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CURRICULUM VITAE

My main fields of research are political philosophy and applied ethics. In political philosophy my research revolves on social and moral progress in the face of reasonable and unreasonable disagreement. In applied ethics, I have published on migration ethics, the ethics of emerging technology and economic ethics. For short summaries of my research papers, [click here](#) or visit my homepage.

Specialization

AOS: Political Philosophy, Applied Ethics

AOC: Philosophy of Economics, Ethics of Emerging Technologies

Employment

04/2024 – present	Professor of Political Philosophy Universität Graz Department of Philosophy
06/2018 – 03/2024	Postdoc Research Associate/Lecturer (wiss. Mitarbeiter) Universität Hamburg Department of Philosophy
08/2016 – 05/2018	Postdoc Research Associate Brown University Political Theory Project
10/2015 – 07/2016	Postdoc Research Associate/Lecturer (wiss. Mitarbeiter) Universität Hamburg Department of Philosophy
10/2011 – 09/2015	Doctoral Research Associate (wiss. Mitarbeiter) Technische Universität München TUM School of Social Science and Technology

Education

- 11/2022 – *Software Engineering Studies*
03/2024 42Berlin
- 10/2011 – *Doctorate in Philosophy*
06/2015 Technische Universität München
PhD thesis: Polycentric Democracy—Making Use of Diversity
Grade: summa cum laude (distinction)
Advisors: Prof. Christoph Lütge, Prof. Thomas Schramme
- Graduate research visits:
People’s University of China (10/2014)
University of Arizona (01/2014 – 07/2014)
- 10/2008 – *M.A. Philosophy and Chinese Studies*
02/2011 Universität Hamburg
- Visiting student:
Chinese Language Program (08/2006 – 07/2007)
Beijing Foreign Studies University
- 10/2004 – Undergraduate Studies in Economics, Philosophy, Sinology
07/2006 Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen

Publications

Journal articles (peer reviewed)

- [2023] An Epistemic Account of Populist Ideology.
Episteme (Online First).
- [2023] An Egalitarian Challenge to Increasing Epistemic Value.
Synthese 202(74), with A. Ebrahimi Afrouzi
- [2023] Epistemic Democracy: Making Pluralism Productive.
Episteme 20(3): 667-684.
- [2020] Should Manual Driving be (Eventually) Outlawed?
Science and Engineering Ethics 26(3): 1549–1567, with J. Gogoll.
- [2018] The Ethics of Commercial Human Smuggling.
European Journal of Political Theory 20(1): 138–156.
- [2018] Epistemic Democracy: Beyond Knowledge Exploitation.
Philosophical Studies 75(5): 1267–1288.
- [2017] Order Ethics: The Turn towards Polycentric Democracy.
Zeitschrift für Wirtschafts- und Unternehmensethik 18(3): 401–415.
- [2016] Advancing Justice by Appealing to Self-Interest: The Case for Charter Cities.
Moral Philosophy and Politics 3(2): 223–245.

- [2016] Autonomous Cars: In Favor of a Mandatory Ethics Setting.
Science and Engineering Ethics 23(3): 681–700, with J. Gogoll.
- [2016] Order Ethics – Bridging the Gap between Contractarianism and Business Ethics, with C. Lütge and T. Armbrüster.
Journal of Business Ethics 136(4): 687–697.
- [2014] Wettbewerb der Solidarsysteme.
Annual Review of Law and Ethics 22(1): 329–348, with C. Lütge.

Books

- [2019] Political Pluralism, Disagreement and Justice: The Case for Polycentric Democracy. Routledge.
Reviewed in: *Journal of Applied Philosophy* (2021), *Public Choice* (2021).
- [2012] Ludwig von Mises als Sozialphilosoph. Liberale Perspektiven, Friedrich Naumann Trust.

