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Dear Reader,

The Institute of East Asian Studies (IN-EAST) at the University of Duisburg-Essen has in the academic year 2012/13 continued to take up the challenges posed by the rapid global developments. No matter what we count – be it population, gross domestic product, international trade volume, origin of daily products, famous brands – or encounter in our private and professional lives, East Asia’s importance cannot be ignored. IN-EAST’s response to this historic circumstance is to train students and researchers to deal with the politics, economies and societies of East Asia based on Chinese or Japanese language skills.

Our efforts were boosted by the award of a 4.5-year extension grant for the Research Training Group 1613 Risk and East Asia from the German Research Foundation to recruit two cohorts of in total 10 PhD students plus some post-doctoral fellows. The award was made after a rigorous examination of our performance so far: The research of our first cohorts of doctoral students and post-doctoral fellows and their ability to communicate its relevance and scholarly quality were crucial factors in securing the extension.

IN-EAST’s successful application to the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research for a four-year IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies consolidates our work at an even higher level. Focusing on innovation across East Asia, the School integrates our core disciplines (Political Science, Economics, and Sociology) with engineering and cultural studies in six research teams of each one post-doctoral fellow (or junior professor) and two PhD students. The topics to be researched all relate to urban development and e-mobility in East Asia. Among our objectives is to “bring regional studies into the disciplines,” to forge new forms of research collaboration, and to develop efficient knowledge transfer. The School is already taking shape, with team leaders in place and doctoral students being appointed. The many new people and new tasks already begin to fill our sizable new wing in Geibelstraße with fascinating new research dynamics.

Our BA Program, introduced during the last few years, is expanding. For the academic year 2013/14, our intake was 70 freshers (20 higher than the target number) in response to this year’s higher supply of secondary school leavers.

We are in the process of changing the institute structure to be able to coordinate the many activities better, to ensure that our “branding” is right and to simplify management. A new Institute statute, for example, brings together the various advisory boards in two shared bodies: a “Kuratorium” and an “Akademischer Beirat,” the former constituted mainly of leaders in industry, media and organizations, and the latter of scholars.

As will be obvious from the above, IN-EAST is expanding and getting stronger. Innovation is on IN-EAST’s agenda in more than one sense. Perhaps it is appropriate that the 30th Annual Meeting of the Euro-Asia Management Studies Association in November 2013 is hosted by us. The topic of the conference is “Innovation in Asia and Europe: Approaches and Answers to New Challenges.”

With warm regards,
on behalf of the Board and all members of IN-EAST

Flemming Christiansen
(Director IN-EAST)
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First BA Class Starts Studying Abroad  
*Erster BA-Jahrgang beginnt Auslandsstudium*


New: BMBF Project IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies

The IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies is the second significant project under roof of the IN-EAST. The IN-EAST application was evaluated positively by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) and on May 5, 2013, the IN-EAST received the BMBF Förderbescheid.

The IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies is aiming to understand processes of innovation embedded in society as a whole. The focus lays on the interdependent topics of new concepts of mobility and urban systems in Japan, China and Korea.

The organization of research will be based on the research group concept already well established in the natural sciences but still new to social sciences. The School will at its core feature six research groups, which will be constituted by one Junior Professor/Post-doc and two PhD students each. Each research group will work on one specific aspect of the overall research agenda. The idea is to educate qualified researchers by giving them a high level of responsibility in terms of group leadership and training through mentors. Based on the different research backgrounds, methodologies and theories the mentors will work closely with certain School members. However, there is going to be a high mode of social interaction which allows for the research groups to work together.

Four out of six research groups have assumed a definite form and will be working on the subjects of “Urban Systems in East Asia”, “Political Innovations in East Asian Cities”, “Innovation in Chinese Policy Processes: Cities in the Development of Low-Carbon Strategies. Sub-National Innovation and National Policy” as well as “Behavioral Economics and East Asia”. 
The IN-EAST is working with specialists from across the university and we are happy to report that we have won five mentors from institutes outside the IN-EAST for the project – and the team of mentors is still growing. Prof. Dr. Jeannette Brosig-Koch (Essener Labor für Experimentelle Wirtschaftsforschung, elfe), Prof. Dr. Ferdinand Dudenhöffer (Automotive Economics), Prof. Dr. Jens Martin Gurr (Anglophone Studies), Prof. Dr. Heike Proff (International Automotive Management) and Prof. Dr. J. Alexander Schmidt (City Planning and Urban Design) are acting as mentors for our new research group leaders at the IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies.

The growing IN-EAST School team went to Hamminkeln for a retreat. Mentors, doctoral and post-doctoral fellows as well as the administrative team got together in order to lift the project to the next level.

**Exhibitions at the IN-EAST / Ausstellungen am IN-EAST**

**Japan During the Meiji Period / Japan in der Meiji-Zeit**

**Historische Fotographien aus dem späten 19. Jahrhundert**

20. Juni bis 2. Oktober 2012


Wahrscheinlich kam mit den „schwarzen Schiffen“ 1853 auch die Fotographie nach Japan, die sich durch den rasch zunehmenden Handel mit dem Westen schnell verbreitete.


Auf einigen wenigen Fotographien ist aber auch der westliche Einfluss zu sehen. Die Bilder des Meiji-Tenno und einiger seiner Minister in westlicher Kleidung symbolisieren den Willen der Herrschenden, westliche Einflüsse aufzunehmen. Die Modernisierung der Gesellschaft war aber nicht unumstritten, wie die wenig charmante Zeichnung von Kommandant Perry (s. o.) aufzeigt.


Die Ausstellung wurde vom Japanischen Kulturinstitut aus den Sammlungen von Werner Kourist (Linz am Rhein) und dem Japanologischen Seminar der Universität Bonn zusammengestellt.

**China's Metropolis in Transition / Chinas Metropolen im Wandel**

– Die Zweite Transformation –

*Poster and Photo Exhibition by Michael Waibel / Poster- und Fotoausstellung von Michael Waibel (Geographisches Institut der Universität Hamburg)*


**Von „Made in China“ zu „Created in China“**

China steht vor der Herausforderung der sogenannten „Zweiten Transformation“. Darunter versteht man die Abkehr von einem rein quantitativen Wirtschaftsmodell, basierend auf niedrigen Arbeitskosten, hin zu Waren und Dienstleistungen höherer Wertschöpfung, verbunden mit geringerer Umweltbelastung.

**Metropolen als Impulsgeber**

In den Metropolen findet Auf- und Umbruch statt. Urbane Räume werden restrukturiert, ehemalige Fabrikareale erfahren eine Konvertierung hin zu Kultur & Kreativität, werden Teil städtischer Vermarktungsstrategien.

**Von „Made in China“ zu „Sold in China“**

Der wachsende Wohlstand macht aus der „Fabrik der Welt“ einen zunehmend attraktiven Absatzmarkt, auch für hochwertige chinesische Produkte.

Das IN-EAST dankt allen Beteiligten für die Übernahme der Ausstellung.

50 Years Korean Miners and Nurses in Germany / 50 Jahre Koreanische Bergarbeiter und Krankenschwestern in Deutschland

Fotos von Herlinde Koelbl und Kim Sperling

Dienstag, 16.7.2013, 18 Uhr im Gebäude LE, 7. Etage


Viele von ihnen sind länger als vorgesehen in Deutschland geblieben oder leben noch heute hier.

Die Fotografen Herlinde Koelbl und Kim Sperling haben einige der heute in Deutschland lebenden Einwanderer besucht und sie in ihrem Alltagsleben fotografiert, dazu auch viele Dokumente, die von ihrer besonderen Situation erzählen.


Zur Eröffnungsfeier gab es einen Sekttempfang und Fotograf Kim Sperling war persönlich anwesend.
„Hello and Good-bye“ 2012


Nach der Eröffnung der Veranstaltung durch Helmut Demes, den Geschäftsführer des IN-EAST und gleichzeitig Ansprechpartner für die MA-Studiengänge, begrüßte Prof. Flemming Christiansen als Direktor des IN-EAST die Studierenden und das Publikum.

„Hello“ an die neuen Studierenden sagten Prof. Axel Klein, Ansprechpartner für den neuen Studiengang BA MOAS, und Prof. Thomas Heberer für die neuen MA-Studierenden.

Anschließend ging es zur Verleihung der Deutschlandstipendien durch Prof. Werner Pascha in Vertretung für den verhinderten Claus Witte, Vorsitzender der Duisburger Universitätsgesellschaft (D. U. G.), die 2 Deutschlandstipendien sponserte, und durch Dirk Petzold, Vorsitzender des Vereins Alumni und Freunde der Duisburger Ostasienstudien e.V. (AIFreDO), der für 1 Deutschlandstipendium eintrat.


Stellvertretend für alle Absolvent(inn)en bedankte sich Dipl.-Reg.-Wiss. Simon Bender mit seiner Rede bei den Lehrenden und allen anderen des IN-EAST.

Am Ende leitete Prof. Thomas Heberer mit seiner Abschlussrede zum Sektempfang über, mit dem die Veranstaltung ausklang.

Wir gratulieren unseren Absolventen und wünschen Ihnen allen viel Erfolg für Ihren beruflichen Werdegang!

“Hello and Good-bye” 2013

The annual ceremony “Hello and Good-bye” has become an IN-EAST tradition. On October 16, 2013, professors and the management welcomed this year’s freshmen, including new MA students and international exchange students. During this occasion, graduating students got to celebrate together with friends, family as well as their professors and mentors.

Flutist Petra Keßler performed classical music for the arriving audience. Prof. Flemming Christiansen, Director of the IN-EAST, opened the event by emphasizing the different backgrounds of the IN-EAST students and pointing out the institute’s diversity.
Sofie De Broe, contact person for MA students, and Prof. Dr. Axel Klein, contact person for BA students, welcomed this year’s newcomers.

The ceremony offered new students the unique opportunity to find inspiration in the experience of former students. Graduate Yulia Aristova especially addressed the new students in her speech and shared some personal insights from her time studying at the IN-EAST. “You are not going to study East Asia – you are going to experience East Asia”, she explained to the freshmen.

Three students received Deutschland Scholarships, presented by Claus Robert Witte, Chair of the Managing Board Duisburger Universitäts-Gesellschaft (D. U. G.), and Dirk Petzold, Chair of the Managing Board Alumni und Freunde der Duisburger Ostasienstudien e.V. (AlFreDO). Since one student was not able to come to Germany to attend the ceremony, the award was presented via Skype.

Philipp Mark was awarded with the AlFreDO Award for the best master thesis on Japan’s ‘Integrated Social Security and Tax Reform’ from the Perspective of the Political Economy of Policy Reform. In his laudation, Prof. Werner Pascha pointed out three important steps for IN-EAST studies that Philipp Mark had followed exemplary in his work. According to Prof. Werner Pascha the first step is to accumulate information about East Asia, the second step is to ask interesting questions and try out existing theories. The last important step is to use sophisticated empirical methodologies, which are at least close to the state-of-the-art in the disciplinary approaches like economics or sociology.

Finally Prof. Flemming Christiansen presented the degrees to the graduates who were dressed in robes and caps with which they had been provided upon their arrival.

We congratulate all of our graduates. We are proud of them and wish them all the best for their future careers!
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Thomas Heberer has been appointed Member of the Editorial Committee of the annual yearbook “Ethnic Minorities: Annual Social and Economic Indicators” (Routledge).

Thomas Heberer has been appointed Senior Professor of Politics and Society of China (April 2013).

Momoyo Hüstebeck has got a publication grant from JaDe-Stiftung (Japanese-German Society for Cultural Relations).

Werner Pascha was a member of selection and promotion committees at Aarhus University, at Ca’Foscari University, Venice, and at the Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago.

Werner Pascha was elected Chairman of the Board of JaDe, the Foundation for Japanese-German Cultural Relations (http://www.jadestiftung.org/). The predecessor of the current Foundation was founded in 1974 with a significant endowment from the Japanese government. The Foundation supports various projects in academia and cultural relations.

Kristin Surak is on leave to the School of African and Oriental Studies, London, for one year from Sept. 2013 to Aug. 2014.

