Survey of Experts on Political Parties and Globalization

Analysis of Convergent Validity[1]

Table 1

Convergent validity: correlations (corresponds to Ray (2007), Table 2, p. 19)

	Hellwig Expert Survey	Expert Survey	Mass perceptions
Expert Survey	0.957 (145)	-	
Mass perceptions	0.881 (107)	0.881(112)	-
Manifesto	0.722 (121)	0.738 (125)	0.698 (96)

(*N* in parentheses) All correlations significant at 0.001 level. Expert survey data from Benoit and Laver (2006). Mass perception data from the Comparative Study of Electoral Systems, 2001-2006 (Sapiro and Shively, 2007). Manifesto data from the Comparative Manifestos Project (Klingemann et al., 2006). All variables have been rescaled on a 1-10 basis.

Table 2

Correlations on Social and Tax/Spend dimensions

	Benoit & Laver expert survey (2006)
Social dimension	.9060 (163)
Tax/Spend dimension	.9173 (159)

(*N* in parentheses) All correlations significant at 0.001 level. Expert survey data from Benoit and Laver (2006). Variables were rescaled from 1 to 10.

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Notes on merging the Benoit & Laver (2006) dataset:

1) Democratici di Sinistra matched with Partido Democratico (PD) in Italy; 2007 merger of several parties, of which DS was the largest.
2) Il Popolo della Liberta matched with Forza Italia (2007 merger betwenn FI and National Alliance).
3) Rod Valgalliance matched with Rodt in Norway (2007 merger b/n Rod Valgalliance and *Arbeidernes Kommunistparti*
4) Partido Nacionalista Vasco matched with Partido Nacionalista Vasco/Euzko Alderdi Jeltzalea in Spain

Notes on merging the CSES dataset:

1) Data from phone interviews was used in Germany (data from mail was dropped).
2) The Conservative Party (CSES) is matched with Moderata Samlingspartiet

Notes on merging the Comparative Party Manifestos dataset:

1) New Conservative Party (Japan) is available for 2000 only in CPM dataset; I have used the 2003 data for all Japanese parties and counted the NCP as missing.
2) The Unified Democratic Coalition in the CPM data is matched with the Portuguese Communist Party (Portugal). The UDC comprised of the Communist & Green parties where the Communist party was the larger coalition partner.

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