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Education

- 10/10 – 04/14 **PhD in Political Sociology**, University of Cambridge, Faculty of Human, Social, and Political Science, Cambridge
- 09/07 – 05/09 **Master of Public Policy**, Hertie School of Governance, Berlin (Major: Public Management)
- 09/01 – 07/07 **MSc Economics**, Corvinus University of Budapest, Budapest (Major: Industrial Organization, Minor: Regional Studies)
- 09/01 – 07/07 **MA Pedagogy**, Corvinus University of Budapest, Budapest

Work Experience

- 09/18 - **Central European University – School of Public Policy**
- Assistant professor of public administration
- 03/14 – **University of Cambridge - DIGIWHIST (Horizon-2020 funded research project)**
- Scientific coordinator for the project DIGIWHIST: large scale, Horizon2020 funded research project on public procurement data and corruption indicators across Europe and Caucasus
 - Post-doctoral researcher at the research project PrivMort (until 02/2015)
- 10/10 - **Government Transparency Institute**
- Director working on the full range of research activities of the Institute since 11/13, research fellow between 10/10 and 10/13
 - Developing a new corruption risk measurement framework in public procurement, legislation, and creating new indicators of collusive bidding
- 05/12 - 02/17 **Corvinus University of Budapest - ANTICORRP (FP7 funded research project)**
- Involved in Work Packages looking at the effectiveness of anticorruption policies in EU-funded infrastructure development and the effect of courts enforcing the EC Public Procurement Directive on public procurement practice in Member States
- 05/08 – 12/17 **Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)**
- Directorate for Education: consultant for projects Learning for Jobs and Skills Beyond School; co-authored country reviews (e.g. Germany)
 - Directorate for Public Governance: consultant contributing to Hungary integrity review and policy capture conceptual report
 - SIGMA: consultant reviewing governance indicators and proposing a new measurement framework in areas: public procurement, accountability
- 02/12 – 09/13 **École Nationale d'Administration (ENA) with University College London (UCL)**
- co-investigator in the project "Impact Assessments in Europe"
 - contributed to the overall research design, quality assurance, data analysis, and drafting research reports
- 11/09 – 10/10 **RAND Europe, Evaluation and Audit Team**
- associate analyst working on projects and proposals in the fields of institutional analysis, labour market, and education policy