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Prof. Dr. Keping Yu, China Center of Comparative Politics and Economics, Beijing, Qinghua University and Beijing University (Sept. 30–Oct. 30, 2012)

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*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, whereby 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

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

Current project

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

Winfried Flüchter

*Public Housing and Urban Development in Singapore – Ethnic Groups Between Residential Segregation and Residential Integration*  
*Öffentlicher Wohnungsbau und Stadtentwicklung in Singapur: Ethnien zwischen residenzieller Segregation und Integration*

Funded by DFG (German Research Foundation) 2001–2004, current project

Public housing is regarded as one of the “pillars of the nation” when it comes to the integration of Singapore’s multi-ethnic population. By means of a well-contrived system for providing for their old age, almost 90% of the inhabitants have become quasi-owners. The research project focuses at the
micro-level on the degree of equilibrium and particularly the acceptance of the mixture of social and ethnic population that is consciously favoured by Singapore’s government. Of late it has frequently been questioned, not only in Singapore, whether under certain conditions segregation would not be a (better?) alternative. With this question in mind we will evaluate Singapore’s strategy (“social and spatial engineering”). The discussion of the advantages and disadvantages of a balanced mixture and of segregation at the micro-level needs to be related to the macro-level. For the self-image of the “developmental state” of Singapore, public housing is of crucial importance as a sign of “nation building”. The links between priorities at the macro-level and modes of behaviour at the micro-level will be analysed. This project in the field of urban and political geography is based on a critical/hermeneutical concept of science and will apply approaches from decision and behavioural theory, with particular attention to the ethnic-cultural approach. Research fellow in the project is Will Hammelrath.

Thomas Heberer (with Prof. Dr. Gunter Schubert, University of Tübingen)

Politics and Autonomy in the Local State – County and Township Cadres as Strategic Actors in the Chinese Reform Process

Funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG), extended until 12/2014
Any substantial assessment of China’s state capacity cannot be undertaken without a careful analysis of the local state. County and township cadres are of utmost importance here – a fact which has rarely been researched so far. They have a high degree of autonomy vis-à-vis the central state und are the decisive actors concerning the implementation of China’s agricultural policies and the government’s efforts to reform the system of rural finance. It is the local cadres who decide about the central state’s success to maintain social stability and regime loyalty among China’s peasants. What kind of rationality do local cadres follow when they carry out central policies? To what extent do they develop a collective identity that makes them a self-conscious strategic group in China’s political system, and how does this impact on state capacity and regime legitimacy? The project intends to find answers to this question by a systematic analysis of the implementation of the “Construction of a new countryside” comparing different counties and townships. By that, it makes an important contribution to the understanding of political development in contemporary China.

Thomas Heberer and Gunter Schubert (University of Tübingen)

Local Governance in China: Local Cadres as Strategic Groups, Policy Innovation and Policy Experimenting

Funded by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), 2010–2016 (extended due to its outstanding contributions to political science studies on China)
This project is part of the Competence Network “Governance in China: Prerequisites, Constraints and Potentials for Political Adaption and Innovation Capacity in the 21st Century”, in cooperation with Prof. B. Alpermann (Würzburg), Prof. S. Heilmann (Trier) and Prof. H. Holbig (Hamburg).

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

The Research Network ‘Governance in China’ aims at researching prerequisites, achievements and constraints of the adaptive and innovative capacity of institutions, processes and policies as part of the governance in China. For this aim it uses an innovative set of networks and connections to other social and regional studies.

This research program is on the one hand based on completed studies of the network participants at the Universities of Duisburg-Essen, Trier, Tübingen, Würzburg and the German Institute of Global and Area Studies (GIGA) in Hamburg and also affiliates current projects. On the other hand new sub-projects are added which will deepen knowledge regarding specific issues within the overarching topic ‘Governance
in China’. The Research Network profits from its manifold international contacts. This research cooperation of China studies and political science in Germany builds on existing structures like the Association for Social Science Research on China (ASC) of the German Association for Asian Studies. Key features of the concept are: training of doctoral and post-doc students, organization and participation of international conferences and workshops, participation in field research especially of young scholars, and invitation of guest researchers. This should promote the goal of making German research on China more visible internationally.

The subproject conducted by Gunter Schubert and Thomas Heberer follows a comparative research project conducted by Thomas Heberer and Gunter Schubert since 2008. The focus of this project has been the role of county and township cadres in “Building a New Socialist Countryside” (a government program that promotes comprehensive local development). The subproject aims at a successive deepening of knowledge on local political processes in rural China by means of comparative research over a prolonged stretch of time. Research fellows in the project are Susanne Löhr and René Trappel.

The project inquires into political deliberation and strategic action of leading county and township cadres in China by means of empirical policy research (particularly rural development policies, policy innovation, policy learning and policy experimenting).

County and township cadres are of utmost importance in the Chinese transformation process – a fact which has rarely been researched so far. It is the local cadres who decide about the central state’s success to maintain social stability and regime loyalty among China’s peasants. What kind of rationality do local cadres follow when they carry out central policies? What are their concrete strategies and why do they choose exactly these? Do they act in coordination? And which (measurable) impact does their action have on state capacity and regime legitimacy in rural China? By systematically comparing local policy implementation, policy innovation and policy experimenting in different counties and townships the subproject aims at answering these questions. Furthermore, it intends to contribute to an understanding of the political development in contemporary China, particularly with regard to the adaptability of the political system facing new social challenges. Policy innovations and policy learning by local leading cadres play a prominent role here. Field research by Thomas Heberer within this project was conducted in Jiangyin county (Jiangsu) and Shiquan county (Shaanxi) in 2011. In 2012 and 2013 Thomas Heberer and Gunter Schubert conducted joint field research on the interaction between local private entrepreneurs and local governments in Jiangyin county (Fujian), Enshi county (Hubei) and Wenzhou (Zhejiang).

Werner Pascha

Japanese Coal Miners in the Ruhr Industrial District

Supported by: Involved institutes and Deutsch-Japanische Gesellschaft (DJG) during the initial phase, 2010–2013, NRW Ministry of Science, JaDe Japanese-German Society for Cultural Relations

From 1957 to 1965, some 436 miners from Japan worked in the Ruhr area in coal mining under a bilateral governmental agreement. After the end of the program, some of them stayed in Germany and started a family. While the role of Japanese businessmen in the enterprises of Düsseldorf is quite well known, this episode involving more “ordinary” individuals and encounters between Japanese and German citizens is very little known. To prepare for the 2011 celebrations of 150 years of German-Japanese trade relations, a conference was organized at Zeche Zollverein in Essen, under the auspices of the NRW Ministry for Science. In 2013, a book has been prepared containing interviews with Japanese miners (see Publications, chapter 8).

Werner Pascha jointly with Prof. Shingo Shimada (University of Düsseldorf), Prof. Regine Mathias (University of Bochum) and the German-Japanese Society (DJG) of the Lower Rhine (Atsushi Kataoka, Pia Meid)
Werner Pascha (with Bernhard Seliger)

Supporting Modern Korean Studies through the Strategic Initiative for Korean Studies

Funded by the Academy of Korean Studies, 2008–2013


Werner Pascha

Current Issues of the Political Economies of Japan and Korea: Comparative Research

Funded by the Bertelsmann Foundation, 2009–2013

Werner Pascha is contributing to projects of the Bertelsmann Foundation that promise stringent comparisons between various countries, based on a rigorous and detailed analytical framework. As for Japan, the framework is given by the “Sustainable Governance Indicators” project. It analyzes and compares the need for reform in OECD member countries, as well as their ability to respond to current social and political challenges. The project is designed to create a comprehensive data pool on government related activities in the world’s developed, free-market democracies. With respect to South Korea, the framework is the “Comparative Crisis Management” project of Bertelsmann Foundation which intends to evaluate the capacities and abilities of the political management in selected developing and transition countries in response to the global financial and economic crisis. Reports have been published in 2010, 2011 and 2012, a new report prepared in 2013.

Werner Pascha

E-mobility

Commissioned by the European Commission

The Chair for the “East Asian Economy/Japan and Korea” participates in a comparative study of electric vehicles. The Chair will investigate and assess the current market situation for electric vehicles in Japan and South Korea. In this context it will describe and assess the industrial situation, including components like batteries, look at new services emerging and at the role of public authorities. This project is part of a Multiple Framework Contract for the provision of consultancy services in the field of the Automotive Sector, awarded to the University of Duisburg-Essen (Centre for Automobile Management, Prof. Heike Proff) by the DG Enterprise and Industry of the European Commission. The final report was finished in 2013 and accepted by the EU Commission.

Werner Pascha

EU–Republic of Korea Public Diplomacy Project

Financed by: European Commission, 2011–2013

Under the leadership of EKI (EU-Korea Institute of the Free University of Brussels), a consortium of European partners hopes to bring many added-values to the EU’s public diplomacy efforts towards strengthening its relations with Korea (ROK) through research and public activities. To help the EU achieve a well-functioning EU-Korea relationship, the project will highlight the importance of EU-Korea relations and its policy co-operation at international and global levels, raise the profile and in-
fluence of the EU on the Korean peninsula and in East Asia, and increase the visibility of Korea in the EU as a strategic, beneficial partner for European economic and social prosperity. Apart from EKI, the consortium consists of Asia Centre, Sciences Po, Paris; BusinessEurope, Brussels; German Institute for Global Affairs (GIGA), Hamburg; Korea University, Seoul; University of Duisburg-Essen; Yonsei University, Seoul. Werner Pascha is in charge of the work package on trade and investment. Workshops were held in Seoul (late 2012) and in Brussels (spring 2013).

Helmut Schneider

Environmental Conflicts in Southeast Asia

Current research
In this research environmental conflicts are defined as conflicts in which environment or single natural elements (e.g. water, land) play a crucial role. That does not necessarily mean, that such conflicts are also caused by e.g. environmental degradation (although sometimes this might be the case). It is assumed that environmental conflicts, as conflicts in general, can only be understood and solved, when their (social, cultural, economic and political) context is considered properly. A basic hypothesis is that environment and natural elements, as a rule, are functioning as threat multipliers rather than single causes of conflicts. And they do so in very different ways. Due to the already noticeable, more so the predicted effects of climate change and a growing interest of financial investors for natural resources it is assumed, that environmental conflicts in Southeast Asia will increase in the future in terms of numbers as well as degree.

Helmut Schneider

Spatial Aspects of Vietnamese-Chinese Links and Relations in Past and Present

Current research
Vietnam and China have a long history of political, socioeconomic and cultural influence and interference as well as competition. This is true until the present day. Space is a medium through which these relations work (e.g. borders, frontiers, transborder cultural spaces, territorial claims). And those relations also have a spatial impact. The research aims at clarifying the role of space in Sino-Vietnamese relations in past and present.

Karen Shire

Coordination, BMBF, 2009–2013

Flexmedia – Solutions for Improving the Innovative Capacity of Firms in the Publishing and Media Industries

Integrierte Steuerungsinstrumente zur Steigerung der Innovationsfähigkeit von Unternehmen der Verlags- und Medienwirtschaft

This project began in July 2009 and research activities included a study of employment and outsourcing practices in the media and publishing industry. In 2010 a representative enterprise survey of employment practices in the industry was completed, and in 2011 four in-depth case studies of companies publishing newspapers and books. Activities in 2012 focused on analysis and dissemination of results in the form of research workshops and publications. In 2013 the project concluded with a final research report: Joachim Hafkesbrink and Karen Shire (eds.): Flexibilität und Stabilität in der Verlags- und Medienbranche. Lohmar: Josef Eul Verlag, 2013. Further information at the project website: www.flexmedia-projekt.de.
Karen Shire  
Speaker, DFG Research Training Group 1613 (2009–2014)

**Risk and East Asia: An Anglo-German Research Training Program in Discipline-based East Asian Area Studies**

IN-EAST was awarded funding by the DFG to set up the Research Training Group, officially commencing in October 2009. The research intentions of the program are three-fold: (1) to contribute to social scientific and comparative theories of institutional change by studying how the responsibilities for governing and protecting against social, political and economic risks are shifting from states to markets, public to private bodies and from collectivities to individuals, (2) to study institutional change in a region of the world – East Asia – where institutional logics have played out historically in different ways, and (3) to integrate strong research methodological training with research and language competencies in East Asian research contexts. The innovation of the research program lies in taking a risk perspective on institutional change, tying together specific disciplinary with a regional studies perspective, in an intra- and inter-regional research design. The sub-themes of the research program examine the impact of four “large processes” of contemporary transformations on shifting risks in specific cases of institutional dynamics: marketization, individualisation, decentralisation, and transnationalization. The research training program is an explicitly international collaboration with the UK Center of Excellence – the White Rose East Asian Centre – in cooperation with major centres of social scientific research in East Asia, the Faculty of Sociology and Population Studies at the Renmin University in Beijing, the Graduate Program in Global Studies at Sophia University, the Institute of Social Sciences and the Inter-faculty Initiative in Information Studies at the University of Tokyo in Japan. In 2013 Guest Professors Lowell Dittmer (UC Berkeley) and Saadia Pekkanen (University of Washington, Seattle) joined the Kolleg, the first four doctoral dissertations were successfully completed, doctoral students again attended the American Association of Asian Studies meetings and other important international conferences to present research results, and post-doctoral members advanced to Assistant Professorships in the US and the UK. In July 2013 the progress of the group was evaluated by a team of peer reviewers, and at the time of publication of this report, the DFG decision to extend the Kolleg for an additional 4.5 years is pending.

