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Indiana University, Bloomington, USA
Ph.D. Political Science (2014)

Sciences-Po, Paris, France
M.A. Comparative Politics of Asia (2006)

Institut d'Etudes Politiques, Strasbourg, France
B.A. Political Science (2005)

Books

Sumit Ganguly, **Nicolas Blarel** and Manjeet Pardesi. Eds. (2018). *The Oxford Handbook of India's National Security*. Oxford University Press.

Nicolas Blarel. (2015). *The Evolution of India's Israel Policy: Continuity, Change, and Compromise since 1922*. Oxford University Press.
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Nicolas Blarel. (2006). *Inde et Israël : Le Rapprochement Stratégique, Pragmatisme et Complémentarité*. L'Harmattan.

Peer-Reviewed Publications

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Surupa Gupta, Rani D Mullen, Rajesh Basrur, Ian Hall, **Nicolas Blarel**, Manjeet S Pardesi, Sumit Ganguly (2018). “Indian Foreign Policy under Modi: A New Brand or Just Repackaging?”. *International Studies Perspectives*. Available in advance online: <https://doi.org/10.1093/isp/eky008>.

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*Book Chapters and
Other Publications*

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Nicolas Blarel. (2019). “La strategie nucleaire indienne: un dilemme insoluble?” *Herodote* 173 (2): 103-120.

Nicolas Blarel. (2018). “L’Inde peut-elle devenir une grande puissance?” *Politique Etrangere* 2018/2 (Été): 69-78.

Nicolas Blarel. (2018). “Mischief under the Nuclear Umbrella: Dynamics and Implications” in Rajeswari Rajagopalan and Allard Wagemaker. Eds. *Global Nuclear Security: Moving Beyond the NSS*. Global Policy- Observer Research Foundation series.

Hannes Ebert and **Nicolas Blarel** (2018) “Power, Territory and Learning: Explaining Pakistan’s Persistent Contestation” in Hannes Ebert and Daniel Flesch. Eds. *Regional Powers and Contested Leadership*. Palgrave.

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Nicolas Blarel. (2012). "Linguistic Movements, Secessionism and State-Building in India," in *India in the World Since 1947: National and Transnational Perspectives* edited by Corinna Unger and Andreas Hilger. Peter Lang International Academic Publishers.

Nicolas Blarel. (2011). "Nuclear Weapons in South Asia: Theoretical implications" in *South Asian Security: 21st Century Discourse*, edited by Sagarika Dutt and Alok Bansal. Routledge.

Nicolas Blarel. (2010). "Indo-Israeli Relations: Emergence of a Strategic Partnership" in *India's Foreign Policy: Retrospect and Prospect* edited by Sumit Ganguly. Oxford University Press.

Nicolas Blarel. (2008). "Kashmir Conflict" in *Hot Spots: Asia and Oceania*, edited by Clinton Fernandes. Greenwood Press.

Nicolas Blarel (2008). "New Delhi-Washington: Portées et Limites d'un Rapprochement" in *New Delhi et le Monde: Une puissance Emergente entre Realpolitik et Soft Power*, edited by Christophe Jaffrelot. CERI-Autrement.

Nicolas Blarel. (2007). "Inde, Iran et Moyen-Orient", *Géopolitique* 99.

<i>Other articles</i>	<p>Newspapers and Magazines <i>The Caravan, The Diplomat, The Hindu Business Line, Indian Express, The Times of India, The Wire</i></p> <p>Online Publications <i>The Middle-East Institute, The Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, IDSA Policy Brief, LSE IDEAS, The Institute of Asia and Pacific Studies (IAPS) Dialogue</i></p>
<i>Teaching</i>	<p>Leiden University, Netherlands Introduction to International Relations (Undergraduate) American Foreign Policy (Undergraduate) Emerging Powers in World Affairs (Undergraduate) Master Thesis Seminar (Graduate) Foreign Policy Analysis (Graduate) Advanced Academic and Professional Skills (Graduate)</p> <p>Hertford College, Oxford, England International Security (Undergraduate)</p> <p>Indiana University, Bloomington, USA Politics of the European Union (Undergraduate) West European Politics (Undergraduate)</p>
<i>Supervision</i>	<p>Leiden University, Netherlands Dissertation Master Theses Pre-University Projects</p> <p>The Hague University of Applied Sciences, Netherlands Undergraduate Theses</p>
<i>Grants, Awards, & Fellowships</i>	<p>Asian Modernities and Traditions (AMT) Large Research Grant (Leiden University), co-applicant, 150,000€ (2017-2019)</p> <p>Benjamin Most Award to Outstanding Student in the Area of International Relations, Indiana University, 500\$ USD (2014)</p> <p>Conference Travel Grant (Lovell Foundation), 300\$ USD (2013)</p> <p>Madhusudan and Kiran C. Dhar India Studies Program Graduate Student Travel Fellowship, Indiana University, 1,500\$ USD (2011)</p> <p>India Studies Program Fellowship, Indiana University, 29,355\$ USD (2007-08)</p> <p>Master Thesis Research Travel Grant, Sciences-Po Paris, 500€ (2006)</p>
<i>Other Professional Appointments</i>	<p>Guest Scholar at Carnegie- India, New Delhi</p> <p>Visiting Research Fellow at the Observer Research Foundation, New Delhi, India (2015)</p>

