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2009, making use of a novel data set and quantitative methods. Contents Dynamic patterns of inter-party competition Dynamics between parliamentary activities and overall party communication Dynamics between public opinion and overall party communication The Europeanization of party communication Methods of analysis: time series and multi-level regression models Target Groups Lecturers and Students of Social Sciences, Political Sciences, Communication and Media Studies Political Parties, Organisations, Consultants in the area of Political Communications, Public and Media Relations The Author After successful completion of the PhD program in political science at the Graduate School of Economic and Social Sciences of Mannheim University, Simona Bevern is now working in research management. .

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