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DEAR READER,

Education is at the center of IN-EAST’s effort to create the skills and intellectual capacities for future research on East Asia. In this light, two of the most important achievements in the academic year 2013/14 were the award of stipends to 22 students in our BA degree program for their study abroad at partner universities in China and Japan, and the graduation of the largest group to date of 24 students from around the world enrolled in our English-language MA programs. The BA and MA programs continued to grow in popularity and reputation in 2013/14, both recruiting record numbers of new students for study and professional development at IN-EAST.

The core of our educational activities is sound language training, and this year we suffered the loss of the longest member and pioneering leader of our Japanese language program, with the unexpected death of Rafael Beermann in May 2014. With many of the students who lost their beloved teacher in the middle of the semester, we continue to miss his presence in our daily work and study. The academic year 2013/14 brought a number of milestones in our development as a European center of social science and research training in Duisburg and extending our research capacities into the politics and society of the two Koreas.

A second goal is building new capacities in contemporary Korean Studies, with new European-level research activities with our partners in the East-AsiaNet and with a bid to the NRW Research Facilities programs for a new building to accommodate the expansion of staff and activities. In 2013 we were forced to spread in two more buildings in the Geibelstraße of the Duisburg campus with the establishment of the IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies, but our goal remains to bring all staff and capacities under one roof.

A third goal involves developing our research capacities into the politics and society of the two Koreas. One of new goals is a much tighter coordination of our educational activities with the Faculty of East Asian Studies at the Ruhr University Bochum, under the auspices of the University Allianz Ruhr. The Berlin-based Mercator Institute for China Studies (MERICS) was granted the status of affiliated institute (An-Institut) at the Universities of Duisburg-Essen and Bochum in 2014, and will form the cornerstone of new joint research activities between the Universities and MERICS Berlin in the area of contemporary Chinese Politics and Economics.

The second milestone of the past academic year was the graduation of the first cohort of doctoral students in the DFG Research Training Group 1613 Risk and East Asia. Hosted by the Mayor of Duisburg, Sören Link at the historic Mercator Room of the Duisburg City Hall, the event was highlighted by a keynote address from Duisburg doctoral alumna, Prof. Dr. Cornelia Storz, economist at the Goethe-Universität Frankfurt. The first graduates of the Research Training Group have since moved into university and research positions at Freiburg, Groningen and Harvard, as well as in Duisburg. In the meantime, five new doctoral fellows were recruited to commence the second funding period under the direction of the new Speaker of the group, Prof. Flammig Christiansen, PhD. IN-EAST turned 20 years old in 2014, and this new entry on our time-line provided an opportunity to reflect on past accomplishments, but also on future goals.

Karen Shire
(Director, IN-EAST)
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November 28, 2013: In the inspiring environment of Küppersmühle Museum, located in a former storage building at Duisburg Innenhafen, the IN-EAST celebrated the inauguration of the new BMBF funded IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies, holding the 17th Duisburg East Asia Day on a grand scale. Top-ranking scientists and politicians came to participate in the ceremony. Erkan Kocalar, Mayor of the City of Duisburg, Ingrid Lotz-Ahrens, Vice President, University of Duisburg-Essen and Katharina Kloke, German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), gave greetings and introductory remarks. John Urry gave a keynote speech on Innovating Low Carbon Futures. He stressed that technical innovations, for example new fuel systems, new materials and smart vehicles, are one important component for innovation processes. However, there is a social dimension to the process as social practices and habits have to change accordingly. Andrew Tylecote, Emeritus Professor of Economics and Management of Technological Change at Sheffield University Management School, gave a keynote speech on Social and International Forces in Chinese Technological Development. The ShangYin Trio (Fengxia Xu, Lan Tung, Michael Kiedaisch), three musicians from Shanghai, Taiwan and Germany, accompanied the inauguration ceremony with their “beyond platitudinous crossover” music.

The IN-EAST had the pleasure to host the 30st Euro-Asia Management Studies Association (EAMSA) Annual Conference. From 27 to 30 November, 2013, international researchers gathered at the University of Duisburg-Essen to discuss the latest research findings, exchange ideas and establish collaborative networks. The theme of the conference was Innovation in Asia and Europe. Approaches and Answers to New Challenges. The conference gave the new IN-EAST School its first opportunity to discuss and develop its research with international experts. The EAMSA provides a platform for scholarly exchange on economic and management issues in Europe and Asia. Since 1992 EAMSA has annually alternated its conferences between Asia and Europe. For a detailed conference program please see Chapter 10.
March 11 – July 22, 2014: On the occasion of the 3rd anniversary of the Great East Japan Earthquake on March 11, 2011, the IN-EAST presented the exhibition of 116 photographs 生きる – IKIRU – We Survive! to commemorate the catastrophe. Thanks to the close cooperation with the Japan Foundation (JKI) and the Japan Professional Photographers Society (JPS) as well as the generous support of the Institute for Work, Skills and Training (IAQ), the IN-EAST was able to bring the extensive travelling exhibition of photographs to Duisburg.

From the perspective of the victims themselves, the photographs show how life changed completely within minutes for the people in northeastern Japan. However, the exhibition also includes pictures from the decades prior to the catastrophe as well as snapshots of happy moments during reconstruction work. Professional and non-professional photographers have contributed to the comprehensive collection of pictures, that was presented on three floors in the hallways of the LE building.

Ms. Tokiko Kiyota, Director of the JKI, visited the IN-EAST to open the exhibition together with Prof. Dr. Winfried Flüchter who did a tour of the exhibition.
**HELLO, GOOD-BYE & WELCOME BACK 2014**

**GRADUATES’ CEREMONY AND WELCOMING THE NEW STUDENTS**

On October 23, 2014, the Institute of East Asian Studies (IN-EAST) congratulated this year’s graduates on successfully completing their degrees, gave a warm welcome to the new students and welcomed students back who had spent a year abroad. The IN-EAST celebrated, together with graduates, their families and friends, students and lecturers. While the Bachelor program is taught in German, the Master program is very international and the majority of Master students originate from countries other than Germany. This year, the IN-EAST welcomes students who came all the way from China, Russia, the USA, Indonesia, Thailand, Bulgaria, Armenia, Romania, Bangladesh, Spain, Kazakhstan, the Ukraine, Georgia and Moldova to attend their Master studies on East Asia in Duisburg.

The “Welcome Back” part of the celebration was dedicated to the pioneer group of Bachelor students who recently returned from their exchange year abroad. 19 universities in the PR China and Japan had received the exchange students from Duisburg, and the students spoke to the audience – including this year’s freshmen – about their exciting experiences abroad.

For the BA studies abroad, the Confucius Institute, the DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) as well as Dokkyo University and JASSO (Japan Student Services Organization) supported students of the IN-EAST who had applied for scholarships. During the last year, 24 graduates completed their studies with a Master degree and 13 graduates received a Diploma degree at the IN-EAST. In addition, the first Bachelor student completed his study program at the IN-EAST. In her touching graduate student speech, Weijing Le shared her story with the audience. She came from China to Duisburg for her Master studies. The band Chain Reaction performed live on stage. The students from the Willy-Brandt-Gesamtschule Bochum had prepared a Japanese song as well as German pop songs for the event.

**ERSTER BA-JAHRGANG BEENDET AUSLANDSSTUDIUM**

**FIRST BA CLASS RETURNS FROM STUDYING ABROAD**


1 **CHAIRS AND OTHER WORKING FIELDS**

**LEHRSTÜHLE UND ANDERE ARBEITSBEREICHE**

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- Kornelia Apholz (Mar.-April 2014)
- Maren Mertens (since May 2014)
- Amelie Erxleben, B.A. (since Sept. 2014)

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- Rafael Beermann, M.A. († May 2014)
- Yuka Ando, M.A.

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- Dr. Lun Du

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- Rie te Kamp

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- Xuepan Wang
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- Yin Liu (Confucius Institute Metropolis Ruhr)

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Darumra

[Image of Daruma from the exhibition *Asian Oddities*, 2008]

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Prof. Karen Shire, Ph.D.
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Prof. Flemming Christiansen, Ph.D.
(since April 2014)

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Prof. Dr. Winfried Flüchter
Prof. Dr. Thomas Heberer
Prof. Dr. Werner Pascha
Prof. Dr. Markus Taube

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Dr. Malte Müller (since April 2014)

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Dr. Kerstin Lukner (until Mar. 2014)
Dr. Armin Müller (since July 2013)
Dr. René Trappel (affiliated; until Mar. 2014)
Dr. Chih-Chieh Wang (until Mar. 2014)

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Doctoral Fellows, Cohort 2010:
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Vitali Heidt, Dipl.-Reg.-Wiss.
Martin Heinberg, Dipl.-Reg.-Wiss. (affiliated)
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Post-doc:
Jun. Prof. Dr. Shuangping Dai (since Nov. 2013)

Doctoral fellows:
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Yang Liu, B.A. (since May 2014)

Research Group 2  Political Innovations in East Asian Cities
Post-doc:
Dr. Momoyo Hüstebeck

Doctoral Fellows:
Youngah Guahk, M.A. (since Feb. 2014)
Weijing Li, M.A. (since Mar. 2014)

Research Group 3  Innovation in Chinese policy processes: Cities in the development of low-carbon strategies. Sub-national innovation and national policy
Post-doc:
Paul Scalise, Ph.D. (since Oct. 2014)

Doctoral Fellows:
Julia Aristova, M.A. (since Mar. 2014)
Xiaoli Lin, M.Sc. (since Dec. 2013)

Research Group 4  Urban Systems in East Asia. Narratives of the Asian city: “Innovation” and “Tradition” as catchphrases in contemporary urban planning
Post-doc:
Dr. Beate Löffler, Dipl.-Ing. (FH)

Doctoral Fellows:
Katharina Börgmann, Dipl.-Ing. (since Jan. 2016)
Deirdre Sneep, M.A. (since Mar. 2014)
Steffen Heinrich is, since September 1, 2014, Senior Fellow at the German Institute for Japanese Studies (DIJ) in Tokyo. His new research project deals with market regulation becoming an important form of social policy in China in particular.

Susanne Lohr, former member of the DFG Research Training Group, was appointed Managing Director of the Conflucius Institute Metropolis Ruhr.

Anja Sens is, since August 2014, Professor of Transcultural Studies focusing on Economy, Politics and Society of China and East Asia at the Institute of Chinese Studies, University of Heidelberg.

Kristin Surak was appointed Senior Lecturer in Japanese Politics at the Department of Politics and International Studies of School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) at the University of London after staying already a sabbatical at the SOAS from September 2014.

Rend Trappel joined the Albert Ludwigs University, Freiburg, as a Research Assistant at the Institute for Sinology (April 2014).

NACHRUF RAFAEL BEERMANN
OBITUARY RAFAEL BEERMANN


3 VISITING SCHOLARS
GASTWISSENSCAFTLER

Prof. Dr. Jin Tajin, Dean of the School of Political Science and Public Administration, Suzhou University, December 2013.

Prof. Li Hufeng, Suzhou University, School of Political Science and Public Administration, December 2013.

Dr. Katsuhiko Yonezaki, Doshisha University, Kyoto, Life Risk Research Center, February-August 2014.

Prof. Robert Pekkanen, University of Washington, Seattle, Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies, June-July 2014, DFG funded.

Prof. Dr. Yu Jianxing, Dean of the School of Public Management, Zhejiang University, Tokyo, Department of Economics, March 2014, DFG funded.

Dr. Toshiyuki Shirakawa, Doshisha University, Kyoto, Life Risk Research Center, February-August 2014.

Prof. Dr. Yan Guoping, Party School of Zhejiang Province, July 1 – August 15, 2014, DFG funded.

Prof. Dr. Morik Terada, Ph.D., Graduate School of Education and Human Development, Nagaoy University, September 2014.

Sunktung Choe: Appointed as an assistant professor at the University of Grazing from October 1, 2014.

Helmut Demes: Visiting researcher at the Graduate School of Human Development and Education of Nagoya University (January 1 to April 30, 2014).

Thomas Heberer: Visiting scholar, Institute for East Asian Studies, University of Vienna (March 2014).

Prof. Dr. Chiang Shiyin, Tianjin Normal University, July 1 – August 31, 2014, DAAD funded.

René Trappel: Appointed as Visiting Scholar at the Institute for Sinology (April 2014).
INTRODUCTION
In the final year of its first funding period, accomplishments included the completion of five dissertations, visits by renowned Guest Professors, a number of new publications by members and the advancements of young post-doctoral scholars to research and teaching positions in Germany and the Netherlands. After a successful review in 2013, DFG extended its funding for the Research Training Group for additional 4 ½ years until September 2018. The sections below present the members, new and old, of the Research Training Group, the course program, research and teaching activities and the progress of the individual projects within the four sub-themes of the research program: marketization, individualization, decentralization and transnationalization.