Participating social scientists from IN-EAST in 2012/2013 included Prof. Karen Shire, Ph.D., Speaker, Prof. Flemming Christiansen, Ph.D., Deputy Speaker, Prof. Dr. Markus Taube, Deputy Speaker, Prof. i.R. Dr. Winfried Flüchter, Prof. Dr. Werner Pascha, Asst. Prof. Kristin Surak, Steffen Heinrich, Dr. des. Sven Horak, Dr. Kerstin Lukner.

The specific activities of the Research Training Group are documented in chapter 4 of this report. Ongoing activities can be viewed at www.risk-and-eastasia.de.

Karen Shire  
Principal Investigator, funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG) 2013–2015

**Cross-Border Temporary Staffing. Market-Making and Transnational Regulation in Inter-Regional Comparison**

The research examines the creation of cross-border labor markets for temporary agency work. The focus is on the role of private labor market intermediaries and the emerging governance of cross-border temporary placements in two world regions – the European Union and East Asia. Theoretically the research draws together theories of transnational organizations and the economic sociology of market-making. Both perspectives foreground the role of actors and focus on the negotiated order of institution-building to regulate labor markets. The leading research questions concern how and why markets for temporary labor are taking on transnational dimensions, and whether these markets can and will be governed by transnational institutions. In order to generalize beyond the EU as the typical unit of reference for many transnationalization studies, the research design is inter-regionally comparative, building on the language-based regional competence of the research team in East Asian studies. Private firm organizations (transnational temporary staffing firms) and interest communities (employer and labor representatives)
form the units of analysis, while the interplay of national and (supranational) regional activities constitute the levels of analysis in the proposed research design.

The state of research on the transnationalization of temporary staffing indicates that in both Europe and East Asia the integration of transformation countries into regional economies has intensified the extension of agency placements across national borders: in East Asia, to and from China, and in Europe, from Hungary, the Czech Republic and especially Poland.

Project team members are Steffen Heinrich, Hannelore Mottweiler, Chih-Chieh Wang and Melanie Wacker. The research is part of the Institute of Sociology Joint Research Cluster on Cross-Border Labor Markets.

In 2013 activities centered on refining the research design and composing two articles covering theoretical directions, and first case studies of transnational placements in Europe. Results were presented at the European Sociological Association meetings in Turin, Italy in August 2013.

Kristin Surak
Migration Industries and Democratic States in East Asia

This multi-year project examines how states cooperate with private actors to organize migration flows and focuses democratic states in East Asia – Japan, South Korea, and Taiwan. Devolving traditional domains of state sovereignty to sub-state actors, these governments have created a set of competitive markets in which brokers, businesses, and labor migrants compete for a shortage of work permits. Businesses vie to keep a hold on the restricted number of work quotas, and brokers compete to manage the limited cases of matching foreigners with employers. The resulting system keeps a tight grip on foreigners who form the axis around which both markets turn. Such cooperation promises resource saving, efficiency gains, and blame avoidance, but at the potential cost of regulatory capture and lock-in effects that stymie reform.

Kristin Surak
Law and the Advent of Multicultural Society

This project, based at the Center for Comparative Immigration Studies at the University of California, San Diego, investigates global variations in family reunion policies. By comparing North American, European, East Asian, and Middle Eastern cases, we hope to account for this remarkably understudied yet central determinate of migrant settlement. Preliminary analysis suggests that bureaucratic cultures and state-society relationships are the most significant factors in determining policy forms.

Kristin Surak
Migration Regimes: A Global Comparison of Guestworker Programs

Markus Taube
E-mobility

Commissioned by the European Commission

The Chair for the “East Asian Economy/China” participates in a comparative study of electric vehicles. The Chair will investigate and assess the current market situation for electric vehicles in the PR China. In this context it will describe and assess the industrial situation, including components like batteries, look at new services emerging and at the role of public authorities. This project is part of a Multiple Framework Contract for the provision of consultancy services in the field of the Automotive Sector, awarded to the University of Duisburg-Essen (Centre for Automobile Management, Prof. Heike Proff) by the DG Enterprise and Industry of the European Commission. The final report was finished in 2013 and accepted by the EU Commission.
Henning Windhagen

Distribution of Industries in Japan and Recommendations for Location Selection

Supported by: EU-Japan Centre for Industrial Cooperation, April–Sept. 2013

Aim of this research project is to provide an overview about the distribution of industries in Japan based on the data of 3,000 Japanese listed companies that employ about 15 million people, which is equivalent to about one quarter of the total workforce in Japan. The data has been extracted from the Bloomberg Professional service and reflects the latest insights into the current status of the regional distribution of firms in Japan. This report’s goal is to enable decision makers in companies, seeking the most advantageous location within Japan for setting up a subsidiary, to derive insights on the locational distribution of potential customers (B2B) or specialized subcontractors and to find the most advantageous location to benefit from this potential.
In the final year of its initial funding period, accomplishments in this year included the completion of four dissertations, visits by four renowned Guest Professors, a number of new publications by members and the advancements of young post-doctoral scholars to research and teaching positions in the U.S., Sweden and the UK. The sections below present the members, new and old, of the research training group, the course program, research and training activities and the progress of the 21 individual projects within the four sub-themes of the research program: marketization, individualization, decentralization and transnationalization. In 2013 all efforts focused on the progress report to the DFG and the development of a new research and revised training program for the next five years. At the time of publication of this report, the extension decision by the DFG is pending.

People

The research training group grew to 21 doctoral fellows (15 with stipends, 6 affiliates) and five post-doctoral fellows in 2012/13. Three post-doctoral scholars began their work in the group in 2012/13. The research program is led by seven participating scientists: Prof. Flemming Christiansen, Ph.D. (Sociology/China), Prof. Dr. Winfried Flüchter (Geography/Japan), Prof. Dr. Thomas Heberer (Politics/China), Prof. Dr. Werner Pascha (Economics/Japan), Prof. Karen Shire, Ph.D., Speaker (Sociology/Japan), Prof. Kristin Surak, Ph.D. (Sociology/Japan), Prof. Dr. Markus Taube (Economics/China), and conducted in cooperation with the White Rose East Asia Centre at the Universities of Leeds and Sheffield, Renmin University in Beijing and the University of Tokyo.

Doctoral Fellows

Recruitment of doctoral fellows was completed in 2011/12, and the youngest cohort focused on their field research in China and Japan in 2012/2013.

All doctoral fellows: Kai Duttle (M. Sc. University of Constance), Vitali Heidt (Diplom University of Bonn), Hanno Jentzsch (MA University of Bochum), Alison Lamont (MA University of Leeds), Steny Melnikova (MA University of Duisburg-Essen), Anna Shpakovskaya (MA Shanghai University), Dung Vu (MA University of Hawaii, Manoa), Mei Yu (MA Beijing Normal University), affiliates Martin Heinberg (Diplom University of Passau), Ting Huang (LLM Renmin University, Beijing).

Four doctoral fellows and two affiliates appointed in 2010 are currently completing their dissertation manuscripts: Stephanie Bräuer (MA University of Leipzig), Iva Ognjanovic (MA University of Duisburg-Essen), Ann-Katrin Prior (Diplom University of Tübingen), Christian Schnack (MA Berlin Free University); Magnus Dau (MA University of Marburg), Susanne Löhr (MA University of Marburg).

Three doctoral fellows and two affiliates appointed in 2009 completed their dissertations in 2013. All have moved on to post-doctoral and research positions in the GK 1613 and IN-EAST: Armin Müller (MA University of Tübingen), Melanie Wacker (MA University of Leiden), Chih-Chieh Wang (MA Taiwan National University, Taipei); Sunkung Choi (MA Busan University), René Trappel (Diplom University of Duisburg-Essen).

Postdoctoral Scholars

Four post-doctoral appointments were made out of the group offering all fellows who submitted their theses a position at the IN-EAST: Armin Müller (PhD submitted Duisburg-Essen), Chih-Chieh Wang (PhD submitted Duisburg-Essen), Sunkung Choi (PhD submitted Duisburg-Essen), René Trappel (PhD submitted Duisburg-Essen), Dr. Sven Horak (PhD Duisburg-Essen), Dr. Yuan Li (PhD Milan), Dr. Steff-
fen Heinrich (PhD submitted Heidelberg), with Dr. Kerstin Lukner (PhD Bonn) finishing the second year of her post-doctoral appointment in 2013.

Dr. Sven Horak accepted a tenure track Assistant Professorship of Management at the Peter J. Tobin College of Business at the St John’s University, New York, and began his new post in September 2013.

Dr. Yuan Li has been appointed tenure track Assistant Professor at the Stockholm China Economic Research Institute at the Stockholm School of Economics.

Armin Müller has been a member of the first cohort accepted to the DFG GK 1613 and submitted his thesis in May 2013 staying with the GK as post-doctoral fellow.

Sunkung Choi has been affiliated member to the first cohort accepted to the DFG GK 1613 and is now post-doctoral fellow of the group.

René Trappel has been affiliated member to the first cohort accepted to the DFG GK 1613 and is now affiliated post-doctoral fellow working at the BMBF funded research network “Governance in China”.

Chih-Chieh Wang is now post-doctoral researcher at the DFG funded research project “Cross-Border Temporary Staffing. Market-Making and Transnational Regulation in Inter-Regional Comparison”.

Guest Professors

In June 2013 we welcomed University of California, Berkeley Professor Lowell Dittmer as Guest Professor to the DFG Graduierten Kolleg. Lowell Dittmer is editor-in-chief of the journal Asian Survey, and his research and publications cover Chinese political reform and international relations. During his Guest Professorship he met individually to advise a number of doctoral and post-doctoral fellows, gave a talk in the Research Forum on June 12, 2013 about Chinese Political Morality and joined the June Workshop to comment on doctoral fellows preliminary research findings. Lowell Dittmer lent important insights into publishing Chinese Studies research out of his long experience as editor of a major journal, and consulted with the senior members of the Kolleg on the extension bid and future development of the Graduierten Kolleg.

In June and July 2013 Professor Saadia Pekkanen, who holds the Job & Gertrud Tamaki Chair at the Jackson School of International Studies at the University of Washington, Seattle, joined the Graduierten Kolleg as Guest Professor. Saadia Pekkanen’s research and publication profile is in international political economy and international trade law, and she has written extensively on defense and trade issues in the East Asian region. While in Duisburg, Saadia Pekkanen joined the June Workshop to comment on doctoral fellows’ preliminary research findings, and delivered a talk in the Research Forum on July 3 with the title “Japan’s Space Policy: From the Market to the Military”. She additionally organized a seminar with post-doctoral scholar Kerstin Lukner on the topic of her new research about external insti-
tutions. Saadia Pekkanen met individually with a number of the doctoral and post-doctoral fellows to advise the development of their research and to comment on book proposals and drafts of journal articles. She also joined the Review Colloquium on the basis of which the DFG Senate decides the extension of the Kolleg for a second funding period commencing in April 2014. The Kolleg welcomed the chance to develop a closer cooperation in doctoral training with the Jackson School PhD Program in International Studies, which is directed by Saadia Pekkanen.

Professor Keping Yu (Beijing University) visited Duisburg as a Guest Professor of the DFG Research Training Group 1613 Risk and East Asia in October 2012. His public lecture “Social Innovation in China” took place on October 29, 2012, 6–8 pm at the Gerhard-Mercator-Haus in Duisburg. Professor Keping Yu is one of the most famous Chinese political scientists. His recent article “Democracy is a good thing” caused a stir in China and worldwide. He was named as one of the 100 most influential global thinkers in 2011 by the renowned Journal of Foreign Policy. Keping Yu is a frequent visitor at the Institute of East Asian Studies and the Faculty of Social Science, which awarded him an honorary doctorate in May 2008. He specializes in comparative politics, globalization and civil society, political philosophy and governance.

Professor Ellis Krauss, Ph.D., was Guest Professor at the University of Duisburg-Essen at October/November 2012. Ellis Krauss, Professor of Japanese Politics and Policy Making at the School of International Relations and Pacific Studies, University of California, San Diego, has been meeting with doctoral fellows and giving a public lecture during his residency in Duisburg. His most recent book, “The Rise and Fall of Japan’s LDP: Political Party Organisations as Historical Institutions” (with Robert Pekkanen), University of California Press, 2010, presents an historical institutional analysis of one-party rule in Japan since 1955 and its slow demise, evident most recently with the electoral victory of the Democratic Party Japan in 2009. His recent publications also include “Beyond Bilateralism: U.S.-Japan Relations in the New Asia Pacific” (with T.J. Pempel), Stanford University Press, 2004, which analyzes how recent trends in the Asia-Pacific over the past decade-and-a-half have reshaped the U.S.-Japan relationship. His detailed analysis of the relationship between politics, politicians and the mass media, “Broadcasting Politics in Japan: NHK and Television News”, Cornell University Press, 2000, is standard work on political communication and mass media in Japan, recently published in Japanese by Toyo Keizai Press. The publications of Ellis Krauss cover a number of issues in the political scientific study of East Asia and Japan, spanning domestic politics and international relations, with recent publications in the American Political Science Review, the American Journal of Political Science, Comparative Political Studies and the British Journal of Political Science. In Duisburg he gave a public lecture entitled “What’s Wrong with Japan? It’s the Politics!”.

