DEAR READER,

The academic year 2016/17 has been one of successful consolidation towards realizing IN-EAST’s ambition of being one of Europe’s leading centers for higher education and research on contemporary East Asia. The Research Training Group of the German Research Foundation (DFG) on Risk and East Asia has made continuous progress, while the IN-East School of Advanced Studies on Innovation in East Asia, financially supported by a major grant from the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), has positively evaluated, has entered its second phase (2017 to 2019) with a focus on transnational innovation processes / institutional transfers in East Asia. For teaching activities, our forceful extension into contemporary Korean studies is taking shape. Thanks to our new language instructor Stefan Knoob, full-scale Korean language courses for both our bachelor and master students have commenced during the past academic year. In addition, the Korea Foundation has kindly granted our application to host a KF Visiting Professor during the academic year 2017/18. Professor Park Sang-young will join us from the Korea National University of Education; he holds a doctoral degree in political science from the University of Hawaii at Manoa. Moreover, we are currently engaged in the process of selecting a candidate for the newly erected professorship in East Asian Social Sciences – Korean Studies, established by the Faculty of Social Sciences and IN-EAST.

Another important pillar of extending our institutional framework is the cooperation with the Faculty of East Asian Studies of Ruhr University Bochum. The Alliance for Research on East Asia – (AREA) Ruhr – will start its new doctoral program in October 2017, financially supported by the Mercator Foundation, with students already selected. The structured three-year program on Transnational Institution Building and Transnational Identities in East Asia aims to advance knowledge on East Asian regional institution building, identity formation, and the interaction between both processes throughout history and today. Bishum’s Faculty and our institute understand this program as a chance to engage with each other intensively, which will hopefully lead to further exciting projects in the future.

Finally, our institutional cooperation with the Käte Hamburger Kolleg / Centre for Global Cooperation Research in Duisburg is gaining momentum. As part of our newly established joint visiting fellow program, Alessandra Cappelletti (American University of Rome) has already stayed with us in early 2017, and her stay will lead to a research workshop Strategic Power without Normative Intentions: A New Paradigm in International Relations? The Case of China in December 2017, while two new fellows, Gerald Chan (University of Auckland, New Zealand) and Charmaine Misa-lucha-Willsoughby (De La Salle University, Manila, Philippines) have settled recently and two more, Anja Jetschke (University of Göttingen, Germany) and Lishang Dong (University of Tartu, Estonia) are to arrive at the beginning of the forthcoming academic year.

While the institutional setting is important, it is indeed people that make the difference. As the IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies has entered its second phase, the new group of post-docs in charge of research areas encompasses Katharina Bergmann, Momoyo Hustedt, Beate Löffler, Mira Schüller and Odebre Snee. Junior Professor Shuanping Dai, another research group leader of the first round, has successfully passed his mid-term evaluation and will also stay with us. Giulia C. Romano from the University of Paris has newly joined the group.

As our colleague Karen Shire enters her second year of a leave of absence, working at Ochanomizu University in Tokyo, Kyoko Shinozaki, who filled in for Karen as acting professor, has received a professorship at the University of Salzburg in Austria. We congratulate Kyoko and thank her for great contributions to our institute and to the field of comparative sociology and Japanese society in particular. Takemitsu Morikawa will follow her here at IN-EAST. He works on the interfaces between culture, society and philosophy, and has held positions at several universities, including the Universities of Kasel, Heidelberg, Lucerne, Zurich, Basel, Vienna, Fribourg (CH), Freiburg (D) as well as Osaka University, Toyo University, Keio University and the University of Tokyo. The following report will inform you, dear reader, about many other activities that have been going on during the past year. With respect to major conferences hosted, I would just like to point out the Conference on Mobility and the City of the Future of the German Association for Social Science Research on Japan, locally organized by Helmut Demes and Werner Pascha in November 2016, and the Final Conference concluding the first funding period of the IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies in February 2017 on Innovation in East Asia – E Mobility and Urban Systems. Writing in autumn 2017, we look forward to another major conference on the New Silk Road after two engaging earlier events, namely the Third International Forum on the “New Silk Road” and Second European Cooperation in November 2017, co-organized with the Fudan Development Institute (Fudan University), among others. The institute would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our cooperation partners and supporters, both ideally and financially, in research and teaching, within the university and beyond, for their continuous support and trust. Ending on a lighter note: The institute has thought hard about how to express its gratitude to partners and distinguished visitors. And we have come up with an idea: namely to collect delicious recipes for cakes and cookies, tapping deep into the experience and, hopefully, expertise of our multicultural institute community. The result, Sweet IN-EAST, has already left the printing shop, and we sincerely hope this will be another incentive for you, dear reader, to kindly continue your cooperation and support.

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Rapid aging in Japan poses many challenges for care institutions and requires technological and social innovations to provide security. In order to gain insights into these challenges and possibly apply the results to German institutions, a study tour to Japan was organized by Karen Shire and Vitali Heidt for a leading association of social enterprises between October 1 until October 9, 2016. The members of the study tour consisted of 16 participants of the Brüsseler Kreis, an association of European social enterprises who financed the study tour, IN-EAST members Professor Florian Coulmas, Yuka Ando and GRK 1613 doctoral candidate Benjamin Rabbe as well as Assistant Professor Peter Backhaus of Waseda University, Tokyo. All academic participants provided remarkable insights into their respective research focus.

Following up on the workshop which IN-EAST professors Karen Shire and Florian Coulmas organized in February 2016, the study tour to Japan provided insights into policy design and implementation of care for the elderly and disabled. It also focused on the usage of technology in care settings. In order to understand regional diversity and innovative approaches in care, one part of the study tour took place in Tokyo while the other was based in Nagano prefecture.

To begin with, officials of the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare illustrated changes in Japan’s demography, the necessity of the long-term care insurance, its goals and as necessary regarded reforms towards community care, which are in the phase of implementation.

Care facilities for the elderly in Tokyo, such as San San Akasaka, as well as those for disabled people, Donmai Kōbō, were visited and their heads of administration pointed out the strategies they developed and issues they are confronted with. By way of comparison, the Shakai Fukushi Kyōgikai care facilities for the elderly in the small city Komagane-shi in Nagano prefecture were visited, where community care, in the sense of an integrated concept of local activation and interconnection of local actors and institutions, is well established.

Additionally, technology enterprises presented their innovations in various visits. Especially memorable: The Ory Laboratory introduced its communication device OriHime at the facility of NRW.invest (and the very helpful support of Georg Löer and his team, Ryuji Sugizaki and Janina Diekmann) in Tokyo, the Tokyo Institute of Technology its gait and walking assistance at the Yokohama campus and Cyberdyne the HAL exoskeleton at the Robo Care Center Shonan.

Vitali Heidt
IN-EAST graduates, family and friends, new students, returning BA students, IN-EAST staff and lecturers joined our graduation and welcome ceremony on October 28, 2016. At “Hello, Good-bye and Welcome Back!”, presented by Sarah Reimann and Dan T. Wichter, IN-EAST had the pleasure of welcoming PhD candidates, Bachelor students and Master students from 18 different countries. The annual event offered a perfect stage for graduates and students to share their personal impressions and experiences of studying at IN-EAST and in East Asia.

Welcome Back: Prof. Axel Klein, in charge of the IN-EAST Bachelor Program, interviewed Klaus Eulenbach on stage, who had spent a year in Xi'an, and Lara Suraci, who had studied in Yokohama. Klaus Eulenbach also talked about his photographs that made up half of the new exhibition called “Mein Osteasten”. He emphasized on the diversity of China: featuring incredibly modern architecture, celebrating traditions and also taking Western influences.

The other half of the exhibition was contributed by Beatrijs Brouwer, a freelance illustrator from the Netherlands who gave us the opportunity to exhibit drawings she made of Taiwan and other East Asian places.

Good-bye! MA graduate Benjamin Rabe looked back on the past two years he spent at IN-EAST for his Master studies. In his speech he described what it is like to be a student at IN-EAST. He and many other BA and MA graduates then received their certificates. We congratulate all of our graduates on their achievements. We are proud of you and wish you all the best for your future careers!

AlFreDO Award: The alumni association AlFreDO (Alumni and Friends of the Duisburg East Asia Studies) generously supports IN-EAST students and graduates. This year, AlFreDO granted two awards: The AlFreDO Award for the best Bachelor thesis went to Anne Qiu. Anastasia Nikulina received the AlFreDO Award for the best Master thesis. On top of this, AlFreDO supports Hang Thanh Dang, student of the MEAS Master program, with a scholarship.

Music: The event also featured the second generation setup of BAND MDAS, the music project of IN-EAST students. Thomas Janzen, Raphael Viera Costa, Kevin Lesniowski and Cansu Öner presented a heavily rocking rendition of the unofficial anthem of the city of Duisburg, called “Duisburg – Du bist Du.”

Starting at October 28, 2016, the exhibition My East Asia shows impressions from cities and countrysides in PR China, Taiwan, Hong Kong and other lovely places by two students. Klaus Eulenbach is enrolled as a student of Modern East Asian Studies at the IN-EAST. His interest in electronic product designs led him to photography three years ago. For his year abroad in China he equipped himself with a micro-four-third camera to capture his impressions from a culturally truly rich country. During his stay in Xi’an, he adopted to the contrasty lifestyle but also traveled as much as time and budget allowed. This exhibition is supposed to emphasize on the diversity of China: featuring incredibly modern architecture, celebrating traditions and also taking in Western influences. The photos shown are not a summary of China, but memories limited to the perspective of a single person that mostly wandered alone.

Beatrijs Brouwer is a freelance illustrator from the Netherlands. After obtaining a BA in Chinese Studies from the University of Leeds she decided to face her fears of traditional characters and enrolled in further language studies at National Chengchi University, Taipei where she almost immediately lost her camera. To record and share her whereabouts and experiences she started drawing even more than before, putting up on her blog sketches of “Zhengda” campus, quick doodles of the incredible birds strutting outside her classrooms, and comics based on dormitory life and Taipei encounters. Much of the work shown here was scanned from the sketchbooks and journals she filled while studying in Taiwan, but there are also drawings from her trip to Japan and Korea in Spring 2016.

Following her year in Taiwan she completed a MA in Chinese Literature from SOAS (School of Oriental and African Studies), London, worked in a literary agency specialising in world literature, and is now focussing on illustration.
The 20th annual East Asia Day at November 18, 2016 focused on mobility in two metropolitan areas: Greater Tokyo and the Ruhrgebiet. Despite being quite different in size, structure and historical development, they also share quite a few similarities. Both are the biggest economic areas in their respective countries with a rapidly aging population. The two regions face the enormous challenge of organizing the transportation of goods and people in a sustainable manner. The combustion engine driven car as most important mean of transport has already reached its limits. How are new and old means of transport linked? How do the various players in the transportation sector coordinate and cooperate with each other? How do inhabitants cope with (and survive) the growth in the volume of transport? How will factors such as structural economic change, the aging population, new technical developments and environmental needs change mobility in metropolitan areas? Moderator: Kai Rüsberg, Journalist, Professor of City Planning and Urban Design, Director Main Research Area Urban Systems, University of Duisburg-Essen. André Sorensen, Professor of Urban Geography, University of Toronto Scarborough, Mamoru Taniguchi, Professor of Policy and Planning Sciences, University of Tsukuba, Hans-Werner Wehling, Professor of Geography – Geography of Old Industrialized Regions, University of Duisburg-Essen.

Before and after the panel discussion the supporting program attracted the auditorium:
- Driving Simulator (Mechatronik, UDE) / assisted driving
- Exoskeleton (Cyberdyne Care Robotics)
- Age Simulation Suit GERT
- Rickshaw (Initiative Radeln ohne Alter)
- Cargo bike Dein-RUDOLF.de (in co-operation with Zentrum für Logistik & Verkehr, UDE)
- “Bicycle Highway Ruhr” – Rad-schnellweg Ruhr – RS 1 (Metropollerhu)
- Match the Maps (Geographic and schematic maps of subways and regional trains).

How do people in urban areas live together? How do they commute to work? How do they maintain social interaction? All these questions are related to the topic of mobility. The German Association for Social Science Research (VSJF) held its annual meeting in Duisburg on November 17–20, 2016. The IN-EAST and its Advanced School hosted the event that strived to contribute to the discussion on Mobility and the City of the Future. 80 participants from eight countries joined the conference at the University of Duisburg-Essen. The annual workshop Gender Studies on Japan started the event, followed by three days of keynotes, talks and presentations as well as a public panel and section meetings. Five scientific panels ranged from topics surrounding the emergence of electric vehicles, the city as a sustainable living and working place to reflections on governance and planning perspectives on urban transportation as well as challenges in the face of the super-aged society. One of the public panels was the annual Duisburg East Asia Day, focusing on mobility in metropolitan regions, the Greater Tokyo area and the Ruhr area (see sub-chapter above). Section meetings brought together researchers with a focus on History, Cultural and Media Studies, Education, Political Science, Science and Technology Studies, Sociology and Anthropology, Urban and Regional Studies, Economics to present and discuss their research.

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Die Meyer-Struckmann-Stiftung und die Philosophische Fakultät der HHU würdigten Florian Coulmas daher als einen Wissenschaftler, der sich prominent darum verdient gemacht hat, dass wir Japan und – im Spiegel dieser ostasiatischen Gesellschaft – uns selbst auf diese einzigartige multi-perspektivische Weise kennen- und besser verständigt haben.“

**6 MEYER-STRUCKMANN-PREIS 2016 AN FLORIAN COULMAS VERLIEHEN**

**FLORIAN COULMAS RECEIVED THE MEYER STRUCKMANN AWARD 2016**

**7 WERNER PASCHA BEGLEITETE DEN BUNDESPRÄSIDENTEN JOACHIM GAUCK NACH JAPAN**

**WERNER PASCHA ACCOMPANIED FEDERAL PRESIDENT JOACHIM GAUCK TO JAPAN.**


**8 JUNE WORKSHOP DFG GRADUIERTENKOLLEG 1613/2 JUNI-WORKSHOP AM DFG-GRADUIERTENKOLLEG 1613/2**

The DFG Research Training Group 1613 Risk and East Asia organized their An- nual Preliminary Results Workshop at June 21–22, 2017. Students at the end of their second year, and returning from an 8–10 months fieldwork stay in East Asia, presented their fieldwork findings. All projects received con- structive feedback which enabled them to further develop their research. The GRK’s strong international collabo- ration was manifest with the participa- tion of Anna Vainio and Hai Guo, Ph.D. candidates from the University of Leeds who presented their research. Participants from the GRK and other IN-EAST staff in Duisburg included: Aimi Muranaka, Benjamin Rabe, Yu Zou, Lia Musitz, Connor Malloy, Antonia Hmaid, Diana Schüler, Dominique Mi- guel Borm, Ying Ding, Lassi Laine, Ningjing Ge, Elizaveta Priupolina, and Jiajia Ma. In addition, many internation- ally acclaimed researchers were pres- ent: Fan Ke (Nanjing University), Alison Lamont (University of Leeds), Yi Long Lu (Rmin University of China, Beijing), Kristin Surak (School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London), Keping Yu (Peking University), and Dingxin Zhao (University of Chi- cago).
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9 BEST EMERGING SCHOLAR PAPER AWARD FOR SHUANPING DAI AND GUANZHONG YANG

Shuanping Dai and Guanzhong Yang received the Best Emerging Scholar Paper Award from the University of California, Berkeley at the 3rd Annual World Open Innovation Conference, December 15–16, 2016, in Barcelona. Title of the paper: Does Social Inducement Lead to Higher Open Innovation Investments? An Experimental Study.

