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## **Curriculum Vitae**

### **Education**

Ph.D., Department of Sociology, Catholic University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt, Germany, 2002

B.A., English and German Philology, Department of Languages and Literatures, University of Bucharest, Romania, 1997

### **Academic Employment and Affiliations**

Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Institute of Latin American Studies, Freie Universität Berlin, Germany, April 2010-present

Visiting Professor, Instituto Universitário de Pesquisas do Rio de Janeiro (IUPERJ), Universidade Candido Mendes, Brazil, August 2007-March 2008

Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Catholic University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt, Germany, October 2003-March 2010

Lecturer (part-time), Department of Sociology, Catholic University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt, Germany, October 2002-February 2003

Post-Graduate Fellow, Department of Sociology, Boston College, USA, August-December 2000

Visiting Scholar, Department of German Literature, Rheinische Friedrich Wilhelms University of Bonn, Germany, October 1996-February 1997

### **Areas of Interest**

#### **Research**

Social Theory, World-Systems Analysis, Sociology of Development, Political Sociology, Social Inequality, Eastern Europe and Latin America, Postcolonial Studies, Gender and Violence.

#### **Teaching**

History of Sociology, Sociological Theory, Sociology of Development, Theories of Social Change, Social Inequality, Comparative Macrosociology, Gender Studies, Sociology of Culture.

## Publications

### Books:

- 2010: (co-edited with Sérgio Costa and Encarnación Gutiérrez-Rodríguez): *Decolonizing European Sociology. Transdisciplinary Approaches*, Farnham: Ashgate
- Translations forthcoming in:*  
(Spanish) Madrid: Traficantes de Sueños; (Portuguese) Belo Horizonte: UFMG (in preparation)
- 2010: (co-edited with Willfried Spohn): *Globale, multiple und postkoloniale Modernen. Theoretische und vergleichende Perspektiven (Global, multiple and postcolonial modernities. Theoretical and comparative perspectives)*, Rainer Hampp Verlag: Munich
- 2006: (co-edited with Claudia Neudecker and Stefan Rinke): *Des Fremden Feind, des Fremden Freund. Fremdverstehen in interdisziplinärer Perspektive (The Other's Fiend, the Other's Friend. Understanding of the Other in interdisciplinary Perspective)*, Waxmann Verlag: Münster
- 2004: (co-edited with Bieswanger, M./Grzega, J./Neudecker, C./Rinke, S./Strobl, C.): *Abgrenzen oder Entgrenzen? Zur Produktivität von Grenzen (Bordering or Debordering? On the Productivity of Borders)*, IKO: Frankfurt a. M.
- 2003: (co-edited with Siegfried Lamnek): *Geschlecht - Gewalt - Gesellschaft (Gender-Violence-Society). Otto-von-Freising Conferences of the Catholic University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt, vol. 4*, Leske + Budrich: Opladen
- 2003: *From Neoevolutionism to World-Systems Analysis. The Romanian Theory of 'Forms without Substance' in Light of Modern Debates on Social Change*, Leske+Budrich: Opladen

### Journal Articles:

- 2010: (with Sérgio Costa): *Sociología pós-colonial. Estado del arte y perspectivas (Postcolonial sociology. State of the Art and Perspectives)*, in: *Estudios Sociológicos*, September/December 2010 (in press)
- 2010: *Grenzsetzende Macht. Geopolitische Strategien europäischer Identitätsbildung (Border-setting power. Geopolitical strategies of European identity-building)*, in: *Berliner Journal für Soziologie* 1/2010, pp. 23-45
- 2009: *Desigualdad social reconsiderada. Descubriendo puntos ciegos a través de vistas desde abajo (Social Inequality Unthought. Exposing Blind Spots through Views from Below)*, *Tabula Rasa. Revista de Humanidades* (Colombia), 11, July-December, pp. 115-140