POSTDOCTORAL SCHOLARS
Two post-doctoral appointments were made:
Dr. Sunkung Choi (Ph.D. University of Duisburg-Essen) (Aug. 2013–Sept. 2014)
Dr. Armin Müller (Ph.D. University of Duisburg-Essen) (July 2013–today)
All other post-doc scholars:
Dr. Steffen Heinrich (Ph.D. University of Heidelberg) (Nov. 2012–March 2014)
Dr. René Trappel (Ph.D. University of Duisburg-Essen) (July 2013–March 2014)
Dr. Chih-Chieh Wang (Ph.D. University of Duisburg-Essen) (July 2013–March 2014)

DOCTORAL FELLOWS
Recruitment for the first cohort of the second funding period was started in 2013/2014 and the youngest cohort was selected to start in October 2014. In 2014, stipends and positions were awarded to five new fellows: Huijie Chu (M.A. Waseda University, Tokyo), Yao Lu (M.A., Southwest University, Chongqing), Hongjin Oh (M.A. Fukokus Prefectural University), Zi Wang (M.A. Sciences Po, Paris), Yu Zou (M.A. University of Bremen).

Simultaneously with the start of the second funding period of our Research Training Group in April 2014, former Spokes Prof. Karen Shire handed over the direction of the Research Training Group to Prof. Flemming Christiansen and Dr. Maike Müller started her work as the coordinator. The Research Training Group grew to 21 doctoral fellows (19 with stipends, 3 affiliates) and three postdoctoral fellows in 2013/14. Two post-doctoral scholars began their work in the group in 2013/14. The research program is now led by seven participating scientists: Prof. Dr. Jeanette Brosig-Koch (Quantitative Economic Policy), Prof. Flemming Christiansen, Ph.D. (Sociology/China), Prof. em. Dr. Winfried Flüchter (Geography/Japan), Prof. em. Dr. Thomas Heberer (Politics/China), Prof. Dr. Werner Pascha (Economics/Japan), Prof. Karen Shire, Ph.D. (Sociology/Japan), and Prof. Dr. Markus Taube (Economics/China).

The current doctoral fellows are:
Stephanie Bräuer (M.A. University of Leipzig, affiliated), Magnus Dau (M.A. University of Marburg, affiliated), Kai Dutte (M.Sc. University of Constance), Vitali Heidt (Diplom University of Bonn), Martin Heinberg (Diplom University of Passau, affiliated), Ting Huang (LL.M. Renmin University, Beijing, affiliated), Hanno Jantzsch (M.A. University of Bochum), Alison Lamont (M.A. University of Leeds), Stenyia Melnikova (M.A. University of Duisburg-Essen), Iva Ogjanovic (M.A. University of Duisburg-Essen, affiliated), Ann-Katrin Prior (Diplom University of Tübingen, affiliated), Anna Shpakovskaya (M.A. Shanghai University), Dung Yu (M.A. University of Hawaii, Manoa), Melanie Wacker (M.A. University of Leiden, affiliated), and Mei Yu (M.A. Beijing Normal University).

Most of the doctoral fellows appointed in 2009 and later are currently completing their dissertation manuscripts.

Susanne Löhr (M.A. University of Marburg) left the GRK and has since August 2014 been the managing director of the Confucius Institute Metropolis Ruhr, based in Duisburg.

Armin Müller successfully defended his thesis on November 18, 2013.
Melanie Wacker joined Prof. Shire’s DFG project Cross-Border Temporary Staffing: Market-Making and Transnational Regulation in Inter-Regional Comparison.

1 PEOPLE
In June and July 2014, Japanese educational system. He also engages in research on the social protection of migrants in a global context and of internal migrants in the PR China in particular.

In September 2014, Dr. Steffen Heinrich joined the German Institute for Japanese Studies, Tokyo, as a senior Research Fellow.

Post-doc Dr. René Trappel joined the Albert Ludwigs University, Freiburg as a Research Assistant at the Institute for Sociology in April 2014.

**Guest Professors**

Professor Yoshihisa Gōdo from Moji Gakuen University in Tokyo visited the DFG Research Training Group again in March 2014. He already participated in the DFG Research Training Group Seminar at the University of Tokyo in 2012. He is an economist whose research interests lie in electoral systems, political parties and civil society. While in Duisburg, Robert Pekkanen organized a Workshop on Professional Development for doctoral and post-doctoral fellows of the Research Training Group and the IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies. Additionally he gave a talk in the Research Seminar about Party Personnel Strategy: Candidate Nomination and Legislative Organization in Comparative Perspective. Robert Pekkanen met individually with a number of doctoral and post-doctoral fellows to advise the development of their research and to comment on book proposals and drafts of journal articles. The Kolleg welcomed the chance to develop a closer cooperation with the Jackson School PhD Program and is looking forward to further collaborations.

**Research Students**

In 2013/14 six Research Students (Amy Derr, Jan Oczko, Alia Nalivanskaya, Benjamin Rabe, Connor Malloy and Anastasia Nikulina) were recruited from the MA programs in East Asian Studies to join the Research Training Group. Research Students are assigned to assist the post-doctoral research activities.

Amy Derr (MA MEAS + 1), Jan-Christian Ozcko (MA CEAS), and Alia Nalivanska-ya (MA MEAS) finished their one-year Research Student appointment in December 2013 and Spring 2014. Three new Research Students have been appointed in Summer 2014: Benjamin Rabe (MA CEAS), Connor Malloy (MA MEAS) and Anastasia Nikulina (MA CEAS).

**Course Program**

**Winter Term 2013/14, Spring Term 2014**

The program included talks by Guest Professors of the GRK 1613 and invited lectures within the Research Training Group Seminar and the JSPS funded project on Gender Research, University of Duisburg-Essen. Under the main topic of Care, Crisis and Leadership in East Asia, an evening Mentoring Session was organized by Maren Jochimsen (Essen College for Gender Research) and the following research and training workshops:

**Gender Research and Mentoring Workshop**

The Gender Research and Mentoring Workshop took place on November 9, 2013 at the Rheinhotel Dressen, Bonn-Bad Godesberg, Germany and was organized by the DFG Research Training Group and the JSPS funded project on Comparative Gender Analysis of Social Vulnerabilities/resilience, University of Tokyo and the Essen College for Gender Research, University of Duisburg-Essen. Under the main topic of Care, Crisis and Leadership in East Asia, an evening Mentoring Session was organized by Maren Jochimsen (Essen College for Gender Research) and the following lectures were presented:

- Mari Otsawa (Univ. of Tokyo): Is Japan the mirror image of Denmark, and why?
- Vitali Heidt (GRK 1613): Social risks of aging: gender dimensions of elderly care in Japan
- Amy Hanser (University of British Columbia, Vancouver): Food Risks in China
- Kaeli Kogure (University of Tokyo): Why is childbirth not covered in kind by health insurance in Japan?
- Yoko Komiyama (ISS Governance Project, University of Tokyo): 742 days, my experiences of being the Health, Labour and Welfare Minister / Junior Minister
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- Alison Lamon (GRK 1613): The Family as Security in China: cases from the 2008 Wenchuan earthquake, China
- Steffen Heinrich (GRK 1613): Patterns of dualization. Coordinated capitalism and the politics of flexible labour markets in Germany and Japan, 1990–2010
- Kaeru Kanai (Saitama University): A Comparative Study on Gendered Work of Life Insurance Industry in Japan and South Korea
- Kado Yoku (University of Tokyo): Rea-amination of role sharing of socialization of childrearing: focusing on communica- tion between the local government and nursery schools
- Iva Ognjanovic (GRK 1613): Organizational commitment of young people working in a foreign company in China: morality and class habits
- Jieyiu Liu (University of Leeds): Ageing in Rural China: Gender, Migration and Fam- ilial Support
- Sunkung Choi (GRK 1613): Risk perception and risk attitude after experiencing economic crisis.

Adjunct Prof. Ke Fan (Department of Sociology, Anthropology Institute, Nanjing University): Who are the Nanjing Muslims? From the Past to the Present (August 7, 2014)

Prof. Yudong Yang (School of Social and Behavioral Sciences, Nanjing University): State, Development and Eco- nomic Transformation of Hsing in China (August 7, 2014)

Associate Prof. Pielquin Zhou (School of Social Sciences, Nanjing University): The Invisible Curfew: A Case Study of “Women’s fear” and their Use of Public Space in Nanjing. China (August 7, 2014).
With the recruitment of the third cohort of Doctoral Fellows and the Post-doctoral and Guest Professor programs in full swing, the Research Training Group worked primarily on the development of its research program. The projects and activities are reported here by sub-theme of the research program.

**SUB-THEME MARKETIZATION**

The strengthening of market mechanisms as the predominant means to organize the economic interaction between social actors is one of the strongest processes of contemporary global change. In its most visible form, ‘marketization’ manifests itself in the transformation processes in which centrally planned economies like China are reorganizing themselves into market-based economies. Marketization covers the transition to a market economy (China) as well as the further liberalization of established market economies in the East Asian region (Japan, South Korea), but in our emphasis especially the role of re-regulation and new institutions in abating the social and economic risks of market-oriented transformations.

**SEMINAR ON PERSPECTIVES ON ETHNICITY AND GENDER**


**WORKSHOP ON PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

The Research Training Group organized a Workshop on Professional Development open to PhD students and Post-docs of the Research Training Group and the NEA School of Advanced Studies. The workshop took place Thursday, July 3, 2014, at the NEA School of Advanced Studies, Duisburg and was held by our Guest Professor Robert Pekkanen. It mainly covered aspects of peer-review and book publishing, presentation and conference choices, applications for post-doc and Asst. Prof. / Lecturer positions.

**WORKSHOP ON HOW TO GET PUBLISHED IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES**

The Workshop on How to get published in peer-reviewed journals in the social sciences took place on January 17, 2014, at the University of Duisburg-Essen, Duisburg Campus. The workshop was held by Prof. Dr. Achim Goerres (University of Duisburg-Essen, Faculty of Social Sciences, Institute of Political Science).

**STEFFEN HEINRICHI**

**The Political Consequences of Expanding Non-regular Labour, New Employment Risks and Partisan Politics in Japan and Beyond**

How different political factors have influenced recent labour market reforms in advanced democracies has been studied intensively in political research for some time. Only recently, however, have political scientists begun to consider the consequences of these reforms for politics itself. Recent studies on continental European countries suggest that policy preferences of non-regular and regular employees differ considerably and that this divide may constitute a strategic dilemma for parties who depend on labour’s electoral support. The 2009 general election in Japan for instance indicates that non-regular jobs and employment status-related welfare have become salient for electoral mobilisation, though ward is still out whether this reflects the growing labour market dualism of the last two decades or it is mainly due to the exceptional economic circumstances after the Lehman shock of 2008. To get a clearer picture of the substance of a potential structural realignment in Japan and other advanced democracies with strong labour market dualism, this project aims to analye the importance of employment status for policy preferences of workers and how these may influence the policy positions and election strategies of parties. The first analytic part of the project analyses the case of Japan and consists of three parts: First, it discusses the extent of institutional divisions between different employment statuses in Japan and how these may influence policy preferences in regard to employment regulation, welfare and state intervention. Secondly, it analyses World Value Survey (WVS) and Japan General Social Survey (JGSS) data to understand the actual importance of status-related differences for preference formation. Thirdly, it compares party positions during the 2009 election with regard to employment and welfare.

**Presentations**

Discourses about labour market inequalities in Japan (with Karen Shire) – Annual conference of the German Association for Social Science Research on Japan (VSJF) and the Japanese-German Center Berlin (JDZB), November 23, 2013. Prekaro Arbeit, polarierte Politik? Die Ausweitung nicht-regulärer Beschäftigung in Japan und die Folgen für die Politik. – Presentation at the Asian-Africa-Institut, University of Hamburg, June 6, 2014. The politics of occupational pension reform in Germany and Japan – Privatization of welfare or social policy through other means? (with Margarita Estévez-Abe) – Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (APSA), Washington DC, August 28-31, 2014.

**HANNA JENTZSCH**

**Village Institutions and the Agrarian Reform Process in Japan**

This project seeks to clarify how informal village institutions shape the ongoing agricultural reform process in Japan. Since Japan joined the WTO in the mid-1990s, the agricultural support and protection regime underwent substantial changes. While support and protection remain strong, a series of policies aims at promoting the consolidation of farmland in the hands of fewer, more professional farms. However, qualitative field research (participatory observation, interviews, collection of local administrative data) in two farming regions in Japan has shown that informal village institutions – in particular the norms and practices surrounding farmland – profoundly affect how these policies are implemented locally, and the range of policies that are imaginable.
PRESENTATIONS

Agricultural Marketization Meets Village Institutions: Community Farming in Hikawa-chō, Shimane-ken. – Pap presented at the 14th International Conference of the European Association for Asian Studies (EAAS), Ljubljana, August 28, 2014.

