Online Appendix

**TABLE A1.** Description of key variables

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Variable** | **Categories** | **Modus** | **Min** | **Max** | ***N*** |
| Initiative to support embryonic stem cell research | 0 – none  1 – prohibition  2 – key date  3 – import | 1 | 0 | 3 | 665 |
| Initiative to support gay marriage | 0 – none  1 – cohabitation  2 – registered  partnership | 2 | 0 | 2 | 668 |
| Initiative to support prostitution | 0 – unaffiliated  1 – limited recognition  2 – full recognition | 1 | 0 | 2 | 667 |
| Religious party  affiliation | 0 – no  1 – yes | 0 | 0 | 1 | 699 |
| Religious denomination | 0 – unaffiliated  1 – Catholic  2 – Protestant | 0 | 0 | 2 | 699 |
| Religious engagement | 0 – no  1 – yes | 0 | 0 | 1 | 699 |

Data source: German Bundestag.

**TABLE A2.** Determinants of politicizing same-sex partnerships rights

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Model 1 |  |  | Model 2 |  |  | Model 3 |  |  |
|  | Cohabitation | Registered Partnership |  | Cohabitation | Registered Partnership |  | Cohabitation | Registered Partnership |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Member religious party1 | -23.19\*\* | -23.11\*\* | \*\* |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | (1.93) | (1.86) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *Religious denomination*2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Catholic |  |  |  | -1.13\*\* | -1.47\*\* | \*\* | -0.86\*\* | -1.17\*\* |  |
|  |  |  |  | (0.12) | (0.14) |  | (0.09) | (0.15) |  |
| non affiliated |  |  |  | 1.07 | 1.27 |  | 1.04 | 1.30 |  |
|  |  |  |  | (1.09) | (1.12) |  | (1.11) | (1.17) |  |
| Religious |  |  |  | -1.17\*\* | -0.08 | \*\* | -0.82\*\* | 0.24\* | \*\* |
|  |  |  |  | (0.10) | (0.16) |  | (0.02) | (0.11) |  |
| Religious\*Catholic |  |  |  |  |  |  | -13.05\*\* | -1.05\*\* | \*\* |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | (1.14) | (0.10) |  |
| Religious non-affiliated |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.77\* | 0.25 | \*\* |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | (0.37) | (0.42) |  |
| Female | -1.35\*\* | -0.56\*\* | \*\* | -0.29 | 0.43 | \*\* | -0.24 | 0.46 | \*\* |
|  | (0.12) | (0.20) |  | (0.26) | (0.27) |  | (0.26) | (0.27) |  |
| Academic background | 0.69\* | 0.48 | \*\* | 0.05 | -0.13 | \*\* | 0.05 | -0.14 | \*\* |
|  | (0.29) | (0.32) |  | (0.10) | (0.11) |  | (0.11) | (0.13) |  |
| Age | 0.03\*\* | 0.01 | \*\* | 0.01\* | 0.00 |  | 0.01\* | 0.00 | \* |
|  | (0.00) | (0.02) |  | (0.01) | (0.01) |  | (0.00) | (0.01) |  |
| Residence in East | -2.91\*\* | -2.36\*\* | \*\* | -1.33\* | -0.85 | \*\* | -1.30\* | -0.83 | \*\* |
| Germany | (0.06) | (0.11) |  | (0.54) | (0.60) |  | (0.53) | (0.60) |  |
| Constant | -0.68 | 2.27 |  | -2.11 | 0.43 |  | -2.30 | 0.23 |  |
|  | (1.59) | (1.46) |  | (1.65) | (1.54) |  | (1.61) | (1.50) |  |
| *N* | 668 |  |  | 668.00 |  |  | 668 |  |  |
| Log-Likelihood | -232.46 |  |  | -499.08 |  |  | -494.86 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

*Note:* Non-standardized coefficients of multinomial logistic regression, clustered standard errors in brackets. Cluster variable: party affiliation: “CDU/CSU,” “SPD,” “FDP,” “Bündnis90/Die Grünen,” “Die Linke.” Base category of the dependent variable: “none”; 1 Base category: “secular party.” 2 Base category: “Protestant.” Two-sided test: \**p* < 0.05; \*\**p* < 0.01. Data Source: German Bundestag.