Book chapters and shorter academic articles (partly peer reviewed)

- [Forthcoming] Democracy on a blockchain: The cure for populism? *The Twin Challenges of Populism*, eds. K. Horn, J. F. Müller, S. Kolev, De Gruyter.
- [Forthcoming] Applied Ethics, *Handbook of Migration Ethics*, eds. J. Gördemann, A. Niederberger, U. Okeja, Springer.
- [2022] Defending the order ethics approach to the ethics of crashing, *Evolving Business Ethics*, ed. C. Luetge, Springer, 129-136, with J. Gogoll.
- [2021] Populismus als Ideologie: Ein Axiomatisierungsversuch, *Schriftenreihe der DVPW—Themengruppe "Populismus,"* eds. S. Kim, V. Selk, Nomos, 93–110.
- [2021] Cordon Sanitaire: Epistemische Geschlossenheit als Wagnis, *Wissenschaftsfreiheit im Konflikt: Grundlagen—Herausforderungen—Grenzen*, ed. E. Özmen, Metzler Verlag, 105–122.
- [2017] PhD Thesis Summary: Polycentric Democracy—Using and Defusing Disagreements, *Erasmus Journal for Philosophy and Economics* 10(1) 2017: 150–153.
- [2015] Ökonomische und sozialetische Bildung als Garant der Sozialen Marktwirtschaft, *Ökonomische Bildung, Zwischen Pluralismus und Lobbyismus*, ed. M. Spieker, Wochenschau Verlag, 173–196, with C. Luetge.
- [2014] Large-scale social experiments in Experimental Ethics, *Experimental Ethics*, eds. H. Rusch, M., Uhl, C. Luetge, New York: Palgrave, 247–263.
- [2014] Ordnungsethik als übergreifender methodischer Ansatz zur Analyse von bereichsethischen Fragestellungen, *Bereichsethiken im interdisziplinären Dialog*, ed. M. Maring, KIT Scientific Publishing, 79-94, with C. Luetge.
- [2013] Die Sozialphilosophie Ludwig von Mises' im Lichte klassischer Liberalismuskonzeptionen. *Das Jahrbuch zur Liberalismus-Forschung*, eds. E. Conze et al., Nomos Verlag, 353–364.

Edited volumes

[Forthcoming] *The Twin Challenges of Populism*, eds. K. Horn, J. F. Müller, S. Kolev. De Gruyter.

Awards

[2017] Roman Herzog Award. Annual, national research award for advancing the concept of the social market economy, €20,000.

[2016] Werner von Melle Award. Biannual dissertation award by the Universität Hamburg. Awarded for advancing the concept of the open society, €10,000.

[2013] Vernon Smith Essay Prize, €3,000.

Funding and Grants

[2022] IHS Grant 2022 for the research project “Exploring the Liberal Mindset,” \$10,000.

[2019] Funding by the Friedrich Naumann Foundation in 2019 for a series of panel discussion on sustainable development zones, €6,000.

Conference and Workshop Presentations

[2023] *Fairness vs Accuracy in AI decision-Making*

CAIS-Workshop Methods of Practical Ethics—Digitisation and Other Challenges

CAIS Institut 15/04/2023

[2022] *Wissenschaftsfreiheit und Moral*

GAP 11 Panel Discussion with Tim Henning and Elif Özmen

Humboldt Universität, 12–15/09/2022

[2022] *The Ethos of a Liberal Society (in light of Lessing’s Ring Parable)*

1st Workshop, Ordoliberalism: The Next Generation

University of Freiburg, 07/08/2022.

[2022] *Reconstructing Populist Ideology*

The Symposium on Experts, Citizens, and Knowledge Problems in Democracy

King’s College London, 06/02/2022.