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STENYA MELNIKOVA

Corporate governance of Chinese National Oil companies within the model of multiple principals – one agent

Within the past 50 years Chinese oil companies have undergone transformation from local ministries to influential modern corporations. The process of corporatization and privatization that started with the beginning of Economic reforms in China has led certain companies to listing in 2000s. The corporate governance of Chinese National Oil companies (NOC) got influenced by two elements: Party Rule: Comparative Perspectives, University of Tokyo.

Public good contribution has been the interest of many experimental economists, since evidence has shown people do not always behave rationally and inefficiently equilibria are not always realized. This research compares a public good game in both China and Germany with 3 treatments in which the social distance factor varies. The outcome shows that under a condition of high social distance, Chinese and German behavior differs; German subjects contribute more to the public good. As social distance decreases, both samples converge to insignificantly different average of contribution. It is also found that people’s contribution is positively correlated with their guess and level of anonymity: the more their identity is exposed, the more they give and the more they believe the other is giving.

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Presentations

Performance art advocacy as a new form of mobilization in the Beijing ADV movement: The emergence of a new generation of citizens? – 11th Interna-
Findings indicate a bigger shift from social to public institutions in care and support reliance in urban areas, while rural communities seem to fare better in creating socially inclusive institutions within respective communities.

**Presentations**

**Social Risks of Aging: Gender Dimen- sions of Elderly Care in Japan – Care Crisis and Leadership in East Asia.** Gender Research and Mentoring Workshop, Bonn-Bad Godesberg, November 9, 2013.

**Social Risks of Aging: Elderly Care in Yamato, Shitamachi and the Japa- nese Countryside.** Vereinigung für so- zialwissenschaftliche Japanforschung (VSJF), Berlin, November 23, 2013.

**ALISON LAMONT**

The societal impacts of the Wen- chuan earthquake: normalising after a catastrophic disaster

This thesis seeks to explain why ‘re- constructing’ the nuclear family was an integral part of social reconstruction after the devastating effects of the 2008 Wenchuan earthquake in Sichuan, China. The re-marriage of bereaved earthquake spouses and the decision for mothers to have another child after the death of a child in the earthquake are examined. Interviews conducted in Sichuan province during 2012–2013 and extensive documentary analysis show how nuclear family structures form an underlying understanding of normal life in China, both for individu- als and for party-state policy makers.

**Presentations**

The Family as Security in China: cases from the 2008 Wenchuan earthquake, China. – Gender Research and Mentoring Workshop, DFG Research Training Group 1613 ‘Risk and East Asia’, Bonn, November 9, 2013.


**IVA OGNIJANOVIĆ**

Organizational Commitment of Young People Working in a For- eign Company in China: Morality and Class Habitus

The research examines the differenc- es in employees’ habitual moral per- ceptions regarding own workplace be- havior and the value of their work. Se- lection and treatment of employees in a company is divided into two distinct fields in which two different types of in- dividuals and for party-state policy makers.

**SUB-THEME DECENTRALIZATION**

The research of the DFG GRK 1613 ad- dresses two senses of decentraliza- tion: decentralization in the sense of shifting responsibilities and account- abilities from the upper to the lower po- litical levels and the dispersion of cen- tral political authority, but also from “the bottom up” in reference to chanc- es for participation and the impact on local autonomy and sustainability in lo- cal regions.

**TING HUANG**

Developing Rural Old-Age Pen- sions: Local Government and Policy Experimentation

This study traces the local process of building rural pension institutions in two localities situated in different so- cio-economic settings. It shows that high concern on the part of local offi- cials about maintaining social stabil- ity was a major force driving the emer- gence of local initiative to develop rural pensions. The dynamic process of local policy experimentation was shaped by the interactions of multi-level actors’ efforts to expand rural pension cover- age with the preferences and respons- ibilities of rural residents in this regard.

**Presentations**


**ARMIN MÜLLER**

Systemic Interdependence be- tween Health Insurance and the Hokou System in the PR China

During the past 20 years, China’s sys- tem of social protection has seen a sub- stantial restructuring and an expansion to large, formerly uncovered groups of citizens in the urban and rural areas. As the example of the New Rural Cooper- ative Medical System (NRCMS) shows, there is a tight linkage between hukou and social protection: both institution- al structures are interdependent and mutually reinforcing. The decentraliza- tion and urban-rural segregation insti- tutionalized in hukou and health insur- ance spark a number of social mech- anisms, which marginalize migrant workers with regard to health insur- ance: the may either not be covered at all, or the benefits they receive are lower than the benefits of those staying at home and more difficult to claim. Local governments have launched various experimental policies to actualize the social citizenship of migrant workers and cover them with health insurance programs. Both sending and receiving areas can extend coverage of their sys- tems to migrants, but from a short- and mid-term perspective, NRCMS cover- age from the sending areas is the most important system. While various pol- icy tools are available for coverage in small-distance migration systems, mi- gration across provincial boundaries poses a somewhat greater challenge. In a local context, different insurance systems can be integrated or central- ized, whereas in long-distance migra- tion systems, the sending locality can contract hospitals in the destination lo- calities as agents for providing care.

**Presentations**


**HANS-CHRISTIAN SCHNACK**

The Making of Minority Language Policies in Chinese Schools – Streetlevel Bureaucracy and Cur- riculum Decisions in Xishuang- banna, Yunnan

With this research project Hans-Chris- tian Schnack analyzed how institution- al settings of school management be- tween centralization and decentral- ization shape the implementation of minority language policies in China. The research findings show that new modes of discretion at schools create a limited space for school-based deci- sion making that allows teachers and principals to shape curricula and ulti- mately – as intermediary actors be- tween government and citizens – to make policies.

**ANNA SHPAKOVSKAYA**

Government Non-Profit Relation- ships in the Post-Wenchuan Earthquake Reconstruction in China

Based on the framework of “Actor Cen- tered Institutionalism” the main ac- tors involved in the planning and im- plementation of the Red Cross Reform are interviewed with the focus on their preferences, perceptions and capac- ities. Written documents on the histo- ry of the Red Cross in China, its present reforms and the reforms of the social management are analyzed. To better fit into a new model of social management the Red Cross is being transformed in- to a “Hub organisation”. By introduc- ing a model of “Dual Management” the Red Cross aims to secure its resources from the government and enhance its cooperation with grass root NGOs and the public in delivering public services.

**KAI DUTTLE**

A Behavioral Finance Perspective on Momentum. Comparative Ex- perimental Studies in Germany and Japan

Kai Duttles research mainly focuses on cross-cultural differences in behav- ior among market participants in West- ern countries and Asia, especially Ja- pan. Several comparative experimental studies are conducted: these are moti- vated by significant disparities in stock price momentum around the world, and models based on psychological biases explaining this phenomenon.

**Presentations**

Overconfidence and Cognitive Abilities. – Presentation at the research seminar in economics, Osaka Prefecture Uni- versity, May 29, 2014.

Introduction to behavioral finance. Educa- tional seminar talk at Osaka Prefec- ture University, June 4, 2014.

Research Stays / Field Research

May/June 2014: Research stay at Osa- ka Prefecture University. Laboratory experiments at Osaka University and Kyoto Sangyo University.
The thesis aims to deliver a better understanding of Chinese consumer behavior for foreign and local brands, which are interpreted as a risk reducing mechanism for consumers. The behavior is assessed in terms of quality beliefs, attitudes, purchase intentions and the actual purchasing decision using advanced methods like hierarchical linear modeling and behavioral economics experiments. Results point to enhanced advertising effectiveness by global and local brand positioning, a higher willingness to pay of consumers for global conspicuous products after an face loss and a higher willingness to pay for local iconic products after an outbreak of situational animosity.

Publications


Presentations


Teaching


DR. KERSTIN LUKNER
The Governance of Pandemic Risks in Asia

The post-doctoral research project scrutinizes how the (East) Asian region has been reacting to the challenges posed by pandemic risks, especially SARS and avian influenza. It asks whether those risks have been leading to an increase in institutionalized cooperation across Asian countries in multilateral settings, highlighting incentives and hurdles to such a development. It furthermore examines the role that Japan, the region’s most wealthy as well as technologically and medically advanced country, plays in those endeavors.

Presentations


Publications


Karen A. Shire). The project investigates how private labor market intermediaries (staffing agencies) in East Asia build up their transnational business. Unlike in Europe where there is freedom of movement, staffing agencies in East Asia encounter different national regulations on employment in general and on personnel staffing in particular. However, cultural proximity and, for some countries such as Taiwan and China, low language barriers provide good conditions for the growth of transnational staffing business within the region. The main research question is: what strategies do staffing agencies use to expand their business overseas and to overcome divergent regulations within the region, where there is no obvious guiding transnational institutionalization. Interviews with staffing agencies in Taiwan were conducted in February and March 2014, supported by the DFG.

Professional Activities

Vice-President and Board Member, VSJF – German Association on Social Science Research on Japan;
Speaker, Political Science Working Group, VSJF – German Association for Social Science Research on Japan;
Peer Reviewer, Pacific Affairs, Routledge, and JASS: Jahrbuch (Annual Yearbook on Japan).

Media

Interview with SonntagsDoppelpunkt on Japan’s Current Foreign Policy, September 19, 2014.

MELANIE WACKER
Risks and Responsibilities – Human Security and Japan’s Ban on Landmines and Cluster Munitions as Field of Activity for Non-State Actors

This project examines how human security-related policy is negotiated and implemented in Japan as responsibilities for securing against human security risks are shifted from the state to non-state actors. Research methods comprise the triangulation of documentary analysis and qualitative interviews while the research focus is the subfield of disarmament of conventional weapons – landmines and cluster munitions – as an area where notions of national and human security collide. Preliminary results suggest that non-state actors play an important role in the implementation of human security-related policy abroad and in Japan which the state cannot fulfill or is not willing to fulfill while they heavily depend on the state for funding and support.

CHIH-CHIEH WANG

The project, Chih-Chieh Wang is working on during his post-doc, is part of the DFG funded research project Cross-Border Temporary Staffing: Market-Making and Transnational Regulation in Inter-Regional Comparison (PI: Prof. Jürgen Pick).
Focusing on innovation across East Asia, the IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies – funded by a grant of the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) – integrates the core IN-EAST disciplines (political science, economics, and sociology) with engineering and cultural studies in six research teams. The general scope of the Advanced School’s research agenda is to explore how processes of innovation pervade society as a whole. Research activities converge on electric mobility and urban systems as inherently interdependent topics of comprehensive innovation processes in society. While East Asia (China, Japan and Korea) is the prime region under scrutiny, the research also intends to generate wider networks in regions and industries, in which the inner structure of innovators is explored. At the macro-level, the effects of institutions on innovation activities will be investigated. The study of the national system of policies will provide evidence for this.

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**Research Groups**

**Research Group 1: Innovation and the Chinese Economy: Institutions, Networks, and National Systems of Policies**

**Junior Professor Dr. Shuanping Dai**

Research Group Leader

Working Title: The Process of Economic Innovation in China: Roles of Social Interactions and Institutions

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**Yang Liu**

PhD Candidate

Working Title: Entrepreneurship, Innovation and Poverty Alleviation in China

Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Shuanping Dai

Country focus: China

Discipline: Economics

The underlying question of this research project is how to reduce poverty through entrepreneurship in China. This research aims at filling the gap in theoretical analysis by using the new institutional economics theory. To solve the problem of poverty alleviation in China, this research emphasizes the role of entrepreneurship. Adopting the theories of new institutional economics, the main reasons for poverty in China are explained. The investigation of the relationship between poverty alleviation and entrepreneurship is the prerequisite for an in-depth analysis of the poverty problem and effects of entrepreneurship. Before finding out the detailed solutions, the reason why poor regions lack entrepreneurship is to be illustrated.

**Alexandra Davydova**

PhD Candidate

Working Title: The Spillover Effects of Chinese Outward Cross-Border M&A on the Country’s Innovation

Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Shuanping Dai

Country focus: China

Discipline: Economics, Regional Studies

The research investigates on the connection between outward M&A and innovations on the country’s level. In order to do that, innovation on two levels will be analyzed: country level and firm level. The analysis of the innova-
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RESEARCH GROUP 2: POLITICAL INNOVATION IN EAST ASIAN CITIES

DR. MOMOYO HÜSTECKE
Research Group Leader
Working Title: Democratic Innovation in Subnational Entities: A Japanese and German Comparison
Country focus: Japan, Germany
Discipline: Political Science

In consolidated democracies such as Germany and Japan citizens have become more disillusioned and critical about representative democracy. This led e.g. to the decline of voting turnout. To counteract the malaise of representative democracies a variety of innovative participatory and deliberative instruments have been established in consolidated democracies. Although democratic innovations have attracted increasingly attention in political science, systematic or comparative works – with some exceptions (Newton/Geis- sel 2012; Smith 2010; Papadopoulos/ Warin 2007) – are still limited in number. Against this, the academic backdrop the research on democratic innovation in Germany and Japan shall supply the need of more in-depth, comparative qualitative studies.