11 EXHIBITION “JAPOREA” PHOTOS OF SIMI-VERSITY BETWEEN JAPAN AND SOUTH KOREA BY WERNER PASCHA

From July 11, 2017 the IN-EAST presents a new exhibition in its hallway: Japorea, photos by IN-EAST Professor Werner Pascha.

Is it Japan? Is it Korea? Is it Japorea? It is always easy to visualize the diversity between countries, like between Germany and France or, indeed, between (South) Korea and Japan. However, there are also striking similarities. Indeed, there is simi-versity.

For the pairs of photos in this exhibition, in some cases a few kana or hangul letters will hint at the origin. Possibly, a landmark in the background serves as a clue. But surprisingly – or not so surprisingly? – often, it is not so easy.

For instance, which of the photos of ladies with their dogs was taken in Tokyo, which in Seoul? And where do leisurely people use the stepping stones to cross a stream, at Cheonggyecheon in Seoul or Kamogawa in Kyoto? On the other hand: would an elderly lady in Japan really relax on a public bench during a hot day, like in one of the other photos in this exhibition?

So where do the similarities and differences come from, what are they, what do they imply? Obviously, the photos do not provide a satisfactory answer. They only want to raise awareness for such questions, to make us consider, sometimes re-consider and also appreciate as well as – hopefully – enjoy the richness of simi-versity.

Do they capture all the relevant aspects for such a comparative – dare we say transnational – view, which a careful scholar would want to list? Certainly not. There are almost no pictures from the countryside, for instance. The motifs are based on a “convenience sample”, as the photos were taken as an aside during professional trips. Almost all of them originate from Tokyo and Seoul, Busan and Kyoto, during 2010 and 2017. The lucky traveller, who found the time to take them, is Werner Pascha, Professor of East Asian Economy / Japan and Korea at the Institute of East Asian Studies and the Mercator School of Management at the University of Duisburg-Essen.

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10 OUTGOING BACHELOR STUDENTS BACHELOR-STUDIERENDE GEHEN IN IHR AUSLANDSJAHR


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INTRODUCTION

During the third year of the second funding period, completion of 2 dissertations, visits by guest professors, new publications, and advancements in research were seen.

The second round of funding is headed by speaker Prof. Dr. Flemming Christiansen. During the academic year 2015/16 the Research Training Group consisted of 19 Doctoral Fellows (11 DFG stipends, 4 DAAD stipends, 4 affiliates) and 2 Postdoctoral Fellows. The research program is now led by eight participating scientists: Prof. Dr. Jeanette Brossig-Koch (Quantitative Economic Policy), Prof. Flemming Christiansen, Ph.D. (Political Sociology/China), Prof. Dr. Florian Coulmas (Japanese Society and Sociolinguistics), Prof. Dr. Winfried Flüchter (Geography/Japan), Prof. Dr. Thomas Heberger (Politics/China), Prof. Dr. Werner Pascha (Economics/Japan), Prof. Karen Shire, Ph.D. (Sociology/Japan), and Prof. Dr. Markus Taube (Economics/China).

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Diana Schüler (PhD Fellow Representative)
Helmut Domes (Non-voting member)
Vinita Samarasinghe (Non-voting member)

The current Doctoral Fellows are: Stephanie Bräuer (M.A. University of Leipzig, affiliated), Huilie Chu (M.A. Waseda University, Tokyo), Magnus Dau (M.A. University of Marburg, affiliated), Ying Ding (M.A. King’s College, London, DAAD scholar), Ningjing Ge (M.A. University of Macau, DAAD scholar), Lasse Laine (M.A. University of Würzburg, DAAD scholar), Yee Lu (M.A. Southwest University, Chongqing), Jiayia Ma (M.A. University of Duisburg-Essen), Connor Malloy (M.A. University of Duisburg-Essen), Stenyia Melnikova (M.A. Ghent University, DAAD scholar), Dominique Miguel Borm (M.A. Ghent University, DAAD scholar), Aimi Muranaka (M.A. The Graduate Institute Geneva, Iva Opjanovic (M.A. University of Duisburg-Essen, affiliated), Hongjin Oh (M.A. Fukuoka Prefectural University), Benjamin Rabe (M.A. University of Duisburg-Essen), Diana Schüler (M.Sc. University of Bonn), Anna Shapakovskaya (M.A. Shanghai University) (until June 2017), Zi Wang (M.A. Sciences Po, Paris), and Yu Zou (M.A. University of Bremen). Most of the Doctoral Fellows appointed in 2011 and later are currently completing their dissertation manuscripts.

Two Doctoral Fellows successfully defended their thesis in the academic year 2016/17: Anna Shapakovskaya and Vitali Heidt.

POSTDOCTORAL SCHOLARS

Kei Takata, Ph.D. (Ph.D. New School for Social Research, New York) continued working as a Postdoctoral Scholar at the GRK.

GUEST RESEARCHERS

Chenggang Xu (Cheung Kong Graduate School of Business, Beijing), October 15–30, 2016.

Bayar Nasan (Inner Mongolia University, Hohhot), November 1–26, 2016.

Bingqin Li (University of New South Wales, Sydney), December 1–16, 2017.

Jianxing Yu (Tsinghua University, Hangzhou), December 1, 2016 – January 16, 2017.

Dingxin Zhao (University of Chicago), May 9 – June 23, 2017.

Yilong Lu (Renmin University of China, Beijing), May 20 – July 10, 2017.


Dongya Huang (Sun Yat-sen University, Guangzhou), July 2 – August 30, 2017.

Peng Lu (Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing), July 23 – August 12, 2017.
In 2016/17 four Research Students (Hang Dang, Pinar Karahan, Elisabeth Kiene, The Phuong Nguyen) 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.

** COURSE PROGRAM (RESEARCH FORUM) **

**WINTER TERM 2016/17, SUMMER TERM 2017**

The program included talks by Guest Professors of the GRK 1613 and invited lectures within the Research Training Group Research Forum, jointly organized with the IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies.

Chenggang Xu (Professor, Cheung Kong Graduate School of Business, Beijing): Political Economy of Making an Authoritarian Constitution: The Case of China (October 26, 2016)

Rayar Nasan (Professor, School of Sociology and Sociology, Inner Mongolia University, Hohhot): An Unofficial Discourse of Ethnicity in Inner Mongolia, China (November 17, 2016)

Katarzyna Golik (Institute of Political Studies, Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw): Dependend Development of Mongolia – what alternatives can be proposed? (November 15, 2016)

Maria Danilewicz (International Relations Department, Belarusian State University, Minsk): Tightening the Silk Road Belt: Challenges and Opportunities (November 23, 2016)

Binglin Li (Political Policy Research Center, University of New South Wales, Sydney): Housing, Care and Intergenerational Exchange in China (December 14, 2016)

Jianxing Yu (Dean, School for Public Management, Zhejiang University, Hangzhou): Mapping Local Governments’ Innovations in the Xi Era (December 15, 2016)

Maggi Leung (Associate Professor, Faculty of Geosciences, Utrecht University): Internationalization of Higher Education and Research as a Development Strategy in China: Opportunities and Risks (January 25, 2017)

Kung Lin Ngok (Professor, School of Government / Center for Public Administration Research, Sun Yat-sen University, Guangzhou): China’s Social Turn and Social Policy Expansion in the New Century: Toward A New Welfare Regime? (February 8, 2017)

Gian Wang (Director, Department of Finance, Economics School of Jinlin University, Changchun): The Effectiveness of the Emission Trading Scheme on Carbon Emissions Reduction: Evidence from China (February 14, 2017)

Misook Lee (Assistant Professor, Integrated Humanities Program for Cultural Diversity, University of Tokyo): Transnational Communicative Networks in South Korea’s Democratization Movement in the 1970s and 80s: Focusing on the Japan-Korea Solidarity Movement (May 3, 2017)

Yanfei Sun (Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Zhejiang University, Hangzhou): Twists of Fate: Growth Trajectories of Catholicism and Protestantism in Modern China Compared (May 17, 2017)

Dingxin Zhao (Professor, University of Chicago): Director, Center for Advanced Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences, Zhejiang University, Hangzhou: Confucian-Legalist State, and Patterns of Social Change (May 31, 2017)

Yilong Lu (Professor, School of Sociology and Population Studies, Renmin University of China, Beijing): The Coming of Post-earthbound China (June 7, 2017)

Fan Ke (Professor, Anthropology Institute, Nanjing University): Fredrik Barth and Paradigm Change in Chinese Ethnology (June 21, 2017)

Sarah Eaton (Professor, Institute of Sociology, University of Göttingen): Eco-system Governance in China: Incentive Structures and Adaptive State Capacity (June 5, 2017)

Haian Yu (Inner Mongolia University, Hohhot): Being Forced to be Herdsmen: The Process of Modernization of Evenki Hunters under the State Power of China (July 10, 2017)


Naoko Hayashi (Keio University, Nagoya): Nogaku: Labor/Poverty Politics against the Japanese Developmental State: De-Nationalization after 1945, Nationalization by New Actors (September 18, 2017)

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**2017 Research and Training Workshops**

The Frontier of Northeast Asian Industrialization: The Long Perspective (1895–Now)

This workshop on November 14, 2016 was a joint project of the GRK 1613 Risk and East Asia, IN-EAST, University of Duisburg-Essen and the Ruhr University Bochum. Participants included: Julia Aristova (School of Advanced Studies, IN-EAST), Dr. Alessandra Cappelletti (The American University of Rome), Kate Hamburger Kollig (University of Duisburg-Essen), Prof. Flemming Christiansen (IN-EAST), Dr. Katarzyna Golik (Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw, Central Statistical Office of Poland, Warsaw), Prof. Tao Liu (IN-EAST), Prof. Christine Molt-Murata (Ruhr University Bochum). Prof. Nasan Bayar (Inner Mongolia University, Hohhot).

February Retreat 2017

This year’s February Retreat took place in Akasaka, Tokyo, on February 20–22, 2017. 10 Ph.D. students and 7 faculty members gathered to discuss the Ph.D. fellows’ interim fieldwork reports with the kind support of the Goethe Institute and DFG Tokyo. Ph.D. fellows: Aimi Muranaka, Benjamin Rabe, Diana Schüler, Ningjing Ge, Dominique Miguel Borm, Connor Malloy and Yu Zou presented their fieldwork findings. They reported on their progress and experiences in Japan, China and South Korea, including difficulties faced while conducting fieldwork in East Asia. In response, faculty members, who are experts in East Asian studies, provided useful feedback and gave practical advice and useful perspectives to shift or readjust the direction of the students’ plans to make the second half of their fieldwork fruitful and productive.

On the final day of the retreat Ying Ding, Lassi Laine and Jiajia Ma presented their research and fieldwork plans that was to begin in China soon after the retreat. Professor Cheng Zhi (Kicengge) Ph.D. from Doshisha University in Osaka was welcomed at the retreat. Overall, the February Retreat was a valuable opportunity for fellows to reflect on the first half of their experience and to keep on track for the latter part of their research.

June Workshop – Preliminary Results Workshop

The DFG Research Training Group 1613 Risk and East Asia organized their Annual Preliminary Results Workshop at June 21–22, 2017. Students at the end of their second year, and returning from an 8-10 months fieldwork stay in East Asia, presented their fieldwork findings. All projects received constructive feedback which enabled them to further develop their research.

The GRK’s strong international collaboration was manifested with the participation of Anna Vainio and Hai Guo, Ph.D. candidates from the University of Leeds who presented their research. Participants from the GRK and other IN-EAST staff in Duisburg included: Aimi Muranaka, Benjamin Rabe, Yu Zou, Lia Musitz, Connor Malloy, Antonia Hmaid, Diana Schüler, Dominique Miguel Borm, Ying Ding, Lassi Laine, Ningjing Ge, Elzaveta Prupolin, and...
With the program in full swing the Research program continues and the students are now paid to reorganizing themselves into market and emergency of private enterprises. This research project is divided into two aspects: financial information and firm-level investment behaviors. The first aspect is based on the change of information disclosure policy. The second on politically-connected firms and the expected result: This study constructs an overview of Japanese and South Korean institutional mechanisms of social care, and draws out the implication of core-driving discourses to the social care provision in two countries’ welfare state nexus. Backgrounds: A shared characteristic of the East Asian industrial societies, which have achieved rapid economic growth by strong state leadership, is the necessity of urgent adaptation for establishing extraordinarily efficient welfare arrangements by comparison with Western experiences. This challenge, however, concurrently faces the austerity era of welfare state, which means that the establishing of welfare state in East Asian countries necessarily needs to negotiate with national economic strategies. On the other hand, the new social risks in terms of caregiving are especially prevalent in East Asian countries, where employment and demographic changes are strongly impacting women’s paid and unpaid labour. Under these circumstances, Japanese and South Korean welfare states have taken on a market-oriented and maximizing of family capacity strategy since the 2000s.

PEOPLE CARE ACCORDING TO THE CHARACTER OF SERVICE PROVIDER

The position of the debate: This study joins discussions about care, and transformation of the East Asian welfare regime by a comparative perspective between Japan and South Korea. This focuses on the formation and development of both countries’ child and elderly care policies after the 2000s. The second looks at how the implementation of robotics developed under this new strategy must be studied anew, leading to my second research focus.