[2022] *Equal Moral Standing and Noxious Markets*

Talk at the 4th Workshop für Politische Philosophie

Universität Flensburg, 05/20/2022

[2022] *Reconstructing Populist Ideology*

Workshop, Political-Epistemic Cultures and the Epistemic Crisis of Democracy

University of Groningen, 05/09/2022

[2021] *Fairness vs Accuracy in AI decision-Making*

The Responsible AI Forum 2021

TUM, 07/12/2021

- [2021] *Equal Moral Standing and Noxious Markets*
Department of Philosophy Colloquium
Universität Hamburg, 10/11/2021
- [2021] *Equal Moral Standing and Noxious Markets*
VIII. Tagung für Praktische Philosophie
Universität Salzburg, 01/10/2021
- [2021] *Polycentric Approaches to Political Theorizing*
Workshop, Coexisting in a Pluralist Society
Center for Governance and Markets, University of Pittsburg, 29/05/2021
- [2021] *Polyzentrische Demokratie: Auf der Suche nach Gerechtigkeit*
Ringvorlesung: Herausforderungen der liberalen Demokratie
Münchener Kompetenzzentrum Ethik, 25/11/2020
- [2020] *Epistemic Democracy: Making Pluralism Productive*
Zoom Conference on Evaluating Self-Governance
King's College London, 20/11/2020
- [2020] *Populist Ideology: Axiomatized*
DVPW Populism Workshop
Universität Kassel, 29/09/2020
- [2020] *The Logic of Populism*
Political Theory Project
Brown University, 27/02/2020
- [2020] *The Logic of Populism*
Faculty Workshop Series
Georgetown Institute for the Study of Markets and Ethics, 21/02/2020
- [2020] *Political Pluralism, Disagreement and Justice: The Case for Polycentric Democracy*
FA Hayek Program for Advanced Study in PPE
George Mason University, 20/02/2020
- [2019] *The Logic of Populism*
2nd Annual Political Epistemology Network Conference
VU University Amsterdam, 13/12/2019
- [2019] *The Logic of Populism*
Department of the Philosophy Colloquium
CAU Kiel, 23/10/2019
- [2019] *The Logic of Populism*
VII. Tagung für Praktische Philosophie
Universität Salzburg, 26/09/2019
- [2019] *Why We should be Concerned with Shallow Rather than Deep Disagreement*
Author Meets Critics Panel: Political Pluralism, Disagreement and Justice
Third Annual Philosophy, Politics and Economics Society Meeting,
New Orleans, 29/03/2019

- [2018] *Justice for Sale*
3rd Workshop for Political Philosophy
FU Berlin, 11/12/2018
- [2018] *Epistemic Democracy—Making Pluralism Productive*
1st NTG Workshop in Moral and Political Philosophy
Universität Hamburg, 03/12/2018
- [2018] *Should Manual Driving be Outlawed in the Future?*
EIT Kolloquium
Universität Hamburg, 16/07/2018.
- [2018] *The Takings Clause* (invited comment)
Property and Political Economy Conference
Chapman University, Orange, CA, 20/04/2018
- [2018] *Disagreeing about Justice—How to Make Pluralism Productive*
Invited Lecture
Bridge Water State University, Bridgewater, MA, 27/03/2018
- [2018] *On Commercial Human Smuggling*
Job application talk
Tulane University, New Orleans, 02/14/2018
- [2017] *Shallow Disagreements—Deceivably Innocent*
Political Disagreement Conference
Humboldt University Berlin, 30/10/2017
- [2017] The Relevance of Deep and Shallow Knowledge Problems for Ideal Theory
Political Philosophy Workshop
TUM, 11/07/2017
- [2017] *Freedom of Pursuit—What Hayek failed to Convey to Habermas*
Workshop: Information, Epistemic Norms, and Democratic Choice
Raitenhaslach, 09/07/2017
- [2017] *Freedom of Pursuit—What Hayek failed to Convey to Habermas*
2nd Workshop Political Philosophy
Universität Flensburg, 07/07/2017
- [2017] *In Defense of Commercial Human Smuggling*
GISME Workshop Series
Georgetown University, 03/04/2017
- [2017] *Epistemic Democracy—Beyond Knowledge Exploitation*
PPE Society Inaugural Conference
New Orleans, 20/03/2017
- [2017] *Epistemic Democracy—Beyond Knowledge Exploitation*
Political Philosophy Workshop
Brown University, 26/01/2017
- [2016] *In Defense of Commercial Human Smuggling*
Department of Business Ethics
TUM, 22/06/2016