Research Students

In 2012/13 seven Research Students 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, and carried out a number of important research tasks: Anna Shpakovsky, Angela Leggett, Jingjing Cui, Silviya Dimova, Amy Derr, Jan Oczko, Alla Nalivanskaya.
Anna Shpakovskaya was awarded a stipend of the DFG GK 1613 commencing in January 2012 joining the 3rd cohort of PhD fellows.

Angela Leggett, Jingjing Cui, Silviya Dimova finished their one-year Research Student appointment in December 2012. Three new Research Students have been appointed in spring 2013: Amy Derr (MA MEAS+1), Jan-Christian Oczko (MA CEAS), Alla Nalivanskaya (MA MEAS)

Course Program, Fall Term 2012/13, Spring Term 2013

The program included talks by four Guest Professors of the GRK 1613, and two lectures by former guest professors:

Prof. Keping Yu, Ph. D. (Director of the Center for Chinese Government Innovations at Beijing University, Deputy Director of the Central Compilation and Translation Bureau): Social Innovation in China (Oct. 29, 2012)

Prof. Ellis Krauss, Ph. D. (School of International Relations and Pacific Studies, UC San Diego and Guest Professor of the GK 1613): What’s Wrong with Japan? It’s the Politics! (Nov. 7, 2012)

Prof. Shukai Zhao, Ph. D.: China’s Village Reform and Local Governance. – In cooperation with the research network “Governance in China” (Dec. 7, 2012)

Prof. Margarita Estévez-Abe, Ph. D. (Syracuse University, USA, Former GK 1613 Guest Professor): Institutional Change and Welfare Politics in Japan: Did Anything Change? (April 24, 2013)

Prof. Atsushi Kondo (Meijo University, Nagoya and Visiting Professor, Oxford University): Migration and Law in Japan (May 29, 2013)

Prof. Dong Wang, Ph. D. (Senior Fellow, Käte Hamburger Kolleg for Global Cooperation Research, Former GK 1613 Guest Professor): U.S.–China Relations: Managing Risk in the Asia-Pacific (June 3, 2013)

Prof. Lowell Dittmer, Ph. D. (University of California, Berkely, and GK 1613 Guest Professor): Chinese Political Morality (June 12, 2013)

Prof. Shaocheng Tang, Ph. D. (Chengchi University, Taipei): Current Development of the Cross-Strait Relations (June 19, 2013)

Prof. Stevan Harrell (University of Washington, Seattle): Native Practices, Revolutionary Policies, Erosion, and Fluvial Processes in a Mountainous Minority Community in Southwest Sichuan (June 20, 2013)

Prof. Saadia Pekkanen, Ph. D. (University of Washington, Seattle, and GK 1613 Guest Professor): Japan’s Space Policy: From the Market to the Military (July 3, 2013)

Prof. Yan Chen, Ph. D. (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor): Which Hat to Wear? Impact of Natural Identities on Coordination and Cooperation (July 10, 2013)

Prof. Robert Pekkanen, Ph. D. (University of Washington, Seattle, and GK 1613 Guest Professor): How Do Electoral Systems Affect Legislative Organization? Japan in Comparison (July 17, 2013)

Research Cooperation

In 2012/2013 several events were co-organized with our established partners:
• JSPS funded project on “Livelihood Security Systems and Global Economic Crises”, University of Tokyo and White Rose East Asia Centre Gender Workshop (Nov. 26, 2012),
• University of Tokyo: New Directions in Comparative and Transnational Studies, Joint Workshop University of Tokyo and University of Duisburg-Essen (Jan. 25, 2013).

Research and Training Workshops, October 2012 – September 2013

In the fourth year of its program the Research Training Group 1613 (co-)organized the following research and training workshops:


The Doctoral Fellow Workshop on Social Innovation in China took place on October 22, 2012, 10:00–16:20 in room LC 141, Campus Duisburg. The workshop was designed to enable PhD students to consult with Prof. Keping Yu and to receive feedback on their individual PhD projects. The workshop included two sessions. In the morning PhD fellows presented their projects and received feedback by Prof. Keping Yu. In the afternoon fellows were given the opportunity to meet with an experienced scholar in their field for individual consultation.

Gender Research and Mentoring Workshop, Nov. 26, 2012, Duisburg

The “Gender Workshop” took place on November 26, 2012 at the University of Duisburg-Essen and was organized by the DFG Research Training Group 1613 “Risk and East Asia”, University of Duisburg-Essen and the JSPS funded project on “Livelihood Security Systems and Global Economic Crises”, University of Tokyo. Lectures included:

Mari Osawa: Japan’s Postwar Model of Economic Development has Rendered Japanese Society Vulnerable to Crises and Disasters

Hyunji Kwon: Woman in East Asian Labor Markets

Kayo Onishi: Why not Universal Coverage? Maternity Benefits and the Clientele Politics in Post-War Japan

Stephanie Bräuer: Legal Claims of Women Cooperating with Women’s Organizations: Changing Power Relations of Women in China

Naoto Fukuda: Hartz-Gesetze als Aktivierungspolitik (lecture in German language)

Christine Wimbauer, Julia Teschlade: Emerging Care and Body Economies in East Asia – Transnationalizing Inequalities

Kristin Surak: Migration Industries and East Asian Democracies


Organizers: Heike Hennig-Schmidt (University of Bonn), Sven Horak (University of Duisburg-Essen), Gari Walkowitz (University of Cologne)
The expert workshop mainly meant for experimental economists who are working on cross-cultural and intercultural projects, focused on questions such as “Why cross-cultural research is important”, “Methods and challenges in cross-cultural experimental research”, “What economists can learn from psychologists”. The Guest Lecturer was Dr. Anu Realo, Department of Psychology, University of Tartu (Estonia), an expert in cross-cultural research. She is Principal Investigator for the World Values Survey in Estonia as well as a Member of the Scientific Advisory Board of the European Social Survey (ESS). Anu Realo has published in top international journals like Science, Journal of Personality, Journal of Cross-Cultural Psychology and European Journal of Personality.

Dr. Heike Hennig-Schmidt, University of Bonn, opened the event on December 14 by a talk on “Culture and Negotiation: Bargaining between Germans and Chinese – An Experimental Study”. On the second day, Anu Realo gave a lecture on “Methods and Challenges in Cross-Cultural Research”. Participating scholars presented papers pursuing experimental approaches in inter-cultural cooperation, reputational effects, trust, leadership, incentives and cognition. The subject of the workshop was well perceived by all participants and the discussion showed great demands to further dig into the topic. Behavioral economics, especially the field of cross-cultural experimental research can greatly benefit from approaches in cross-cultural psychology.

New Directions in Comparative and Transnational Studies, Joint Workshop University of Tokyo and University of Duisburg-Essen, Jan. 25, 2013, Duisburg

The Joint Workshop of the University of Tokyo and the University of Duisburg-Essen “New Directions in Comparative and Transnational Studies” took place on January 25, 2013 in Duisburg. Comparative research is faced with a number of methodological and theoretical challenges, some of them old, some of them new. The aim of this workshop was to provide a forum for graduate students and scholars at the University of Tokyo and the University of Duisburg-Essen to discuss how they do research comparatively and transnationally. The focus was on research experiences and how to deal especially with methodological problems.

Presentations focused on the more well-known challenges of comparative and regional studies research might address the following issues: the problem of “small Ns” and too many variables, ways to generalize from a single case, the theoretical use of history in comparative analysis, the question of convergence or divergence in relation to large universal processes of change such as modernization and globalization, the usefulness of “western” social theories to frame research questions about East Asian social contexts, and the necessity to “create” new concepts or theories to fully explain changing East Asian societies.

Comparative studies scholars now recognize that many social processes are transnational, i.e. they are no longer contained by the boundaries of nation-states. Yet many modes of analysis, including social surveys, discourse and content analyses, and case studies, among others, continue to take for granted
that the nation-state provides the relevant unit of analysis. Though it is often difficult in practice to avoid “methodological nationalism” in empirical research design, some progress has been made in finding a way out of the national box. Transnational studies, with migration research taking the lead, have directed attention to the importance of cross-border social movements (or advocacy networks) and the role of non-governmental and transnational organizations in creating social order and regulating cross-border social processes, and they have grappled with the global reach of media, as well as religious and cultural movements.

Preliminary Results and Proposal Workshop, June 13–14, 2013, Duisburg

The DFG Research Training Group 1613 “Risk and East Asia” June Workshops have concluded successfully. The Preliminary Results Workshop took place on June 13 and 14 and the Proposal Workshop on June 14 at the ZBT, Campus Duisburg.

Just back from China and Japan, seven members of the GK 1613 presented their preliminary results. They were offered the opportunity to present in front of the participating academics, including a number of renowned guest professors.

Prof. Lowell Dittmer, University of California, Berkeley
Dr. Heike Hennig-Schmidt, University of Bonn
Prof. Robert Pekkanen, University of Washington, Seattle
Prof. Saadia M. Pekkanen, University of Washington, Seattle
Prof. Ding Kaijie, China Centre for Comparative Politics and Economics, Beijing
Prof. He Zengke, China Centre for Comparative Politics and Economics, Beijing

On June 14 three Doctoral Fellows presented their dissertation proposals at the Dissertation Proposal Workshop.

After the workshop on June 14 the participants visited the Gasometer in Oberhausen and enjoyed the evening at a dinner in the restaurant Homme D’or.

Research Program

With the recruitment of the third cohort of Doctoral Fellows and the Post-doctoral and Guest Professor programs in full-swing, the Research Training Group worked primarily on the development of its research program. The projects and activities are reported here by sub-theme of the research program.
Sub-Theme Marketization

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

Sunkung Choi – Effects of Experiencing Economic Crisis on Risk Perception and Risk Attitudes; A Case from South Korea

The purpose of this doctoral project, now in its third year, is to figure out the effect of experience of economic crisis on risk perception and risk attitudes and, especially, this study introduces the cases of South Korea. To answer the research questions the study applies both theoretical and empirical approaches, including experimental methods. Preliminary results of research conducted in South Korea and China during 2010 and 2011 reveal that South Koreans are extremely risk adverse in relation to labor market issues, but accept risk-taking in investment activities. The results suggest inefficient labor allocation in job markets and unstable financial structure of households. Through this research it is possible to figure out that economic crisis influence a lot to individual risk perception and risk attitudes and, consequently, influence to their economic decision-making processes such as job choices, investment, and so on. Biased risk perception is dangerous because it harms economic efficient in overall therefore, it is needed to correct the biased risk perception if it is the case after the economic crisis.

Mei Yu – Transforming Pairing Institutions for Poverty Alleviation: Mining and Corporate Social Responsibility in Fugu County, China

Using the analytical framework of Strategic Group, the project is mainly aimed to explore how local government transfers resources from the corporate sector to villages in order to compensate for poverty and loss of livelihood in the case of “Fugu Phenomenon”. Based on participant observation, semi-structural interviews with research partners and secondary documentation surveys, the research findings show pairing schemes are partly transfers and other redistribution mechanisms to compensate for structural poverty induced by coal mining. However, relation (guanxi) realignment and management between local authorities, corporations and villagers plays the most important role in the case of “Fugu Phenomenon”.

Presentations


Transforming Pairing Institutions for Poverty Alleviation: Mining and Cooperate Social Responsibility in Fugu County, China. – 7th annual conference of the European Association for South East Asian Studies, Lisbon, July 2–5, 2013.

Research Stays

August 2012–February 2013: Fieldwork in Beijing and Fugu County, China. The focus is on the development and perceptions of corporate social responsibility in the Fugu Case. Data collection methods: in-depth interviews, field observations and secondary documentation surveys.

August 2013–November 2013: Fieldwork in Beijing, Tongchuan and Fugu County, China. The focus is on the roles of and interactions between local cadres and entrepreneurs. Data collection methods: in-depth interviews, field observations and secondary documentation surveys.

René Trappel – Agrarian Change in Rural China: Commodification of Collective Land

This doctoral project explores the role of socialist property institutions for the current commercial transformation of the Chinese agriculture. Based on the analysis of original empirical data (interviews, grey
literature, legal documents) its findings suggest a close connection between peasant differentiation, new legal instruments for the transfer of farmland and activities of local governments – leading to an emerging secondary market for collective land. New types of agrarian producers (‘supertenants’) appear to have a dominant position in this market, while sub-scale farming is rapidly losing in importance. The doctoral thesis has been submitted in May 2013.