The aim of this project is to analyze how women's organizations mobilize for a better protection against domestic violence in the PRC. Historically, the communist party took on the responsibility to implement gender equality. Recently, however, women's organizations have become active in mobilizing for a stronger implementation. The research investigates whether there is a shift of responsibilities, and if so, how women's organizations are mobilizing and whether they are able to use or create political opportunities for advancing gender equality, possibly, but not necessarily in line with the party-state's conception. As a contribution to the subtheme in individualization, this project has not found a simple shift of responsibility in the practice of entering HEIs against the backdrop of China's educational reforms and the meaning of institutional transformation to Chinese students as the policy recipients. Students entering HEIs being an instance, their considerations and aspirations reveal the reflexivity of the individual in pursuing personal development in contemporary China.

Presentation

DIANA SCHÜLER
New Hopes, New Risks – Entrepreneurship as Occupational Choice in South Korea

Though conglomerates like Samsung, Hyundai and LG have dominated the Korean economy and regular employ- ment in those companies and in the public sector has been a convention in the Korean society, the number of indi- viduals choosing entrepreneurship as an alternative career path has been in- creasing recently. In the literature, the question of why individuals choose en- trepreneurship as an occupation has been addressed by at least two ap- proaches: The behavioral (labor) eco- nomics approach, in particular occupa- tional sorting theory, focuses on indi- vidual traits like risk preferences. The second approach is grounded in institu- tional theory, arguing that cross-coun- try differences or changes in the quan- tity and quality of entrepreneurial ac- tivities can be explained through insti- tutions as the exogenous “rules of the game” (North 1990). Focusing on only one of these approaches overlooks the connection between individual traits (agency profiles) and the multi-dimen- sional institutional environment that constitutes occupational sorting. Thus, this research project aims to provide a more holistic approach by ascertaining the influence of risk preferences on the likelihood of choosing entrepreneur- ship as an occupation while examining the changes in Korea’s “country insti- tutional profile” on the regulative, normative and cognitive dimensions. Us- ing mixed methods comprised of an in- centivized economic experiment, a sur- vey capturing the perceived institution- al framework as well as semi-struc- tured interviews, this study will explain the rise of opportunity-driven individu- als starting a business in South Korea.

Presentation
Entrepreneurship as Occupational Choice in the Midst of Institutional Change in Korea. – EastAsiaNet Spring Workshop, Autonomous University of Madrid, April 21, 2017.

ANNA SHPAKOVSKAYA
Government Non-Profit Relationships in the Post-Wenchuan Earthquake Reconstruction in China

Based on the framework of “Actor Cen- tered InstitutionaIism” 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 pres- ent reforins and the reforms of the so- cial management are analyzed. To bet- ter fit into a new model of social man- agement the Red Cross is being trans- formed into a “Hub organisation”. By introducing a model of “Dual Manage- ment” 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.

YU ZOU
Decentralization, Institutionalized Cooperation, and Forest Self-Governance in China: Theory and Field Experiments

The project aims at addressing the gov- ernment problem of forest resource in China, which fundamental background is the risk shifts of China’s forest gover- nance, and the demanding direction of these shifts is to be decentralized grad- ually. It is proposed that it can explore a model to expose the pattern shifts, and particularly in this project, with the common-pool resources (CPRs) gover- nance approach established by Ostrom (1990).

In the project the issues like, how to design and implement effective indi- vidual based forest self-governance measures within current centralized administrative framework, what the effects of individual self-governance structure (e.g. external enforcement) in specific areas on the transformation from centralization to decentralization have, how to gradually shift the govern- ance structure to the patterns high- lighted with individual value, interests, and beliefs in China, will be solved and discussed.

SUB-THEME
TRANSNATIONALIZATION

Transnationalization moves toward the supranational level of institutional change, both deregulatory in relation to the internationalization of capital mar- kets, and new regulatory in respect to new standards and protections, for ex- ample, for consumers, for equal oppor- tunities of women or migrants rights. Here the global role of East Asia and the integration of China and Japan in- to, as well as their impact on, interna- tional regimes builds one dimension of this process of institutional change. An- other dimension addresses how East Asia itself is perceived as a risk from a European perspective.

YING DING
Adaptation and Contestation of Ethnic Identities: The Jungarian Sibe

Apropos of the ethnopolitics in China, most studies are about the Han assim- ilation, including a strand of policies that covertly aim to blur the ethnic dif- ferences and thus to promote an over- arching Chinese nationalism. This re- search attempts to provide a micro-so- ciological view of the process, as well as the interactions between Sibe and Han Chinese that establish the eth- nic boundaries. The Sibe are a Tungu- sic-speaking people with a population of 188,824 in China. Due to a segmen- tation of the Sibe population that was commanded by the Emperor Qianlong for military purposes, two major Si- be clusters exist in contemporary Chi- na – the Jungarian Sibe and the origi- nal Manchurian Sibe. Albeit the former, which were sent to the far west part of Xinjiang from their provenance, have a relatively small population size, their culture and language are well-pre- served. In contrast, the Manchurian Si- be lost the language at the beginning of the 20th century. Notwithstanding, both Sibe clusters hold active conscious- ness, even loyalty, towards their Sibe identity. This study is set up to explore the rationale behind the pertinent ac- tivities. Besides, the Jungarian Sibe will be highlighted in the research, whilst the Manchurian Sibe will be utilised as a reference in order to compare. In so doing, to investigate the extent to which the Sibe’s identity has been contested and adapted into the social milieu.

Presentation

AIME MURANAKA
Use of Foreign Labor Force in Japan – Potential New Migration Pattern?

International migration, often de- scribed as the movement of people from one country to another, experi- ences an increase in complexities now- adays. This is not an exception for Ja- pan despite its closed migration policy. Due to the labor shortage in this coun- try, we have observed the introduction of foreign workers both in high-skill and low-skill jobs, and several poli- cies have been applied so far. To raise a question for example, high-skill workers via foreign trainee pro- gram and allows the migration of high- skill workers (e.g. health-care provid- ers and engineers) from Asia by the Economic Partnership Agreements (EPA). It is true that Japan still main- tains severe migration policy. However, as these examples have demonstrat- ed, different policies allow Japan to provide certain foreign labor, and this trend will continue. Particularly certain occupations, high-skill works, main- tain the high demand of labor force. In addition to these existing paths of mi- gration to Japan, this Ph.D. project at- tempts to analyze a potential migration pattern to Japan, focusing on how the business sector and state address the labor shortage in high-skill sector by using foreign workers.

Presentation

ZI WANG
Interactions in Institutions in Comparative Perspective: Language and Discourse in Sec- ondary School Club Activities in Japan and France

In this research, I focus my attention on how social actors use language, as well as how language influences actors’ in- teractional behaviour in the education- al setting of secondary schools. More precisely, I examine the ways in which certain aspects of language use (such as terms of address and ways of re- sponding to questions) constructs so- cial identities and relations. The main focus of my research is music-relat- ed club activities in Japanese second- ary schools such as wind orchestras and choirs. More than just an extra- curricular activity, such club activities have been recognised as social units in which the presence of social struc- tures and peculiar conventions extend beyond the music room. They are also one of the microcosmic environments where intersections such as class and gender come together. After gaining an in-depth understanding of how lan- guage and identity in these school clubs interact, I will conduct a smaller scale fieldwork in similarly music-oriented clubs in French secondary schools to see if a change in the organisational structure of schools and school club activities would alter language use and identity construction.
INTRODUCTION

In the last year of its first funding period, which ended on March 31th, the IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies – funded by a grant of the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) – finalized its work on focusing on innovation across East Asia. The IN-EAST School integrated 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 was to explore how processes of innovation pervade society as a whole. Research activities converged 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 intended to generate wider global insights and stimulate innovative approaches to interregional comparisons. After having increasingly engaged in a dialogue with academic peers and the public in the first two years, year three and four were determined by field research, intensification of joint research projects and finalizing the individual PhD projects. Four research groups contributed to a Special Issue of the publication ASIEN which was published at the beginning of this year, and two PhD theses have already been submitted. After a successful review process in 2016, the BMBF extended its funding for the Advanced School for additional two years until March 2019.

In its second funding phase the IN-EAST School consists of 6 Post-docs working as a joint interdisciplinary research team on innovation in East Asia converged on electric mobility and urban systems with main research focus on institutional transplants. In the initial months of the second funding period the research agenda was intensively discussed and further developed. The details of the research program can be accessed via the website of the project (www.uni-due.de/in-east/school/about_us.php).

Advanced School fellows have been travelling to destinations in China, South Korea, Japan, the US and to Australia to collect data in the field and to visit international conferences to present and discuss their research. The Advanced School also hosted and co-organized: The 6th ACCER Workshop focused on Cross-Cultural Economic Research (ACCER) and the DFG Research Training Group Risk and East Asia was continued and for the third time a joint workshop was co-organized: The 6th ACCER Workshop took place on Cross-Cultural Experiments in the Social Sciences, Economics and Management and took place in March 2017.

With the Workshop Policy Process and Knowledge Transfer having been taken place in July 2017, the first workshop of the second phase was organized. Current publications and presentations by Advances School scholars are listed in Chapters 12 and 13. The section below presents the research agenda of the research groups and the individual projects during the last year of the first funding period as well as School activities.

RESEARCH GROUPS

RESEARCH GROUP 1: INNOVATION AND THE CHINESE ECONOMY

Over the last decades, China has experienced a successful development in terms of its GDP. However, China did not cultivate its own excellent entrepreneurs and innovations accordingly. In this context, this project is investigating Chinese innovation strategies and explores the possibilities for improvement in innovation activities.

The essence of innovation is not only to create new products, new technologies, new management approaches, but also to open the social structure, to create conditions for the emergence of new institutions, to protect freedom of innovation, to ensure the power of market. In other words, innovation is a social phenomenon. This is our starting point to evaluate Chinese innovation strategy and the future of the Chinese economy.

Aware of the importance of social structure and interaction in innovation activities, we will seek a systemic perspective to understand Chinese innovation policies.
**JUNIOR PROFESSOR DR. SHUANPING DAI**

Research Group Leader
China’s National Systems of Innovation Policies: Beyond the 2006 Agenda
Country focus: China
Discipline: Economics

Innovation is defined as a social phenomenon supported by certain social structures and institutions. Therefore, the basic issue addressed is what kind of social structures, e.g. networks among entrepreneurs and financial networks among firms, are favorable for innovative activities, as well as the surrounding issues, like innovation networks in regions and industries, in which the inner structure of innovators are 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.

**ALEKSANDRA DAVYDOVA**

Doctoral Researcher
Cross-Border M&A and Innovation: Exploring the Knowledge Perspective; Managing Post-Deal Integration for Success. Insights from Chinese Acquirers
Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Shuaping Dai
Country focus: China
Discipline: Economics, Regional Studies

One of China’s key current objectives is to develop an innovation based economy. Both macro- and microeconomic processes are significant for this transformation. This research project explores the connection between Chinese outward mergers and acquisitions (M&A) and innovation. It investigates how Chinese companies enhance internal innovation by means of outward cross-border M&A. From a theory perspective the relationship between M&A and innovation is rather amibivalent. Existing empirical investigations do not present consistent and definite findings. The research addresses this contradicting issue using the network analysis approach on the dyad level. It aims to contribute to the understanding of current innovation practices which in turn might contribute to strengthening China’s overall innovation power and lead to some conclusions on how China might push its further economic growth through indigenous innovation.

**YANG LIU**

Doctoral Researcher
Entrepreneurship and Poverty Alleviation in China: A Network Perspective
Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Shuaping Dai
Country focus: China
Discipline: Economics

This project studies the innovation from a micro level which focuses on the entrepreneur’s role of carrying out innovation. The main question will be answered is how to alleviate poverty through entrepreneurship in China. Though entrepreneurship has been used as a practical poverty alleviation tool, its effects remain vague. This project studies the effects by exploring the underlying mechanism. We regard entrepreneurship as an opportunity for the poor to escape from poverty by facilitating innovation through knowledge spillover. The way of value exchange on the value chain in poor region determines the effects of entrepreneurship on poverty. Using the economic network analysis method, we try to clarify the mechanism by studying the formation of an efficient and stable value network of the poor and firms. Both theoretical and empirical analysis will be employed. After building an economical model of value network formation, a case study in China will be used to test it.

**RESEARCH GROUP 2: POLITICAL INNOVATION IN EAST ASIAN CITIES**

As a consequence of the rapid transformations in East Asian societies due to economic growths, social innovations have acquired academic attention. Following prevailing concepts in social sciences, social innovations are considered as fundamental, deep and sustainable social changes. Starting from this social approach, the research group explores specifically political innovations as new governance structures or policies. Due to sustainable adaptations of prevailing policies to altered needs, the innovations are recognized as political innovations. Aiming to increase our understanding of the character, causes, and consequences of the political innovations, their trajectory is scrutinized. In addition, the motives and interactions of the involved actors are explored. In concrete terms beyond this conceptual framework, political innovations are searched in the field of Chinese higher education, Korean eco-cities and democratic innovations in Japan and Germany.

**DR. MOMOYO HÜSTEBECK**

Research Group Leader
Innovation in Democratic Practice – 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. To counteract the malaise of representative democracies, a variety of innovative participatory and deliberative instruments have been established. Although democratic innovations have increasingly attracted attention in political science, systematic or comparative works – with some exceptions – are still limited in number. Against this backdrop the research on democratic innovation in German and Japanese subnational entities shall supply the need for more in-depth, comparative qualitative research. Against the backdrop of democratic theories the post-doctoral project shall reveal empirically the trajectory of implementing democratic innovations, the conditions for democratic inventions, and the interactions between the involved actors. In summary, this project investigates the challenge to improve the quality of representative democracies.

**WEIJING LE**

Doctoral Researcher
The Pursuit of Creative Intelligence – Policy Innovation for China’s Higher Education Test and Admission System
Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Axel Klein
Country focus: China
Discipline: Social Science, Regional Studies

The dissertation illustrates how the Chinese government employs innovative policies to promote the creative intelligence of the human capital and to reach the ultimate goals of indigenous innovations. The higher education admission mechanism sheds light on the unbalanced power distribution on both horizontal and vertical line of the administration system, which fundamentally impacts the admission policy-making and implementation. A thorough investigation of this process shall explain why and how admission policies can be implemented in various ways at local levels. It aims also to specify the structural problems in the higher education sector and to draw implications on the political development in contemporary China. Applying the qualitative method of process-tracing, the author will use empirical data from interviews with experts, officials of admission authorities, admissions offices, students and parents to extract the variables that influence the decision-making process.