- [2016] *Utopian Engineering*
1st Workshop for Political Philosophy Philosophie
Universität Hamburg, 22/04/2016
- [2014] *Polycentric Order and Classical Liberalism*
Students of Liberty
Hans Seidel Foundation,
Munich, 29/11/2014.
- [2014] Polycentric Experiments in Living
Department of Philosophy
Renmin Daxue (People's University).
Beijing, 20/10/2014
- [2014] *Is Normative Diversity a Curse?*
Department of Philosophy
Renmin Daxue (People's University),
Beijing, 18/10/2014
- [2014] *Escaping Modus Vivendi*
Department of Philosophy
Renmin Daxue (People's University),
Beijing, 17/10/2014
- [2014] Rethinking Classical Liberalism
Vernon Smith Award Ceremony
Vaduz, Liechtenstein, 03/02/2014.
- [2013] *Free Cities—Enhancing Democratic Learning through the Power of Exit*
School of Political Science & Economics
Waseda University Tokyo, 17/12/2013
- [2013] *Free Cities—Enhancing Democratic Learning through the Power of Exit*
Philosophy of the City Conference
Brooklyn College, New York, 07/12/2013
- [2013] *The Shenzhen-Approach Towards Social Progress*
Unirule Saloon for Young Scholars
Unirule Institute of Economics, Beijing, 12/11/2013
- [2013] *Bridging Economics & Ethics*
Unirule Saloon for Young Scholars
Unirule Institute of Economics, Beijing, 04/11/2013.
- [2013] Order Ethics—Bridging the Gap Between Contractarianism and Business Ethics
European Business Ethics Conference (Eben)
Université de, 14/09/2013.

Teaching

Fall 2024

Political Philosophy | Locke's Political Philosophy | Political Liberalism |
Metaethics | Research Colloquium

- Spring 2023/24, Universität Graz
Political Epistemology | Value of Equality | Liberal Spirit | Inventing the Individual
- Fall 2023/24, Universität Hamburg
Ethics of AI | Inventing the Individual
- Spring 2023, Universität Hamburg
Methods of Applied Ethics | Autonomy and Moral Enhancement
- Fall 2022/23, Universität Hamburg
Interdisciplinary Seminar in Philosophy and Economics: The Future of the Welfare State (with Prof. Straubhaar) | Ethics of AI | Theories of Liberalism
- Spring 2022, Universität Hamburg
Applied Ethics | What is Virtue Ethics? | Moral Realism
- Fall 2021/22, Universität Hamburg
Arguing about Ethics | Epistemic Injustices
- Spring 2021, Universität Hamburg
The Methods of Applied Ethics | Moral Realism | Ethics of Capitalism
- Fall 2020/21, Universität Hamburg
Ethics of Capitalism | Epistemic Proceduralism
- Spring 2020, Universität Hamburg
Political Epistemology | Moral Realism | Arguing About Ethics
- Fall 2019/20, Universität Hamburg
Philosophy of Political Economy | Ethical Intuitionism
- Spring 2019, Universität Hamburg
Populism: Truth and Democracy
- Fall 2018/19, Universität Hamburg
Disagreeing about Justice | Markets Without Limits?
Political Polarization and Migration
- Spring 2018, Brown University
Markets Without Limits? | Polycentricity
- Fall 2016/17, Universität Hamburg
The Ethics of Immigration
- Spring 2016, Universität Hamburg
Metaethics | Institutional Epistemology
- Fall 2015/16, Universität Hamburg
Digital Ethics | Markets without Limits?
- Spring 2015, Technische Universität München
Markets and Morality
- Fall 2014/15, Technische Universität München
Institutional Epistemology
- Spring 2014, Technische Universität München
Facets of Freedom
- Fall 2012/13, Technische Universität München
What is the Societal Role of the Entrepreneur?

Spring 2012, Technische Universität München

Introduction: Political Philosophy

Fall 2011/12, Technische Universität München

Introduction: Ethics

Services to the Profession

Refereeing

American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, Political Studies, Ethical Theory and Moral Practice, European Journal of Political Theory, Journal of Applied Philosophy, Paladyn Journal of Behavioral Robotics, Philosophical Quarterly, Philosophy & Technology, Res Publica, Review of Politics, Social Theory and Moral Practice.

Referees

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