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The Role of Cultural Values in Public Policy Forecasting

In my dissertation research, I aim to measure the impact of the cultural values of forecasters on their ability to predict the opinion of experts on public policy priorities. Forecasters with collectivistic cultural values are hypothesized to be able to predict expert opinion more accurately than those with individualistic values. To collect data, I will use a mixed-method study - a controlled forecasting tournament with semi-structured questionnaires and qualitative observations. From the territorial perspective, I will draw on the recent US research findings and test them on the case of Czech public policy. If the hypothesis is proven, it will support a claim that collaborative mechanisms for forecasting public priorities are more effective in societies with collectivist values (e.g. CZ) rather than societies with prevalent individualist values (USA).