

## Mihály Fazekas

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### Education

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- 10/10 – 04/14 **PhD in Sociology**, University of Cambridge, Faculty of Human, Social, and Political Science, Cambridge (Title: Prometheus unbound: Quality of government and institutionalised grand corruption in public procurement)
- 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 Organizations, Minor: Regional Studies)
- 09/01 – 07/07 **MA Pedagogy**, Corvinus University of Budapest, Budapest

### Work Experience

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- 03/14 – **DIGIWHIST (Horizon-2020 funded research project) - University of Cambridge**
- Scientific coordinator for the project DIGIWHIST: large scale, Horizon2020 funded research project on public procurement data and indicators across Europe and Caucasus
  - Post-doctoral researcher at the research project PrivMort (until 02/2015)
- 10/10 - **Government Transparency Institute (formerly CRCB)**
- 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 **ANTICORRP (FP7 funded research project) - Corvinus University of Budapest**
- 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 – 12/16 **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, the Netherlands, Switzerland); wrote literature reviews, commented on reports
  - Directorate for Public Governance: contributing to Hungary integrity review and policy capture conceptual report
  - SIGMA: review of governance indicators and proposal for new measurement framework in areas such as public procurement
- 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, Cambridge office**
- associate analyst working on projects and proposals in the fields of institutional analysis, labour market, and education policy

## Selected Publications

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- Nicholas Charron, Carl Dahlström, Mihály Fazekas, and Victor Lapuente, (2017), [Careers, Connections and Corruption Risks In Europe](#). *Journal of Politics*, 79(1).
- Fazekas, Mihály and Luciana Cingolani, (2017), [Breaking the cycle? How \(not\) to use political finance regulations to counter public procurement corruption](#). *Slavonic & East European Review*, 95(1).
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- 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.
- 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.
- Darja Irdam, Lawrence King, Alexi Gugushvili, Aytalina Azarova, Mihály Fazekas et al, (2016), [Mortality in Transition: Study Protocol of the PrivMort Project, a multilevel convenience cohort study](#). *BMC Public Health*, 16:672.
- 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, & Kocsis, Gábor, (2015), [Uncovering High-Level Corruption: Cross-National Corruption Proxies Using Government Contracting Data](#). GTI-WP/2015:02, Government Transparency Institute, Budapest. [R&R in BJPOLIS]
- 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, Chvalkovska, Jana, Skuhrovec, Jiri, Tóth, István János, and King, Peter Lawrence, (2014), [Are EU funds a corruption risk? The impact of EU funds on grand corruption in Central and Eastern Europe](#). In Alina Mungiu-Pippidi (ed.), (2014), *Controlling Corruption in Europe*. ch. 5. Barbara Budrich Publishing, Berlin. [revised version in R&R in Regulation&Governance]
- 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

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- 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: 800,000 USD
- Co-principal investigator for a DFID-British Academy financed research project looking at curbing corruption in development aid. Budget: 400,000 GBP
- Scientific coordinator for DIGIWHIST: The Digital Whistleblower, an EU funded project collecting procurement data and developing corruption indicators. Budget: 3 million EUR
- 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 impact work (main organisations)

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Council of Europe, Dutch Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations, European Commission (DG REGIO, DG HOME, DG GROW), European Parliament, French High Authority for Transparency in Public Life, G20, Hungarian Competition Authority, Inter-American Development Bank, Italian Anticorruption Agency (ANAC), OECD (EDU, GOV, Sigma), Open Contracting Partnership, Peruvian Procurement Authority (OSCE), Romanian Competition Council, Stefan Batory Foundation, Swedish Competition Authority, Transparency International, UK Cabinet Office, UK DFID, World Bank.

## Language Skills

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

## Computer skills

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