**RESEARCH GROUP 3: INSTITUTIONAL INNOVATIONS IN EAST ASIAN ENERGY MARKETS**

Energy services as the building block of all economies – without it, economic growth is impossible. Yet the inherent tradeoffs in market fundamentals force the public and their representatives in government to struggle with what they value most: energy security, energy efficiency, or the environmental consequences of their preferred energy choices. Postwar democracies now find themselves fighting with the developing world over a finite supply of natural resources while politicians debate the challenges of defining and pursuing a sustainable and independent energy future. This group offers their analyses of one of the least explored, but most fundamental questions facing energy market innovations today: what are the drivers of institutional change, and what can we expect in the future?

**PAUL J. SCALISE, PH.D.**

Research Group Leader
Technological and Political Innovations in Japan’s Renewable Energy Market: Exploring the Drivers of Institutional Change
Country focus: Japan, Germany, UK
Discipline: Political Science, Regional Studies

Paul Scalise examines the question of institutional change in energy markets by exploring the fundamental conflicts between energy efficiency, deregulation, and the pursuit of low-carbon energy sources in Japan, Germany, and the UK. 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.

**JULIA ARISTOVA**

Doctoral Researcher
Emerging Technologies: Drivers for Geothermal Heat Pumps (GHP) Use in China
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.

**XIAOLI LIN**

**Doctoral Researcher**

**Chinese Cities’ Built-up Environment’s Impacts on the Accessibility Level of Mobility Alternatives – Innovation in ‘Neighborhood Typology’ Approaches**

**Supervisor:** Prof. Dr. J. Alexander Schmidt

**Country focus:** China

**Discipline:** Urban Planning

Xiaoli Lin examines the low-carbon transport mode planning since Shanghai Expo 2010 within chosen Eco city project sites. Many Chinese eco cities have chosen a new land development for testing different advanced green technologies in order to achieve emission reduction. For the transport sector, many efforts have been put to enhance vehicle electricity in order to fulfill the emission goals. However, due to the massive Chinese cities scale and expansion speed, it seems crucial to investigate different approaches in converting people’s mobility choice towards low carbon transport mode through urban planning approaches.

Within the new land use development projects, very little empirical studies have revealed the relationship between the Chinese cities’ urban form, land use classification and travel behavior. This research aims to investigate how low carbon transport modes like biking and walking have been organized in the new land use development projects.

**RESEARCH GROUP 4: URBAN SYSTEMS IN EAST ASIA**

Cities worldwide are undergoing rapid transformations. The problems experienced as well as the solutions found might vary, depending on the specific cultural settings. Against this background, it proves crucial to understand the impact of cultural practices and perceptions on urban development decisions in order to facilitate a successful transfer and application of innovative knowledge.

This group brings together researchers with a background in planning sciences, humanities and cultural studies and is aiming to research urban East Asia with comparative or paradigmatic approaches regarding space, time, and identity. Bridging the gap between applied approaches employed by fields like urban development, city planning and architecture and the systemic or theoretical approaches supported in the humanities and social sciences, the group utilizes methods from fields such as ethnology, anthropology, trans-cultural studies, post-colonial studies, urban semantics, urban planning, urban cultural studies or global history studies towards a holistic understanding of urban systems and processes of innovation, cultural adaptation and urban development.

**DR. BEATE LÖFFLER**

**Research Group Leader**

**Exoticism Constructed – The Writings on Japanese Architecture as a Cultural Negotiation of Knowledge**

**Country focus:** Japan

**Discipline:** Cultural Studies, History of Architecture and Building Construction, Global History Studies, History of Sciences

The focus of the research project is on mechanisms of collecting, managing and canonizing (popular) scientific knowledge regarding Japanese architecture (1880–1980). The objective is to reveal the established models in perception and evaluation of a specific non-European tradition in architecture, constituting a sample for the patterns of thinking in the humanities as well as in the fields of natural sciences and engineering. In the long run the research will help to understand how innovative knowledge is accepted, inhibited, or even rejected by academia.

**KATHARINA BORGMAANN**

**Doctoral Researcher**

**Cities of China: Local Context versus Global Concepts – Decoding the Built Environment to Understand the Physical Manifestations of the Chinese Culture**

**Supervisor:** Prof. Dr. J. Alexander Schmidt

**Country focus:** China

**Discipline:** Urban Design and City Planning

Is it possible to identify metropolitan innovation through traditional urban and architectural semiotics? This research project focuses on urban structures of Chinese megacities. On the basis of analysing city components, recurring urban textures, as well as architectural and urban patterns, with the tools of so-called urban and architectural semiotics, Katharina Borgmann tries to break down the complexity of Chinese cities in order to contribute to a culturally sustainable understanding of them for a non-Chinese audience. The aim of this project is not only decode the currently fast growing Chinese cities, but also to take the first steps in order to be able to understand in what direction Chinese megacities transform. Furthermore, the question whether the Chinese contextuality has ceased in the process of fast-growing urban development is a main focus of discussion within this research project. With the help of the results of this research, urban challenges, chances, and spheres of influence could be identified.

**DEIRDE SNEEP**

**Doctoral Researcher**

**Cell Phone City: Tokyo’s Virtualization of Space due to Mobile Communication Innovation**

**Supervisor:** Prof. Dr. Jans Marin Gerr

**Country focus:** Japan

**Discipline:** Social Sciences, interdisciplinary approach

Based on the idea that urban space is an expression of the dominant ideologies in a society, this research will point out that the current trend in urban areas in Japan is leaning towards the virtualization, or rather hybridization, of cyberspace and the physical space. Presumably, this will lead to an expansion of individual space, a focus on higher productivity, and a growing emphasis on both offline and online consumption. To become more aware of the need for a new understanding of mobility and the role of digitalization, the author intends to research that how urban space is changing.

**RESEARCH GROUP 5: BEHAVIORAL ECONOMICS AND EAST ASIA**

This research group is explores individual and group behavior during innovation processes in organizations and on markets. Group members tackle different research questions using the tools of experimental economics, applied game theory and econometrics. In their work the group harnesses the outstanding facilities and prospects provided by the IN-EAST Institute of East Asian Studies and the Essen Laboratoire for Experimental Economics (elex) to conduct high-level research in the area of behavioral economics. An important focus of the group is to further establish experimental economics in regional studies and to show how experimental economics can contribute to the latest research questions in this field.

**DR. TIMO HEINRICH**

**Research Group Leader**

**Exploring the Consistency of Higher-Order Risk Preferences**

**Country focus:** China

**Discipline:** Economics

In his postdoc project, Timo Heinrich focuses on behavior during the innovation process. This research covers three areas of behavior: Individual decisions, interaction within organizations and interaction between organizations. Methodologically his research mainly employs laboratory experiments but also cross-cultural comparisons and econometric analyses of field data. With respect to individual decisions during the innovation process Timo Heinrich studies the way people make risky decisions necessary to create innovation. How do fundamental risk preferences differ between people and across decision situations? However, often research and development are conducted in teams. With respect to interaction within organizations the project therefore also considers the behavior of teams in more detail. In which contexts can good decisions be made, and how do preferences exist, they might help to explain variations of e.g. the savings rate across regions.

**GUANZHONG YANG**

**Doctoral Researcher**

**When and Why Do Incentives not Work? The Role of Cultural Differences**

**Supervisor:** Prof. Dr. Jeannette Brosig-Koch

**Country focus:** China, Germany, Japan, Korea

**Discipline:** Economics

Do Germans and Chinese respond differently when it comes to monetary incentives or social reputation? This research project is aiming to find out more about the influence of the cultural background on innovative abilities and the role of different kinds of incentives. In his research, Guanzhong Yang focuses on four interrelated research questions: 1. How do people react to different kinds of incentives? What is the role of information?
2. How does cultural background (German, Chinese, Japanese, and Korean) influence the perception of incentives?
3. What is the role of monetary incentives in respect of retirement decision?
4. How does cultural background (German, Chinese) and social education influence open source innovation?

**RESEARCH GROUP 6: E-MOBILITY IN ASIA AND EUROPE**

Most observers agree that cars in 100 years will not be powered by gasoline. However, there is intense discussion about how fast and in what direction propulsion technology will change from the supply side and what changes are likely to be accepted from the demand side of individual consumers. The reaction to such technological innovations is likely to be different in different country markets and regional innovation systems. Specific regional settings are shaped e.g. on the demand side by the amount of local purchasing power, the degree of market saturation, and local product requirements. On the supply side, e.g. the degree and type of specialization in supplier networks and preferences for supply chain coordination differ between regions. This results in specific dynamics of regional automotive supplier networks. Lastly, both supply and demand side have to act under the constraints of local regulatory frameworks. Thus, how industry structure and consumer mobility patterns in different regional markets will react to technological change in propulsion technology is far from clear. Our research group will combine with a focus on Asian lead markets perspectives on value dimensions. The results can be compared to similar previous investigations in Germany. In combination with the results of consumer studies, the driving behaviour leads to important parameter characteristics of an electrical vehicle, e.g. packaging, aerodynamics, powertrain, weight and costs from a user perspective. In addition, the technical solution area has to be analyzed and put into optimum use and effective for the target user group. This leads to an adaptation to possible vehicle concepts within the technical solution area.

**RESEARCH FELLOW**

**MARCUS CONLÉ**

Marcus Conlé, research fellow at the Advanced School, offers scientific support to the six research groups. His task is to help them identify links and joint research projects.

**POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOWS**

**GIULIA ROMANO**

Her research at the IN-EAST School focuses on the appropriation of foreign models of governance and on the introduction of methods for residents’ participation in urban planning and urban renewal in Chinese cities.

**SILKE WERTH**

Her research project at the IN-EAST School: Social Sustainability in Japan, Striving toward Disruptive Social Innovations.

**TEAM OF MENTORS**

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Prof. Flemming Christiansen, Ph.D.* (Political Sociology of China, IN-EAST; Faculty of Social Sciences)

Prof. Florian Coulmas (Japanese Sociology and Sociolinguistics)

Prof. Dr. Ferdinand Dudenhöffer (Automotive Economics; Faculty of Engineering)

Prof. Dr. Jens Martin Gurr (Comparative Sociology; Sociology, IN-EAST; Faculty of Social Sciences)

Prof. Dr. Markus Taube* (Executive Director) (Asian Economic Studies / China, IN-EAST; Mercator School of Management)

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Weijing Li (PhD Fellow Representative)

Birgit Geith (Non-voting member) (Coordinator)

**FIEld TRIPS, FUNDINGS AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

Alessandra Davydova
Fieldwork in Tianjin
September 7, 2016 – February 3, 2017

Yang Liu
Fieldwork in China
September 12, 2016 – February 3, 2017

Timo Heinrich
Fieldwork in Shenzhen, Hong Kong
February 16 – March 17, 2017

Beate Löfler
Diplomarbeit Universität Hamburg, Kolleg Bochum
October 2016 – September 2017

Xiaoli Lin
Fieldwork in Shenzhen, Hong Kong
February 16 – March 17, 2017

Beate Löfler
Fieldwork in Beijing, Wuhan
October 21 – November 2, 2017

Beate Löfler
Fellowship Kate Hamburger Kolleg Bochum
October 2016 – September 2017

Mira Schüller
Fieldwork in Beijing, Wuhan
October 21 – November 2, 2017

Momoey Hüstebeck
Fieldwork in Japan
Expert interviews, searching for democratic innovations, funded by the University of Duisburg-Essen Grant for Excellent Young Scholars.

Shaqing Dai
Fieldwork in Shandong province
August 10 – September 20, 2017

Prof. Dr. Ferdinand Dudenhöffer (Automotive Economics)

Prof. Dr. Jens Martin Gurr (Anglophone Studies)

Prof. Dr. Thomas Heberer (Politics and Society of China, IN-EAST; Faculty of Humanities)

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3 WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES AND OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

RESEARCH FORUM
The program of the joint Research Forum can be found in Chapter 5 (DFG Research Training Group Risk and East Asia, page 32).

INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH TRAINING SCHOOL ON POLITICAL ECONOMY
Jilin University, Changchun, October 2016, Co-organizer: Shuanping Dai.

JOINT WORKSHOP
with Nankai University, Tianjin, October 24–25, 2016.

VSJF ANNUAL CONFERENCE MOBILITY AND THE CITY OF THE FUTURE
November 18–20, 2016, Duisburg
Co-organized by VSJF – Vereinigung für sozialwissenschaftliche Japanfor- schung and IN-EAST Institute of East Asian Studies and IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies, University of Duisburg-Essen.
For details please refer to Chapter 11 (page 79).

IN-EAST SCHOOL OF ADVANCED STUDIES FINAL CONFERENCE: INNOVATION IN EAST ASIA – ELECTROMOBILITY AND URBAN SYSTEMS
February 6–7, 2017, Duisburg
The concluding conference of the four-year research project focused on the interdependent topics of electromobility and urban systems, the two main research areas of interest at the IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies.

On the margins of the conference the scholars of the IN-EAST School presented their research results on large research posters. For details please refer to Chapter 11 (page 81).

6TH INTERNATIONAL ACCER WORKSHOP: CROSS-CULTURAL EXPERIMENTS IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES, ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT
March 6–7, 2017, Duisburg
Co-organized by ACCER, IN-EAST, DFG Research Training Group 1613 Risk and East Asia and IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies
Organizers: Timo Heinrich, Heike Hennig-Schmidt (University of Bonn), Markus Taube, Gari Walkowitz (University of Cologne), Lilia Zhurakhovska.
For details please refer to Chapter 11 (page 83).

TIANJIN FORUM 2017: INNOVATION AND CO-OPERATION
July 7–8, 2017, Nankai University, Tianjin
Participants of the IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies: Shuanping Dai, Dietmar Schramm, Mirja Schüller, Markus Taube.

POLICY PROCESS AND KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER
July 28, 2017, Duisburg
For details, please refer to Chapter 11 (page 84).

INTERNAL WORKSHOPS OF THE IN-EAST SCHOOL OF ADVANCED STUDIES

School Annual Retreat
PhD Writing Week
December 5–11, 2016.

