

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED TALKS

### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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"Migrant policies of Japanese municipalities: Local governments filling the national vacuum", DGA Conference 2021, 03/2021.

"Deliberative democracy in Japan against the backdrop of democratic challenges", AREA Ruhr Lectures Series, Ruhr University Bochum 12/2019.

"Cities and participation: Planning cells for integrating citizens into the municipal decision-making process", VSJF (German Association for Social Science Research on Japan) Annual Conference, Ruhr University Bochum 11/2019.

"Deliberative innovations – Curing the malaise of Japanese representative democracy?", Fachgruppe Politik (Section: Politics), VSJF (German Association for Social Science Research on Japan) Annual Conference, Japanese German Center Berlin (JDZB) 11/2018.

„Partizipative und deliberative Innovationen vor dem Hintergrund einer schwachen Zivilgesellschaft (Participatory and deliberative innovations against the backdrop of a weak civil society)", Kongress der Deutschen Vereinigung für Politikwissenschaft (DVPW) „Grenzen der Demokratie", Goethe University, Frankfurt a. M. 09/2018.

"Invited spaces in Japanese democracy. The empirical impact of deliberative innovations", Conference of the Participatory and Deliberative Democracy Specialist Group (PDDSG) of the Political Studies Association, Centre for the Study of Democracy, University of Westminster, London 09/2018.

Civil Society Being Left Out by Representative Democracy? State-Society Relations in Japan and South Korea. Fachgruppe Politik (Section: Politics), VSJF (German Association for Social Science Research on Japan) Annual Conference, Japanese German Center Berlin (JDZB), 11/2014.

Democratic Innovations in Non-Western Democracies: Participatory Democracy in Japan. Session: Lessons from Sub-National Participatory Practices, Fourth Global International Studies Conference 2014, Goethe University, Frankfurt a. M., 08/2014.

Japanische Kommunen im Wandel: Reformerfolge und -hemmnisse einer Ausweitung der Gemeindeautonomie und Bürgerteilhabe (Changing Japanese municipalities: Reforms' successes and obstacles to extend local autonomy and citizens participation), Sektion Politik (Section: Politics): Politischer Wandel in Japan seit 2009 (Political change in

Japan since 2009), 15. Deutschsprachiger Japanologentag (15th Conference of German-speaking Japanese Studies), University of Zürich, 08/2012.

Partizipative Governance in japanischen Gemeinden als Chance für mehr Mitbestimmung? (Participatory governance in Japanese municipalities. An asset to implement more participation?), Fachgruppe Politik (Section: Politics), VSJF (German Association for Social Science Research on Japan) Annual Conference, Heinrich Pesch Haus Ludwigshafen, 11/2011.

## **INVITED TALKS**

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“Meeting the challenges of the Japanese consolidated democracy: Deliberation as an asset to resilience”. Workshop „Democratic backsliding in Asia: Resilience, responses, revival“, Heidelberg University/ Bertelsmann Foundation 12/2019.

“Deliberative democracy in Japan against the backdrop of democratic challenges“, AREA Ruhr Lectures Series, Ruhr University Bochum 12/2019.

„Merits and challenges of deliberative democracy in Japan“, German Institute of Japanese Studies DIJ, Tokyo 06/2019.

„Deliberation in Japan angesichts der Herausforderungen für die repräsentative Demokratie (Deliberation in Japan against the backdrop of democratic challenges)“, Centrum für Asienwissenschaften und Transkulturelle Studien, University of Heidelberg 06/2019.

„Invited spaces – Deliberative innovations in comparison to social movements in claimed spaces“, Workshop „Social processes and effects of innovations in Tokyo and beyond“, IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies, University of Duisburg-Essen, 11/2018.

„Schwache Zivilgesellschaft versus starker Staat? Entwicklungen von sozialen Bewegungen und gemeinnützigen Organisationen in Japan (Weak civil society vs. strong state? The developments of social movements and NPOs in Japan)“, Institute of Japanese Studies, University of Vienna, 10/2018.

Innovations in the Political Arena: Findings of the Research Group “Political Innovations in East Asian Cities“, Final Conference of the IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies, University of Duisburg-Essen, 02/2017.

Dezentralisierung in Japan (Decentralization in Japan). Asien-Afrika-Institut Japanologie (Institute for Asian and African Studies), University of Hamburg, 06/2015.

Partizipative Governance in japanischen Gemeinden als Chance für mehr Bürgermitbestimmung (Participatory governance in Japanese municipalities – A chance of enhanced citizen participation). Mittagsforum (Research colloquium) "Political Decisions in Context", Institute of Political Science, University of Duisburg-Essen, 06/2015.

Mehr politische Autonomie und Partizipation in japanischen Kommunen durch Dezentralisierungsreformen (More political autonomy and participation in Japanese municipalities through decentralization reforms). Forschungskolloquium (Research colloquium), Institute of Social Sciences, University of Osnabrück, 05/2015.

Demokratie in Südkorea und Japan: Das Verhältnis zwischen politischer Elite und Zivilgesellschaft (Democracy in South Korea and Japan: The relationship between the political elites and civil society). Weingartener Asiengespräche 2013, Zivilgesellschaft und Demokratie in Asien (Civil society and democracy in Asia), Akademie der Diözese Rottenburg-Stuttgart, 11/2013.

Keynote: Symposium Zivilgesellschaften in (Nord-) und Süd-Ostasien (Civil societies in East and South-East Asia), Sommerakademie des Internationalen Graduiertenkollegs Halle-Tokyo, MLU Halle-Wittenberg, 06/2012.

Keynote: Workshop „Sozialwissenschaftliche Konzepte zu Gender und Zivilgesellschaft (Concepts of gender and civil society in social sciences)“, Frühjahrsakademie des Internationalen Graduiertenkollegs Halle-Tokyo, DESK Zentrum für Deutschland- und Europastudien, University of Tokyo, 03/2011.

Die Bedeutung der Dezentralisierung für die Stärkung der japanischen lokalen Selbstverwaltung und Bürgerpartizipation (The relevance of decentralization for strengthening Japanese local self-government and citizen participation), Internationales Graduiertenkolleg Halle-Tokyo, MLU Halle-Wittenberg, 12/2007.

Klientelpolitik als kulturübergreifendes Phänomen. Eine Annäherung an Klientelismuskonzepte (Patronage as a transcultural phenomenon. An approach towards concepts of clientelism), Conference „Dynastien und politische Führerinnen in Asien“, Lehrstuhl für Südostasienkunde, University of Passau, 01/2004.

Der Tanaka-Boom in der japanischen Öffentlichkeit. Die Popularität Tanaka Makikos (The Tanaka-boom in the Japanese public. Tanaka Makiko's popularity), Conference „Dynastien und politische Führerinnen in Asien“, Lehrstuhl für Südostasienkunde, University of Passau, 01/2004.

Dezentralisierung in Japan. Diskurs über Reformbedarf und Reformbemühungen  
(Decentralization in Japan. Discourse of reform needs and approaches), Fachgruppe Politik  
(Section: Politics), VSJF (German Association for Social Science Research on Japan) Annual  
Conference, Evangelischen Akademie Tutzing, 11/2003.