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RESEARCH GROUP 3: INNOVATION IN CHINESE POLICY PROCESSES: CITIES IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF LOW-CARBON STRATEGIES. SUB-NATIONAL INNOVATION AND NATIONAL POLICY

PAUL J. SCALISE, PH.D.
Research Group Leader
Working Title: The Political Economy of Energy Policy Innovations: Who Controls Whom?
Country focus: Japan, Germany, UK
Discipline: Political Science, Regional Studies

Institutional change and innovation: Why do decision-makers choose to innovate some highly regulated sectors (e.g., electric power) in some countries and under some circumstances, and forego the innovation of others (e.g., water) despite growing consumer welfare losses (i.e., rising prices) and financial deterioration of incumbent energy suppliers? This research project intends to understand the problems and prospects associated with the development of low-carbon energy innovations in Japan, Germany, and the UK by examining the financial, technological and political characteristics of the energy sector in cross-national context over a long period of time.

XIAXI LIN
PhD Candidate
Working Title: Urban Planning Systems’ Impacts on Built-up Environment and Urban Transportation System: Sustainability Assessment of Chinese Eco City Projects
Supervisor: Prof. Dr. J. Alexander Schmidt
Country focus: China
Discipline: Urban Planning

The research project intends to understand the rising phenomenon of Chinese eco city projects since the Shanghai Expo 2010. It aims to extract innovative directions for improving the urban transport system and mobility behavior in the existing Chinese cities for the future.

The research framework includes low-carbon policy framework on the national level, low-carbon solutions and practices on the city level, and integral assessment system for the future transport system on case studies level. On the integral assessment system, interdisciplinary research will be conducted to evaluate different impacts on urban transport system, such as impacts from current Chinese urban planning system, from land use policy, public transport management and architecture planning regulations.

JULIA ARISTOVA
PhD Candidate
Working Title: Emergence of low-carbon strategies at sub-national level in China: Shenyang city case study
Supervisor: Prof. Flemming Christiansen, Ph.D.
Country focus: China
Discipline: Political Sociology, Regional Studies

Carbon dioxide emissions are widely perceived as a key factor for climate change. Cities, being main emitters, play an active role in the development and implementation of low-carbon policies, which suggest reduction of carbon dioxide emissions and efficient energy use.

This project intends to investigate how Chinese municipal governments establish low-carbon strategies, how they engage in global environmental design and why some Chinese cities choose to join global city networks to promote low-carbon development, while others do not.
GUANZHONG YANG
PhD Candidate
Working Title: Information, Incen-
tives and Social Background
Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Jeannette Brosig-
Koch
Country focus: China, Germany, Japan,
Korea
Discipline: Economics

The research focuses lie on four inter-
related research questions:
1. How do people react to different kinds of incentives? What is the role of information?
2. How does cultural background (Ger-
man, Chinese, Japanese, and Korean) influence the perception of incentives?
3. What is the role of monetary incen-
tives in respect of retirement decision?
4. How does cultural background (Ger-
man, Chinese, and social education in-
fluence open source innovation?

Dr. Timo Heinrich
Research Group Leader
Working Title: Global Procure-
ment of Innovations
Country focus: China
Discipline: Economics

In his postdoc project, Timo Heinrich focuses on behavior during the inno-
vation process. This research cov-
ers three areas of behavior: Individu-
al decisions, interaction within orga-
nizations and interaction between or-
ganizations. Methodologically his re-
search mainly employs laboratory ex-
periments but also cross-cultural com-
parisons and econometric analyses of
field data.

With respect to individual decisions during the innovation process Timo Heinrich studies the way people make
risks decisions necessary to create in-
novations. How do fundamental risk prefer-
dences differ between people and
across decision situations? However,
only research and development are
conducted in teams. With respect to in-
teraction within organizations the proj-
ected therefore also considers the behav-
ior of teams in more detail: In which
teraction within organizations the proj-
ected to possible vehicle concepts within
the perception trade-off between ben-
neficts and costs and to overcome the
numerous perceived barriers. More-
ever, companies need to make sure
that their value offer is also subjectively
perceived as valuable by the customers.
Therefore, the intention of the research is
to analyze theoretically and empiri-
cally the constitution of value proposi-
tions of automotive manufactures for
innovative product bundles (products and
services) that lead to an improve-
ment of the customer value. This re-
quires an integrated approach of the compa-
ies and the consumers’ per-
ception on value dimensions.
The project will include an empirical inves-
tigation in Germany and China, which
are two important markets on the tran-
sition to the electric mobility. A qualita-
tive company survey and a quantitative
household study in Germany and Chi-

Dr. Roman Bartnik
Research Group Leader
Working Title: Coordinating exter-
nal and internal sources of inno-
vation in automotive supply chains
Country focus: Japan
Discipline: Business Administration,
Regional Studies

This project analyzes how technologi-
cal change effects the coordination of
innovation within and between firms
in the automotive industry. Aspects of
supply chain integration, intra-firm co-
ordination or R & D and inter-firm ne-
gotiation about gain sharing in supply
chains are topics of distinct studies.

Katharina Borgmann
PhD Candidate
Working Title: Cities of China – Analy-
zing and understanding the Transfor-
mation of Urban Struc-
tures with the Tools of Archi-
tectural and Urban Semiotics
Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Alexander Schmidt
Country focus: China
Discipline: Urban Planning

Is it possible to identify metropolitan in-
novation through traditional urban and
architectural semiotics?
This research focuses on urban struc-
tures of Chinese megacities, on the ba-
sis of analyzing city components, re-
curring urban textures, fabrics, with the
tools of so-called semiotics. It is the
aim of this project to not only de-
cide the currently fast growing Chinese cit-
ies but also to take the first steps in or-
der to understand in which way and direction Chinese megacities are transforming and will develop.
With the help of the results of this re-
search, urban challenges, chances and
spheres of influence could ideally be iden-
tified.

Deirdre Neep
PhD Candidate
Working Title: Cell Phone City
and the Cyborg: Japan’s Mobile
Revolution in the Information Age
Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Jens Martin Gurr
Country focus: Japan
Discipline: Social Sciences, interdisci-
plinary approach

Based on the idea that urban space is
an expression of the dominant ideolo-
gies in a society, this research will point
out that the current trend in urban ar-
eas in Japan is leaning towards the vir-
ualization, or rather hybridization, of
cyberspace and the physical space.
Presumably, this will lead to an ex-
panision of individual space, a focus on
higher productivity, and a growing em-
phasis on both offline and online con-
sumption. In order to become more apt
to these cosmopolitan standards, the
modern citizen is stimulated to incor-
porate more technology onto/into its
organic body. The result is a semi-virt-
ual layer in urban space in which mo-

Alessandra Neerpasch
PhD Candidate
Working Title: Technically Optimal
Electric Vehicle Design for User
Preferences
Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Dieter Schramm
Country focus: China
Discipline: Engineering

The overall research question is how
to design electric vehicles in an opti-
nal way to be suitable for user groups in
China.
The empirical research consists of a driv-
ing test analysis in China to investi-
gate the local mobile characteristics.
The results can be compared to simi-
lar previous investigations in Germany.
In combination with the results of con-
somer studies, the driving behaviour
leads to important parameter charac-
teristics of an electrical vehicle, e.g.
packaging, aerodynamics, powertrain,
weight and costs from a user perspec-
tive. In addition, the technical solution
area has to be analyzed and put into op-

time use and effective for the target-
ed user group. This leads to an adapta-
tion to possible vehicle concepts within
the technical solution area.

Field trips
Xiaoli Lin, January 1–February 2, 2014:
Interviews with key stakeholders in
the urban planning sector. Shenzen.
Youngah Guahk, June 30 – July 4, 2014:
Guest lecture at International Summer
Semester, Sunykyunkwan University in
Seoul.
Research on smart city projects in
Songdo, Gangneung as well as Fukuo-
ka, Kitakyushu and Omuta.
Guanzhong Yang, June 23 – July 4, 2014:
Conducted various economic experi-
ments at the experimental economics
labs of Nankaiv University, Tianjin.

Group of Mentors
Prof. Dr. Jeannette Brosig-Koch
(Economic Studies / China)
Prof. Dr. Ferdinand Dudenhöffer
(Automotive Economics)
Prof. Dr. Jens Martin Gurr
(Anglophone Studies)
Prof. Dr. Thomas Heberer*
(Politics and Society of China)
Prof. Dr. Axel Klein (Japanese Politics / Modern East Asian Studies)
Prof. Dr. Werner Pascht* (East Asian Economic Studies / Japan and Korea)
Prof. Dr. Heike Prof* (International Automotive Management)
Prof. Dr. J. Alexander Schmidt
(City Planning and Urban Design)

* Grant applicants
2 WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES AND OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

OUTREACH AREA STUDIES

The IN-EAST School’s approach to qualification and research in area studies was presented by Markus Taube at an international workshop, organized by GIS Asie (Groupe d’intérêt scientifiques Asia, a network that includes all major French research institutions involved in Asian Studies) in Paris on January 28, 2014. The workshop was part of an initiative by the French National Center for Scientific Research (CNRS) to take stock of Asian Studies in France and Europe as well as to create new impulses for further development. The first general meeting of the area studies association CrossArea – Völker und gemeinsame Interessen der Area Studies in Deutschland was held in Leipzig on March 27/28, 2014. The Advanced School was represented by Markus Taube. CrossArea is a new association that intends to become a platform for the German area studies, promote the generation of synergies in the related workfields and provide German area studies with a unified and audible voice wherever its interests are concerned.

6. WISSENSCHAFTSFORUM MOBILITÄT

Mira Schüller and Nicole Schleiffer, doctoral researchers at the E-Mobility group of the Advanced School, attended the 6. Wissenschaftsforum Mobilität at the Fraunhofer-Institut für Wirtschaftsforschung (IWiW) in Leipzig on May 8, 2014. Professor Heike Proff, mentor at the IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies, organized the conference on Decisions on the Path to Future Mobility and chaired the Track on Automotive Management. Professor Dieter Schramm, who had joined the team of mentors at the Advanced School recently, chaired the Track on Automotive Engineering. Nicole Schleiffer gave a presentation on the results of a Car Clinic for the design concept of an electric vehicle.

ACCE Workshop

The IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies hosted the 4th workshop of the Association for Cross-Cultural Experimental Economic Research (ACCE) on May 23 and 24, 2014. As experimental methods have become an established tool in empirical research in economics, experiments are also increasingly employed to study cultural differences in behavior. The topics of the workshop matched the research focus of the Behavioral Economists and East Asia research group of the Advanced School exceptionally well. Several of the group’s planned and ongoing projects consider cultural differences in behavior using experiments. The workshop provided an up-to-date overview on state-of-the-art research projects by other groups in the same field. Additionally, the methodological aspects brought up in the keynote lectures and the following discussions will be very helpful for designing new studies as well as for the analysis of ongoing research. (Photos see next page)

SINO-GERMAN JOINT CONFERENCE IN WUHAN

The Debt Crisis has hit both China and Europe. In order to exchange innovative approaches this situation, the School of Advanced Studies and the Center for Economic Development Research (CEDR, Wuhan University) organized a conference on Economic Adjustment and Growth in China and the European Union after the Debt Crisis in Wuhan on September 18–21, 2014. This was a great opportunity for researchers at the Advanced School to present their research and discuss with international experts from Chinese and German Universities as well as representatives of the European Central Bank (ECB) and the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

ATTENDANCE SUMMER SCHOOLS

Weijing Le went to Bonn for the FIW Summer School (Forum Internationale Wissenschaft) (September 1–4, 2014). The Forum for International Science at the University of Bonn had arranged a wide range of theory courses in social sciences. “Doctoral students from different universities and graduate schools presented their ongoing projects and discussed their theoretical approaches with the other participants. The lectures provided constructive ideas and suggestions for the further operational work. This way, students could acquire the useful knowledge effectively without wasting time on unnecessary readings,” Weijing Le said. Deirdre Sneep and Katharina Borgmann attended the SynCity – International Summer School 2014 in Dresden (September 17–30, 2014).

EXCHANGE ON ELECTRIC MOBILITY – NRW MEETS WUHAN

On August 29, 2014, the E-Mobility Team of the Advanced School was invited to present their work in the context of the project Experience Exchange on Electric Mobility between Model Region Wuhan and Rhine-Ruhr in NRW at Energieagentur NRW. Roman Bartnik, Mira Schüller and Nicole Schleiffer had the chance to meet project partners from both countries, Germany and China. Liang Guo, Manager at Wuhan Electric Vehicle Demonstration Co., Ltd., and Christian Wittpaß, Project Manager at NRW meets Wuhan were delighted to learn about the work of the team and offered their support.
The Linkage Workshop in Hamminkeln on July 8–9, 2014 was a “No-Professors-allowed” meeting of our young researchers to explore joined research interests and identify links between their respective projects. A speed dating event, a World Café as well as an external coach supported this highly creative process.

The IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies has been awarded the 2014 Werkstatt Wissenschaftskarriere Grant of 3000 Euro. With this funding, Werkstatt Wissenschaftskarriere aims at financially supporting qualification and networking events for PhD students. The interdisciplinary and international team of doctoral students at the Advanced School submitted a highly convincing concept of a workshop series covering a broad range of qualitative as well as quantitative research methods and skills courses. The following workshops, open to interested PhD students from an equally broad spectrum of disciplines, are included in the workshop series at the Advanced School from September 2014 on.

- Workshop on Case Study Methods, Prof. Dr. Ingo Rohlfing (University of Bremen), September 11–12, 2014
- Workshop on Process Tracing, Prof. Rasmus Brun Pedersen (University of Aarhus), September 30 and October 1, 2014
MERCATOR INSTITUTE FOR CHINA STUDIES (MERICS)

In July 2014 the IN-EAST (Universitiy of Duisburg-Essen) and the Faculty of East Asian Studies (Bochum Ruhr University) started a closer cooperation with the Mercator Institute for China Studies (MERICS), Berlin, which was given the status of an affiliated institute (“An-Institut”) of both universities. MERICS is a research and analysis institute, or think tank, established in 2013 and based in Berlin. It is an initiative of Stiftung Mercator, a major private European foundation. MERICS is one of the largest international think tanks for policy-oriented research into and knowledge of contemporary China. It analyses the political, economic, social, technological and ecological developments in China, and the corresponding global impacts, providing the public with insight into China through up-to-date research and communication. It informs decision-makers in politics, business and society and acts as a key contact for the media. As such, MERICS aims to provide a nuanced perspective on the most populous nation on earth, to influence public debate, and to enhance expertise on China in Germany and Europe. The research is concentrated on seven programmes:

- Digital China
- Social Change and Social Security
- Environmental Technology and Urban Sustainability
- Innovation Capacity and Cooperation
- Financial System
- Foreign Policy and Economic Relations
- Policy-Making: Processes and Outcomes

http://www.merics.org

EASTASIANET

EastAsiaNet is a European Research School Network of Contemporary East Asian Studies, and IN-EAST is a founding member since 2006. Actually, Duisburg hosted a preparatory workshop which later led to an inaugural meeting in Barcelona. The yearly meeting of 2014 was held in April 24–26 in Sheffield, hosted by the White Rose East Asia Centre of the Universities of Leeds and Sheffield. The topic of the research workshop was “Memory in East Asia: Ruptured Pasts, Contested Presents, Uncertain Futures,” with presentations from the member institutes. According to the common research interests and competencies of the participating institutions, the topic involved a discussion of risks and uncertainties with relevance to East Asian development. From IN-EAST, Alison Lamont presented on “The impact of memories of the 2008 Wenchuan Earthquake in the response to the 2013 Yaan Earthquake.” Werner Pascha, who is a member of the steering group of EastAsiaNet, chaired the business meeting of the network on April 26. One of the major decisions was to welcome Coimbra University in Portugal as a new observer. Coimbra is the leading university of the Portuguese-speaking world. Later in the year EastAsiaNet announced the 2014 EastAsiaNet Award to recognize and encourage exemplary scholarship among younger scholars in contemporary East Asian studies with a social science focus. The book was granted to Florian Schneider of University of Leiden (Ph. D. from the University of Sheffield) for “Visual Political Communication in Popular Chinese Television Series (Leiden: Brill 2012).” The Award for an academic article goes to Jens Sejrup of Lund University (Ph. D. from the University of Copenhagen) for his paper, “Instrumentalized History and the Motif of Repetition in News Coverage of Japan-Taiwan Relations, Pacific Affairs.” EastAsiaNet also organized two panels during the European Association for Chinese Studies conference in Braga and Coimbra in July 2014. The contributions were concerned with political economy issues of China and China-Japan relations. From IN-EAST, Flemming Christiansen and Werner Pascha participated in these panels.

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EastAsiaNet Partners

- University of Vienna, Institute of East Asian Studies, Vienna/Austria
- Charles University in Prague, Institute of East Asian Studies, Prague/Czech Rep.
- Copenhagen Business School (CBS), Copenhagen/Denmark
- University of Copenhagen, Asian Dynamics Initiative, Copenhagen/Denmark
- Institut d’Asie Orientale (IAO), Lyons/ France
- Institut d’Etudes Transtextuelles et Transculturelles (IETT), Lyons/ France
- Università Ca’ Foscari, Venezia, Dipartimento di Studi sull’Asia Orientale, Venezia/Italy
- Barcelona Centre for International Affairs (CIDOB), Barcelona/Spain
- Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, Centro de Estudios de Asia Oriental, Madrid/Spain
- Lund University, Centre for East and Southeast Asian Studies, Lund/Sweden
- University of Leeds / University of Sheffield, White Rose East Asia Centre, Leeds/Sheffield / Great Britain
- Observator da China, Lisbon/Portugal

COOPERATIONS AND ALUMNI

KOOPERATIONEN UND ALUMNI
CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE METROPOLIS RUHR

The Confucius Institute Metropolis Ruhr, based in Duisburg, was officially established in autumn 2009. It is an institute at the University of Duisburg-Essen. The city of Duisburg and the University of Duisburg-Essen provide an ideal location for a Confucius Institute, as both have been maintaining good contacts with Wuhan city and Wuhan University since the early 1980s. The Confucius Institute Metropolis Ruhr offers its expertise to the whole Ruhr Metropolitan Region, which also reflects in the institute’s name. Besides the mediation of language and cultural skills, other important foci of the Institute’s work are China’s current socio-economic issues; the Institute also assumes tasks in political, economic and media consulting and promotes scientific exchange. The IN-EAST and the CI cooperate intensively – in students exchange, in language training as well as in joint seminars. Thomas Heberer and Markus Taube serve as co-directors of the CI. 

https://www.uni-due.de/konfuzius-institut/index_en.shtml

PARTNER UNIVERSITIES AND OTHER RESEARCH COOPERATIONS

China
• Huazhong University for Science and Technology, Wuhan
• Nankai University, School of Economics, Tianjin
• Renmin University, Beijing
• Shanghai University of Political Science and Law, Shanghai
• Wuhan University, Wuhan
Japan
• Deutsches Institut für Japanstudien (DIJ), Tokyo
• Dokkyo University, Saitama
• Fukuoka University, Fukuoka
• Kanagawa University, Yokohama
• Kobe City University of Foreign Studies, Kobe
• Kyushu University, School of Education, Fukuoka
• Nagoya University, School of Education / Graduate School of Education and Human Development, Nagoya
• Ryukoku University, Kyoto
• Seinan Gakuin University, Fukuoka
• Sophia University, Faculty of Foreign Studies, Tokyo
• The University of Tokyo, Interfaculty Initiative in Information Studies, Tokyo
• Yamagata University, Faculty of Literature and Social Sciences, Yamagata

Europe
• GIGA German Institute of Global and Area Studies, Hamburg/Germany
• TÜSİAD Sabancı University, Istanbul/Turkey

ALUMNI UND FREUNDE DER DUISBURGER OSTASIENSTUDIEN E.V. (ALFREDO)

AlFreDO was founded in 1998 to develop a network of East Asia specialists and to promote research and education at the IN-EAST. AlFreDO is very active in organising and sponsoring various events such as East Asia Day or the graduation ceremony Hello & Good-bye. It sponsors scholarships as well as the annual award for the best thesis. 

http://www.alfredo-network.com
**INDIVIDUAL RESEARCH ACTIVITIES**

**FLEMMING CHRISTIANSEN**  
China’s Urbanisation Processes and the Emergence of New Political and Social Structures in China.  
Current research

Explorations of how new-style communities (shequ, i.e. local-level residential areas of public-policy provisioning) emerge in a medium-sized city in central China. The empirical research examines, in the first instance, how communities cater for the social transitions of peri-urban, rural people relocated into urban settings and also seeks to capture the broad variety of interests, purposes and administrative logics that determine their structure and path of development. This research topic is driven by an interest in explaining how social developments in China reflect coherent systemic logics. Broader research interests include the Chinese in the global economy, where by the ethnic Chinese workers overseas are regarded as part of the same “supply chains” as migrant workers in China. This research seeks to understand how forms of social and ethnic exclusion are framed in different contexts, reflecting pressures from the global economy.

**WINFRIED FLÜCHTER**  
The Territorialisation of the Sea: Maritime Boundary Conflicts in East Asia – Powers, Interests and National Identities  
Current project

Since 1994, the jurisdictional guidelines of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) are applied for making use of the biggest “land seizure” of the sea in history. Particularly the impact of the establishment of an Exclusive Economic Zone upon the oceans has been immense. Instead of res nullius (“nobody’s object”), large parts of the ocean space and its resources (approximately one third) have been “nationalized”, i.e. brought under coastal state jurisdiction (however not state sovereignty). With regard to East Asian Waters this research project focusses on the open conflicts the abutting nations (China, Japan, Russia, South Korea) are faced with each other in terms of:

1. the national belonging of whatever tiny, putatively unimportant islands, lumps of rock or coral reefs and, based on their existence, the establishment of an Exclusive Economic Zone
2. the struggle for islands between China and Japan (Diaoyu/Senkaku), between Japan and South Korea (Takeushima/Dokdo) and between Japan and Russia (southern Kuriles) in the context of UNCLOS’ maritime boundary guidelines and of history
3. hyper-nationalism as part of territorial disputes: Reasons and risks for military escalation. Why nationalism is so much entwined territorially?
4. paradigm shift back to traditional geopolitics? Learning from history?
5. managing and resolving territorial disputes in East Asia based on a combination of different values of international relations theories (particularly constructivism and liberalism).

**WINFRIED FLÜCHTER**  
Geo-Risk-Space and Risk Society Japan: The Eastern Japan Great Earthquake Disaster 2011 and the Options of a Risk Society  
Current project

Hazard research has concentrated too much on the analysis of so-called natural disasters, on the understanding of nature and the dangers resulting from this, and too little on man-made hazards, which people themselves initiate by weighing risks and trying to defuse these through hazard management. The Geo-Risk-Space and the Risk Society Japan serve as an excellent case for addressing the shortcomings of much natural hazard research by alternatively pointing to how humans attempt to bring nature under their control, with the belief that the more developed the technology, the better our control. The effect, however, is heightened vulnerability. As the Eastern Japan Great Earthquake Disaster (Higashi Nihon Daishinsai) of 2011 exemplifies, this can lead to a disastrous chain reaction, to a three-fold catastrophe – earthquake, tsunami and nuclear crisis. The research project analyzes Japan’s seismic warning system, disaster prevention and emergency measures. Emphasis is put on the options of a risk society, how to deal with the problem of Rostrisiko by making use of a flexible conflict economy. The man-made nuclear accident at Fukushima is seen as a focus of systemic weakness – and gives reason to the question if it serves as a catalyst of institutional change.

**THOMAS HEBERER**  
(with Prof. Dr. Günter Schubert, University of Tübingen)  
Politics and Autonomy in the Local State – County and Township Cadres as Strategic Actors in the Chinese Reform Process  
Funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG), until 12/2014

Any substantial assessment of China’s state capacity cannot be undertaken without a careful analysis of the local state. County and township cadres are of utmost importance here – a fact which has rarely been researched so far. They have a high degree of autonomy vis-à-vis the central state and are the decisive actors concerning the implementation of China’s agricultural policies and the government’s efforts to reform the system of rural finance. It is the local cadres who decide about the central state’s success to maintain social stability and regime loyalty among China’s peasants. What kind of rationality do local cadres follow when they carry out central policies? To what extent do they develop a collective identity that makes them a self-conscious strategic group in China’s political system? And how does this impact on state capacity and regime legitimacy? The project intends to find answers to this question by a systematic analysis of the implementation of the “Construction of a new countryside” comparing differ-
ent counties and townships. By that, it makes an important contribution to the understanding of political development in contemporary China. The project has been extended by the DFG until the end of 2014.

**THOMAS HEBERER AND KERSTIN LUKNER (University of Tübingen)**

**Local governance in China: The interaction of two Strategic Groups – local cadres and private entrepreneurs**

Funded by the German Ministry of Education and Research, 2010–2016

This project is part of the competence network governance in China: Prerequisites, Constraints and Potentials for Political Adaptation and Innovation Capacity in the 21st Century funded by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) and in cooperation with Prof. B. Alpermann (Würzburg) and Prof. H. Holbig (Frankfurt and Hamburg).

The increase in influence of non-democratic political systems, especially of the Peoples Republic of China, poses a central challenge to politics, political consulting and scientific research. The capability of authoritarian regimes for adaptation and innovation has only sporadically been examined by the social sciences so far.

