

# Denys Gorbach

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## Education and research career

- 2021-2022      **Sciences Po Toulouse**  
ATER (adjunct lecturer and researcher)
- Since 2017      **Sciences Po Paris**  
PhD candidate in political science, attached to Max Planck Sciences Po Center on Coping with Instability in Market Society (MaxPo) and Centre of European Studies (CEE)  
Thesis title: The (un)making of the Ukrainian working class: Everyday politics and moral economy in a post-socialist city (defense scheduled on 22 April)  
Supervisors: Jenny Andersson, Gilles Favarel-Garrigues
- 2015 – 2017      **Central European University, Budapest, Hungary**  
MA with distinction in Sociology and Social Anthropology, with Global and Urban Studies Specialization
- 2004 – 2007      **National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy, Kyiv, Ukraine**  
MA in Philosophy
- 2000 – 2004      **National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy, Kyiv, Ukraine**  
BA in Political Science

## Main research areas

Political economy, social movements, labour, populism, moral economy, nationalism, class

## Teaching experience

- Spring 2022      **Introduction à la science politique**  
Sciences Po Toulouse, TD, Prépa
- Spring 2022      **Socio-histoire des idées politiques**  
Sciences Po Toulouse, TD, 1A
- Spring 2022      **Sociologie politique**  
Sciences Po Toulouse, CM, Master
- April 2021      **Admission campaign 2021**  
Sciences Po Paris, evaluation of candidate dossiers
- Fall 2020      **Research Workshop: Qualitative Methods of Social Inquiry**  
Sciences Po Paris, Reims campus, own course, 2A
- 2020-2021      **Capstone Project (Parcours civique)**  
Sciences Po Reims campus, academic advisor
- March 2020      **Studying post-Soviet (re)productive labour through an ethnographic lens**  
Labour-atory: research school on contemporary concepts and empirical approaches in labour studies (Moscow), co-authored with Volodymyr Artiukh and Oksana Dutchak
- March 2020      **Labour, value, money: The great theoretical debate**

Labour-atory: research school on contemporary concepts and empirical approaches in labour studies (Moscow), co-authored with Volodymyr Artiukh and Oksana Dutchak

- Fall 2019            **Research Workshop: Qualitative Methods of Social Inquiry**  
Sciences Po Paris, Reims campus, own course, 2A
- Fall 2019            **Comparative Politics**  
Sciences Po Paris, TD, 2A
- Fall 2018            **The Great Transition – Responsibility, Innovation, Commons**  
Sciences Po School of Management and Innovation, TA

## Publications

### Journal articles

- Gorbach, Denys. 2021. « Hégémonie industrielle et économie morale dans une ville sidérurgique ukrainienne ». *Politix* 33(132):49-72.
- Gorbach, Denys. 2020. “Changing Patronage and Informality Configurations in Ukraine: From the Shop Floor Upwards”. *Studies of Transition States and Societies* 12(1):3–15.
- Gorbach, Denys. 2019. “Underground Waterlines: Explaining Political Quiescence of Ukrainian Labor Unions.” *Focaal* (84):33-46.
- Gorbach, Denys and Oles Petik. 2016. “Azovski shlyakh: Kak ul’trapravoye dvizheniye boretsya za mesto v politicheskom meinstrime Ukrainy [The Azov Road: How the Far Right Movement Fights for Its Place in Ukraine’s Political Mainstream].” *Forum Noveishei Vostochnoevropeiskoi Istorii I Kul’tury* 13(1)
- Gorbach, Denys. 2014. “Pro try svity, zmagannia zhertv i politekonomiyu [On the Three Worlds, Victims Competition and Political Economy].” *Spilne* (7):173–91.

### Book chapters

- Gorbach, Denys. 2021. “Poststalinistische Arbeitsverhältnisse und politische Apathie in der Ukraine.” Pp. 57-74 in *Die heutige Ukraine und ihre sowjetischen Wurzeln*. Marburg: Verlag des Herder-Instituts.
- Gorbach, Denys. 2015. “Stosunky praci ta kapitalu v Ukrayini: dvi real’nosti [Labour-Capital Relations in Ukraine: Two Realities].” Pp. 225–41 in *20 rokiv kapitalizmu v Ukrayini: Istoriya odniyeyi iluziyi (20 Years of Capitalism in Ukraine: The History of an Illusion)*. Kyiv: ART KNYGA.

### Public sociology publications

- Gorbach, Denys. 2020. “Middle class populism in Ukraine: looking for the “real people”.” *openDemocracy*. (<https://www.opendemocracy.net/en/odr/middle-class-populism-in-ukraine-looking-for-the-real-people>).
- Gorbach, Denys. 2020. “A hard to swallow solidarity: Ukrainian far right, liberals, and the US police riots.” *LeftEast*. (<https://lefteast.org/a-hard-to-swallow-solidarity-ukrainian-far-right-liberals-and-the-us-police-riots/>).
- Artukh, Volodymyr and Denys Gorbach. 2020. “Workers’ struggles in Ukraine and Belarus. Comparing working class self-activity across the post-Soviet uprisings,” *Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung*. (<https://www.rosalux.de/en/news/id/43290/workers-struggles-in-ukraine-and-belarus>)
- Gorbach, Denys. 2018. “Entrepreneurs of political violence: the varied interests and strategies of the far-right in Ukraine.” *openDemocracy*. Retrieved November 16, 2018 (<https://www.opendemocracy.net/od-russia/denys-gorbach/entrepreneurs-of-political-violence-ukraine-far-right>).