**TABLE A3.** Determinants of politicizing prostitution policy

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Model 1 |  |  | Model 2 |  |  | Model 3 |  |  |
|  | Limited Recognition | Full Recognition |  | Limited Recognition | Full Recognition |  | Limited Recognition | Full Recognition |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Member religious party1 | -22.25\*\* | -21.29\*\* | \*\* |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | (1.86) | (1.95) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *Religious denomination*2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Catholic |  |  |  | -1.22\*\* | 0.18 | \*\* | -0.90\*\* | 0.67\*\* |  |
|  |  |  |  | (0.14) | (0.11) |  | (0.13) | (0.11) |  |
| non affiliated |  |  |  | 1.77\* | 4.81\*\* | \*\* | 1.82\* | 4.88\*\* |  |
|  |  |  |  | (0.84) | (0.86) |  | (0.85) | (0.86) |  |
| Religious |  |  |  | -0.01 | -0.38 | \*\* | 0.37\* | 0.06 | \*\* |
|  |  |  |  | (0.20) | (0.26) |  | (0.16) | (0.26) |  |
| Religious\*Catholic |  |  |  |  |  |  | -1.13\*\* | -12.13\*\* | \*\* |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | (0.12) | (1.14) |  |
| Female | 0.63\*\* | 1.31\*\* | \*\* | 0.67\*\* | 1.18\*\* | \*\* | 0.71\*\* | 1.23\*\* | \*\* |
|  | (0.07) | (0.13) |  | (0.07) | (0.12) |  | (0.06) | (0.12) |  |
| Academic background | -0.03 | -0.51 |  | -0.17\*\* | -0.61 | \*\* | -0.18\*\* | -0.62 | \*\* |
|  | (0.06) | (0.35) |  | (0.04) | (0.53) |  | (0.07) | (0.52) |  |
| Age | -0.02 | -0.05\*\* | \*\* | -0.01 | -0.04\*\* | \*\* | -0.01 | -0.03\*\* | \*\* |
|  | (0.02) | (0.00) |  | (0.01) | (0.01) |  | (0.01) | (0.00) |  |
| Residence in East | 0.54\*\* | 2.91\*\* | \*\* | 0.04 | 2.43\*\* | \*\* | 0.06 | 2.46\*\* | \*\* |
| Germany | (0.04) | (0.10) |  | (0.17) | (0.22) |  | (0.17) | (0.21) |  |
| Constant | 3.16 | 1.56 |  | 0.80 | -3.56 |  | 0.57 | -3.80 |  |
|  | (1.38) | (1.84) |  | (1.38) | (1.93) |  | (1.36) | (1.92)\* |  |
| *N* | 667 |  |  | 667 |  |  | 667 |  |  |
| Log-Likelihood | -231.11 |  |  | -425.35 |  |  | -422.30 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

*Note:* Non-standardized coefficients of multinomial logistic regression, clustered standard errors in brackets. Cluster variable: party affiliation: CDU/CSU, SPD, FDP, Bündnis90/Die Grünen, Die Linke. Base category of the dependent variable: “none”; 1 Base category: “secular party.” 2 Base category: “Protestant.” Two-sided test: \**p* < 0.05; \*\**p* < 0.01. Data Source: German Bundestag.

**TABLE A4.** Determinants of politicizing embryonic stem cell research

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Model 1 |  |  |  | Model 2 |  |  |  | Model 3 |  |  |  |
|  | Prohi-bition | Key date | Import |  | Prohi-bition | Key date | Import |  | Prohi-bition | Key date | Import |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Member religious party1 | 0.76\*\* | 0.93\*\* | 0.64\*\* | \*\* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | (0.21) | (0.24) | (1.27) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *Religious denomination*2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Catholic |  |  |  |  | 0.74\*\* | 0.58\*\* | -0.95\* | \*\* | 0.64\*\* | -0.61\*\* | -0.97\*\* |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | (0.10) | (0.13) | (0.40) |  | (0.24) | (0.19) | (0.32) |  |
| non affiliated |  |  |  |  | -0.10 | -0.11 | -0.99 |  | 0.05 | -0.18 | -0.98 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | (0.24) | (0.46) | (0.53) |  | (0.41) | (0.45) | (0.59) |  |
| Religious |  |  |  |  | 0.55\*\* | 0.21 | -0.55 | \*\* | 0.61 | 0.06 | -0.53\*\* | \*\* |
|  |  |  |  |  | (0.14) | (0.17) | (0.33) |  | (0.40) | (0.16) | (0.17) |  |
| Religious\*Catholics |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.35 | 0.15 | -0.03 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | (0.74) | (0.42) | (0.42) |  |
| Religious non affiliated |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | -0.92 | 0.23 | -0.07 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | (0.94) | (0.20) | (0.76) |  |
| Female | 0.20\* | 0.33\*\* | -0.11 | \*\* | 0.19\* | 0.42\*\* | -0.21 | \*\* | 0.15 | 0.42\*\* | -0.22 | \*\* |
|  | (0.09) | (0.12) | (0.29) |  | (0.09) | (0.09) | (0.24) |  | (0.08) | (0.09) | (0.23) |  |
| Academic background | -0.24 | -0.33 | 0.29 | \*\* | -0.16 | -0.35 | 0.22 |  | -0.17 | -0.35 | 0.22 | \*\* |
|  | (0.13) | (0.24) | (0.56) |  | (0.14) | (0.23) | (0.50) |  | (0.14) | (0.22) | (0.50) |  |
| Age | -0.01 | -0.01 | 0.01 | \*\* | -0.01 | -0.01 | 0.01 | \*\* | -0.01 | -0.01 | 0.01 | \*\* |
|  | (0.02) | (0.02) | (0.02) |  | (0.01) | (0.02) | (0.02) |  | (0.02) | (0.02) | (0.02) |  |
| Residence in East | -0.54 | -0.57 | -0.30 |  | -0.41 | -0.58 | -0.46 | \* | -0.43 | -0.58 | -0.47 |  |
| Germany | (0.45) | (0.55) | (0.52) |  | (0.41) | (0.52) | (0.43) |  | (0.40) | (0.51) | (0.43) |  |
| Constant | 0.94 | 1.31 | -1.87 |  | 0.85 | 1.27 | -0.79 |  | 0.81 | 1.35 | -0.79 |  |
|  | (0.84) | (1.34) | (1.42) |  | (0.78) | (1.23) | (0.89) |  | (0.90) | (1.27) | (0.93) |  |
| *N* | 665 |  |  |  | 665 |  |  |  | 665 |  |  |  |
| Log-Likelihood | -843.06 |  |  |  | -841.11 |  |  |  | -837.91 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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