- 2009: (with Radu Baltasiu and Ovidiana Bulumac): Romania - Layers of Collective Identity in the 19th and 20th centuries: An Outline until the Interwar Period, in: *Sociologie Românească*, VII, 4, pp. 138-154
- 2009: (with José Maurício Domingues): Latin America on the Loose. Modernity, Theory, Critique, in: *Theory, Culture & Society* 26 (7-8), pp. 156-158
- 2009: Die zu Ende gedachte Moderne. Alternative Theoriekonzepte in den lateinamerikanischen und osteuropäischen Peripherien (Modernity Thought Through. Alternative Theoretical Concepts in the Latin American and Eastern European Peripheries), in: *Zeitschrift für Weltgeschichte*, 10 (1), pp. 81-112
- 2007: Wie weit östlich ist Osteuropa? Die Aushandlung gesellschaftlicher Identitäten im Wettkampf um Europäisierung (How Far East is Eastern Europe? The Negotiation of Social Identities in the Race for Europeanization), in: *Forum für osteuropäische Ideen- und Zeitgeschichte*, Jg.11, Heft 2/2007, pp. 11-31
- 2007: No Race to the Swift. Negotiating Racial Identity in Past and Present Eastern Europe, in: *Human Architecture. Journal of the Sociology of Self-Knowledge*, V, 1, July 2007, pp. 91-104 (revised version of above German-language article)
- 2007: The Eastern Margins of Empire. Coloniality in 19th Century Romania, in: *Cultural Studies* special issue *Globalization and Decolonial Thinking*, 21 (2-3), May 2007, pp. 368-384
- 2006: Semiperipheries in the World-System: Reflecting Eastern European and Latin American Experiences, in: *Journal of World-Systems Research*, XII, 2, December 2006, pp. 321-346
- 2006: Knocking on Europe's Door. Romanian Academia between Communist Censorship and Western Neglect, in: *South Atlantic Quarterly* special issue, II, Summer, pp. 551-579
- 2005: Peripheral Solutions to Peripheral Development, in: *Journal of World-Systems Research*, vol. XI, no. 1, 2005, pp. 3-26  
*German translation in: Zeitschrift für Weltgeschichte* 10 (2), 2009, pp. 35-60
- 2004: Entzauberte Männlichkeit. Geschlechtsidentitäten in der brüchigen Moderne (Disenchanted Masculinity. Gender Identities of the Fragile Modernity), in: *Kriminologisches Journal* 3, 2004, pp. 197-211
- 2003: (with Siegfried Lamnek) Gewalt als Phänomen unserer Zeit (Violence as a Phenomenon of our Time), in: *Sozialwissenschaften und Berufspraxis*, 2, pp. 123-134

**Book chapters:**

- 2010: Diskriminierung in der *longue durée*. Globale Muster und lokale Strategien (Discrimination in the *longue durée*. Global patterns and local strategies), in: Albert Scherr/Ulrike Hormel (eds.): *Diskriminierung. Grundlagen und Forschungsergebnisse*, Wiesbaden: VS-Verlag, pp. 115-133
- 2010: *Múltiples modernidades y la mística de la unidad* (Multiple modernities and the union mystique), in: Cairo, Heriberto/Grosfoguel, Ramón (eds.): *La descolonización de la modernidad eurocentrada*, Madrid: AKAL (in press)
- English translation as: Multiple Modernities and the Politics of Difference Within*, in: Hauke Brunkhorst/Gerd Grözinger (eds.) (2010): *The Study of Europe*, Wiesbaden: Nomos, pp. 51-66
- expanded German version in: Manuela Boatcă/Willfried Spohn (eds.): Globale, multiple und postkoloniale Modernen. Theoretische und vergleichende Perspektiven*, Munich: Hampp, pp. 341-357.
- 2010: (with Sérgio Costa) *Postkoloniale Soziologie. Ein Programm* (Postcolonial Sociology. A Research Agenda), in: Julia Reuter/Paula-Irene Villa (eds.): *Postkoloniale Soziologie. Empirische Befunde, theoretische Anschlüsse, politische Interventionen*, Bielefeld: transcript, pp. 69-90
- expanded versions in English, Spanish and Portuguese in: Boatcă, Manuela/Sérgio Costa/Encarnación Gutiérrez-Rodríguez (eds.): Decolonizing European Sociology. Transdisciplinary Approaches*, (English) Farnham: Ashgate, pp. 13-32 and translations
- 2010: *Class vs. Other. Selective Incorporation of Migrants into Theory*, in: Jones, Terry-Ann/Mielants, Eric (eds.): *Flows of People and Money across the World-System*, Boulder/London: Paradigm Publishers, pp. 38-54
- 2009: *Lange Wellen des Okzidentalismus. Ver-Fremden von Gender, Rasse und Ethnizität im modernen Weltssystem* (Long Waves of Occidentalism. Gender, Racial and Ethnic Othering in the Modern World-System), in: Gabriele Dietze/Claudia Brunner/Edith Wenzel (eds.): *De/Konstruktionen von Okzidentalismus. Eine geschlechterkritische Intervention in die Herstellung des Eigenen am Anderen*, Bielefeld: transcript, pp. 233-250
- 2008: *La négociation de l'identité raciale dans l'Europe de l'Est d'Hier et d'Aujourd'hui*, in: Mestiri, Mohamed/Grosfoguel, Ramón/Soum, El Yamine (eds.): *Islamophobie dans le monde moderne*, IIT Editions: Saint Ouen, pp. 87-111
- 2008: *Diskriminierung in der longue durée. Von der Notwendigkeit der Kontextualisierung von Strukturproblemen* (Discrimination in the *longue durée*. On the Necessity of Contextualizing Structural Problems), in: Rehberg, Karl Siegbert (ed.): *Die Natur der Gesellschaft. Verhandlungsband des 33. Kongresses der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Soziologie*, Frankfurt: Campus Verlag, CD-ROM, pp. 2018-2027