**Postdoctoral Project**

In his post-doctoral project René Trappel explores the relationship between urbanization strategies and regime stability in developmental states.

**Publications**


**Presentations**

Fading out Peasant Agriculture in Rural China: The Role of Township and County Administrations in Agrarian Change. – ECARDC XI, Würzburg, April 11–13, 2013.

**Stenya Melnikova – Business Risk in the Chinese Energy Sector**

The PhD thesis will focus on the topic of corporate governance of Chinese National oil corporations from the perspective of principal-agent analysis. Apart from the case study the methodology will employ the results of the experiment conducted in China.

**Iva Ognjanovic – Organizational Commitment of Young People Working in a Foreign Company in China: Morality and Class Habitus**

The research examines the differences in employees’ habitual moral perceptions regarding own workplace behavior and the value of their work. Selection and treatment of employees in the company is divided into two distinct fields in which two different types of individuals compete: one characterized by ethos of indispensability with competent, hard-working, and sociable individuals, and one characterized by ethos of dispensability with incompetent, apathetic, and solitary individuals who change employers frequently.

**Ann-Kathrin Prior – New Types of Financial Institutions in China**

The research project analyzes lending processes of new types of financial institutions in China in order to further understandings of small business lending in transitional economies. Primary data used includes both experimental data and qualitative data gained from extensive interviews in the field. With the formal banking system as an exception, most institutions operate with only very minimal regulation and can draw upon both formal and informal information and enforcement systems. While the total lending volume of these institutions is still comparatively small, it remains to be seen whether and how their dynamic development and alternative lending techniques will affect the overall financial system in China.

**Presentations**


**Hanno Jentzsch – Village Institutions and the Agricultural Reform Process in Japan**

The project seeks to clarify how informal institutions at the village level shape the outcome of the ongoing agricultural reform process in Japan. Field research includes qualitative analysis of the present state of institutionalized cooperation patterns in farm communities under the influence of the recent agricultural reforms aimed at the “marketization” of the Japanese farm sector.
Dr. Yuan Li

Yuan Li conducted the research project on political economy of public goods provision in China, which was an extension of his Ph. D. dissertation. In his project he studies how collective actions by the citizens affect the policy-making process on public goods provision in China.

Publications


Dung Vu – Essays in Experimental Economics

Essays in Experimental Economics. The papers study contribution to public goods, corruption and possible in-group discrimination effect. Preliminary findings include one significant and one insignificant determinant of corrupt mechanism.

External Training

Behavioral Ethics Area Corporate Development. – Taught by Prof. Dr. Bernd Irlenbusch, Summer term 2013, University of Cologne.

Sven Horak – Automotive Manufacturer and Supplier Relationships in Japan. Do Cultural Factors Play a Role in Shaping the Relationship?

The relationship between car makers and automotive suppliers in Japan are traditionally characterized as vertical in hierarchy, whereas the relationship of their US or European counterparts have a horizontal structure. The OEM-OES relationship of the horizontal type can be characterized as rational in a Western sense, formal, competitive and, among others, to a great extent heterarchic. The vertical structure evolved in Japan is strictly hierarchical but information flows more freely and personal ties are fostered by informal OEM-OES gatherings (jap. Kyoryoku-kai). The relationship is based on long-term commitment, cooperation, trust and mutual support (Clark/Fujimoto 1992: 140). Literature concludes that the vertical type of supplier integration pursued in Japan resulted in higher product quality, higher productivity and shorter development cycles (Clark/Fujimoto 1992: 163; Kotabe et al. 2003: 293). Thus it was recognized by the industry as more sophisticated and gave impetus for questioning the horizontal approach pursued in the West. But can a transfer from a horizontal to a vertical structure be achieved without risk?

Publications


Presentations


Steffen Heinrich – The Political Consequences of Expanding non-regular Labour.

New Employment Risks and Partisan Politics in Japan and Beyond

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

Presentations


Sub-Theme Individualisation

Individualization involve shifts from public to private in the field of social risks and the privatization of economic risks, especially employment risks, to individuals, but also the flip-side of the development of new capacities for individual responsibility and self-actualization, not least of all evident in changing family and gender relations and value shifts.

Chih-Chieh Wang – Labor Market Institutions and Social and Economic Risk-Shifting in Taiwan

This doctoral project investigates labor market institutions in Taiwan from 2000 onwards, specifically considering how relevant socio-economic risks borne by workers and employers have shifted, with a focus on non-standard employment (part-time and fixed-term work, and labor contracting and dispatching). During 2010 and 2011 Chih-Chieh Wang designed and conducted a national representative survey in Taiwan, in cooperation with Prof. Jyh-jer Roger Ko of the National Taiwan University, Taipei. Preliminary analysis suggests that employers use non-standard employment to cope with business fluctuation and pay non-standard workers significantly less than full-time regular workers, in terms of hourly wage and benefits, which implies that non-standard employment is a mechanism with which employers shift their business risk to workers. Multiple regression analyses based on organizational
theories reveal heterogeneity among the four types of non-standard employment and suggest that employers may choose certain type(s) of non-standard employment to fulfill different organizational goals.

**Magnus Dau – Social Media and Their Impact on State-Society Relations in China**

This research project evaluates how the Chinese state adapts to new technologies to interact with its citizens by taking environmental protection bureaus as case studies. As a result of the mostly digital field research characteristics of state-society communication have been identified as well as major factors shaping the process itself. Social media constitute an irregular platform for authoritarian deliberation.

**Presentations**


**Teachings**

China’s Foreign and Security Policies in the Context of East Asia, Winter term 2012/13

State and Society in China: Media and Politics, Winter term 2012/13

State and Society in China, Summer term 2013

Political Culture and Politics in China, Summer term 2013

**Vitali Heidt – Change of Social Security Institutions in Contemporary Japan: Effects and Influences of Institutional Change for the Rural Elderly Population**

By examining the relation of life courses and possible risks, this PhD project tracks the issues of regional welfare distribution, the social embeddedness of urban and rural elderly, and the ways in which social security systems amplify or diminish risks of the elderly livelihood in contemporary Japan. Following up a stay in Tokyo for expert opinions, Vitali Heidt will proceed with an ethnographic approach / participant observation in a rural and urban settlement to study the shaping mechanisms of the rural elderly life. Preliminary findings indicate a shift from social to public institutions in care and support reliance, and furthermore, that rural communities seem to fare better in creating socially inclusive institutions.

**Presentations**

Doitsu no kaigo hoken seido [The German Long-Term Care Insurance System]. – Nursing Department of Jichi Medical, Shimotsuke, Japan, July 12, 2013.

**Field research**

09/2012–12/2012: Interviews and participant observation in Tokyo

03/2013–08/2013: Interviews and participant observation in Komagane and Tokyo


The project tries to understand what role these actors play in policy decision-making processes. Preliminary findings show that mobilization strategies, such as legal-aid, non-state - state cooperation, allow the organizations to initiate policy changes, especially in legislation.

**Presentations**


Publications


Alison Lamont – Family Experiences of Disaster: Cases from 2008 Wenchuan Earthquake, China

This project is aimed at understanding family dynamics under conditions of acute crisis using the Wenchuan Earthquake as a case study. Preliminary findings show that the role families played in supporting individuals affected by the Wenchuan Earthquake was shaped by the family structure, and that opportunities for the renegotiation of family roles were opened up by the disaster.

Research Stays


Sub-Theme Decentralization

The Research of the DFG GK 1613 addresses two senses of decentralization: decentralization in the sense of shifting responsibilities and accountabilities from the upper to the lower political levels and the dispersion of central political authority, but also from “the bottom up” in reference to chances for participation and the impact on local autonomy and sustainability in local regions.

Armin Müller – Decentralization, Risk and Strategic Groups in China’s Rural Health Reforms

The doctoral thesis focuses on the role of institutional change and innovation in the rural health sector. Cooperative health insurance and a number of complementary policies are designed to transform the rural health sector and enhance the integration of China’s fragmented social welfare system. However, implementation of the reforms is still inhibited by numerous difficulties, associated with regional disparities in economic development, lingering deficits in capacity and diverse features of China’s local administrative and political structures.

Presentations


Informal Institutions in China’s Social Policy – The Case of Rural Health Insurance. – FLOOR project in Bielefeld, July 24, 2013.


Susanne Löhr – The Impact of Vertical Competition on China’s Sub-Provincial Arrangements: The Reform of Direct Provincial Administration of Counties

This project investigates the changing sub-provincial setting of administrative levels in China. It finds that the reform scheme of ‘province managing counties’ transfers new roles and responsibilities to counties by intensifying inter-administrative competition for state resources and by reconfiguring the administrative boundaries of sub-national units.
Presentations

Conducting Fieldwork on the Reform of Direct Provincial Management of Counties. – Guest in Jesper-Schlæger, PhD’s class at Sichuan University, Chengdu, Oct. 30, 2012.

Decentralization and China. – Utrecht University School of Law, June 17, 2013.

Publications


Research stays

Oct.–Nov. 9, 2012: Research on the provincial management of counties and the decentralization of economic powers to counties in Guangzhou, Chengdu and Beijing: Interviews with local government officials and Chinese researchers.


With this research project Hans-Christian Schnack analyzes how institutional settings of school management between centralization and decentralization shape the implementation of minority language policies in China. The research findings show that new modes of discretion at schools create a limited space for school-based decision making that allows teachers and principals to shape curricula and ultimately – as intermediary actors between government and citizens – to make policies.

Presentations


Research stays

May 2013: Xishuangbanna, Yunnan, China: Follow-up interviews with teachers and principals

Ting Huang – Dynamics of Developing Old-Age Pensions in Rural China: Role of Local Government in Policy Innovation

This research focuses on the important role that local governments play in the experimentation with the rural pension policy. It shows that there are initiatives from inside local governments to improve the provision of social goods in certain circumstances. The success of the local schemes is partly determined by evaluating whether the schemes are adaptive to the new situations raised by the institutional intersection in the context of the ongoing urbanization process.

Presentations


Research stays

Sept.–Nov. 2012: Data gathering in Daxing, Beijing and Baoji, Shaanxi province, including written documents and materials, and interviews with social security officials at the provincial, city, and county levels, as well as some scholars.
March–May 2013: Data gathering in Daxing, Beijing and Baoji, Shaanxi province, including interviews with rural residents and the important officials of local government.

**Anna Shpakovskaya – Government Non-Profit Relationships in the Post-Wenchuan Earthquake Reconstruction in China**

Based on the framework of “Actor Centered Institutionalism” the main actors involved in the planning and implementation of the Red Cross Reform are interviewed with the focus on their preferences, perceptions and capacities. Written documents on the history of the Red Cross in China, its present reforms and the reforms of the social management are analyzed. To better fit into a new model of social management the Red Cross is being transformed into a “Hub organization”. By introducing a model of “Dual Management” the Red Cross aims to secure its resources from the government and enhance its cooperation with grass root NGOs and the public in delivering public services.

**Research stays**

Sept. 4 – Oct. 16, 2013: Conducting 7 interviews with representatives of the Red Cross Reform Planning Group, Red Cross Headquarter Office, and the Red Cross Public Supervision Committee, gathering information about the present stage of the scholarly research on public administration, management of social organizations and Red Cross Reform in China, establishing contacts necessary for second round interviews in the second stage of the field research.

**Sub-Theme Transnationalization**

Transnationalisation moves toward the supranational level of institutional change, both deregulatory in relation to the internationalisation of capital markets, and new regulatory in respect to new standards and protections, for example, for consumers, for equal opportunities of women or migrants rights. Here the global role of East Asia and the integration of China and Japan into, as well as their impact on, international regimes builds one dimension of this process of institutional change. Another dimension addresses how East Asia itself is perceived as a risk from a European perspective.

**Martin Heinberg – Analysis of Chinese Consumer Behavior: Value Propositions and Perceptions Determining Purchasing Decisions with Respect to Foreign and Local Consumer Good Brands**

The thesis aims to deliver a better understanding of Chinese consumer behavior for foreign and local brands, which are interpreted as a risk reducing mechanism for consumers. The behavior is assessed in terms of quality beliefs, attitudes, purchase intentions and the actual purchasing decision using advanced methods like hierarchical linear modeling and behavioral economics experiments. Results point to enhanced advertising by global and local brand positioning, a higher willingness to pay of consumers for global conspicuous products after face loss and a higher willingness to pay for local iconic products in animosity situations.

**Presentations**

Introduction to the Chinese Economy. – Private Hochschule Göttingen, Nov. 27, 2012.