The Research Network Governance in China aims at researching prerequisites, achievements and constraints of the adaptive and innovative capacity of local governments in China. Working at the lower tiers of the Chinese state, i.e., foremost at county, township level and private entrepreneurs, we aim to investigate if state-business relations in today’s local state show signs of change when compared to the findings in earlier periods and if they are shaped by the ‘corporatist, entrepreneurial’, ‘clients’ or ‘predatory’ state observed in the 1980s; to investigate the interaction between leading local cadres at county and township level and private entrepreneurs.

We argue that the relationship between local governments and private entrepreneurs has evolved through market development and has so become more horizontal than it has been in the early days of local developmentalism, meaning that private entrepreneurs have argued more autonomy from local governments as market competition has increased and market institutions have matured. Local governments not only face rising difficulties in securing sources of private sector development and structural change in the Chinese economy, but also in steering private entrepreneurs’ way they did in former times. ‘Traditional’ local state corporatism and entrepreneurialism have given way to ‘service-oriented government’, with local governments in the more developed parts of China becoming ‘inhib- ited’ developmental states in the sense that they are increasingly bound to private entrepreneurs in a relationship of mutual dependency to make ends meet. The latter, for their part, are in a state of flux, slowly accumulating strategic power to keep the local state at bay and exert pressure on local governments. Though not yet recognizable, private entrepreneurs in China are a strategic group: in the making, i.e., a potential strategic group. Even if they do not yet act collectively, their overarching interests and rational behavior may gradually change the dynamics of local politics in contempo- rary China, resulting in a complex of local government-business relations that may become the hallmark of a new era of ‘Chinese capitalism’ and, argu- ably, strengthen the political system’s adaptive capacity.

Due to its outstanding contributions to political science studies on China the BMBF decided to expand the sponsoring of this project governing in China for two further years (until 2016).

**YUAN LI** (with Prof. Maria Gill, University of Milan-Bicocca, and Dr. Jiwei Qian, National University of Singapore)

**Logrolling under Fragmented Authoritarianism: Theory and Evidence from China**

Current research

Based on the study of policy-making process in current China, the project aims at disentangling the policy making puzzles in China and at the same time developing a new analytical framework for picking apart internal political economy of authoritarian regimes. We plan to work toward this goal in three consistent stages and draw important lessons and models of the findings through four subprojects. Stage 1 aims at studying the process of logrolling and deriving its equilibrium outcomes. Stage 2 considers the consequences of logrolling on efficiency and accountability. Stage 3 tries to generalize the analytical framework on policy making in autocracy. Besides constructing new theory, we will also uncover new evidence by collecting data. Many important policy implications can be learnt from this project, whose applications ranging from foreign policy, innovation and growth, to leadership ac- countability, and political violence.

**YUAN LI** (with Prof. Yongqiang Zhang, University of Ottawa, and Dr. Shu Yu, University of Rochester, NY)

**The Successor’s Dilemma in Authoritarian Regimes: Theory and Evidence**

Current research

This project aims at developing a gener- al theory of the successor’s dilemma which is common in autocratic succes- sions across the history: A rational dic- tator chooses a successor who needs to accumulate sufficient power base to carry on his legacy, but also tends to treat a powerful successor as a threat and then removes him by using social mobilization or elite contest. A power- less successor won’t be able to sustain the autocratic regime; and, if a dictator does not designate a successor, his re- gime may run into chaos after his death. Setting dictators and their designated successors as rational agents who care about power and legacy of greatness, this project formulates various types of succession process with structural models. Additional empirics and evidences will be provided by building a new data set of the succession patterns in all au- thoritarian regimes across 1980s. The the- ory also has a substantial explanatory power over the successor’s dilemma under Mao Zedong and Deng Xiaoping.

**KERSTIN LUKNER** (with Thomas Berger, Boston Univer- sity, Ellis Krauss, University of California, San Diego, Alexsandra Sakaki, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik)

**The Legitimacy of Military Interven- tion in the Context of U.S.- German and U.S.- Japan Relations: A Comparison.**


This project compares the interven- tionist policies of two key U.S. allies with “peace constitutions,” Germany and Japan. Under strong U.S. pressure, both countries are forced to consider par- ticipation in military interventions af- ter the Cold War era. How have their approaches to military intervention evolved? What accounts for similarities and differences in their policies?

**WERNER PASCHA** (with Frank Rövekamp)

**Regional Financial Safety Nets in East Asia and Europe**

Funded by Bank of Korea, 2014

The East Asia Institute of the Lud- wigshafen University of Applied Sci- ences (Prof. Dr. Frank Rövekamp), in cooperation with the IN-EAST of Duis- burg-Essen University (Prof. Dr. Wer- ner Pascha), is engaged in a research project on the regulation of the financial sector of Korea, the South Korean central bank, on in- stitutional mechanisms to secure in- ternational financial safety. On a global level, the International Monetary Fund, based in Washington D.C., has the man- date to handle such issues. Howev- er, the recent financial crisis in the Eu- ro area and the Asian financial crisis of 1997/98 have shown that there is a de- mand for regional safety mechanisms as well. In the EU, the European Stabil- ity Mechanism (ESM) has emerged on this background, whereas East Asian economies have created the so-called Chiang Mai Initiative (CMI). The collabor- ative project with the Bank of Korea has the goal of developing ideas to im- prove the structure and processes of such regional initiatives further.

**WERNER PASCHA**

**Current Issues of the Political Economics of Japan and Korea: Comparative Research**

Funded by the Bertelsmann Founda- tion, 2009–2017

Werner Pascha is contributing to proj- ects of the Bertelsmann Foundation that promise stringent comparisons between various countries, based on a rigorous and detailed analytical frame- work. As for Japan, the framework is given by the Sustainable Governance In- dicators (SGI) project. It analyzes and compares the performance of the national member countries, as well as their ability to respond to current social and political challenges. The project is de- signed to create a comprehensive da- tabase on governance and economic activi- ties in the world’s developed, free-mar- ket democracies. With respect to South Korea, the framework is the Compara- tive Crisis Management project of Ber- telsmann Institut. It aims to evaluate the capacities and abilities of the political management in select- ed developing and transition countries in response to the global financial and economic crisis. In 2014 it was agreed...
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ners hopes to bring many added-val-
ues to the EU’s public diplomacy efforts towards strengthening its relations with Korea (ROK) through research and public activities. To help the EU achieve a well-functioning EU-Korea relation-
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- Global Shift: Wirtschaftsgeographie der Globalisierung – aktuelle Trends (Vorlesung)
  - Helmut Schneider
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  - Helmut Schneider
- Critical Readings in Globalisation and Inequalities (Seminar)
  - Birgit Apitzsch

### SOZIOLOGIE (BA / MA)
- Carework im transnationalen Ver gleich (Seminar)
  - Karen Shire
- Transnationale Arbeitsmärkte: Grenzüberschreitende Zeitarbeit (Seminar)
  - Hannelore Mottweller
- Globalisierung und der Wandel von Dienstleistungsarbeit (Seminar)
  - Birgit Apitzsch

### KULTURGEOGRAPHIE / REGIONALE GEOGRAPHIE OST- UND SÜDOSTASIENS
- Global Shift: Wirtschaftsgeographie der Globalisierung – aktuelle Trends (Vorlesung)
  - Helmut Schneider
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  - Birgit Apitzsch

### RESEARCH FORUM (PHD PROGRAM RISK AND EAST ASIA)
- Hauptseminar
  - Flemming Christiansen / Werner Pascha / Anja Sens / Karen Shire / Markus Taube

### SPECIAL TEACHING ACTIVITIES

#### WERNER PASCHA
- Participated in the Business and Economics Summer Term (BEST) programme of the Mercator School of Management of the UDE for students from abroad, which concentrates on core subjects of business techniques and economics, with special emphasis on the European Single Market and policy making in Europe. He offered a course on European Economic Integration for about 25 students from the US, Hong Kong and elsewhere, who visited Duisburg for several weeks in early summer 2014.

#### YOUNGAH GUHAK

#### MARKUS TAUBE
- Taught the course Game Theoretic Principles Underlying Economic Cooperation at Nankai University in Tianjin. The course is designed for MA and PhD students from the Economics Faculty at Nankai University. It was held during the summer semester 2014 and is part of Markus Taube’s activities in the framework of his appointment as “One Thousand Plan” Professor of the City of Tianjin, as well as “Outstanding Professor” at Nankai University.

### LIBRARY REPORT

The library of the Institute of East Asian Studies is integrated as East Asia collection in the University Library, and therefore applies its regulations for use, acquisition policy and budget requirements of the university library. The library collections reflect the contemporary relevance and interdisciplinary nature of East Asian Studies. The main collection areas are politics, society, economy, geography, modern history, culture and the modern languages of the regions of China and Japan. At present, the East Asian collection holds about 31,000 monographs and more than 500 periodicals, including 100 ongoing subscriptions. Since the focus of the Institute has moved in the last times, we have in this reporting period exchanged some ongoing subscriptions. The total holdings of the East Asia collection are recorded in the electronic cataloging network of University Libraries of North Rhine-Westphalia and can be retrieved from the local library catalogue of the search platform “Primo” (http://pm.ub.uni-duis.de/primo_library/libweb/action/search.do?vid=UDE). In Primo, users can search both the local library catalogue and further electronic resources by using a uniform control interface. The parallel cataloging of Japanese monographs in NACSIS-CAT (Japanese Union Catalogue), hosted by the National Institute of Information in Japan, has been continued, using the original characters. With the help of the Chinese and Japanese characters, approximately 5,550 of our Japanese titles can be found in “Ohi Books” (http://olii.ac.jp/books), and also in the European Union Catalogue of Japanese Books (http://www.nicat.eu). The University Library has a number of subject-oriented databases. Academic staff and students may access them via PC.

The library of the IN-EAST is also working with various international and national libraries through which both the staff and the students have opportunities to use the shared licensed databases directly from Asia and delivery of journal articles as needed (e.g. CrossAsia, http://www.crossasia.org). Many Chinese articles and texts can be downloaded. Concerning Japanese articles, the institute has comple- ted an agreement with the National Digital Library in Japan, so that you can order on demand journal articles in Japan. Since the National Diet Library has been building its collections mainly by the legal deposit of Japanese publications (Legal Deposit System), this cooperation is most valuable for our research.

Toshi Yamada
GUEST LECTURES, COLLOQUIA AND SYMPOSIA

November 6, 2013
ALBRECHT LEIN:
DPRK in Transition. Prospects for Economy and Society

November 20, 2013
JYH-JER ROGER KO
(National Taiwan University):
Precarious Workers and Work Organization: A Case Study of the Steel Industry in Taiwan

November 20, 2013
CHANG-HOON LEE
(Social ASEM Institute for International Relations):
Problems and Issues of Regional Block Formation in North-East Asia

November 27, 2013
YOSHIHIDE SATO
(Tohoku University, Sendai):
Coverage of Social Capital and Utility Function of Actors: Toward a Clearer Understanding of Functions of Social Capital

November 27, 2013
INSANG HWANG
(International Christian University, Tokyo):
Firm Level Productivity Comparison

November 27, 2013
SEOK JUN YANG
(Bank of Korea, Frankfurt Representative Office):
Foreign Reserves in Korea

November 29, 2013
BERNHARD SELGER
(Hanns Seidel Stiftung – Seoul Office):
Recent developments in North and South Korea

December 4, 2013
CAROLA HOMMERICH
(Deutsches Institut für Japanstudien, Tokyo):
Gefühlte Krise? Wahrnehmung sozialer Ungleichheit, Abstiegsängste und subjektive Exklusion: Deutschland und Japan im Vergleich

December 18, 2013
SYNGOO CHOI
(University College, London):
Do Institutions Affect Social Preferences? Evidence from Divided Korea

December 18, 2013
BERNADETTE ANDREASSO
(University of Limarick):
Trade Policy & FTA

January 8, 2014
MASATOSHI KATO
(Professor at the School of Economics, Kwansei Gakuin University, Nishinomiya):
Determinants of Quantitative and Qualitative Employment Growth: A Comparison between R&D-oriented and other Start-ups in Japan

May 28, 2014
FRANZ WALDENBERGER
(BU Tokyo):
The Japanese economy under Abenomics – Risks and opportunities

June 17, 2014
DA WU
(Director of Center for the Study of Ethnic and Cultural Diversity, Minzu University of China, Beijing; Guest Professor, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity, Göttingen):
Three Tongues and Two Identities: A case study on Ersu ethnic identities in Sichuan, China

June 24, 2014
YANG SONG
(Amsterdam Business School, University of Amsterdam):
Simulation of the Entrepreneurial Process Based on the Online Social Network Structure

July 3, 2014
ROBERT PEKKANEN
(Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington, Seattle):
Party Personnel Strategy: Candidate Nomination and Legislative Organization in Comparative Perspective