VISITING RESEARCHERS AT THE IN-EAST SCHOOL
Dr. Alessandra Cappelletti, Adjunct Professor of International Relations of East Asia, American University of Rome, October 1, 2016 – March 31, 2017
Prof. Moriki Terada, Ph.D., Professor of Vocational and Career Education, Department of Educational Sciences School of Education and Human Development, Nagoya University, March 20–24, 2017
ALLIANCE FOR RESEARCH ON EAST ASIA (AREA RUHR)

The Alliance for Research on East Asia (AREA RUHR) is a newly established joint research alliance of the IN-EAST and the Faculty of East Asian Studies at the Ruhr University Bochum (DAW/RUB). It is a part of the wider University Alliance Ruhr (UA Ruhr) among the universities of Bochum, Dortmund, and Duisburg-Essen. Facilitating collaborative research and teaching, with more than 20 professors, about 100 researchers and more than 1600 students, AREA Ruhr will be one of Europe’s largest research and teaching hubs in the field of East Asian Studies. It brings together a wide range of scholarly fields and disciplines, ranging from historical to contemporary research, from linguistics to economics, from religious studies to sociology and political science. AREA Ruhr thus creates a unique interdisciplinary environment for the study of East Asia.

AREA Ruhr started its lecture series on Transnational East Asian Studies in November 2016. This format gives professors at AREA Ruhr an opportunity to discuss their research on questions related to transnationalisation and East Asia with their colleagues and a wider audience. Thomas Heberer (IN-EAST) gave the inaugural lecture: The East Asian Development Path and the ‘China Model: Old Wine in New Bottles?’ at the RUB, which was followed by a reception. In addition, during the academic year 2016/17, IN-EAST professors Nele Noesselt, Werner Pascha and Markus Taube talked about their research at the RUB, while DAW/RUB professors Sebastian Bersick, Elisabeth de Boer, Marion Egbert and Jörg Piassen gave lectures at the UDE.

In January 2017, AREA Ruhr’s Founding Board conducted a meeting with members of its International Academic Advisory Board. Chaired by Professor Glenn Hook (University of Sheffield), the board discussed AREA Ruhr’s activities and progress in the year 2016 as well as the upcoming study programs. Further board members are Professor Jane Duckett (University of Glasgow), Professor Valérie Gelezeau, who also serves as Vice Chair of the committee (École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris), Professor Natasha Gentz (University of Edinburgh), Professor emeritus Peter Kornicki (University of Cambridge), and Professor Sébastien Lechevalier (École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris).

In March and June 2017, AREA Ruhr issued calls for applications for its doctoral program on Transnational Institution Building and Transnational Identities in East Asia, receiving numerous applications. Four students were accepted to the program, which is set to start in October 2017. The program is supported by the Mercator Research Center Ruhr (MERCUR).

AREA Ruhr is headed by its Founding Board with Prof. Dr. Jörn-Carsten Gottwald (DAW/RUB) and Prof. Dr. Werner Pascha (IN-EAST) as co-directors. Further board members are Helmut Demes (IN-EAST), Andrea Halbmeyer (DAW/RUB), Prof. Dr. Axel Klein (IN-EAST), and Prof. Dr. Sven Osterkamp (DAW/RUB). Managing directors are Prof. Kerstin Lukner (who comes from IN-EAST) and Dr. Robert Pauls (originally from DAW/RUB) (until April 2017) and Gwendolin Kleine Stegemann (DAW/RUB) (since May 2017) respectively. The managing team, including Stefanie Langenberg as office manager, moved into its new office in the Rabbinerhaus in Essen in early November 2016, in historical premises adjacent to the Old Synagogue.

https://www.area-ruhr.de

MERCATOR INSTITUTE FOR CHINA STUDIES (MERICS)

In July 2014 IN-EAST (University of Duisburg-Essen) and the Faculty of East Asian Studies (Ruhr University Bochum) 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

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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 the cities of Wuhan 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. 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.

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CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE METROPOLIS RUHR

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EASTASIANET

EastAsiaNet is a European Research School Network of Contemporary East Asian Studies, and IN-EAST is a founding member since 2006. Entering its eleventh year, EastAsiaNet, the European Search School Network of Contemporary East Asian Studies, held its yearly meeting in Madrid on April 20–22, 2017. The workshop was organized by the Autonomous University of Madrid and had two major themes: The Korean Peninsula at the Crossroads and Contemporary East Asian Uses of the European Past. From Duisburg, Werner Pascha and Diana Schüler were present, and Diana Schüler gave a presentation on Entrepreneurship as Occupational Choice in the Midst of Institutional Change in Korea, which was very well received. Werner Pascha chaired the business meeting of the network on April 22. Duisburg’s IN-EAST actually took the initiative in starting the network more than ten years ago. The activity has led to lively exchanges, person-to-person contacts, personnel exchanges and career encouragement as well as several scholarly publications. The next meeting is scheduled for spring 2018 in Łódz, Poland.

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PARTNER UNIVERSITIES AND OTHER RESEARCH COOPERATIONS

China
- Fudan University, Fudan Development Institute, Shanghai
- Huazhong University for Science and Technology, Wuhan
- Inner Mongolia University, School of Ethnology and Sociology, Hohhot
- Jilin University, Changchun
- Nankai University, School of Economics, Tianjin
- Renmin University of China, Beijing
- Shanghai University of Political Science and Law, Shanghai
- Wuhan University, Wuhan

Japan
- Deutsches Institut für Japanstudien (DIJ), Tokyo
- Dokkyo University, Soka/Saitama
- Doshisha University, Kyoto
- Fukusaka University, Fukuoka
- Hokkaido University, Sapporo
- 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

Korea
- Chung Ang University, Seoul
- Pusan National University, Pusan

Taiwan
- National Changchi University, Taipei

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

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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 IN-EAST. AlFreDO is very active in organizing and sponsoring various events such as East Asia Day or the graduation ceremony. Hello, Good-bye & Welcome back. It sponsors scholarships as well as the annual award for the best thesis.

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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 sewer” 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 (Dianyu/Senkaku), between Japan and South Korea (Takeshima/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 intertwined 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).

THOMAS HEBERER AND GUNTER SCHUBERT
Local Governance in China: The Interaction of Two Strategic Groups – Local Cadres and Private Entrepreneurs
Current research
The research applies theories of ideology to an understanding of the political sociology of China as well as to non-Chinese views of Chinese civilization. The research focuses on the frontier between “empires” in Northeast Asia as the site of industrialization processes since the 1890 up till today. The project is a joint effort with colleagues working in Sociology and History to develop common themes for possible third party funding.

BIRGIT APITZSCH
(indiv. habil. Dr. Maximiliane Wilkesmann und Dr. Caroline Ruiner, TU Dortmund)
Collective Individualisation – individuelle Kollektivierung? Zur Aushandlung von Arbeitsbedingungen im Bereich der hochqualifizierten Solo-Selbstständigen
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inus, on whose behalf the state is bound to act in international relations, is an important aspect of national sovereignty. The project aims to investigate to what extent the local developmental state of today differs from its counterparts in the 1990s; (b) formal and informal patterns of representation and representation claims developed outside the sub-project on China. It focuses on two research fields. We argue that for data analyses. To scale up our findings, we will follow the “case-think- ing” approach, identify patterns of rep- resentative claims, develop a typology which can be applied for “terminologi- cal, classificatory and heuristic means” (Weber 1921), and theorize the findings in the context of modern democratic theory.

The Duisburg team is responsible for the sub-project on China. It focuses on the following policy fields: (a) formal and informal patterns of representa- tion and representative claims of pri- vate entrepreneurs, business organi- zations and formal and informal entre- preneurial networks; (b) formal and in- formal patterns of representation and representational claims in urban neigh- borhood communities; (c) new pat- terns of representation and represen- tative claims by means of the Internet; (d) Chinese discourses, e.g. the “mass line” concept and patterns of “symbolic representation”.

Post-doctoral Research Fellow in this project is Dr. Anna Shpakovskaya.

TIMO HEINRICH
(felix S. Bethke)
Kulturelle Unterschiede bei Risikopräferenzen und Wahrnehmung außenpolitischer Ereignisse
Gefördert vom Profilschwerpunkt Wandel von Gegenwartsgesellschaften, Universität Duisburg-Essen, 09/2016–08/2017


This project aims to compare the ca- tastrophe management mechanisms in the agriculture of Germany and Chi- na through connecting with the theo- ry of risk society and social protection. Furthermore, this project seeks to un- dermine explorative study to investigate to what extent the German experienc- es of the agricultural catastrophe man- agement are able to be transferred to China.

YUAN LI
The Impact of New Silk Road Railways on Local Economic Development
Current research
One of the main focuses of the Belt and Road Initiative proposed by the Chinese government is connecting East Asia and Europe through multimodal trans- portation corridors. For the land route of the Belt and Road Initiative, the con- nection is mainly realized by railroads, especially through the China–Europe Express Railways which currently link 16 Chinese cities with 12 cities in Eu- rope and Asia. According to a recent development plan these railway lines will triple in the next few years. The pa- per tries to understand the implications of the prospect for a European city to open up a new railway link with China. The project tries to study the effects of the railway links on local economic de-velopment: including business, indus-try, FDI, tourism, and infrastructure.
BEATE LÖFFLER
(with Carola Hein, TU Delft, architecture, Jan van Gemert, TU Delft, computer science, Victor de Boer, VU Amsterdam, computer science, Dirk Schubert, DHBW Hamburg, architecture)
ArchMedia/ArchMedial, Developing Post-Colonial Interpretations of Built Form through Heterogeneous Linked Digital Media
Funded by Volkswagen-Stiftung, 2017–2020
The availability of extensive digital media creates important new challenges. The World Wide Web offers huge amounts of image material, that opens up new avenues for innovative investigation, including in the field of post-colonial and global studies. However, between repositories, big data, Wikipedia or Flickr, the connections between materials are getting lost. Metadata have to be added painstakingly and manually into the system – otherwise numerous sources will remain unexplored and closed to research. This is where the Dutch-German project starts: In cooperation between historians of architecture and computer scientists the project aims to develop new tools for automatic building recognition of architectures and their parts as available in inherently diverse digital media (plans, photos, models, etc.) and on the web. The computer side includes image recognition, deep learning, computer vision research, actual 3d datasets. Three interconnected pilot studies will be carried out: Global Ports and Waterfronts; Colonial Architecture; Japanese Architecture.

NELÉ NOESSELT
Configurations of Governance and Development Paths in the Studies of Chinese Political Scientists
Funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG), 2014–2017
The internal policy debates of closed systems, such as the China (PRC), and the interplay between political leaders and political scientists are still an underresearched domain of Chinese politics. The analysis of Chinese politics is often restricted to the visible dimensions of political actions and speech acts. The underlying considerations and reflections that shape the political decision-making process and guide political action are often neglected. The research project tries to overcome these lacunae by conducting a systematic analysis of Chinese political science debates on modes of governing and development paths of the PRC. Given the interrelation of political science and politics in the PRC, one could expect that these debates, first of all, fulfill a legitimating, confirmative function. However, a closer look at the current constellations shows that the Chinese political elites are well aware that reforms are necessary for the persistence and restabilization of the political system. Encouraged by the political authorities, Chinese political scientists have started to develop abstract ideas of political governance and economic development, which aim at a reorganization and (re)establishment of one-party rule. They eclectically combine elements of Chinese traditions, observations of other political regimes and strategic calculations. Currently, the field of political science in China reminds one of hundried contending schools, it is no longer domianed by one single unified logically inspired research approach. The time frame under research can be subdivided into two periods: 2002–2012 (period in office of Hu Jintao) and 2012–2015 (the first year of the new administration). The project will identify the central themes and ideas that prevail in Chinese political science debates. Furthermore, it will investigate the factors and channels which catalyze the integration of these ideas into policymaking. Following a nested-design approach (Lübben 2005), the analysis of qualitative and quantitative data, process tracing and comparative approaches (Fuzzy Set Qualitative Comparative Analysis) the research project contributes to the basic understanding of modern Chinese political philosophy, the mechanisms of politics in contemporary China and learning processes of authoritarian regimes. It initiate a dialogue between Modern Chinese Studies and Political Science. The project has also implications for the sector of policy advice and political consultation: It outlines the central ideas of the political science debates that might guide and determine Chinese politics in the years to come.
http://gepris.dfg.de/gepris/projekt/23920107

WERNER PASCHA
(with Frank Rövekamp)
Regional Financial Safety Nets in East Asia and Europe
2014–2017; funded by Bank of Korea during 2014–2015
The East Asia Institute of the Ludwigshafen University of Applied Sciences (Prof. Dr. Frank Rövekamp, in cooperation with the IN-EAST of Universitäten of Duisburg-Essen (Prof. Dr. Werner Pascha), is engaged in a research project on behalf of the Bank of Korea, the South Korean central bank, on institutional mechanisms to secure international financial safety. On a global level, the International Monetary Fund, based in Washington D.C., has the mandate to handle such issues. However, the recent financial crisis in the Euro area and the Asian financial crisis of 1997/98 have shown that there is a demand for regional safety mechanisms as well. In the EU, the European Stability Mechanism (ESM) has emerged on this background, whereas East Asian economies have created the so-called Chiang Mai Initiative (CMI). The collaborative project with the Bank of Korea has the goal of developing ideas to improve the structure and processes of such regional initiatives further. The project shall lead to one or two joint publications with Frank Rövekamp.

WERNER PASCHA
Current Issues of the Political Economies of Japan and Korea: Comparative Research
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In recent years, innovation research has clearly shown that innovation-driven economic development relies on a broad foundation of benign cultural, social, political, and economic framework conditions. Institutions based in various social regimes must incentivize innovation creating behavior as well as the acceptance and diffusion of these very innovations in society. There exists no “one-fits-all” institutional set-up outlining the preconditions for successful innovation-driven development. Cultural idiosyncrasies, variations in the availability and costs of specific resources and competencies, specific goals of ruling elites etc. all lead to specific manifestations and combinations of institutions that in their totality promote innovation in varying intensity and on differing social and technological trajectories. Against this background, China constitutes a highly interesting case study for the analysis of the institutional requirements as well as evolutionary genesis of innovation-driven economic development in a large non-Western society. After three decades of highly successful catching-up economic development based on the utilization of foreign institutions, business models and technologies, the Chinese economy has now reached a stage where it needs to foster more endogenous innovation in order to evade (relative) stagnation in what has become known as the “middle income trap”. This requires substantial alterations not only in the structural set-up and incentive systems governing the Chinese economy, but also in the fabric and underlying norms and values structuring society as well as the self-understanding of the political elite and its organization of politico-economic processes. The Chinese business sector is already responding to the need for more endogenous innovation in all sectors and segments of the economy. By doing so, it is exerting pressure for changes in the social fabric. At the same time Chinese government and the Chinese Communist Party appear to be highly committed to transforming the economy system and promoting an innovation-friendly institutional set-up – while upholding an unwavering claim to power. The Hayekian postulate according to which only free (democratic and market-based) societies can feature dynamic, innovation-driven development dynamics instantly comes to one’s mind as a “belief” of Western institutionalism and “Ordnungspolitik” that needs to be reflected upon in the Chinese context.

