut Itzkovitch-Malka**. 2017. “Immigrants from the Former Soviet Union and Israeli Politics - at a Crossroads,” in Michal Shamir and Gideon Rahat (eds.), *The Elections in Israel 2015*. New Brunswick: Transaction Publishers.
8. Van Vronko, Cynthia, **Reut Itzkovitch-Malka**, Sam Depauw, Rudy B. Andeweg and Reuven Y. Hazan. 2014. “Agreement, Loyalty and Discipline: A Sequential Approach to Party Unity,” in Kris Deschouwer and Sam Depauw (eds.), *Representing the People: A Survey Among Members of Statewide and Sub-state Parliaments*. New York: Oxford University Press, pp. 110-136.
9. **Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut** and Assaf Shapira. 2020. “Legal Gender Quotas for Women in Israel: Why have All the Attempts for Reform Failed?” in Michal Shamir, Hanna Herzog

and Naomi Chazan (eds.), *The Gender Gap in Israel*. Jerusalem: Van Leer Institute, pp. 201-233. (In Hebrew)

10. Oshri, Odelia, **Reut Itzkovitch-Malka** and Liran Harsgor. 2020. “The Politics of Redistribution and Recognition: Feminist Consciousness and its Effect on Voting Behavior,” in Michal Shamir, Hanna Herzog and Naomi Chazan (eds.), *The Gender Gap in Israel*. Jerusalem: Van Leer Institute, pp.87-116. (In Hebrew)
11. **Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut** and Assaf Shapira. 2013. “Political Parties in the Parliamentary Arena: Party Unity.” In Rahat, Gideon, Shlomit Barnea, Ofer Kenig and Chen Friedberg (eds.), *Reforming Israel’s Political System*. Jerusalem: Am Oved and the Israel Democracy Institute, pp. 251-273. (In Hebrew)
12. **Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut** and Assaf Shapira. 2013. “Regulating Political Parties and their Membership.” In Rahat, Gideon, Shlomit Barnea, Ofer Kenig and Chen Friedberg (eds.), *Reforming Israel’s Political System*. Jerusalem: Am Oved and the Israel Democracy Institute, pp.182-213. (In Hebrew)
13. Kenig, Ofer, **Reut Itzkovitch-Malka**, and Assaf Shapira. 2013. “Intra-Party Democracy.” In Rahat, Gideon, Shlomit Barnea, Ofer Kenig and Chen Friedberg (eds.), *Reforming Israel’s Political System*. Jerusalem: Am Oved and the Israel Democracy Institute, pp. 214-236. (In Hebrew)

Monographs

1. Shapira, Assaf, Ofer Kenig, Chen Friedberg and **Reut Itzkovitch-Malka**. 2016. *The Representation of Women in Israeli Politics: A Comparative Perspective*. Jerusalem: Israel Democracy Institute.

Working Papers

1. **Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut**. 2014. *The Representative Function of European Parties: MPs’ Attitudes toward the Party as Their Focus of Representation* (working paper 131/2014). Jerusalem: European Forum at the Hebrew University and Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Oshri, Odelia, Reut Itzkovitch-Malka and Shaul Shenhav. 2024. “Outsiders at the Ballot Box: Integration, Discrimination, and Voting Patterns among Muslims in Europe”. Presented at the Council for European Studies’ International Conference of Europeanists, Lyon.

Harsgor, Liran, Reut Itzkovitch-Malka and Odelia Oshri. 2024. “Safety First, Peace Later: Women’s Response to Escalating Conflict”. Presented at the European Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Cologne.

Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut and Odelia Oshri. 2023. “The Weight on her Shoulders: Marginalization of Women Legislators in Parliaments and Substantive Representation of Women”. Presented at the Annual Conference of the Association for Israel Studies, New York City.

Oshri, Odelia, Reut Itzkovitch-Malka and Shaul Shenhav. 2022. "Political Integration and Immigrants' Party Choice". Presented at the European Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Prague.

Oshri, Odelia, Reut Itzkovitch-Malka and Shaul Shenhav. 2022. "Political Integration and Immigrants' Party Choice". Presented at the Actors without Arena? Bringing the political behavior of youths and immigrants into the mainstream workshop, Berlin.