July 15, 2014
RACHEL SHINNAR
(Deans of Management, Appalachian State University):
Entrepreneurial perceptions and intentions: The role of gender and culture

July 24, 2014
MARTIN HEMMERT
(International Business at Korea University Business School):
Innovation Cooperations in Korea

August 7, 2014
KE FAN
(Department of Sociology, Anthropology Institute, Nanjing University):
Who are the Nanjing Muslims? From the Past to the Present

August 7, 2014
YUDONG YANG
(School of Social and Behavioral Sciences, Nanjing University):
State, Development and Economic Transformation of Hmong in China
March 13, 2016, Duisburg, University of Duisburg-Essen

2. DUISBURG-FRANKFURT WORKSHOP: INSTITUTIONEN IN DER ENTWICKLUNG OSTASIENS – FOKUS INNOVATION


March 27–29, 2016, Nanchang

FINAL CONFERENCE OF THE 1ST PHASE OF THE BMF FUNDED COMPETENCE NETWORK IN CHINA: GOVERNANCE, ADAPTABILITY AND SYMPTOM STABILITY UNDER CONTEMPORARY ONE-PARTY RULE: COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVES

Organized by Thomas Heberer (Chair, Thomas Heberer (Chair, China) and René Trappel and Keping Yu (responsible from the Chinese side)

Opening remarks:
Chair: Xiaohua Deng (Vice-President of Nanchang University)
Changzhou Zhu (President of Nanchang University) and Xiaoming Liao (President of Nanchang University)
Keping Yu (Chair of China Center for Global Governance and Development, Beijing)

Panel 1: One-Party and Dominant-Party Rule in Comparative Perspective: Conditions of Stability and Legitimacy
Chair: Thomas Heberer
Adam Przeworski (New York University)
Yan-hun Chu (National Taiwan University, Taipei)
Jianxing Yu: (Chair of China Center for Global Governance and Development, Beijing)

Panel 2: Ideological Change and Regime Legitimacy (Hoiborg)
Chair: Yan-hun Chu
Zengke He (China Center for Global Governance and Development, Beijing)

From Social Management to Social Governance: the Challenge of Discourse and the Adjustment of Policies
Changsheng Dai (Chair of University International Business and Economics, Beijing): Ideological Discourse Formation: The Symbolic Space of Contemporary Chinese Grassroots Politics
Adam Przeworski (Chair of China Center for Global Governance and Development, Beijing) and the Adjustment of Policies
Chair: Gunter Schubert
Scott Kennedy (Indiana University, Bloomington): The Role of Industry in China’s National Economic Policy-making Process
Ling Chen (Tsinghua University, Beijing): Political Authority and Consen-
sus Formation: The Operative Mechanisms and Evolution of China’s Top-Level Governance in Chinese Political System (Heilmann)
Xufeng Zhu (Tsinghua University, Beijing): Local Government Entrepreneur-
ship, Official Turnover, and the Diffusion of Organizational Innovation: The rise of a new administrative licensing system in China

Panel 4: Social Stratification and Political Participation (Alpermann)
Chair: Adam Przeworski
Björn Alpermann / Baris Seckin / Katja Yang (Chair of University of Bremen): Social Change and Political Values in Urban China: Attitudes, Efficacy and Desires for Political Participation
Shuage Guan (Bielefeld Academy of Social Sciences): The Political Participation of Private Entrepreneurs in China

Panel 5: The Local State and the Puzzle of China’s Development (Heberer / Schubert)
Chair: Zengke He
Thomas Heberer / Gunter Schubert (Chair of University of Tubingen): Interaction of Private Entrepreneurs and Local Governments
Elena Meyer-Clement (Chair of University of Tubingen): The Great Urbanization For-
day? On the Local Political Economy of Rural Urbanization in China
René Trappel (Chair of University of Freiburg): Fading out Peasant Agriculture in Rural China: The Role of Township and Coun-
y administrative Agrarian Change
Xueyang Dong (Chair of China Center for Global Governance and Development, Beijing): International Factors and Local Governance Transformation

Panel 6: Social Organizations and Party Governance Reform (Yu)
Chair: Keping Yu
Soyang Chiu (Chair of Department of Political Science of Chinese Academy of Govern-
ance, Beijing): Bridging or Embedding: The Diplomacy of Social Organizations in China
Jingxiong Yu: From Social Control to So-
cial Governance: The New Development of China’s State-Society Relationship
Judith Powell (Chair of Department of Eco-
nomics and Political Science): NGOs and Service-Contracting? New Form of Social Welfare or Social Ap-
peasement?
Ming Zeng: How to remove the ‘Re-
source Curse’ in Social Stability in Chi-
nal framework of profit sharing

Keping Yu / Jingxiong Yu / Xiaoming Liao / Thomas Heberer: Publication of Con-
ference Papers and Final Remarks

May 16–17, 2016, Taipei, National Chengchi University

WORKSHOP ON LOCAL GOVERNANCE RESEARCH IN CONTEMPORARY CHINA

(Organizers: Thomas Heberer, Duisburg, Gunter Schubert, Tubingen, Jen 
Hwan Wang, Taipei)
ganzer Studenten an den Veranstaltungen teilnehmen.

September 26, 2014, Duisburg
SINO-GERMAN SYMPOSIUM: POLITISCHE UND WIRTSCHAFTLICHE ENTWICKLUNG IN CHINA UNTER EINER NEUEN POLITISCHEN FÜHRUNGSRIEGE


Economics: China’s Struggle to Evade the Middle Income Trap

Staats- und Parteichef Xi Jinping (Confucius Institute Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania) bemerkte, dass der Wandel in China unter einer neuen politischen Führungskreise in dieser Einleitung betont wurde. Der Kurswechsel sollte die Welt rechnen, und die Frage der Kulturellen „soft power“ wurde von Alfred Schipke (IMF Senior Representative China, Beijing) erörtert.

Closing Remarks

Zum Abschluss des Symposiums gab es eine Runde von Reden und Diskussionen, darunter von Markus Taube (University of Duisburg-Essen), die an erster Stelle Ihre Ansprache hielt, und von Jing Li (Wuhan University), die mit einer kurzen Zusammenfassung schließt.

September 18-21, 2014, Wuhan
SINO-GERMAN JOINT CONFERENCE: ECONOMIC ADJUSTMENT AND GROWTH IN CHINA AND THE EUROPEAN UNION AFTER THE DEBT CRISIS

Co-organized by Economics & Management School, Wuhan University, Center for Economic Research and Development (CERD), Wuhan University, Mercator School of Management, University of Duisburg-Essen, IN-VEST School of Advanced Studies, University of Duisburg-Essen, Faculty of Law and Economics, University of Pforzheim

Opening Remarks

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sterdam.

November 27, 2013  Commenting on the paper A Discussion of Three Theoretical Perspec-
tives for Analyzing China’s Climate Change and Environmental Governance, by Liang-Yu Chen. – Academ-
ic Colloquium The ‘New Authoritari-
anism’: Russia and China in Compari-
tive Perspective, Koninklijke Neder-
landska Akademie van Wetenschap-
pen, Amsterdam.

November 27, 2013  The Developmental Function of the Central and Local State in China. – Academic Colloquium The ‘New Au-
thoritarianism’: Russia and China in Compari-
tive Perspective, Koninklijke Nederlandse Akademie van Weten-
schappen, Amsterdam.

December 2, 2013  Einige Überlegungen zum gegen-
wärtigen Wachstum in China und seinen Perspektiven. – Hagener Hoch-
schulgespräche, Fachhochschule Süd-
westfalen, Hagen.

December 3, 2013  Wo steht China? Das Jahr 2013: Mo-
difizierung des Wachstumsmodells. – Volkshochschule Krefeld und Deutsch-Chinesische Gesellschaft Krefeld.

December 3, 2013  Die Provinz Sichuan, Partnerpro-
vinz von Nordrhein-Westfalen in China. – Volkshochschule Krefeld und Deutsch-Chinesische Gesell-
schaft Krefeld.

December 5, 2013  The Chinese State: A Central and Local Development State? – Course Methodology, University of Duisburg-
Essen, Duisburg.

January 22, 2014  Wohin steuert Chinas Wirtschafts-
politik – mehr Markt, weniger Staat? – Beitrag im Rahmen der Podiums-
diskussion Änderung der chinesischen Wachstumsmodells? Zur Disku-
sion der Parteiobstausche vom November 2013, ausgerichtet vom Konfuzius-Institut Metropole Ruhr, Duisburg.

March 5, 2014  Diskurse und Gegendiskurse im ‘Zi-
vilisierungsprozess’: das Fallbe-
spiel Umweltgouvernment in Regio-
nen ethnischer Minderheiten in Chi-
na. Eine Fallstudie im Autonomen Bezirk Liangshao der Yi. – Präsen-
tation am Institut für Ostasiennis-
senschaften der Universität Wien.

March 28, 2014  (Jointly with Gunter Schubert)  Developmentalism and Strategic Agen-
cy in China’s Local State – Prelimi-
nary Findings from Recent Field-
work. – Presented at the internation-
al conference Governance, Adapta-
ibility, and System Stability under con-
temporary One-party-rule: Compara-
tive Perspectives, Nanchang Univer-
sity.

May 16, 2014  (Jointly with Gunter Schubert)  County and Township Cadres as a Strategic Group. A New Approach to Political Agency in China’s Local State. – Contemporary local governance in Chi-
na, Center for China Studies at Na-
tional Chengchi University, Taipei.

August 1, 2014  The Chinese Developmental State and Resilience of Authoritarianism. – Presented at the international con-
ference Crisis in Autocratic Regimes, Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin.

PETER THOMAS IN DER HEIDEN
October 24, 2013  China as world leader in green mo-
bility solutions? – 9th International Conference on the Chinese Economy, CERDI-IDREC, University of Auvergne, Clermont-Ferrand.


November 21, 2013  Industrial policy guidance for inter-
national trade of steel products in Chi-
a – EU-China Trade and Eco-
nomic Relations in the Post-Crisis Era. – Warsaw School of Economics.

November 29, 2013  Bringing innovation to the Chinese automobile industry – 30th Euro-
Asia Management Studies Associa-
tion (EAMSA) Annual Conference, University of Duisburg-Essen, Insti-
tute of East Asian Studies (IN-EAST).

June 15, 2014  Environmental policy implementation in less developed areas: environ-
mental civilianization and environ-
mental governance. – Presented at the international conference Envi-
norment and Energy: Theories, Gov-
ernance, and Policies, Zhejiang Uni-
versity.

July 3, 2014  Can China skip ahead of internatio-
nal electric vehicle development? – Workshop Future mobility. Markets and policy measures in the evolution of electric mobility, University of Bremen / Jacobs University / OFFIS (Institut für Informatik Oldenbourg, Oldenburg.

May 14, 2014  Electric vehicles driven (out) by the government. – Green Asia Confer-
cence, Copenhagen Business School.

July 2, 2014  Public policy as driver for green inno-
vation – The case of electric vehi-
cles in China. – New European Re-
search on Contemporary China Con-
ference, Delegation of the European Communities, Beijing.

July 11, 2014  Creating, shaping and keeping alive the market? The promotion of elec-
tric vehicles in China. – 26th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Ad-
vancement of Socio-Economics, Uni-
versity of Chicago.

furt.

VITALI HIEDT
November 9, 2013  Social risks of aging: gender dimen-
sions of elderly care in Japan – Care-
Crises and Leadership in East Asia. – Gender Research and Mentoring Workshop, Bonn-Bad Godesberg.

November 23, 2013  Social Risks of Aging: Elderly Care in Yamato, Shizuoka and the Japanes Countryside. – Vereini-
gung für sozialwissenschaftliche Japanforschung (VSJF), Berlin.

MARTIN HEBERER
October 3–6, 2013  (with Erkan Ozkaya and Markus Taube) The Effect Chain from Cor-
porate Reputation to Consumer Brand Equity Formation. – Pub-
lished as extended abstract in: Ad-
vances of Consumer Research (41), Proceedings to the Association for
Lectures

September 19, 2014
Interview with Sonntag/Doppelpunkt on Japan’s Current Foreign Policy.

October 24, 2013
Corporate Governance in Financial Distress: The New Role of Bankruptcy. – The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST).

November 13, 2013
Strengthening Corporate Governance: Completing the Unfinished Business of SOE Reform. – Johns Hopkins University, School of Advanced International Studies, Nanjing.

January 10, 2014
The Class of Shareholdings and its Impact on Corporate Performance: A Case of State Shareholding Composition in Chinese Public Corporations. – Frankfurt School of Finance and Management.

January 20, 2014

January 27, 2014
China startups ‘get smart’ about healthcare devices. – DLD14 Conference Content And Context, München.

February 17, 2014
The Underdevelopment of Incentives in the Operation of Chinese Domestic VCs. – Bank of China, Shanghai Branch.