MARKUS TAUBE
The Chinese State-Business Nexus
Current research

When China joined the WTO in December 2001, it agreed that other countries, notably the European Union (EU) could continue to treat it as a “non-market economy” for the purposes of trade defense measures. The background to this special arrangement lay in the fact that at the turn of the century the Chinese economy was still in transition from a centrally planned economy to a market economy based on scarcity prices and free competition. There neither existed a comprehensive set of institutions that could support comprehensive market exchanges in the economy, nor was the government willing and give up its claim to directly steer economic development of the economy, its sectors as well as its major firms. In expectation of substantial progress of China’s transition towards a fully fledged market economy in the coming years, the Protocol of Accession of China to the WTO outlined that 15 years after its accession China’s status might be upgraded to a “market economy”. While China interpreted the wording of these paragraphs as guaranteeing it an automatic transition to “market economy” status, the EU upheld the position that China would have to demonstrate that it complies with the five criteria defining the “market economy” status. With all economic observers agreeing, that China did not fulfill these criteria (by a wide margin) at the end of 2016, the dispute focused on judicial exchanges on the existence of a guarantee or not. Eventually, the dispute was solved with some diplomatic genius that neither awarded China the status of a “market economy”, nor inflicted a massive loss of face to one of Europe’s most import trade partners and thereby might have provoked an open trade war. The solution found is to completely give up the differentiation between “market” and “non-market” economies – not only with regard to China, but all economies. Instead, for all trade defense measures the normal reference value will be the domestic prices. However, if significant distortions (e.g. caused by state interference) affecting domestic prices can be shown to prevail, international benchmark prices can be used instead. In order to make this new mechanism operational, the European Commission is going to publish specific reports identifying such distortions in on an economy-wide or specific sector level. EU manufacturers can then refer to these reports in order to determine the basis for complaints and to calculate what the normal reference prices should be. Research is being conducted in order to assess the degree to which Chinese industries are operating according to competition-based market standards or are subjected to market-distorting governmental interventions.

MARKUS TAUBE
Economic implications of the “Belt and Road Initiative”
Current research

A major impulse for economic development in the Eurasian continent as well as a restructuring of division of labour might be created with the unfolding of what has become known as the “One Belt, One Road” or “Belt and Road” initiative. Proposed by Chinese government in 2013 the initiative aims at creating a comprehensive network of transport corridors and an integrated industrial fabric spanning from China via the Middle East and Central Asia to Europe. In the course of this multilateral institutional programme new regional and multilateral institutions that complement or compete with existing regional/global governance systems can be expected to evolve. Their
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Markus Tünte

Wahlplichtmodul: Der Bürger im Staat II (Seminar)
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Axel Klein
SPECIAL TEACHING ACTIVITIES

NEUES AUS DER LEHRE

Recruitment Seminar – How to find a job in Japan. One-day seminar for BA and MA students with language focus in Japanese by Virginie Grillot, Europe Manager, Fourth Valley Cencorpe Corp., organized by Top Career.


Werner Pascha participated in the Business and Economics Summer Term (BEST) program of the Mercator School of Management of UDE offered 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 Düsseldorf for several weeks in early summer.


Lia Musitz held an external Lehrbeauftragt at the Institute for Theater-, Film- und Medienwissenschaft an der Universität Wien das MA-Seminar Das Vermessen der Wirklichkeit: Wissen, Wahrheit, Evidenz im digitalen Zeitalter abgehalten.

Florian Coulmas held an Intensive Course Sociolinguistics today. Methods for the analysis of Ancient and modern languages at the Summer School at the University for Foreigners, Siena, June 12–14, 2017.

Rumin Luo participated at the Global and Transnational Sociology Summer School 2017 on Transnationalism, Family and Gender, June 26 – July 8, 2017.

Florian Coulmas gave a special lecture “How multilingual is the Internet?” at the Summer School of the PhD School of the University of Milano-Bicocca, Advances In Collective Intelligence: Crowds, Big Data and Community Resilience, September 18–22, 2017.

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Flora Sapio (Australian National University, Canberra): Ideological Plasticity in Xi Jingping’s China: Towards a New Political Ontology

December 9, 2016, Duisburg, University of Duisburg-Essen

DIS-ORDERS: CHINA IN HER OWN RIGHTS
Organized by Lia Musutz and Nina Rotermund
In Western discourses, China is mainly perceived as being in a state without rights. Against this backdrop, this workshop aimed to open up concealabilities of laws in China. We negotiated China’s historical relation of law and politics, public prescription of laws and legal applications. Therefore, we pursued social and political discourses as well as social and political potentialities that deviations of the Western concept of rights enable.
Starting point: 12 Citizens (十二公民), a film by Xu Ang

February 4–7, 2017, Duisburg, City Hall and University of Duisburg-Essen

IN-EAST SCHOOL OF ADVANCED STUDIES
Final Conference: Innovation in East Asia – Electromobility and Urban Systems
Organized by the IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies, University of Duisburg-Essen

Introduction
Markus Tade (Director, IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies)

Keynote Speeches
Jörg Schönharting (University of Duisburg-Essen): Challenges of Sustainable Mobility in Germany and China – Can We Learn from Each Other?
Takahiro Fujimoto (University of Tokyo): An Architectural Analysis of Green Vehicles – Variety of Vehicle Types and Locations

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Marcus Conlé: Reflections on Innovation
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Beate Löffler, Katharina Bergmann, Deirdre Snee: Urban Systems in East Asia
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Shuiping Dai, Aleksandra Davydo- va, Yang Liu: Innovation and the Chinese Economy
Marcus Conlé: Institutional Diversity, Organizational Development, and Innovation in China – The Example of Biopharmaceutical Industry

Concluding Session
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Metropolis: Visions of the City of the Future in Film and Media
Rolf Giesens

February 9, 2017, Köln, Japan Foundation / Japanisches Kulturinstitut

REGIONAL ECONOMIC INTEGRATION OF JAPAN AND ASIA
Organized by the Japan Foundation / Japanisches Kulturinstitut

The economic role of Japan in the Asia-Pacific region is of particular interest and relevance, but rather little known in the West, particularly when the implications for European or German business are considered. Japan has fostered economic integration within East as well as with Southeast Asia, and beyond in the wider Asia-Pacific region. This has led to dense economic and business linkages in the area, also involving deep production networks along the supply chain. The Symposium focuses on the following issues: Which developments are already visible and what can be expected? How can enterprises react to the changing circumstances, make use of the new options and plan for the future?
Shujiro Urata (Waseda University, Tokyo): Recent Development of Economic Integration between Japan and Countries in the Asia-Pacific Region

Panel Discussion
Moderator: Werner Pascha (University of Duisburg-Essen)
February 15, 2017, Duisburg, University of Duisburg-Essen
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND CARBON MARKET
Co-organized by IN-EAST and Confucius Institute Metropolis Ruhr
Welcome Speeches and Organizations
Markus Taube, Shuangbing Dai (University of Duisburg-Essen), Susanne Löhr (Confucius Institute Metropolis Ruhr)

Session 1
Chair: Andreas Oberheitmann (FOM Hochschule für Ökonomie und Management, Essen; RWI – Leibniz Institute for Economic Research, Essen)
Qian Wang (Jilin University, Changchun): The Emission Reduction Performance of Carbon Trade System in China
Qiufeng Sun (Jilin University, Changchun): The Establishment of Macro and Micro Carbon Finance Supervision System in China
Li Du (presented by Wencheng Wang) (Jilin University, Changchun): The Establishment of an Integrative Carbon Trade System in China

Session 2
Chair: Paul Scalise (University of Duisburg-Essen)
Yuanquan Zhang (University of Duisburg-Essen): Low-Carbon Indicator System – Sino: Evaluating Low-Carbon City Development Level in China
Youngah Guahk (University of Duisburg-Essen): Sustainable Development and Local Politics: The Transformation of Eco-City in South Korea

Session 3
Chair: Qian Wang (Jilin University, Changchun)
Paul Scalise (University of Duisburg-Essen): Understanding the Cost of NIMBY in Developing Japan’s Low-Carbon Policies
Mahmod Shubak, Iacar Dominguez Lacaia (University of Bremen): Technological Capabilities in China: The Case of Photovoltaics Technology

February 22–24, 2017, University of Münster
THE POLITICAL ECONOMY OF DEMOCRACY AND DICTATORSHIP
Hosted by Thomas Apolte (University of Münster), Mario Gilli (University of Milano-Bicocca and Yuan Li (University of Duisburg-Essen)

The conference addressed the origin and prospects of democracy and dictatorship, policy control and governance structures in comparative political systems and transition processes from dictatorship to democracy and vice versa.

Keynote Lectures
Barry Weingast (Stanford University): The Principles of Self-Enforcing Democracy
Sabine Carey (University of Mannheim): The Political Economy of State Violence

Toko Aide (University of Cambridge): Conflict, Opportunism and Political Transitions in Authoritarianism: A Historical Perspective
Ronald Wintrobe (Western University, London, ON): Are There Different Types of Dictatorship?

Other presenting participants: Malik Curok (Boagci University), Christian Berker (Darmstadt University of Technology), Jannick Rastel (University of Economics, Moscow), Alessandro Belmonte (LUMS School for Advanced Studies, Lahore), Masaaki Higashiya (Tohoku University, Sendai), Anna Pauls (University of Oslo), Mario Gilli (University of Milano-Bicocca), Georg Tridimas (Ulster University, Coleraine), Pierre Mandon (CERDI, University of Auvergne, Clermont-Ferrand), Shasheen Kassam (Erasmus University, Rotterdam), Alexander Haering (University of Bonn), Tanja Masi (University of Verona), Enich Gundlauch (University of Hamburg / DISA), Laura Renner (University of Freiburg), Maria Marino (University of Palermo), Thomas Gries (University of Paderborn), Michael Dorsch (Central European University), Christian Bjernskov (Aarhus University), Jean Lacroix (Centre Européen des Sciences du Social, Brussels), Roberto Ricciuti (University of Verona), Fabian Petutschnig (University of Innsbruck), Stephane (University of Hamburg), Katarzyna Metelska-Szaniawska (University of Warsaw), Benja Oden (Texas A&M University, College Station / Université libre de Bruxelles), Stephan Gohmann (University of Louisville), Jerg Gutmann (University of Hamburg), Sebastian Garmann (Ruhr University Bochum), Dejan Dragutinovic (Friedrich Schiller University Jena), Monika Nasczecka (Polish University of Economics and Business), Ralf Magni Berton (Universiteit Gentrode Alpes / Sciences Po Grenoble / Pacte), Sophie Panel (Centre Emile Durkheim / Sciences Po Bordeaux)

March 6–7, 2017, Duisburg, University of Duisburg-Essen
6TH INTERNATIONAL ACCER WORKSHOP: CROSS-CULTURAL EXPERIMENTS IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES, ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT
Co-organized by ACCER, IN-EAST, DFG Research Training Group Risk and East Asia 1613 and IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies
Organizers: Timo Heinrich, Heike Hennig-Schmidt (University of Bonn), Markus Taube, Gari Walkowitz (University of Cologne), Liilia Zhirakhovskaya (University of Duisburg-Essen)

Invited Talk and Discussion
Chair: Heike Hennig-Schmidt (University of Bonn)
Robert Hoffmann (Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology, RMIT): Experimenting with Religion

Contributed Papers I
Chair: Timo Heinrich (University of Duisburg-Essen)
Emmanuel Ayifah (University of the Dorsch: Central European University): Effect of Religion on Risk Behavior: Women’s Experimental Evidence from Ghana
Discussant: Quanzhong Yang (University of Duisburg-Essen)
Alexander Haering (University of Duisburg-Essen): Exploring the Consistency of Higher-order Risk Preferences
Discussant: Isabel Marcin (University of Heidelberg)

Invited Talk and Discussion
Chair: Markus Taube (University of Duisburg-Essen)
Bernhard Kitti (University of Vienna): Offers beyond the Negotiating Dyad

Contributed Papers II
Chair: Gari Walkowitz (University of Cologne)
Heike Hennig-Schmidt (University of Bonn): Can Sanctions Bolster Climate Change Agreements? An Experimental Analysis
Discussant: Katharina Werner (University of Passau)

March 8, 2017, Goethe University Frankfurt am Main
5. DUISBURG-FRANKFURT WORKSHOP: INSTITUTIONEN IN DER ENTWICKLUNG OSTASIENS
Co-organized by Werner Pascha (Lehrstuhl Ostasiawirtschaft / Japan und Korea, Universität Duisburg-Essen), Markus Taube (Lehrstuhl Ostasiawirtschaft / China, Universität Duisburg-Essen) and Cornelia Stierl (Lehrstuhl Institutionen- und Innovationsökonomik, insb. Japan/Ostasien, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main)

The Vortragenden referierten über laufende Forschungsprojekte. Jedem Vortrag konnten die Teilnehmer/innen durch eine kurze Diskussion nachschlagen. Die Diskussionen wurden von Werner Pascha und Markus Taube moderiert.
Guest lectures, workshops and symposia


Im zweiten Teil der Veranstaltung präsentierte Markus Heckel (Goethe Uni versität Frankfurt): Uncertainty over Labor Contract Duration: Evidence from Japanese and Spanish Micro Data; und Na Zeu (Goethe Universität Frank furt): Strategic Thinking, Networking and Mirco-entrepreneurs’ Success.

Der Workshop findet seit 2013 alterierend an den beteiligten Lehrstühlen in Frankfurt und Duisburg statt. Auch in diesem Jahr wurde besonderer Wert auf Methodenvielfalt gelegt, um die Probleme und Entwicklungen in der Region Ostasien zu erfassen und zu erklären.