- 2008: Define and Rule. The Role of Orientalism in (Re)Colonizing Eastern Europe, in: Samman, Khaldoun/Al-Zo'by, Mazhar (eds.): Islam and the Modern Orientalist World-System, Paradigm: Boulder/London, pp. 187-201  
*abridged version reprinted in:* Paul Dobrescu/Andrei Țăranu/Alina Bârgăoanu (eds.): Globalization and Policies of Development, Bucharest 2007, pp. 32-40
- 2006: One Modernity? The 'War for Men's Minds' in Peripheral Contexts, in: Costa, Sérgio/Knöbl, Wolfgang/Domingues, José Mauricio/Pereira da Silva, Josué (eds.): The Plurality of Modernity. Decentring Sociology, München/Mering: Hampp, pp. 57-70
- 2006: Die zu Ende gedachte Moderne. Alternative Theoriekonzepte in den lateinamerikanischen und osteuropäischen Peripherien (Modernity Thought Through. Alternative Theoretical Concepts in the Latin American and Eastern European Peripheries), in: Thomas Schwinn (ed.): Die Vielfalt und Einheit der Moderne, VS-Verlag: Wiesbaden, pp. 283-306  
*revised version reprinted in: Zeitschrift für Weltgeschichte*, 10 (1), 2009, pp. 81-112
- 2006: (with Claudia Neudecker) Einleitung. Eine interdisziplinäre Sicht auf Dimensionen der Fremdheit (Introduction. An Interdisciplinary Perspective on Alterity Dimensions), in: Boatcă, Manuela/Neudecker, Claudia/Rinke, Stefan: Des Fremden Freund, des Fremden Feind. Fremdverstehen in interdisziplinärer Perspektive, Waxmann Verlag: Münster, pp. 13-36
- 2004: Zum (umstrittenen) Begriff des Opfers von Menschenhandel (On the Contested Concept of 'Victim' of Human Trafficking, in Sachsen-Anhalt/Landeszentrale für politische Bildung (eds.): Proceedings of the conference „Frauenmigration. Zwischen Gewalt, Ausbeutung und Willen zur Selbstbestimmung“, Magdeburg, pp. 63-74
- 2004: (with Siegfried Lamnek) Genese und Internalisierung von Stigmatisierungsprozessen. Zum Zusammenspiel von gesellschaftlichen Strukturen und (Selbst)Definition (Genesis and Internalization of Stigmatization Processes), in: Forster, Rudolf (ed.): Soziologie im Kontext von Behinderung. Theoriebildung, Theorieansätze und singuläre Phänomene, Klinkhardt Verlag: Bad Heilbrunn, pp. 158-174
- 2003: Kulturcode Gewalt (Violence as Cultural Code), in: Lamnek, Siegfried/Boatcă, Manuela (eds.): Geschlecht - Gewalt - Gesellschaft. Otto-von-Freising Tagungen der Katholischen Universität Eichstätt-Ingolstadt, Bd. 4, Opladen: Leske + Budrich, pp. 55-70
- 2003: In Auflösung begriffen? Grenzziehungen als Spiegelbild von Machtstrukturen (About to Disappear? Borders as Reflections of Power Structures), in: Bieswanger, M./Boatcă, M./Grzega, J./Neudecker, C./Rinke, S./Strobl, C. (eds.): Abgrenzen oder Entgrenzen? Zur Produktivität von Grenzen, IKO-Verlag: Frankfurt a.M., pp. 69-85