Oshri, Odelia, Liran Harsgor, Reut Itzkovitch-Malka and Or Tuttnauer. 2022. "The Gender Gap for Populist Parties: Extremism and Risk Aversion". Presented at the Israeli Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Haifa.

Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut, Guy Mor, Odelia Oshri and Shaul Shenhav. 2021. "Talking the talk and walking the walk? How legislators reconcile tensions between competing principals". Presented (virtually) at the International Conference for Public Policy, Barcelona.

Harsgor, Liran, Reut Itzkovitch-Malka and Or Tuttnauer. 2021. "Vote Switching and Coalition-Directed Voting". Presented at the European Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Virtual Conference.

Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut, Guy Mor, Odelia Oshri and Shaul Shenhav. 2021. "Talking the talk and walking the walk? How legislators reconcile tensions between competing principals". Presented at the European Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Virtual Conference.

Harsgor, Liran, Reut Itzkovitch-Malka and Or Tuttnauer. 2021. "Vote Switching and Coalition-Directed Voting". Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Virtual Conference.

Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut and Mateo Cohen. 2019. "The Substantive Representation of Women: Conceptualization and Empirics". Presented at the European Conference on Politics and Gender, University of Amsterdam.

Oshri, Odelia, Liran Harsgor, Reut Itzkovitch-Malka and Or Tuttnauer. 2019. "The Gender Gap for Populist Parties: Extremism and Risk Aversion". Presented at the European Conference on Politics and Gender, University of Amsterdam.

Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut and Matthew S. Shugart. 2018. "Party Personnel Practices and Coalition Management in a Multiparty, Fragmented Setting: The Case of Israel". Presented at the *34th Annual Meeting of the Association for Israel Studies*, UC Berkeley, CA.

Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut. 2016. "Gendering Security: The Substantive Representation of Women in the Israeli Parliament". Presented at the *Work and Family Researchers Network Conference*, Washington DC.

Itzkovitch-Malka, Reut. 2016. "Electoral Systems and Their Effect on Geographically-based Representation: The Case of Extreme Proportional Electoral Systems". Presented at the *3rd General Conference of the ECPR Standing Group on Parliaments*, LMU University, Munich.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE AND ACADEMIC FORUMS

2024- 2025 Member of the Israel Academy of Sciences' Young Scholars in the Humanities and Social Sciences Forum.

2012-2015 Researcher in the “Gender and Politics: The Gender Gap in Voting” project, Van-Leer Institute, Jerusalem.

2009-2015 Researcher in the “The Forum for Political Reform in Israel” project, Israel Democracy Institute, Jerusalem.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES

Manuscripts reviewed for *Journal of Politics*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Politics and Gender*; *Electoral Studies*, *Party Politics*, *Comparative Politics*, *Women's Studies International Forum*.

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS

Research Grants:

2025 Israel Science Foundation (ISF) individual research grant (#1138/2025) for the project “Legislatures as Gendered Arenas -The marginalization of women and substantive representation: A Comparative research agenda” (824,000 NIS for 4 years)

2025 Sophie Davis Forum for Gender, Conflict, and Reconciliation. Vivian Silver Memorial Research Grant (15,000 NIS)

2023 The Levi Eshkol Institute for the Study of the Economy, Society and Policy in Israel. Special research grant for studies related to the "Iron Swords" War.

2017 Israel Science Foundation (ISF) individual research grant (#554/17) for the project “The Substantive Representation of Women in Israel: A Framework for Analysis, and the Normative and Empirical Consequences for Israeli Democracy” (435,000 NIS for 3 years)

Fellowships:

2015-2016 Lady Davis Post Doctoral Fellowship, The Hebrew University (Declined)

2014-2016 Israel Institute Post Doctoral Fellowship (51,000\$ per year, second year declined)

2009-2013 The Hebrew University of Jerusalem President's Fellowship for exceptional doctoral students (55,000\$)

Awards:

2021 The Falk Institute Award for Excellence in Research

2015 The Israeli Political Science Association Commendation for Doctoral Thesis Excellence in 2015

2015 The Tal Foundation Prize for best research paper (3,000\$)

COURSE DEVELOPMENT AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

The Open University

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Introduction to Comparative Politics

Government and Politics in Israel

The Politics of Elections

Politics and Policy – Theory and Practice

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Gender and Politics

Feminism, Politics and Policy