June 22–24, 2017, University of Duis burg-Essen, Duisburg

CHINA AND POLITICAL IN STABILITY IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

Co-organized by Nele Noesselt (IN EAST) and Christof Hartmann (Insti tute for Political Science, University of Duisburg-Essen); sponsored by Fritz Thys sen-Stiftung

Diese Tagung, zu der ausgewiesene Ex perten aus China, ausgewählten afrika nischen Ländern, den USA und dem eu ropäischen Ausland eingeladen waren, befasste sich mit den politischen Implikationen des wachsenden Einflusses Chinas in Sub-Sahara-Afrika. Im Mittelpunkt der öffentlichen Pedi umsdiskussion am 22. Juni standen die wesentlichen Entwicklungslinien der chinesisch-afrikanisch Zusammen-
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THOMAS HEBERER
Reflections on the Concept of Representation and Its Application to China

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Does Social Inducement Lead to Higher Open Innovation Investment? An Experimental Study

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JAN SIEBERT, GUANZHONG YANG
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ALESSANDRA CAPPELLETTI
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Demystifying the Belt and Road Initiative: Scope, Actors and Repercussion for Europe

MARKUS TAUBE
(with Peter Thomas in der Heiden)


(with Peter Thomas in der Heiden)


MARKUS TÜNTE

YUKA ANDO
September 2, 2017
(with Yuko Sugita) 「考えて発信することを目指す日本語教育の試み 第二段階の報告」 (Developing autonomous thinking and assertive communication skills in Japanese: The second stage of the medium-term research project) – EAJJS Conference in Lisbon, 30 Aug – 2 Sep 2017.

JULIA ARISTOVA
November 18, 2016
Local Government as Entrepreneur: Rollout of Low-Carbon Technology in China. – CHESS Workshop 2016, Local Climate Change Governance and Resource Management in China, University of Vienna.

KATHARINA BORGMANN
November 9, 2016
Konfuzius-Institut Metropole Ruhr & Urbanisierung China: Global denken, lokal wandeln, Essen.

FLEMMING CHRISTIANSEN
November 14, 2016
Thematizing the Frontier of North-East Asian Industrialization. – Presentation at the Workshop The Frontier of Northeast Asian Industrialization: The Long Perspective (1895–now), Duisburg.

FLORIAN COULMAS
November 18–20, 2016
Panel organisation and chair Mobility in the Ageing Society at the VSJF Annual Meeting Mobility and the City of the Future, University of Duisburg-Essen, Duisburg.

April 4, 2017
The Multitude of Languages in Japan. Lecture at Ca’ Foscari University, Venice.

May 5, 2017
Equality, Difference and Language Rights. – Lecture at Romanistisches Seminar, University of Freiburg.

June 5, 2017
The Native Speaker Revisited. – Lecture at GRK 1767, University of Freiburg.

August 30, 2017
The Diversity of Writing Systems. – Keynote Lecture at the 11th International Workshop on Writing Systems and Literacy, Nanzan University, Nagoya.

SHUANPING DAI
October 10–13, 2016
Experimental Approach in Political Economy. – Presentation at the International Research Training School on Political Economy, Jilin University, Changchun.

October 14–15, 2016
(with Yang Liu) The Emergence of Chinese Entrepreneurs. – Presentation at the International Workshop Entrepreneurship in China, Peking University.

October 23–25, 2016

November 3–5, 2016
Does Social Inducement Lead to Higher Open Innovation Contribution: An Experimental Study. – Presentation at the European Association for Evolutionary Political Economy (EAEPE) Annual Conference, Manchester.

November 28–29, 2016
Frugal Innovation, Co-evolution of Innovation Ecosystem and Market Demand: Evidence from Low-speed Electric Vehicle Industry in Shandong Province, China. – Presenta-
ALEKSANDRA DAVYDOVA
October 24–25, 2016

October 27–29, 2016

December 2–5, 2016

December 10–12, 2016

February 15–17, 2017
The Effects of Chinese Outward Cross-Border Mergers and Acquisitions on Innovation. – Junior Doctoral Student Colloquium at The Australia School of Government, Peking University, Beijing.

WINFRIED FLÜCHTER
December 9, 2016
Das Große Erdbeben von Ostjapan 2011 und die Optionen einer Risikogesellschaft. – Konfuzius-Institut Metropole Ruhr, Duisburg.

December 10, 2016

February 3, 2017

ALEXANDER HAERING
November 16, 2016
(with Time Heinrich and Thomas Mayrhofer) Exploring The Consistency of Higher-Order Risk Preferences. – INFORMS Annual Meeting, Nashville.

November 9, 2016

September 10, 2017
Nachbarschaft und Nachbarschaftssystem. Wie China seine Städte und Bewohner verwaltet. – Vortrag im LRV Industriemuseum Oberhausen.

October 22, 2016

April 25, 2017

April 29, 2017

May 4, 2017
Reich der Mitte – Quo vadis? China zwischen Megaentwicklung und Stagnation? – Vortrag und Teilnahme an der Podiumsdiskussion an der FOM German-Sino School of Business & Technology, Essen.

January 17, 2016
Reich der Mitte – Quo vadis: China zwischen Megaentwicklung und Stagnation? – Vortrag und Teilnahme an der Podiumsdiskussion an der FOM German-Sino School of Business & Technology, Essen.

January 19, 2017
Introduction of Lin Yutang’s ‘Two Chinas’ and the View of The Middle Kingdom – Quo vadis: China. – Vortrag vor der Universität Duisburg-Essen.

August 5, 2017
Chair & Discussant of the papers presented in the panel Ethnicity and Language, International Symposium in Honor of Professor Stevan Harrell, University of Washington, Seattle.

August 6, 2017

VITALI HEIDT
October 6, 2016

September 10, 2017
Nachbarschaft und Nachbarschaftssystem. Wie China seine Städte und Bewohner verwaltet. – Vortrag im LRV Industriemuseum Oberhausen.

June 22, 2017
October 6, 2016
Doitsu no kaigo hoken seido [The German Long-Term Care System]. – Nagano College of Nursing (長野看護大学). Komagane-shi, Nagano Prefecture.

April 27, 2017

TIMO HEINRICH
November 16, 2016

December 5, 2016
(with Jeanette Brosgis-Koch) Buyer’s Choice in Procurement – A study based on field and laboratory data. – Paderborn University.

May 11, 2017
Measuring Risk Preferences in Three Countries: A report. – X-Hub Workshop, GESIS, Leibniz-Institut für Sozialwissenschaften, Cologne.

May 20, 2017
(with Alexander Haering and Sven Horak) Costly Information Acquisition: The Effects of Wage Inequality. – The 4th Global Entrepreneurship and Innovation Conference, Tianjin.

September 7, 2017

September 22, 2017
Injustice of Job Promotion Procedures and Cooperative Behavior in Hierarchical Relationships. – Proceedings, XVIII. Symposium zur ökonomischen Analyse der Unternehmung, German Economic Association of Business Administration (GEABA), Hohenheim.

ANTONIA HMACI
October 27, 2016

December 27–30, 2016
The Economic Consequences of Internet Censorship. – 33rd Chaos Communication Congress (33C3) Works for me, Hamburg.

July 1, 2017
The Sharing Economy – Prospects for Emerging Markets. – Annual Conference of the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics, Lyons.

AXEL KLEIN
October 20, 2016
(with Hannes Mosler and Sarah Kirschberger) Emotions in East Asian Parliaments. – Lecture at CIAP 2016 Conference for Interdisciplinary Approaches to Politics Emotions in Politics and International Relations, University of Leeds.

July 28, 2017
(with Kerstin Lukner) Japanese Sicherheitstrends und ökonomische Bedrohung. – Vortrag im Rahmen der Veranstaltung Sicherheit in Ostasien, Deutsche Gesellschaft der Vereinten Nationen NRW e.V., Bonn.

LASSI LAINE
December 9–10, 2016
China’s Fragile Middle Class: Diverse Aspirations and Uncertain Livelihoods. – GEAS Graduate Conference 2016 Individual Agency in Institutional Contexts in East Asia, Free University Berlin.

WEIJING LE
October 28, 2016

September 22, 2017
YUAN LI
November 2016
Bridging Europe with Asia. – Harbors 360 Conference, Duisburg.

December 2016
New Normal Meets One Belt, One Road. – International Workshop China’s ‘New Normal’, Politics, Economic Reforms and Political Philosophy, University of Duisburg-Essen, Duisburg.

January 2017

July 2017
Bridging Europe with Asia: Understanding the Potential Economic Impact of the Belt and Road Initiative. – Keynote speech at the 2017 Chinese Economic Association (Europe/UK) China Conference at Southwestern University of Finance and Economics (SWUFE), Chengdu.

TAO LIU
May 17, 2017

July 12, 2017
Synthese der internationalen und nationalen Ideen in der Sozialpolitik Chinas: Wie eine hybride Wohlfahrtskultur entsteht. – Vortrag im Institut für Soziologie der Universität Duisburg-Essen, Duisburg.

YANG LIU
October 14–15, 2016
(with Shaoping Dai) The Emergence of Chinese Entrepreneurs. – Presentation at the International Workshop Entrepreneurship in China, Peking University.

October 24–25, 2016

LIA MUSITZ
November 11–12, 2017

NELE NOESSELT
January 24, 2017
Governance in China: Re-Maoisierung vs Re-Konzentrisierung? – Forschungssforum NRW School of Governance, Duisburg.

February 7, 2017
Testing the Ground as a Global Leader: China in Latin America. – Workshop zu Fun tamentos de las relaciones entre China y América Latina en el contexto de la globalización, Hamburg.

March 1, 2017
Making the Most of the G20 Process: From China to Germany to Argentinia. – GIGA Presidential Roundtable, Hamburg.

April 1, 2017
Panelist at WISC Roundtable RT-7: Re-imaging or Reproducing IR: How Critical is the Chinese IR? With Barry Buzan, LSE; Shih-Chyung Lu, NTU; Zhang Yongjin, Bristol; Taipei.

AIME MURANAKA
August 29 – September 1, 2017
Use of Skilled Migrant Workers in Japanese Companies – the Case of Vietnamese Workers in IT and Engineer Sector. – 13th Conference of the European Sociological Association (ESa), Florence; Capitalism, Solidarities, Subjectivities, Athens.

LIA MUSITZ

July 4, 2017
Chinas Traum der Neuen Seidenstraße. – Abendvortrag, Konfuzius-Institut Nürnberg.

May 17, 2017

June 10, 2017
(with Elisaveta Priupolina) Decrypting Chinese Politics: Critical Discourse Analysis meets fQCA. – ACFPS Conference on China’s Public Policy and National Governance, Nankai University, Tianjin.

June 16, 2017
Pacific Approaches to Governance? Linkage Models and the Chinese Leviathan 2.0. – FD15: East Asian Models of Development, ISA, Hong Kong.

June 16, 2017
Panelist at FB13, Roundtable: Assessing Chinese Foreign Policy under Xi Jinping. – ISA, Hong Kong.

June 22-26, 2017
(with Christof Hartmann) Organisation of the International Authors’ Workshop on China and Political Insecurity in Sub-Saharan Africa, University of Duisburg-Essen, Duisburg (sponsored by Fritz-Thysen-Stiftung).

July 9, 2017

July 19, 2017

July 31, 2017
Chinesische Politik. – Lehrerfortbildung. Akademie für Politische Bildung, Tübingen.

September 15, 2017

WERNER PASCHA
January 11, 2017
Die neue Dynamik multilateraler Kooperationsprojekte in Ostasien zwischen ökonomischer und politischer Logik. – Vortragsreihe AREA Ruhr, Bochum.

February 9, 2017
Co-organizer, chair and introductory remarks: Symposium Regional Economic Integration of Japan and Asia, Japanisches Kulturinstitut, Köln.

March 9-10, 2017
Institutionelle Voraussetzungen für degrowth in Japan. – Beitrag zur Sitzung der AG Japan der Riemers-Befindung in Stadthamburg.

April 20-22, 2017

July 4, 2017
Panelist, Panel I on Global Governance, De-globalization and the Role of the EU and Asia. – Jean Monnet Workshop East Asia and the EU as Partners in Global Economic Governance, Ruhr University Bochum.

July 6, 2017

July 21, 2017

August 30 – September 2, 2017
Abezonomics and the Political Economy of Reform. – 15th International Conference of the European Association for Japanese Studies (EAJIS), Lisbon.

September 22, 2017
Changing Dynamics of International Economic Organisations. – Bank of Korea Seminar, Kassel.

ELISAVETA PRIUPOLINA
June 10, 2017
(with Nele Noesselt) Decrypting Chinese Politics: Critical Discourse Analysis meets fQCA. – ACFPS Conference on China’s Public Policy and National Governance, Nankai University, Tianjin.

September 14, 2017

BENJAMIN RABE
September 7–2, 2016
(with Karen Shire and Vitali Heidt) Social Innovations with Robotics in Eldercare in Japan and Germany. – Japanese and German Cutting Edge Technologies for Patient Care. First NRW-Fukushima Joint Symposium on Advances in Medicine, Essen.

October 6–8, 2016

November 18–20, 2017
The Institutional Impact of Japan’s New Robot Strategy: Technology Development in Regional Systems of Innovation. – German Association for Social Science Research on Japan (VSJF) Annual Meeting 2016 Mobility and the City of the Future, Duisburg.

July 1, 2017

GUILIA ROMANO
June 28–30, 2017
The Transfer of Careful Urban Renewal from Berlin to Yangzhou. Learning from Abroad and its Challenges. – Paper at the International Conference on Public Policy (ICPP III), Singapore.

July 10–12, 2017

September 15, 2017
France-China and Sustainable Urban Development: A view of the cooperation background. – Presentation at the 4th Singapore-France Strategic Dialogue on China, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Singapore.

NICOLE SCHLEIFFER
October 24, 2016
New and Adapted Value Propositions for Electric Vehicles. Empirical Results from Qualitative Expert Interviews. – Presented at the Sino-German Academic Seminar on Innovation Institution and Economic Development, Tianjin.

October 28, 2016
Design and Adaptation of Value Propositions. Empirical Results from the Transition to the Electric Mobility. – Presented at the EAMSA Doctoral Session 2016, Suzhou.

February 6, 2017
(with Mira Schüller) Electric Mobility in Asia and Europe. – Presented at the IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies Final Conference, Duisburg.

HELMUT SCHNEIDER
October 13, 2016
Urban Development by Means of Land Grabbing? The conflict for Boeng Kak lake in Phnom Penh, Cambodia. – Lecture at the Workshop Research of SouthEast Asian Cities – Infrastructures, Livelihoods, Risks, Global South Studies Center, Universität zu Köln.