Selected Publications

- Fazekas, Mihály and Tóth, Bence, (2018), [The extent and cost of corruption in transport infrastructure. New evidence from Europe](#). Transportation Research Part A: Policy and Practice, 113, July 2018.
- Fazekas, Mihály, & King, Peter Lawrence, (2018), [Perils of development funding? The tale of EU Funds and grand corruption in Central and Eastern Europe](#). Regulation & Governance, av. online.
- Fazekas, Mihály, & Kocsis, Gábor, (2017), [Uncovering High-Level Corruption: Cross-National Corruption Proxies Using Public Procurement Data](#). British Journal of Political Science, av. online.
- Nicholas Charron, Carl Dahlström, Mihály Fazekas, and Victor Lapuente, (2017), [Careers, Connections and Corruption Risks In Europe](#). Journal of Politics, 79(1).
- Fazekas, Mihály, (2017), [Red tape, bribery and government favouritism: evidence from Europe](#). Crime, Law and Social Change, 68(4).
- Fazekas, Mihály and Cingolani, Luciana, (2017), [Breaking the cycle? How \(not\) to use political finance regulations to counter public procurement corruption](#). Slavonic & East European Review, 95(1).
- Fazekas, Mihály, & Tóth, István János, (2017), [Corruption in EU Funds? Europe-wide evidence on the corruption effect of EU-funded public contracting](#). In J. Bachtler et al (Eds.), EU Cohesion Policy. Reassessing performance and direction. ch. 13. Routledge, London.
- Aytalina Azarova, Darja Irdam, Alexi Gugushvili, Mihály Fazekas et al, (2017), [The effect of rapid privatisation on mortality in mono-industrial towns in post-Soviet Russia: a retrospective cohort study](#). The Lancet, 2(5).
- Fazekas, Mihály and Tóth, István János, (2016), [From corruption to state capture: A new analytical framework with empirical applications from Hungary](#). Political Research Quarterly, 69(2).
- Fazekas, Mihály, Tóth, István János, and King, Lawrence, (2016), [An Objective Corruption Risk Index Using Public Procurement Data](#). European Journal of Criminal Policy and Research, 22(3).
- Fazekas, Mihály, & Nanopoulos, Eva, (2016), [The Effectiveness of EU law: Insights from the EU Legal Framework on Asset Confiscation](#). European Journal of Crime, Criminal Law and Criminal Justice, 24(1).
- Fazekas, Mihály, & Tóth, Bence, (2016), [Assessing the potential for detecting collusion in Swedish public procurement](#). Uppdragsforskningsrap. 2016:3, Swedish Competition Authority, Stockholm.
- Dávid-Barrett, Elizabeth, & Fazekas, Mihály, (2016), [Corrupt contracting: Controlling Partisan Favouritism in Public Procurement](#). ERCAS WP No. 49, Hertie School of Governance, Berlin.
- Fazekas, Mihály, Lukács, Péter András & Tóth, István János (2015), [The Political Economy of Grand Corruption in Public Procurement in the Construction Sector of Hungary](#). In A. Mungiu-Pippidi (Ed.), Government Favouritism in Europe. The Anticorruption Report 3. ch. 4. Barbara Budrich Publishers, Berlin.
- Fazekas, M. (2015), [The Cost of One-Party Councils: Lack of Electoral Accountability and Public Procurement Corruption](#). London: Electoral Reform Society.
- Fazekas, Mihály and Tóth, István János, (2014), [New ways to measure institutionalised grand corruption in public procurement](#). U4 Brief. October 2014:9. U4 – Chr. Michelsen Institute, Bergen, Norway.
- Fazekas, Mihály, (2014), [The use of “Big Data” for social sciences research—an application to corruption research](#). In SAGE Research Methods Cases. London: SAGE Publications Ltd.
- Lianos, Ioannis, & Fazekas, Mihály, (2014), A coat of many colours: building a taxonomy of Impact Assessment practices in Europe. Revue Française d’Administration Publique, 149(1). (in French)

Grants

- Scientific coordinator for [DIGIWHIST](#): The Digital Whistleblower, an EU funded project collecting procurement data and developing corruption indicators. Budget: 3 million EUR
- Co-principal investigator for a World Bank financed impact evaluation project looking at the impact of the e-procurement system on corruption in Bangladesh. Budget: 1 million GBP
- Co-principal investigator for a DFID-British Academy financed [research project](#) looking at curbing corruption in development aid. Budget: 750,000 GBP
- Lead researcher for [ANTICORRP](#) at Corvinus University of Budapest, EU financed project assessing anticorruption policies in Europe. Budget: 300,000 EUR (of total 10.4 million EUR)

Selected policy impacts

Estonian Ministry of Justice: It published its own calculations based on my data and methodology to inform local elections and highlight corruption risks in municipal administrations.

European Investment Bank: It uses my data and indicators to target audits across Europe.

Italian Anticorruption Agency: It changed its data collection processes as a result of my research pointing out systemic weaknesses.

OECD-Sigma: It uses my indicators and data to benchmark EU accession countries since 2017.

World Bank Latin America and Caribbean group actively promotes my work internally in the Bank and to client countries such as Peru, Brazil, and Paraguay organising workshops and developing online analytics tools.

Language Skills

Hungarian	mother tongue
English	speaking, reading, writing: fluent
French	speaking, reading, writing: intermediate level
German	speaking, reading: excellent; writing: intermediate level

Computer skills

Text editing programs	Excel, html programming, Microsoft Word, Latex, Power Point, WordPress, Tableau
Statistical programs	Amos, R, SPSS, Stata, Ucinet