2003: Die diskursive Macht von Zuschreibungen. Zur Irrfahrt „unumstrittener Ergebnisse“ der Gewaltdebatte (The Discursive Power of Ascriptions. On the Odyssey of ‚unquestioned results‘ in the Debate on Violence), in: Fuchs, M./Luedtke, J. (eds.): *Devianz und andere gesellschaftliche Probleme*, Opladen, pp. 111-130

### Encyclopedia Entries:

2010: Development: Political Economy, in: George Ritzer (ed.): *The Concise Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology*, Blackwell: Malden (in press)

2010: Macrosociology, in: George Ritzer (ed.): *The Concise Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology*, Blackwell: Malden (in press)

2007: Macrosociology, in: George Ritzer (ed.): *Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology online*, [http://www.blackwellreference.com/public/tocnode?id=g9781405124331\\_chunk\\_g978140512433119\\_ss1-145](http://www.blackwellreference.com/public/tocnode?id=g9781405124331_chunk_g978140512433119_ss1-145)

2008: Development: Political Economy, in: George Ritzer (ed.): *Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology*, Blackwell: Malden, vol. III, pp. 1067-1070

### Current research projects

#### **„Europeanisation, multiple modernities and collective identities – religion, nation and ethnicity in an enlarged Europe“ - Coordinator of the Romanian research team**

Research project 2008-2011 within the „Einheit in der Vielfalt? Grundlagen und Voraussetzungen eines erweiterten Europas“ programme of the Volkswagen foundation; Project coordinators: Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Knöbl, Prof. Dr. Matthias Koenig, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen; PD Dr. Willfried Spohn, FU Berlin/New School for Social Research, € 141,500 per year, <http://www.uni-goettingen.de/de/97415.html>

#### **„Desigualdades.net - Research Network on Interdependent Inequalities in Latin America“, Principal Investigator, Socio-Economic Inequalities**

Interdisciplinary research network 2009-2013 for the research of social inequalities in Latin America. Supported by the BMBF (German Federal Ministry of Education and Research) within its funding line on area studies. The Institute for Latin American Studies of the Free University of Berlin and the Ibero-American Institute of the Prussian Cultural Heritage Foundation, Berlin are in overall charge of the research network. € 911,281 per year, <http://www.desigualdades.net/en/index.html>

### Honors, Grants, and Fellowships

- Conference travel grant, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), July 2009
- DAAD/FAPERJ research grant at the Instituto Universitário de Pesquisas do Rio de Janeiro (IUPERJ), Brazil, November 2008-February 2009

- German Research Community (DFG) cooperation grant at the Instituto Universitário de Pesquisas do Rio de Janeiro (IUPERJ), Brazil, August-October 2008
- Conference travel grant, German Research Community (DFG), April 2005
- PhD Thesis Fellowship, Maximilian Bickhoff University Foundation, 2000-2002
- Outstanding Student Award, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt, Germany, 1998
- Advanced Studies Fellowship, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), University of Bonn, Germany 1997-1998
- Advanced Studies Scholarship, British Council, King's School of English, Bournemouth, UK, July-August 1993

## Languages

Romanian (native speaker); English, German (fluent); French, Spanish (very good); Portuguese (good); Italian (reading knowledge).