**Teachings**

*(with Peter in der Heiden and Markus Taube)* Business and Economy in China, Winter term 2012/13
Einführung in die chinesische Wirtschaft (Lecture Bachelor students), Summer term 2013
*(with Peter in der Heiden)* China Management Cases, Summer term 2013

**Melanie Wacker – Risks and Responsibilities – Human Security and Japan’s Ban on Landmines and Cluster Munitions as Field of Activity for Non-state Actors**

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

Since Sept. 2013: Research Assistant in the DFG funded project “Cross-Border Temporary Staffing. Market-Making and Transnational Regulation in Inter-Regional Comparison”

**Kai Duttle – A Behavioral Finance Perspective on Momentum. Comparative Experimental Studies in Germany and Japan**

Kai Duttle’s research mainly focuses on cross-cultural differences in behavior among market participants in Western countries and Asia, especially Japan. Several comparative experimental studies are conducted; these are motivated by significant disparities in stock price momentum around the world, and models based on psychological biases explaining this phenomenon.

**External Trainings**

Japanese Language, LSI Landesspracheninstitut Bochum, Japonicum, July 22 – Aug. 9, 2013

**Trainings**

English, PLEASE, organized by UDE Doknet, June 20/21, 2013

**Dr. Kerstin Lukner – The Governance of Pandemic Risks in East Asia**

The post-doctoral research project undertakes a comparative study of pandemic risk governance in China and Japan. It focuses on the questions of how pandemic risks (avian influenza, swine flu) are perceived in China and Japan and of how these governments have been reacting to the pandemic risk challenge.

**Publications**


**Presentations**

Jointly Facing Pandemic Risks: Japan and ASEAN. – German Association for Social Science Research on Japan Annual Conference, Political Science Working Group, Weingarten, Nov. 24, 2012.


**Teachings**

Module “Japanese Politics” (1. Japan’s Political System, 2. The International Relations and Foreign Policy Making of Japan)

*(with Steffen Heinrich)* Politics and Society in Japan
1 Diploma Theses Diplom-, Magister- und Abschlussarbeiten

Dorothea Adolph  Unternehmensstrategie und die Grenzen modelltheoretischer Abstraktion – Am Beispiel TÜV NORD auf dem chinesischen Bahn-Markt (Markus Taube)

Florian Becker  Analyse der strategischen Ausrichtung deutscher Automobilhersteller auf dem chinesischen Markt (Markus Taube)

Stefan von den Benken  Untersuchung der Anwendungsproblematik des Konsumgütermarketingmix (4P) in der VR China (Markus Taube)

Laura Bergmann  Der Einfluss von chinesischer Kultur und Rahmenbedingungen auf den Einsatz der Marketinginstrumente seitens internationaler Unternehmen (Markus Taube)

Violetta Borger  Analyse der Umsetzung von CSR-Standards in der VR China unter besonderer Berücksichtigung der Arbeitsbedingungen (Markus Taube)

Petra Brändel  Transnationale Arbeitsbeziehungen. Eine qualitative Interviewstudie zu arbeitsplatzbezogenen Chancen und Risiken japanischer Hotelfachfrauen in Deutschland (Karen Shire / Steffen Heinrich) (eingereicht, wird derzeit begutachtet)

Philipp Chmielinski  Zivilgesellschaft in Japan. Welche Rollen haben NPOs innerhalb der japanischen Gesellschaft eingenommen? (Karen Shire / Steffen Heinrich)

Falko Flohrmann  Bedeutung der Produktkernkunde für den chinesischen Konsumenten. Eine Analyse anhand des COO-Effektes (Markus Taube)

Tobias Gerster  Industriepolitische Ziele und Ergebnisse der staatlichen FDI-Steuerung Chinas am Beispiel der Automobilindustrie in China (Markus Taube)

Besima Hajder  Komparative Analyse des zivilen Luftverkehrsmarktes am Beispiel von europäischen Fluggesellschaften unter Berücksichtigung des Struktur-Verhalten-Ergebnis-Ansatzes (Markus Taube)

Nina Hecht  Zivilgesellschaftliche Gruppen zur Trostfrauen-Problematik in Japan (Thomas Heberer)

Sebastian Heddier  Analyse der Wettbewerbsstrategien ausgewählter Sportartikelhersteller in der VR China (Markus Taube)

David Hübner  China – a Developmental state? – Do Patterns of State Interference in the Financial System and Industrial Policy Fit the Developmental State Approach? (Thomas Heberer)

Marie-Christin Jaenichen  Comparison of Educational Advantage of Girls in China and India (Flemming Christiansen)

Katharina Jaroch  Herausforderungen für chinesische Unternehmen, auf dem deutschen Markt tätig zu werden – Eine vergleichende Fallstudie zu den Unternehmen Sany und Huawei (Markus Taube)

Alexander Jungmann  Strategische Investitionsplanung im Einzelhandelssектор der VR China – Marktpotenzialuntersuchung auf Basis einer Clusteranalyse der entwicklungsstärksten chinesischen Städte (Markus Taube)

Shing Cheung Kai  Problemanalyse und Strategiekonzeption zum Wissensschutz ausländischer Unternehmen in der VR China (Markus Taube)

Verena Kaufmann  Analyse der Bestimmungs faktoren sowie des Verlaufs der Inflation in der VR China von 2009 bis 2012 (Markus Taube)

Chan-Hyong Kim  Die Rolle des Sportspersonings ostasiatischer Automobilhersteller in Europa (Werner Pascha)
Tim Knobloch  Wirtschaftspolitische Ansätze Japans zur Bewältigung des Seltene-Erden-Problems – Eine Ziel-Mittel-Träger-Analyse (Werner Pascha)

Christine Koriath  Kommunistische Werte im Wandel – Werte im zeitgenössischen China (Flemming Christiansen)

Maren Krause  Identität und Integration – Analyse der Unternehmerstrukturen chinesischer Unternehmen in Deutschland anhand dreier Fallstudien (Markus Taube)

Roger-Hans Kröll  Analyse der Rolle von Inward- und Outward-FDI für die Entwicklung der chinesischen Automobilindustrie (Markus Taube)

Michael Krüger  Chinas Direktinvestitionen im Ausland (Markus Taube)

Nicole Krümmel  „Burakumin“: Zwischen Integration und Segregation (Helmut Schneider / Winfried Flüchter)

Stefanie Lindlar  Territorialkonflikte im Südechinesischen Meer unter besonderer Berücksichtigung der Rolle Chinas (Helmut Schneider / Winfried Flüchter)

Michelle Lorenz  Die Gleichstellungsdebatte in der VR China – Die Rolle des chinesischen Frauenverbandes als zentraler Akteur im Genderdiskurs (Flemming Christiansen)

Jiang-Haur Man  Analyse der Präferenzen chinesischer Automobilkunden auf der Grundlage ausgewählter Kriterien (Markus Taube)

Albert Metz  Umweltpolitische Strategien der Luftreinhaltung in China (Helmut Schneider / Markus Taube)

Stefanie Meyer  Die internationale Wettbewerbskraft der chinesischen Photovoltaikindustrie – Eine Analyse auf Grundlage des Diamantenmodells von Porter (Markus Taube)

Boris Mrsic  Das Subsidiaritätsprinzip in der Integrationspolitik Japans – lokale Regierungen als Supporter oder Challenger? (Christian Tagsold / Karen Shire)

Carolin Müschenborn  China als Wirtschafts- und Entwicklungspartner: Chancen und Herausforderungen für die Entwicklung Ecuadors und seines Konzepts des „Buen Vivir“ (Markus Taube)

Delia Mustafosvka  Japans Gesellschaft: homogen oder multikulturell? Sozialpolitische Leitbilder und ethnisch-kulturelle Diversität unter besonderer Berücksichtigung der koreanischen Minderheit (Helmut Schneider / Winfried Flüchter)

Ngoc-Thu Nhan  Das Bildungssystem als Grundlage der Entwicklung und des Wachstums von Volkswirtschaften: Eine komparative Studie zwischen Deutschland und der VR China (Markus Taube)

Remigius Nobis  Perspektiven wirtschaftlicher und technologischer Entwicklung in japanischen Regionen unter besonderer Berücksichtigung des aktuellen Clusterkonzepts (Werner Pascha)

Tobias Platner  Die Nutzung der Windenergie in der VR China: Möglichkeiten und Grenzen – untersucht am Beispiel ausgewählter Regionen (Helmut Schneider / Winfried Flüchter)

Patrick Prädikow  Der Nuklearkonflikt auf der koreanischen Halbinsel und Chinas Ansehen in der internationalen Gesellschaft (Thomas Heberer)

Christine Pudenz  Business Development im Bauingenieursektionsservice – Eine Analyse der Markteintrittsmöglichkeiten in China am Beispiel des Unternehmens Vössing (Markus Taube)

Raik Richter  China auf dem Weg vom fossilen zum solaren Zeitalter? Nutzungspotenziale der Solarenergie zur Verringerung des Kohleverbrauchs – am Beispiel der Provinz Heilongjiang (Helmut Schneider / Winfried Flüchter)

Parichat Sae-Lao  The contribution of tourism towards sustainable development: A focus on selected hotels in Thailand and PR China (Helmut Schneider / Markus Taube)

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Natalya Zemerova  Autobiographien japanischer Topmanager – eine vernachlässigte Quelle der Japanstudien? (Werner Pascha)

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Olga Burgardt  Subjektivierung und wissensintensive Arbeit – der ambivalente Zugriff auf die kreative Arbeitskraft (Karen Shire / Markus Tünte)

Mehtap Dagci  Ethno-Marketing am Beispiel der in Deutschland lebenden Türken in Bezug auf die Telekommunikationsbranche (Markus Taube)

Jing Ding  Eine komparative Studie des Minderheitsaktionärsschutzes bei Aktiengesellschaften im chinesischen und deutschen Corporate Governance System (Markus Taube)

Nesrin Günel  Untersuchung von Führungsstilen unter besonderer Beachtung von Frauen in Führungssituationen (Markus Taube)

Judith Hendricks  Anerkennung in der Pflegearbeit. Zum ambivalenten Anerkennungsverhältnis der Altenpflege (Frank Kleemann / Markus Tünte)

Daniela Hög  Belastungswirkungen ergebnisorientierter Steuerungsformen. Eine Analyse am Beispiel Zielvereinbarungen (Frank Kleemann / Birgit Apitzsch) (eingereicht, wird derzeit begutachtet)

Viktoria Iordanova  Möglichkeiten zur Kundenbindung im Textileinzelhandel (Markus Taube)

Fatma Koc  Untersuchung der Möglichkeit von Qualitätssteigerungen im Rahmen einer Umstrukturierung der bestehenden FMEA der ANF Duisburg GmbH (Markus Taube)

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Funda Saracoglu  Analyse ausgewählter Erfolgsfaktoren der Auslandsentsendung (Markus Taube)

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Lukas Stolz  Fukushima als Chance zur Neuordnung der energie- & wirtschaftspolitischen Strategie Japans (Werner Pascha)

Seyyid Yorulmaz  Instrumente der Kundenbindung am Beispiel des Unternehmens Apple (Markus Taube)

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Katja Restel  Organizational Attractiveness of Japanese Companies for German University Students (Werner Pascha)
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Florian Englmaier  Managementansätze zur Überwindung von Informationsasymmetrien am japanischen Private-Equity-Markt (Werner Pascha)
Steffen Heinrich  Patterns of Dualisation. Coordinated Capitalism and the Politics of Flexible Labour Markets in Germany and Japan, 1990–2010 (Karen Shire)
Tobias Hentze  Internationale Direktinvestitionen in Japan: Ein Test der Außenseiterthese anhand eines erweiterten Gravitationsmodells (Werner Pascha)
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Peter Thomas in der Heiden  Der Beitrag chinesischer Industriepolitik zur Erhöhung der internationalen Wettbewerbsfähigkeit von Industriebranchen – Eine Untersuchung am Beispiel der chinesischen Stahlindustrie (Markus Taube)

Vitali Heidt  Change of Social Security Institutions in Contemporary Japan: Effects and Influences of Institutional Change for the Rural Elderly Population (Karen Shire)

Martin Heinberg  Analysis of Chinese Consumer Behavior: Value Propositions and Perceptions Determining Purchasing Decisions with Respect to Foreign and Local Consumer Good Brands (Markus Taube)

Uwe Holtschneider  Adoption of Corporate Social Responsibility by Japanese Companies (Werner Pascha)

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Manja Jonas  Foreign Direct Investment as an Engine of Technological Change in Malaysia: The Role of Social Embeddedness (Werner Pascha)

Alexander Klein  Steigt China auf der Wertschöpfungsleiter empor? Eine Analyse der Halbleiter- und Automobilindustrie (Markus Taube)

Stephanie Krebs  Konsumentenverhalten und Verbraucherpolitik nach Fukushima  *Consumer Behavior and Consumer Policy in the Aftermath of Fukushima* (Working title) (Werner Pascha)

Alison Lamont  Risk, Marketization and Families: The Impact of Natural Disasters on Family Livelihoods – Cases from the Wenchuan Earthquake (Flemming Christiansen)

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Melanie Wacker  Risks and Responsibilities – Human Security and Japan’s Ban on Landmines and Cluster Munitions as Field of Activity for Non-State Actors *(Thomas Heberer)*

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Seminar/Kolloquium  Unternehmensplanspiel: Verhandlungssimulation  Pascha, Krebs
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Seminar attached to Master Thesis
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Seminar/Kolloquium  Seminar attached to Thesis Writing  Christiansen
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PhD Program East Asian Studies
Kolloquium  Research Forum  Shire, Christiansen, Senz, Pascha, Surak, Taube
Seminar  Preliminary Result Workshop  Shire, Christiansen, Senz, Pascha, Surak, Taube

Special Teaching Activities  Neues aus der Lehre

Business and Economics Summer Term (BEST)

Werner Pascha participated in the Business and Economics Summer Term (BEST) programme 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 the 24 students from the US, Hong Kong and elsewhere, who visited Duisburg for several weeks in early summer.
Guest Lectures  Gastvorträge

Oct. 29, 2012  **Prof. Keping Yu** (Beijing University, Center for Chinese Government Innovations): Social Innovation in China

Nov. 7, 2012  **Prof. Ellis Krauss** (University of California San Diego and GK 1613 Guest Professor): What’s Wrong with Japan? It’s the Politics!