Graduate Research Assistant, Center on American and Global Security (CAGS), Indiana University, Bloomington, USA (2013-2014).

Editorial Assistant at *International Studies Quarterly* (2012-2013)

Visiting Research Fellow at the Institute for Defence and Strategic Analyses (IDSA), New Delhi, India (2011).

Research Assistant. Centre d'Analyse, de Prévision, et de Stratégie, French Foreign Ministry, Paris. France (2007)

Visiting Fellow at the Centre de Sciences Humaines (CSH), New Delhi, India (2006 & 2010)

*Selected
Conference &
Workshop
Presentations*

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2013; 2016)

International Studies Association Annual Meeting (2011-19)

International Studies Association Asia-Pacific Conference (2017)

British International Studies Association Meeting (2015-2016)

European International Studies Association Meeting (2015, 2017)

Security Studies Seminar, Carnegie India, New Delhi, June 10, 2019. "Modi Looks West: Assessing Change and Continuity in India's Middle East Policy". "Evolution des doctrines nucléaires: enjeux et perspectives."

Séminaire Sociologie de la Politique Etrangère et des Pratiques Diplomatiques, Sciences-Po, Center for International Studies (CERI), Paris. March 6, 2019. "Beyond veto players? Understanding the changing role of regional actors in Indian foreign-policy making".

Colloque "Équilibres stratégiques et doctrine nucléaire en Asie du Sud", Synopia, May 18, 2018.

Diplomacy and Global Affairs Research Seminar, Leiden University Campus The Hague. April 20, 2017. "Mischief under the Nuclear Umbrella: Dynamics and Implications."

Seminar "Attaining Global Nuclear Security" organized by the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Observer Research Foundation (India), April 5, 2017. "Terrorism under the Nuclear Umbrella."

Global Security Seminar. School of Social and Psychological Science, University of Glasgow, Glasgow. March 3, 2017. "Regional Contestation in South Asia: Retrospect and Prospect."

Special Lecture Series, Centre for Multilevel Federalism, Institute of Social Sciences, New Delhi, November 29, 2016. "From Obstruction to Engagement? Multilevel Coalitions in Federal Democracies and Foreign Policymaking."

Faculty of Arts and Humanities of the University of Lisbon. Lisbon. March 28, 2016. “The evolution of India’s policy towards Israel: implications for the Middle-East”

Modern South Asia Seminar. March 23 March. Leiden. “Plus ça change, plus ça reste la même chose? Evaluating change and continuity in Modi's policy towards Israel.”

Participation in the Roundtable on “Afghanistan and Its International Partners: The Road Ahead”, The Hague Institute for Global Justice. March 1, 2016. The Hague.

LSE India Summit. January 28-30, 2016. Goa. “India-West Asia relations.”

Panel on the “Geopolitics of South Asia: Transforming or destabilizing the road ahead?” organized by the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs. January 13, 2016. The Hague.

Presentation and roundtable at the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies. November 23, 2015. Singapore. "Modi's “Look West” Policy: India's Balancing Act in West Asia"

Conference “India as a Major World Power.” August 25-26, 2015. Victoria University, Wellington.

Book launch at King’s College. June 16, 2015, London. “The Evolution of India’s Israel Policy”

*Field Work
Experience*

India

March-April 2006

January-April 2007

June-July 2008

May-July 2010

August-December 2011

June-July 2012

November-December 2015

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*Professional
Affiliations and
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Editor: Associate Editor at *Indian Politics and Policy* (Policy Studies Organization)

Referee: Georgetown University Press, Oxford University Press, Palgrave MacMillan, Routledge (books); Asian Security, Cold War Studies, Diplomacy and Statecraft, European Journal of International Relations, Foreign Policy Analysis, India Review, Journal of Borderland Studies, Regional and Federal Studies, The RUSI Journal, Security Studies (Journals).

Co-Founder and Section-Program Chair, South Asia in World Politics Section, International Studies Association