- Budraitskis, Ilya and Denys Gorbach. 2017. “Dreams of Europe: refugees and xenophobia in Russia and Ukraine.” *openDemocracy*. Retrieved November 16, 2018 (<https://www.opendemocracy.net/od-russia/denys-gorbach-ilya-budraitskis/dreams-of-europe-refugees-and-xenophobia-in-russia-and-ukra>).

### Conference activity

- 2021 Régime de l’usine post-post-Soviétique en Ukraine : l’encastrement en décomposition. **Journées internationales de sociologie du travail (JIST 2021)**, Lausanne, November 10-12
- 2021 **Transversal value chains: Labour and capital linking different Europes**, Paris, October 8 – conception and organisation of the conference supported by EASA and CERI
- 2021 Ethnicité en tant que distinction: la politique identitaire dans une ville ukrainienne. Journée doctorale Sciences Po Université de Paris ICT, « **Normes, circulations et mobilisations : Russie-URSS/Chine XXe-XXIe siècles** », May 7
- 2021 (De)politicising infrastructure: reconfigurations of patronage through reforming urban mobility and built environment. **Ukrainian Studies Colloquium**, Frankfurt-Oder, February 15
- 2021 The strange death of public transportation: reconfigurations of patronage through reforming urban mobility in a Ukrainian city. Workshop, “**Patronage and the State as ‘politics-in-conjunction’**”, Halle, February 9-10
- 2020 Divergent trajectories of factory regimes in a Ukrainian industrial town: looking for stable configurations. Seminar, “**L’autoritarisme en question. Gouverner et s’engager dans les sociétés post-soviétiques**”, EHESS, Paris, November 27
- 2020 Patronage and populism: changing power configurations on the shopfloor and the city scale in the post-Maidan Ukraine. Talk of the CEE’s key theme “**The transformations of capitalism**”, Paris, October 1
- 2019 Varieties of informality and hegemony at “old” and “new” industrial workplaces in Ukraine. Workshop, “**Formalisation, Informalisation and the Labour Process: Comparative Perspectives**”, Goettingen, November 20-22
- 2019 Informality, voice and exit at “new” and “old” factories in Ukraine. EASA Anthropology of Labour network conference, “**Key issues in the anthropology of labour in the context of flexible capitalism**”, Amsterdam, September 30-October 1
- 2019 The crisis of hegemonic informality in Ukraine: from the shopfloor to the national scale. Workshop, “**From Economic to Political Informality: Exploring the Link Between Shadow Practices, Policy Making and Development**”, Lund, September 17-19
- 2018 Housing in Post-Soviet Kiev: Approaches to theorising (co-authored with Aliona Liasheva). Conference, “**Spaces and Places in Transition: Urban and Rural Transformations in Central and Eastern Europe**”, Prague, November 7-10
- 2018 Illegitimate but Hegemonic: Trade Unions as Political Representatives of Ukrainian Labour. **ECPR General Conference**, Hamburg, August 22-25  
Chairing the panel on “Social Movements and Mobilization of Political Identities”
- 2018 Theorising socio-spatial transformations in Kiev (co-authored with Aliona Liasheva). Conference, “**Housing Financialization on the Semi-Periphery: Variations on a Global Process**”, Budapest, July 20-22

Chairing the panel on “Economic holdings and housing financialization in Latin American cities”

- 2018 Periodising Ukrainian Political Economy: From ‘Merchant Capitalism’ to the Post-Maidan Conuncture. **9<sup>th</sup> International Social Science Summer School in Ukraine**, Zaporizhzhia, June 25-30
- 2018 Post-Soviet Unionism: Beyond ‘Labour Weakness’ and ‘Socialist Legacies’. Conference, “**Workers beyond Socialist Glorification and Post-Socialist Disavowal: New Perspectives on Eastern European Labour History**”, Vienna, May 24-27
- 2018 Populist Mobilisation and Claim-Making in the Post-Maidan Ukraine. MaxPo Workshop, “**Historicizing Neoliberalism**”, Paris, May 16-18
- 2018 Explaining Political Quiescence of Ukrainian Labour Unions. **Association for Studies of Nationalities 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual World Convention**, Columbia University, New York, May 3-5
- 2018 Populist Mobilisation and Claim-Making in the Post-Maidan Ukraine. **10<sup>th</sup> Graduate Network Conference**, Berlin Graduate School of Social Sciences, March 21-23

### Service to profession

- 2021 *Populism*, *Cogent Social Sciences*, and *Cogent Humanities*, journal manuscript review work
- Since 2018 *Spilne/Commons journal of social critique*, member of the editorial board
- 2014 *Spilne/Commons journal of social critique*, editor of the 7<sup>th</sup> issue (*The Second World*)

### Grants and fellowships

- 2017 Max Planck Sciences Po Center on Coping with Instability in Market Societies, doctoral fellowship
- 2015 Central European University, Master's Scholarship

### Non-academic work

- 2014 – 2015 **Centre.UA NGO, Kyiv, Ukraine**  
Economic analyst
- 2004 – 2014 **Journalist positions in Ukraine’s central media (*Biznes, Glavred, Obozrevatel* etc.)**  
Assignment editor, Writer

### Language skills

- Russian-Ukrainian bilingual
- English, French – fluent
- Turkish, Spanish, Polish, German – B1