Dec. 7, 2012  **Prof. Shukai Zhao** (Research Center of the Chinese State Council, Beijing): China’s Village Reform and Local Governance. – In cooperation with the research network “Governance in China”

Dec. 10, 2012  **Prof. L. Jeremy Clegg** and **Dr. Hinrich Voss** (University of Leeds, CIBUL): European Integration and Chinese Foreign Direct Investment in the EU.

Apr. 24, 2013  **Prof. Margarita Estévez-Abe** (Syracuse University, USA): Institutional Change and Welfare Politics in Japan: Did Anything Change?

Apr. 26, 2013  **Prof. Ralf Bebenroth** (Kobe University, Research Institute for Business Administration and Economics (RIEB)): Risk Behaviour of German Firms at Great East Japan Earthquake.

May 22, 2013  **Prof. Dong Wang** (University of Turku and Senior Fellow, Käte Hamburger Kolleg for Global Cooperation Research): U.S.-China Relations: Managing Risk in the Asia-Pacific


May 29, 2013  **Prof. Atsushi Kondo** (Meijo University, Japan and Visiting Professor, Oxford University): Migration and Law in Japan.

June 12, 2013  **Prof. Lowell Dittmer** (University of California, Berkeley and GK 1613 Guest Professor): Chinese Political Morality.

June 19, 2013  **Prof. Shaocheng Tang** (Chengchi University, Taipei): Current Development of the Cross-Strait Relations.

June 20, 2013  **Prof. Stevan Harrell** (University of Washington, Seattle and GK 1613 Guest Professor): Native Practices, Revolutionary Policies, Erosion, and Fluvial Processes in a Mountainous Minority Community in Southwest Sichuan.

July 3, 2013  **Prof. Saadia Pekkanen** (University of Washington, Seattle): Japan’s Space Policy: From the Market to the Military.

July 10, 2013  **Prof. Yan Chen** (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor): Which Hat to Wear? Impact of Natural Identities on Coordination and Cooperation.


Aug. 29–Sept. 4, 2013  **Prof. Dr. Sven Saaler** (Sophia University, Tokyo), DAAD-sponsored short term lectureship on studying in Japan (BA program)
Symposia and Conferences Organized by Institute Members

16th Duisburg East Asia Day  16. Duisburger Ostasientag
Führungswechsel in China


Der diesjährige Ostasientag widmete sich diesem Ereignis. Vor über 100 Zuhörenden wurde über die komplexen Herausforderungen diskutiert, derer sich die neue politische Führung der VR China annehmen muss. Diskussionsleiterin war Jutta Lietsch, zwölf Jahre lang China-Korrespondentin der taz. Am Panel beteiligt waren Prof. Dr. Thomas Heberer, Inhaber des Lehrstuhls Politik Ostasiens mit Schwerpunkt China am Institut für Ostasienwissenschaften, Dr. Heinrich Kreft, Sonderbeauftragter für den Dialog zwischen den Kulturen im Auswärtigen Amt, sowie Dr. Alexandra Sakaki, Wissenschaftlerin bei der Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik (Berlin).

Duisburg-Frankfurt Workshop “Institutions in the Development of East Asia”

The seventh workshop on “Institutions in the Development of East Asia” was held in cooperation of the chairs for East Asian Economic Studies / Japan and Korea and East Asian Economic Studies / China (Prof. Werner Pascha and Markus Taube, both University of Duisburg-Essen) and Economic Institutions, Innovation and East Asian Development (Prof. Cornelia Storz, University of Frankfurt). In the scope of this workshop, innovative research based on institutional economic theory with focus on the explanation of regional economic characteristics was discussed. The discussion addressed two central methodological questions: Are classical theoretical approaches of economics suitable for capturing and explaining regional developments? And conversely, are aspects of local processes and structures useful for the advancement of scientific approaches and methods? The workshop, which has been previously held in cooperation with the Protestant Academy Tutzing, will be rotatively held by the participating chairs from 2013 on. A close cooperation is also established with the DFG Graduate School “Risk and East Asia” at the University of Duisburg-Essen.

Mark Lehrer (Suffolk University): Globalization but not Convergence: The differing role of family firms in the German and US varieties of capitalism

Ramona Grieb (University of Frankfurt): CEO and Strategy: Effects of national business systems
Taske Ueda (University of Duisburg-Essen): Changes in Corporate Governance as the End of Employment Protection? An Empirical Study with Japanese Data

Ann-Kathrin Prior (University of Duisburg-Essen): Institutionelle Entwicklungen auf den ländlichen Finanzmärkten in China

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Taske Ueda (University of Duisburg-Essen): Changes in Corporate Governance as the End of Employment Protection? An Empirical Study with Japanese Data

Ann-Kathrin Prior (University of Duisburg-Essen): Institutionelle Entwicklungen auf den ländlichen Finanzmärkten in China


Korreferat: Thomas Döring

Jürgen Backhaus: Die deutsche Wiedervereinigung und der selbst verhängte Rechtsformenmangel: Eine Bilanz nach zwei Dekaden

Korreferat: Klaus Heine

Jürgen Jerger: Institutionen und historische Grenzen

Korreferat: Herbert Brücker

Carsten Herrmann-Pillath und Joachim Zweynert: Institutionentransfer, kulturelles Unternehmertum und institutionelle Performance

Korreferat: Heike Walterscheid

Markus Taube: Institutioneller Aufbau zwischen globalem institution shopping‘ und lokaler Adaption in der VR China

Korreferat: Margot Schüller

Andreas Freytag: Institutions and Savings in Developing and Emerging Economies

Korreferat: Joachim Ahrens

Dirk Wentzel: Determinants of the Emergence (and Success) of Revolutions and the Implementation of Democratic Institutions

Korreferat: Christian Müller

Tim Stuchtey: Das Gut Sicherheit und die Rolle der Sicherheitswirtschaft bei seiner Herstellung

Korreferat: Oliver Budzinski

Duisburg
Sept. 22–24, 2013
Birgit Apitzsch

Flemming Christiansen

Marcus Conlé

Magnus Dau

Stefan Derpmann

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《德国儒学发展年度报告》，载《国际儒学发展年度报告》，北京：北京大学出版社，2013年.
Winfried Flüchter


Thomas Heberer


(with Gunter Schubert) Zuowei zhulanüexing quinti de xian xiang ganbu [County and township cadres as strategic groups], part 1. In: Jingji Shehui Tizhi [Comparative Economic and Social Systems], 1/2013: 83–93.


The Contention Between Han ‘Civilisers’ and Yi ‘Civilisees’ over Environmental Governance: A Case Study of Liangshan Prefecture in Sichuan (accepted for publication by “The China Quarterly”).

Peter Thomas in der Heiden


(with Heike Proff, Markus Taube, H. Hirsch, Werner Pascha, D. Kilian, S. Jeschke and Sven Horak)


Sven Horak


Momoyo Hüstebeck


Axel Klein


Yuan Li


Susanne Löhr


Kerstin Lukner


Hannelore Mottweiler


Werner Pascha


Helmut Schneider

Anja D. Senz
(with Thomas Heberer) The Bo Xilai Affair and China’s Future Development. In: Asien, No. 3/2012: 78–93

Karen Shire

Kristin Surak

Markus Taube


René Trappel


Markus Tünite


LECTURES AND MEDIA PRESENTATIONS
VORTRÄGE UND MEDIENPRÄSENTATIONEN

Yuka Ando

Birgit Apitzsch

Marcus Conlé
June 28, 2013  (with Markus Taube) China’s Regional Industrial Development from a National Perspective. – 25th Annual Conference of the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE), Mailand.

Magnus Dau

Stefan Derpmann

Tuong-Vi Do
Presentation in the Media  Medienpräsentationen

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Lectures and Media Presentations


**Winfried Flüchter**


**Thomas Heberer**


Mar. 2, 2013  Policy Implementation in Minority areas as Civilizing Project. – Presented at the 7th Chinese-German Dialogue on Transformation (经济社会快速转型背景下的民族多样性), Fuzhou (Pedagogical University of Fujian).


Mar. 11, 2013  County and Township Cadres as a Strategic Group. A New Approach to Political Agency in China’s Local State. – Seaker Chan Center of Comparative Politics and Development Studies, Fudan University, Shanghai.


Apr. 12, 2013  (with Gunter Schubert) County and Township Cadres as a Strategic Group. – 11th European Conference on Agriculture and Rural Development in China (ECARDC), University of Würzburg.

Apr. 12, 2013  (with Christian Göbel) Governed by Innovation: The Role of Local Change Agents in Local Policy Experiments. – 11th European Conference on Agriculture and Rural Development in China (ECARDC), University of Würzburg.

Apr. 13, 2013  Chair Panel “Urban–Rural Integration (Part 2)“. – 11th European Conference on Agriculture and Rural Development in China (ECARDC), University of Würzburg.


Sept. 3, 2013  (with Gunter Schubert) County and Township Cadres as a Strategic Group. A New Approach to Political Agency in China’s Local State. – Presented at the International Workshop on Local Elites in China, Dunhuang (Gansu).


Presentation in the Media  Medienpräsentationen


**Peter Thomas in der Heiden**

Feb. 2013  
Interview with Dow Jones Metals for an article on the development of the Chinese steel industry.

Mar. 23, 2013  

Sept. 17, 2013  

**Vitali Heidt**

July 12, 2013  
Doitsu no kaigo hoken seido [The German Long-Term Care Insurance System]. – Nursing Department of Jichi Medical, Shimotsuke, Japan.

**Martin Heinberg**

Nov. 26, 2012  
Marketing in China. – Private Hochschule Göttingen.

Nov. 27, 2012  
Introduction to the Chinese Economy. – Private Hochschule Göttingen.


**Steffen Heinrich**

June 28, 2013  

Aug. 29, 2013  

**Sven Horak**

Nov. 22, 2012  

Mar. 8, 2013  
Exploring the Influence of Indigenous Context Variables (ICV) on Decision Making Behavior in Korea and Germany. An experimental approach. – The Peter J. Tobin College of Business, St. John’s University, Queens, New York.

**Axel Klein**

June 14, 2013  In the Beginning: How Kōmeitō came to Life. – Meiji Gakuin University, Yokohama.

**Susanne Löhr**


June 17, 2013  Decentralization and China. – Lecture at Utrecht University School of Law.

**Kerstin Lukner**

Nov. 24, 2012  Jointly Facing Pandemic Risks: Japan and ASEAN. – German Association for Social Science Research on Japan Annual Conference, Political Science Working Group, Weingarten.


**Jörg Mathäus**


Feb. 19, 2013  Corporate Governance in Central and Eastern Europe. – Peking University (Bēidā).

Feb. 25, 2013  The Role of Institutional Investors in Corporate Governance. – Shanghai Jiao Tong University.

Apr. 16, 2013  The Case against Uniformity in Corporate Governance. – Hong Kong Baptist University.

May 6, 2013  Takeover Market and the Agency Costs of Dispersed Control. – Vortrag im Rahmen der Veranstaltung „Global Differences in Corporate Governance Systems“, University of Birmingham.


June 10, 2013  Enforcement in Chinas Capital Market. – Frankfurt School of Finance & Management.