February 26, 2014
Conflicts between Shareholders and Managers: Solutions within the Framework of the German and UK Corporate Governance Model. – China Securities Regulatory Commission, Beijing.

March 18, 2014
The Gains from Organizational Diversity: An Evolutionary Game Approach. – Shanghai Jiao Tong University.

May 7, 2014
The Difficulty of Fundraising Suffered by Chinese Domestic VCs. – Hong Kong Baptist University.

May 29, 2014

July 4, 2014
Convergence in Corporate Governance and to the Model of the Market for Corporate Control. – University of Stirling (Scotland).

July 6, 2014
The Hybrid Americanized Version of the Model of the Market for Corporate Control. – University of Stirling (Scotland).

July 24, 2014
(with Christine A. Mallin) The Role of Chinese Institutional Investors in Corporate Governance. – University of Birmingham.

July 25, 2014
(with Christine A. Mallin) Corporate Governance in the Asia-Pacific. – University of Birmingham.

August 17, 2014
Financial markets: Chinese stock markets: Perspectives in institutional structure, regulations and performance. – Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

August 29, 2014
China’s Qualified Foreign Institutional Investor and Qualified Domestic Institutional Investor programs. – Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

March 6, 2015
Vom Krankenhaus ins Armenhaus? Soziale Risiken und staatliche Krankenversicherung im ländlichen China (From the Hospital to the Poorhouse? Social Risks and Public Health Insurance in Rural China). – Konfuzius-Institut Metropole Ruhr, Duisburg.

May 29, 2014

WERNER PASCHA

April 4–6, 2014

October 17–18, 2013
The future of E-mobility in East Asia: Analyzing behavioural foundations of a new technological system. – EastAsiaNet Research Workshop on Future Cities and Space Reconfiguration in East Asia, Practices and Representations, Risk and Opportunities, Lyon.

October 29, 2013

February 12, 2014
South Korea’s quest towards an innovative and creative economy. – Ca’Foscari University and King Sejong Institute of Venice.

February 13-14, 2014
Overcoming Economic Weakness in Japan and the EU: The Political Economy of Stimuli and Reforms. – Workshop Global Challenges in Contemporary Economies, Ca’Foscari International College and University of Venice.

February 24–25, 2014
Exploring experience and preference change, with special reference to e-mobility. – International Workshop on Comparative Study on Happiness, Doshisha University, Kyoto.

Nicole Schleiffer

May 8, 2014
Results of the Car Clinic for the design concept of an electric vehicle. – Presentation at the 6. Wissenschaftsforum Mobilität at the Frauhofer-Institut in Duisburg.

Helmut Schneider

April 28, 2014
Willkommen im Club? Der südostasiatische Archipelstaat Indonesien auf dem Weg in den Kreis der führenden Schwellenländer. – Verein zur Förderung des Studiums im fortgeschrittenen Alter an der Universität Duisburg-Essen e.V., Campus Essen.

Anja Senz

November 25, 2013

April 17, 2014
Chinas Rolle in einer globalisierten Welt – innenpolitische Bedingungen für außenpolitisches Handeln. – Bundesakademie für Sicherheitspolitik Berlin.

May 21, 2014

May 27, 2014
Weltmacht China. – Universität Duisburg-Essen Essen.

June 26, 2014
Innenpolitische Herausforderungen der neuen Führung in China. – Universität Duisburg-Essen.

July 7, 2014
Zu den innenpolitischen und sozio-ökonomischen Bedingungen chinesischer Außenbeziehungen. – Bundesinstitut für Medienpolitik.
Lectures

KAREN SHIRE

October 3-4, 2013


November 22-24, 2013

Discourses of Labor Market Inequalities. – Invited Lecture to the Workshop Inequality in Post-Growth Japan: Social Transformation during Economic and Demographic Stagnation, German Institute of Japan Studies, Tokyo, and in revised form at the Annual Meeting of the German Association for Social Science Research on Japan, Japanese-German Center Berlin.

December 12-13, 2013

Care and Migration: a comparison of the Austrian and German cases. – Comparing care- regimes of Social Sciences. – Seminar in the international field. – Seminar in the context of the German Manager IHK, Nürnberg.

January 8, 2014

Innovation made in China? Warum Chinas High-tech-Cluster so wenig Neues schaffen. – Vortrag im Rahmen der öffentlichen Vortragsreihe Die kleine Form der Universität Duisburg-Essen.

January 17, 2014

China’s Reform of the Reform – Towards a Healthier Economy and Stable Growth? – Presentation at Information Technologies AG, Munich.

January 22, 2014


February 28, 2014


March 20, 2014


May 22, 2014

China Wirtschaft im internationalen Umfeld. – Seminartag im Rahmen der China Manager IHK Feldkirchen-Westhamer.

May 22, 2014


June 7, 2014

The Chinese Growth Story and the Role of the Foreign in its Emergence. – Presentation at the Bonny Mostazafan Foundation of the Islamic Revolution, Tehran.

June 14, 2014

Game-Theoretic Reflections on the Relevance of Guanxi-Networks in a Changing Socio-Economic Environment. – Presentation at the Sino-German Joint Conference Economic Adjustment and Growth in China and the European Union after the Debt Crisis, organized by the University of Wuhan & the University of Duisburg-Essen, Wuhan.

September 21, 2014

Industrial Policy, Governmental Guidance, and the Issue of Industrial Overcapacities in China. – Presentation at the Sino-German Joint Conference Economic Adjustment and Growth in China and the European Union after the Debt Crisis, organized by the University of Wuhan & the University of Duisburg-Essen, Wuhan.

September 24, 2014

Economics: China’s Struggle to Evade the Middle Income Trap. – Presentation at the Sino-German Joint Conference Political and Economic Development in the PR China under the New Leadership, organized by the Remin University, Beijing & the University of Duisburg-Essen, Duisburg.

OLIVER SIMON

November 7-9, 2014


December 8, 2013


MARCUS TAUBE

October 4, 2013

Chinas Einbindung in die Weltwirtschaft. – Vortrag im Rahmen des EMBA Business Integration, ausgerichtet von der Julius-Maximilian-Universität Würzburg.

November 25, 2013


March 12, 2014


March 20, 2014


May 22, 2014

China Wirtschaft im internationalen Umfeld. – Seminartag im Rahmen der China Manager IHK Feldkirchen-Westhamer.

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June 17, 2014

Game-Theoretic Reflections on the Relevance of Guanxi-Networks in a Changing Socio-Economic Environment. – Presentation at the International workshop Exploring the Role of Informal Institutions for Economic Coordination in East Asia, jointly organized by Seoul National University and University of Duisburg-Essen, Seoul.

June 25, 2014


June 28, 2014

Globalisierung der Weltmärkte. – Seminartag im Rahmen des interdisziplinären Qualifizierungsprogramms der ThyssenKrupp Steel AG, Duisburg.
Scientists of the IN-EAST are involved in many professional activities serving the (scientific) communities which reflect the trust of our colleagues in our work. This is a real honour and we are pleased to serve. This year the following new appointments have been made: Momoyo Häslebeck: JaDe Stiftung (Japanese-German Society for Cultural Relations) Publication Grant. Der von Helmut Schneider et al. herausgegebene Atlas der Metropole Ruhr hat beim 6. Geschichtswettbewerb des Forums Geschichtskultur an Ruhr und Emscher den 1. Preis in der Kategorie Wissenschaft erhalten (27.6.2014).

Karen Shire was elected Vice-President of the RC02 Economy and Society of the International Sociological Association (July 2014). Karen Shire was elected Chair of the Board of the Special Collections for the Social Sciences (Sonder­sam­mel­gebiets­Sozialwissenschaften) funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG) and located at the University Library Cologne (USB Köln).

Karen Shire was appointed by German Sociological Association to a Working Group for developing Research Information Services for the Social Sciences to follow the Special Collections program of the DFG.

Karen Shire was appointed by the Werner Reimers Stiftung (Bad Homburg) to its newly re-instated Scientific Advisory Board (October 1, 2014).

Markus Taube has been appointed as “One Thousand Plan” Professor of the City of Tianjin, PR China, as well as “Outstanding Professor” at Nankai University, Tianjin, PR China (2014–2017).

Markus Taube has been appointed as a Member of the Advisory Board of the Mercator Institute for China Studies (MERICS), Berlin.

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Member of the Academic Advisory Committee, China in Comparative Perspective Network

Member of the Academic Advisory Board, Journal of Current Chinese Affairs

Member of the Academic Advisory Board, Internationales Asienforum

Member of the Board, Institute for Peace and Development (INEF), Duisburg

Member of the Curatorium, Asia Foundation Essen

Co-editor of the book series East Asia in the 21st Century: Vorlag für Sozialwissenschaften

Co-editor of the book series Ostasien-Pazifik. Trierer Studien zu Politik, Wirtschaft, Gesellschaft, Kultur

Co-editor of the book series Schriftenreihe zur Ostasienforschung

Cologne Forum of International Relations and Security Policies, Member of the Academic Advisory Board

Member of the Academic Committee of the Dr. Secker Chan Center for Comparative Political Development Studies at Fudan University Shanghai

Member of the Academic Advisory Council, Institute of European Studies, Nankai University, Tianjin

Adjunct Professor, Zhengguo Renmin Daxue (Chinese People’s University), Beijing

Adjunct Professor, Nankai University, Tianjin

Distinguished Professor, Zhejiang University, Hangzhou

Senior Research Fellow, Beijing Academy of Social Sciences

Co-Director, Confucius Institute Metropolitan Ruhr, Duisburg

Member of the Editorial Committee of the annual yearbook Ethnic Minorities: Annual Social and Economic Indicators (Routledge)

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Member of the China Postgraduate Network, the Association of Asian Studies, The Deutsche Gesellschaft für Asienkunde, the International Studies Organization, the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE) and the Chinese Economists Society.

KERSTIN LUKNER

Vice-President and Board Member, VSJF = German Association on Social Science Research on Japan

Speaker, Political Science Working Group, VSJF = German Association for Social Science Research on Japan

Peer Reviewer, Pacific Affairs, Routledge and Japan-Jahrbuch [Annual Yearbook on Japan]

RUMIN LUO

seit Juli 2016: Verteidigungs-Komitee, Xi Zhao, Universität Kassel; Thema: Return Migration and Productive Employment in Rural China: A Case Study in Hunan Province

Member, International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences, University of Kent

RITA NÉMETH

Board member, German-Japanese Society, Bonn

WERNER PASCHA

Member of the Editorial Committee, European Journal of East Asian Studies

Co-Editor in Chief, Asia-Europe Journal, published by Springer

Editorial Advisory Board member, Journal of Korea Trade

Adviser on University relations, German-Korean Society

Chairman of the Board of JaDe, Japenese-German Foundation for Cultural and Academic Relations

HELMUT SCHNEIDER

Schriftleitung (Editorial Management), Zeitschrift für Wirtschaftsgeschichte (The German Journal of Economic Geography)

Jury Member, International Research Prize of the Max Weber Foundation

Member, Scientific Advisory Board for Japan/Korea, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Asienkunde (DGIA)

Anja Senz

Managing Director of the Confucius Institute Metropolitan Ruhr, Duisburg (until August 2014)

Visiting Professor at the University of Torino

Member of the Expert Advisory Board of the Heinrich-Böll-Stiftung, Berlin

Member of the Europe-China Research and Advice Network (ECRAN), Brussels

Member of the Research Team New Multilateralism on the Global Age at Torino World Affairs Institute

Co-Editor of The China Companion, Online Research Network, Torino

KAREN SHIRE

Vice-President, RC02 Economy and Society, International Sociological Association (from July 2014)

International Editorial Board Member, Work, Employment and Society, Journal of the British Sociological Association

Jury Member, International Research Prize of the Max Weber Foundation

Member, Scientific Board, Werner Reimers Stiftung (from September 2014)

Member, International Scientific Board, White Rose East Asia Center, Universities of Leeds and Sheffield

Chair, Scientific Advisory Board, Bremer International Graduate School of Social Sciences (BIGSSE), German Excellence Initiative, Jacobs University and University Bremen (until March 2014)

ANDREAS STREICHER

Member, Research Group (Arbeitskreis Transformation of Employment Relations), Hans Böckler Foundation (since 2013)

Member, Advisory Research Council (Projektberat), Technological Applications in Elderly Care Work, Hans Böckler Foundation (2013–2015)

Member, Yale Society for Comparative Studies, Yale University

Advisory Board, Institute of Advanced Studies in the Humanities (KWI Essen)

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Member of the Academic Advisory Board, Journal of Current Chinese Affairs

Member of the Academic Advisory Board, International Economic Policy Review

Member of the English Program Committee of the Sixth Biennial IAMCR Conference, Beijing 2014

External examiner for curricula accreditation procedures at: Universität Marburg, Fachhochschule Würzburg-Schweinfurt

External examiner for: DFG, Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes

External examiner for: Routledge Press and Cambridge University Press

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