September 19, 2017

September 30, 2017

KAREN SHIRE
November 10, 2016
Between Mobility and Mobility – The Transformation of the European Labor Market. – Invited lecture, Workshop The Great European Turn: Crisis, Strategies and Future Perspec-

DIANA SCHÜLER
April 21, 2017
Entrepreneurship as Occupational Choice in the midst of Institutional Change in Korea. – EastAsiaNet Spring Workshop, Autonomous University of Madrid.

MIRA SCHÜLER
October 24, 2016

February 6, 2017
(with Nicole Schleiffer) Electric Mobility in Asia and Europe. – Presented at the IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies Final Conference, Duisburg.

April 21, 2017
Evaluation of Alternative Drive Systems based on Driving Pattern Comparing Germany and China. – Presented at the University of Shanghai.

June 28, 2017
Vergleich realer Fahryklen für Elektrofahrzeuge in Deutschland und China. – Vortrag beim Wissenschaftsforum Mobilität, Duisburg.

July 3, 2017
Some Aspects of Research on E-Mobility and Autonomous Driving. – Presented at the Wuhan University of Technology.

E-Mobility and Autonomous Driving.
specifies, Center for German and European Studies (ZeDeS), Chung-Ang University, Seoul.

November 25, 2016
Integrating Reproduction into the Production Focus of Comparative Studies of Welfare Capitalism. – France-Japan Workshop on Capitalism, Welfare State and Intimate Life: Toward a Theory of Human Reproduction in Mature Societies, Kyoto University and EHESS, Kyoto.

December 14, 2016
Market Making in Inter-regional Comparison. Cross-border Temporary Agency Employment in Europe and East Asia. – Waseda University, Tokyo.

February 20, 2017
Organizer: International Symposium Improving Gender Balance of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Fields from the US and Asia, organized for the Institute of Global Leadership, Ochanomizu University, Tokyo.

June 29, 2017
Science Research Leaders and Leading Science Research. – ELIS Seminar for Doctoral Students in STEM Fields from the US and Asia, Ewha Womans University, Seoul.

July 12, 2017
Determinate of the Outsourcing of Domestic Labour in Conservative Welfare States: Women’s Resources and Market Dynamics in Germany. – 26th International Conference of Europeanists, Glasgow.

July 14, 2017
Organizer: The Sustainability of Gender Regime Transformations in Europe, Section Gender and Sexuality. 26th International Conference of Europeanists, Glasgow.

July 14, 2017
Transformation of Conservative Gender Regimes. The Intersection of Class and Gender in Comparison. – 26th International Conference of Europeanists, Glasgow.

September 2, 2017

October 5, 2017
Markus Taube
China: Einbindung in die Weltwirtschaft. – Vortrag im Rahmen des EMBA Business Integration, ausgerichtet von der Julius Maximilian Universität Würzburg.

October 5, 2017
Yuko Sugita
Auf der Suche nach China 2.0 – Aktuelle ökonomische und wirtschaftspolitische Entwicklungen in der VR China. – Vortrag im Rahmen der Vortragsreihe der GDCF Düsseldorf e.V.

October 7, 2017
Kei Takata
Connecting with the First or the Third World? Two Paths Toward the Cross-National Movement Mobilization in the Japanese Global Sixties. – International Conference on Cross-Movement Mobilization, Ruhr University Bochum.

July 13, 2017
Escaping through the Networks of Trust: The U.S. Deserters Support Movement in the Japanese Global Sixties. – 9th Annual Seminar of the Bielefeld Graduate School in History and Sociology (BIAHS) Grappling with the Global: The Challenge of Boundaries in History and Sociology, Bielefeld University.

August 14, 2017

October 5, 2017
Anna Shpakovskaya
Economic Concepts of Institutionalization? (oder doch: Letzte Bastion der Globalisierung)? – Vortrag im Rahmen der Veranstaltung Aktuelle Fragen der Wirtschafts- und Sozialpolitik der Akademie für Politische Bildung, Tutzing.

October 10, 2017
Game Changer China – Game Changing in China. – Vortrag bei der BMW AG – UD Mobility Services / On-Demand Mobility, München.

November 23, 2016
Nono noch auf der Suche nach China 2.0 – Zur aktuellen ökonomischen und wirtschaftspolitischen Lage in der VR China. – Beitrag im Rahmen einer Podiumsdiskussion zu aktuellen Entwicklungen in China, ausgerichtet vom Konfuzius-Institut Metropol-Ruhr, Duisburg.

November 13, 2016

January 13, 2017

February 2, 2017

November 13, 2016
China als Akteur in der Weltwirtschaft. – Vortrag bei der CDU/CSU-Fraktion im Deutschen Bundestag im Rahmen des Arbeitsfrühstücks im Bundestag, Berlin.

February 9, 2017
China als Absatzmarkt und Produktionsstandort. – Vortrag im Rahmen des Crossroads: European Clearances Sale or New Growth Partnership? – Presentation at the Conference Chinese Investments in Europe, held at Jilin University, Changchun.

November 12, 2016

October 13, 2016
Game-Theoretical Dilemma and Solutions for Economic Cooperation – Foundations of Cooperative Business Transactions in China: The Role of Social Networks. – Presentation at the high-level seminar Advanced Theories and Methods in Contemporary Political Economy, held at Jilin University, Changchun.

November 29, 2017
China als Akteur in der Weltwirtschaft. – Vortrag im Rahmen der Veranstaltung Quo vadis China? Quo vadis Chingaßchät?, ausgerichtet von der IHK zu Düsseldorf.

March 9, 2017
Gewinner der Globalisierung! Der wirtschaftliche Aufstieg Asiens. – Vortrag im Rahmen der Veranstaltung Aktuelle Fragen der Wirtschafts- und Sozialpolitik der Akademie für Politische Bildung, Tutzing.

March 10, 2017
Game Changer China – Game Changer in China. – Vortrag bei der BMW AG – UD Mobility Services / On-Demand Mobility, München.

April 26, 2017

May 4, 2017
Economic Concepts of Institution Building and Institutional Change. – Presentation at the UNIVE/IN-EAST Program in China. – Vortrag im Rahmen des Jour Fixe – Stiftung ex oriente, ausgerichtet vom Konfuzius-Institut Munich.
Workshop Transformative Power of OBOR, Venice.

May 17-12, 2017
Globalisierung der Weltmärkte. – Seminartage im Rahmen der Qualifizierungsmahnahme Sales Excellence der ThyssenKrupp Steel AG Duisburg.

May 16, 2017

May 17, 2017
Level Playing Field – Chinesische Firmenübernahmen in Deutschland. – Vortrag im Rahmen der Veranstaltung China im Wandel, ausgezeichnet durch Chinaforum Bayern, IHK Schwaben, Raiffeisen Landesbank Oberösterreich, MBL China Consulting and Taylor Wessing, Augsburg.

May 21, 2017
Institutional Change in China: Global Models and Chinese Idiosyncrasies. – Presentation at the School of Economics, Huazhong University of Science and Technology, Wuhan.

May 26, 2017
The Belt and Road Initiative – Its (Potential) Impact on National and Transnational Institution Building. – Presentation at the Faculty of Economics, Jilin University, Changchun.

May 30, 2017
China’s Volkswirtschaft in stürmischem Fahrwasser: Anpassungsbedürfnisse und Chancen für das deutsche Chinageschäft. – Vortrag im Rahmen des DCW-Regionaltreffens China und Deutschland im Jahr des Feuerhahns, ausgerichtet von der Deutsch-Chinesischen Wirtschaftsvereinigung (DCW), Düsseldorf.

May 31, 2017

June 20, 2017
Wirtschaftsmacht China auf Zukunftssuche – Neuausrichtung im Miteinander interner und externer Herausforderungen. – Vortrag auf dem Seminar Chinesisch jetzt!, veranstaltet vom Landesspracheninstitut Nordrhein-Westfalen, Bochum.

June 20, 2017
China auf Zukunftssuche – Ökonomische Neuausrichtung im stürmischen weltpolitischen Fahrwasser. – Vortrag am Konfuzius-Institut Metropole Ruhr, Duisburg.

June 27, 2017
(with Yuan Li) The Impact of the New Silk Road Railways on Local Economic Development. – Presentation at the 6th French Network for Asian Studies International Conference, organized by GIS Asia at SciencesPo, Paris.

June 28, 2017
Anti-Dumping and Distortions in the Chinese Metals Industry. – Presentation at the European Parliament, Brussels.

July 8, 2017
Smarter Industries, Smarter Mobility, Smarter Cities. Reflections on the dynamics and hazards of co-evolution. – Presentation at the Tianjin Forum 2017 Innovation and Cooperation, organized by Nankai University and Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies, Tianjin.

July 15, 2017

July 25, 2017
Sino-European Economic Relations at a Crossroad. Contemporary patterns and fundamental challenges ahead. – Presentation at the Summer School Understanding Global China, organized by Centro Studi sull’Asia Contemporanea (CSCC), Rome, Villa Montragne.

July 25, 2017
One Belt, One Road: China’s grand strategy for a new economic world order or just another white elephant?! – Presentation at the Summer School Understanding Global China, organized by Centro Studi sull’Asia Contemporanea (CSCC), Rome, Villa Montragne.

July 28, 2017
Parameters of Successful Institutional Transfer – An economics perspective. – Presentation at the Workshop Policy Process and Knowledge Transfer, organized by IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies, University of Duisburg-Essen, Duisburg.

GUANZHONG YANG

December 15–16, 2016
(with Shuanping Dai) Does Social Inducement Lead to Higher Open Innovation Contribution: An Experimental Study. – Presentation at the Third World Open Innovation Conference, Barcelona.
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Guanghua Media / German Report


China News Service

Thomas Heberer about China’s domestic situation and China-US relationship after the election of Donald Trump, November 21, 2016.

China-Rundschau

Interview with Thomas Heberer, November 2016.

China News Network (China Information Network)

Thomas Heberer on the Chinese Developmental State, November 30, 2016.

Waz Duisburg


People’s Daily

Thomas Heberer on “One Belt and One Road” and Duisburg-China connections, December 14, 2016.

The New Silk Road and Its Implications to the Industry – Interviews with Yuan Li


China Television NHK

Interview with Thomas Heberer on One Belt and One Road, the “New Silk Road”, Germany and Duisburg, April 12, 2017.

Savina Museum of Contemporaray Art, Seoul


China and the G-20 Meeting in Hamburg, Interviews with and Presentations by Thomas Heberer

Interview with Xinhua News Agency, July 8, 2017.

Thomas Heberer at China Daily, July 9, 2017.

Florian Coulmas in the New Zuercher Zeitung

Sag etwas, and I will tell you where you come from – Gastkommentar von Florian Coulmas zur Problematik der digitalen Spracherkennung, July 8, 2017.


Japanese Television NHK

Feature/Interview with Nele Noesselt: China’s New Silk Road, August 2017.

Deutschlandfunk

Interview with the World this Weekend, August 21, 2017.

Interview by Reuters News Agency, August 17, 2017.

Interview with the WELT, August 21, 2017.

Interview mit deutscher Spracherkennung, July 8, 2017.

Interview with Basement Radio Kultur, August 22, 2017.

Schweizer Radio und Fernsehen (SRF)


Deutschlandradio Kultur


Hessischer Rundfunk


Interview by Thomas Heberer in Chinese, October 10, 2016.


Interview with Markus Taube and Donald Trump, hr2 Der Tag, 6. April 2017.

Hessischer Rundfunk

Interview with Markus Taube to the Hintergrund und Erwartungen an das Treffen zwischen Xi Jinping und Donald Trump, hr2 Der Tag, 6. April 2017.

Chinese Daily


Chinese Way to Development, European Times


Savina Museum of Contemporary Art, Seoul


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Interview with Xinhua News Agency, July 8, 2017.

Thomas Heberer at China Daily, July 9, 2017.
Benjamin Rabe won the Best Paper Award at the Third International Conference on Universal Village 2016 in Nagoya, October 8, 2016 (together with Martin Rathmann from the Cluster of Excellence Asia and Europe in a Global Context, University of Heidelberg). Co-chaired by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT, Professor Yajun Fang), the University of Nagoya (Professor Yoshiki Ninomiya), and the Beihang University (Professor Zhang Xiong), the conference talks tried to exemplify the concept of Universal Village as a desired future society that pursues human-nature harmony through the wise application of technologies.

The praised paper and presentation titled Ready for the Robot Revolution – Japan’s Attempts to Solve Societal Issues by the Implementation of Advanced Robotics drew attention to the difficulties Japanese actors of the robotics industry and the government encounter while trying to solve challenges caused by the demographic aging of the population by the implementation of robots in various sectors of the society.

Florian Coulmas has won the Moyer-Struckmann-Preis for geistes- und sozialwissenschaftliche Forschung (2016: Ausschreibung für Ostasienwissenschaften) since 2006, of the Philosophical Faculty of the Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf (HHU) awarded. The prize amount of 20,000 Euro be awarded (see report in Chapter 2, page 16).

The Duisburger Sparkasse has awarded the best annual dissertation prize, 1000 Euro, to Martin Heinberg in 2017, for his work on the Cultural Heritage and the Urban Development of the City of Düsseldorf. The Young Faculty bring together selected young scientists from the Ruhr Metropolitan area and support them in their research and career development.
Member of the Yale Society for Comparative Studies, Yale University, New Haven

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

Board Member (alternate), Institute for Work and Qualification (IAQ), University of Duisburg-Essen

Board Member, University Research Area (Profilschwerpunkt) Transformation of Contemporary Societies, University of Duisburg-Essen

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“One Thousand Plan” Professor of the City of Tianjin

“Outstanding Professor” at Nankai University, Tianjin

Guest Professor at Jilin University, Changchun (May 2017 – May 2022)

Honored Professor at the Huazhong University of Science and Technology, Wuhan (May 2017 – May 2020)

Co-Director, Confucius Institute Metropolis Ruhr, Duisburg

Secretary, Duisburg Economic Research Seminar (Duisburger Volkswirtschaftliches Forschungsseminar)

President of the Euro-Asia Management Studies Association (EAMSA), (2017–2019)

Member of the Experts Group for the “Sino-German Innovation Platform” at the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (since March 2017)

Member of the Committee for Economic Systems and Institutional Economics (Ausschuss für Wirtschaftssysteme und Institutionenökonomie) of the German Association for Economic Studies (Verein für Socialpolitik, VfS)

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