**Presentation in the Media  Medienpräsentationen**

Hannelore Mottweiler


Werner Pascha


Nov. 21, 2012 The Potential of FDI and Economic Integration between the Republic of Korea and the EU, Exemplified with Respect to the Role of e-mobility. – EU-Korea Public Policy Diplomacy Project Workshop, Seoul.

Nov. 22, 2012 Rules or Consensus? Organising Regional Integration in the Light of the Euro Crisis. – Friedrich Ebert Foundation Special Lecture at Korea University, Seoul.

Nov. 22, 2012 Reflections on Leadership Issues in European and East Asian Regional Integration. – ASEM Institute, Seoul.

Nov. 23, 2012 Leadership Issues in Regional Integration: Europe’s Lessons for East Asia. – Conference “EU-Korea and Economic Integration of East Asia”, Korea University, Seoul.


Feb. 21, 2013 EU-Korea FTA – Achievement and Challenges. – Panel statement, EU-Korea Public Diplomacy Conference, organised by EU, KU Leuven et al., Brussels.

Mar. 8, 2013 Japan, Venice, and the Netherlands: Comparing the rise and potential fate of successful peripheral economies. – Special Lecture, Ca’Foscari University, Venice.


Sept. 25, 2013 Rules or Consensus? Organizing Regional Integration in the Light of the Euro Crisis. – Special Lecture at Pukyong National University, Busan (Korea).

Helmut Schneider

Anja D. Senz


Nov. 14, 2012 Leadership Change in China. – China Round Table, Europaparlament, Brüssel.


May 22, 2013 China und der Brennpunkt koreanische Halbinsel. – Universität Duisburg-Essen.

May 29, 2013 Institutionenwandel und dörfliche Entscheidungsstrukturen in China. – Universität Heidelberg.


July 5, 2013 Rural governance in China: the example of village elections. – Torino World Affairs Institute, Turin.

July 8, 2013 Herausforderungen der neuen chinesischen Führung. – FU Berlin.

July 9, 2013 Fighting Corruption in China. – Madariaga College of European Foundation, Brüssel.


July 17, 2013 China – Herausforderungen des Modernisierungsprozesses. – Universität Duisburg-Essen.


Aug. 22, 2013 Transboundary river basins as regional commons and hydroelectric dam constructions in Eastern Himalaya. – Faculty of Political Science, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok.

Aug. 30, 2013  Regional cooperation among states and civil society organisations on trans-boundary river basins: the example of the Brahmaputra. – Institute of Social Sciences, Neu-Delhi.


**Presentation in the Media  Medienpräsentationen**


**Karen Shire**


Oct. 13, 2012  International, Comparative and Transnational Perspectives on Temporary Agency Work. – Invited Lecture, Centre for Social Stratification and Social Inequality (CSSI), Tohoku University, Sendai.

Mar. 25, 2013  Discourses of Labor Market Inequalities. – Invited Lecture to the Workshop “Inequality in Post-Growth Japan: Social Transformation during Economic and Demographic Stagnation”, German Institute of Japan Studies, Tokyo, March 25, 2013, and in revised form at the Annual Meetings of the German Association for Social Science Research on Japan, at the Japanese German Center Berlin.

May 1, 2013  Beyond the Flexibility Divide: Internal Labor Markets and External Workers in Knowledge-Intensive Service Work. – Invited Lecture to the “New Deals in the New Economy”, Project at the Department of Sociology, National University of Ireland, Maynooth.

May 21, 2013  ‘Subjective Turn’ in der Sozialstrukturanalyse. – Keynote Address im Rahmen der Jubiläumsveranstaltung 125. Geburtstag Werner Reimers und 50 Jahre Werner Reimers Stiftung, Bad Homburg.


Aug. 29, 2013  Gender and the End of Employment Protections in Coordinated Market Economies: Germany and Japan in Comparison. – European Sociological Association, Turin.


**Kristin Surak**


**Markus Taube**


Oct. 12, 2012  Engaging in Global Competitive Dynamics: Europe’s Relations with the Emerging Actors. – Round table podium discussion at the Annual Convention of the AeroSpace and Defence Industries Association of Europe, Lisbon.


Nov. 15, 2012  Chinas Wirtschaft im internationalen Umfeld. – Seminarstag im Rahmen des China Manager IHK Feldkirchen-Westerham.

Nov. 20, 2012  Der chinesische Führungswechsel aus ökonomischer Sicht. – Beitrag im Rahmen der Podiumsdiskussion „Was ist von der neuen chinesischen Führung zu erwarten?“, ausgerichtet vom Konfuzius-Institut Metropole Ruhr, Duisburg.


Apr. 25, 2013  China’s Volkswagen and her Automobilsector – Weichenstellungen für kontinuierliches Wachstum. – Vortrag an der Volkswagen AG AutoUni, Wolfsburg.


June 28, 2013  China’s Regional Industrial Development from a National Perspective. – Presentation at the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE) 25th Annual Conference, Milan.


July 11, 2013  Chinas Wirtschaft im internationalen Umfeld. – Seminartag im Rahmen des China Manager IHK Feldkirchen-Westerham.


**Presentation in the Media  Medienpräsentationen**

Apr. 4, 2013  ARD Tagesschau/Tagesschau24, Interview zu den Hintergründen von Klagen über angebliche Qualitätsmängel ausländischer Hersteller in China

Apr. 12, 2013  Deutsche Welle TV, Interview zu den ökonomischen Implikationen einer Eskalation des Nordkoreakonflikts (deutsch- und englischsprachiges Format)

June 25, 2013  Deutschlandradio Kultur, Interview zur aktuellen Zentralbankpolitik und Angst einer Liquiditätsverknappung in der chinesischen Volkswirtschaft

Aug. 5, 2013  Deutsche Welle TV, Interview zu konjunkturellen und wirtschaftspolitischen Entwicklungen in China (deutsch- und englischsprachiges Format)

**René Trappel**

Apr. 11–13, 2013  Fading out Peasant Agriculture in Rural China: The Role of Township and County Administrations in Agrarian Change. – ECARDC XI, Würzburg.

**Markus Tünte**


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Member of the Academic Advisory Board, Journal of Current Chinese Affairs
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Co-editor of the book series East Asia in the 21st Century, Verlag für Sozialwissenschaften
Co-editor of the series Ostasien-Pazifik. Trierer Studien zu Politik, Wirtschaft, Gesellschaft, Kultur
Co-editor of the series Schriftenreihe zur Ostasienforschung
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Member of the selection committee for Sprache und Praxis in Japan of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)
Honorary President, KOPRA e. V. (NPO)
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**Helmut Schneider**
Editorial Management (*Schriftleitung*), Zeitschrift für Wirtschaftsgeographie (*Journal of Economic Geography*)

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Member of the Research Team New Multilateralism on the Global Age at Torino World Affairs Institute
Co-Editor of The China Companion, Online Research Network, Torino

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Affiliated Professor (*Vertrauensdozentin*), Hans Boeckler Foundation, scholarship programs
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Advisory Board, Institute of Advanced Studies in the Humanities (KWI Essen)
Juror, International Research Prize, Max Weber Foundation
International Editorial Board, Work, Employment and Society of the British Sociological Association
Chairperson, Scientific Advisory Board of the DFG sponsored Sondersammelgebiet Sozialwissenschaften housed at the University of Cologne.
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Mitwirkung an dem Habilitationsverfahren „Zhu Jiaming“ an der Universität Wien
Externe Gutachtentätigkeiten für: Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes, Stiftung Mercator

**Toshi Yamada**
Board Member of the Arbeitskreis Japan-Bibliotheken
Thomas Heberer
Feb.–Mar. 2013  Research Stay at Zhejiang University and the Institute of Nationalities Research Xichang/ Sichuan
Aug.–Oct. 2013  Visiting Scholar, Zhejiang University, Hangzhou; Field Research in Enshi/Hubei and Wenzhou/Zhejiang

Vitali Heidt
Sept.–Dec. 2012  Interviews and participant observation in Tokyo
Mar.–Aug. 2013  Interviews and participant observation in Komagane and Tokyo

Martin Heinberg
Mar./Apr. 2013  Experiments conducted at Nankai University, Tianjin

Axel Klein
Oct. 11–18, 2012  Negotiations with several partner universities in Japan
Dec. 7–19, 2012  Japan & China (Wuhan, Shanghai); Negotiations with several partner universities in Japan; field research in Tokyo and Saitama;
June 8–16, 2013  Negotiations with several partner universities in Japan; field research in Tokyo and Fukuoka;
Sept. 19–Oct. 2, 2013  Negotiations with several partner universities in Japan; field research in Kyoto, Fukuoka and Tokyo

Susanne Löhr
Sept.–Nov. 2012  Research on the provincial management of counties and the decentralization of economic powers to counties in Guangzhou, Chengdu and Beijing (funded by the DFG Research Training Group 1613)

Werner Pascha
Sept. 2013  Visiting Professorship and field research at Busan National University, Busan (Republic of Korea)

Anja Senz
Karen Shire

Oct. 6–20, 2013  Guest Researcher, Center of Social Stratification and Social Inequalities, Tohoku University, Sendai. Series of lectures on Globalization and Inequality and Comparative Studies of Transnational Labour Markets for Temporary Labour, Research on the Social Effects of the Tohoku Earthquake and Field Visits to Recovering Regions

Mar. 16–21, 2013  Conference Participation and Final Negotiation of Cooperation Agreements for the GRK 1613 with the University of Tokyo, Inter-faculty Initiative in Information Studies, Tokyo

Kristin Surak

Mar. 2013  Research Visit to East Asia
The library of the Institute of East Asian Studies is integrated as East Asia collection in the University Library, and therefore applies its regulations for use, acquisition policy and budget requirements of the university library.

The library collections reflect the contemporary relevance and interdisciplinary nature of East Asian Studies. The main collection areas are politics, society, economy, geography, modern history, culture and the modern languages of the regions of China and Japan. At present, the East Asian collection holds about 30,000 monographs and more than 500 periodicals, including 140 ongoing subscriptions. Since the focus of the Institute has moved in the last times, we have in this reporting period exchanged some ongoing subscriptions.

The total holdings of the East Asia collection are recorded in the electronic cataloging network of University Libraries of North Rhine-Westphalia and can be retrieved from the OPAC of the University Library (http://primo.ub.uni-due.de/primo_library/libweb/action/search.do?vid=UDE).

The parallel cataloging of Japanese monographs in NACSIS-CAT (Japanese Union Catalogue), hosted by the National Institute of Information in Japan, has been continued, using the original characters. With the help of the Chinese and Japanese characters, approximately 5,340 of our Japanese titles can be found in CiNii Books (http://ci.nii.ac.jp/books), and also in the European Union Catalogue of Japanese Books (http://www.niicat.eu).

The University Library has a number of subject-oriented databases. Academic staff and students may access them via PC.

The library of the IN-EAST is also working with various international and national libraries through which both the staff and the students have opportunities to use the shared licensed databases directly from Asia and delivery of journal articles as needed (e.g. CrossAsia – http://crossasia.org).

Many Chinese articles and texts can be downloaded. Concerning Japanese articles, the institute has completed an agreement with the National Diet Library in Japan, so that you can order on demand journal articles in Japan. Since the National Diet Library has been building its collections mainly by the legal deposit of Japanese publications (Legal Deposit System), this cooperation is most valuable for our research.

In this reporting period, we have had two large donations, one for the Chinese and one for the Japanese sector. Both complete our stocks excellent.
Duisburg Working Papers on East Asian Studies
Duisburger Arbeitspapiere Ostasienwissenschaften

Since July 1995 the Institute has published its own working paper series, the so-called “Green Series” (Grüne Reihe), a limited number of which are available free of charge. Most papers in the series can be accessed via Internet, they are listed on the IN-EAST website at http://www.in-east.de → Publications.

Between October 2012 and September 2013 the following papers were published.

No. 91 / 2013  **Jann Christoph von der Pütten, Christian Göbel (Hg.):**
Task Force: Gewerkschaften, Arbeitsmarktregulierung und Migration in China

No. 92 / 2013  **Sven Horak:**
Cross-Cultural Experimental Economics and Indigenous Management Research – Issues and Contributions

No. 93 / 2013  **Thomas Heberer, Anja Senz (Hg.):**
Task Force: Wie lässt sich die Zusammenarbeit des Landes Nordrhein-Westfalen mit China und den NRW-Partnerprovinzen vertiefen?

No. 94 / 2013  **Heather X. Zhang, Nicholas Loubere:**
Rural Finance, Development and Livelihoods in China

No. 95 / 2013  **Yasuo Saeki, Sven Horak:**
The Role of Trust in Cultivating Relation-specific Skills – the Case of a Multinational Automotive Supplier in Japan and Germany