## Selected Presentations (2002-2010):

„Second Slavery vs. Second Serfdom. Local Labor Regimes of the Global Periphery“, XVIIth World Congress of Sociology of the International Sociological Association, Gothenburg, Sweden, July 11-17, 2010

„Globale Ungleichheiten. Theoretische und methodologische Probleme eines jungen Forschungsfeldes“, at „Wiederkehr der Klassengesellschaft?“, joint conference of the sociological theory and social inequalities sections of the German Sociological Association, Essen, Germany, May 2010

“Marxist Legacies: 21st Century Covenants”, ISA-ABRI Joint International Meeting, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, July 21-24, 2009

“The Quasi-Europes and the Imperial Difference”, 33rd Annual Meeting of the Political Economy of the World-Systems-Section (PEWS) of the American Sociological Association, University of San Diego, California, USA, April 24-26, 2009

“Crossroads: More than One Modernity Meets More than One Colonialism”, First ISA Forum of Sociology, Barcelona, September 5-8, 2008

“Class vs. Other. Selective Incorporation of Migrants into Theory”, 32nd Annual Meeting of the Political Economy of the World-Systems-Section (PEWS) of the American Sociological Association, University of Fairfield, Connecticut, USA, April 23-25, 2008

“Grenzsetzende Macht. Geopolitische Strategien europäischer Identitätsbildung”, annual conference of the political sociology section of the German Sociological Association, Darmstadt, May 2007

“Diskriminierung in der longue durée. Von der Notwendigkeit der Kontextualisierung von Strukturproblemen“, 33rd Congress of the German Sociological Association, University of Kassel, October 9-13, 2006

"The Constraints of Europeanizing Authority: Cultural Politics and Political Culture in Pre-Adherence Romania", XVIth World Congress of Sociology of the International Sociological Association, Durban, South Africa, July 23-29, 2006

"Holding a Mirror Up to Nations: Eastern European Correctives to Concepts of Statehood", XVIth World Congress of Sociology of the International Sociological Association, Durban, South Africa, July 23-29, 2006

"Narcissism Revisited. Social Theoretical Implications and Postcolonial Antidotes", First Annual International Workshop in the Duke-Bremen Series: Transcultural Humanities - Between Globalization and Postcolonial Re-Readings of History, Bremen, June 17-19, 2006

"No Race to the Swift. Negotiating Racial Identity in Past and Present Eastern Europe", Workshop "New Post-911 Racial/Ethnic Configurations: the Problem and Practical Effects of Islamophobia", Maison des Sciences de l'Homme, Paris, June 2-3, 2006

"One Modernity? The 'War for Men's Minds' in Peripheral Contexts", Conference "From World Modernity to Multiple Modernities: Social Theory in the Context of Global Transformation", Rio de Janeiro University Research Institute (IUPERJ), May 5-7, 2005

"The Chance of Interregnum. Revisiting Past Solutions to Systemic Change", 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Political Economy of the World-Systems-Section (PEWS) of the American Sociological Association, University of Massachusetts at Amherst, April 14-16, 2005

"In Auflösung begriffen? Grenzziehungen als Spiegelbild von Machtstrukturen", Workshop "Abgrenzen oder Entgrenzen? Zur Produktivität von Grenzen", Catholic University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt, January 14-15, 2002

### **Invited Papers (2003-2010):**

„German Excellence and Area Studies. Bringing Eurocentrism In through the Back Door“, *Quelles Universités et quels Universalismes demain en Europe ? Un dialogue avec les Amériques*, Université Sorbonne III, Paris, May 2010

“The Epistemology of Frontiers and the Frontiers of Epistemology”, NORFACE – B/ordering Europe: the Frontier Workshop, Nijmegen, The Netherlands, September 26-27, 2008

“Múltiples Europas y la mística de la unidad”, Seminario Internacional Complutense “La descolonización de la modernidad eurocentrica: un diálogo entre América Latina y Europa”, Universidad Complutense Madrid, May 7-9, 2007



“Terror/Kriege. Produktion von Differenz und der historische Zwang zu Wissenslücken”, Annual Colloquium of the Working Group for Peace and Conflict Research e.V. (AFK), Evangelische Akademie Iserlohn, February 23-25, 2007

"The Imperial/Colonial Border. Chances and Pitfalls for Knowledge Production", Workshop on „Coloniality at Large: From the Periphery of the European Union“, Duke University/University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, September 28-29, 2006

"Peripheral Solutions to Peripheral Development. The Case of Early 20th Century Romania", Institute for the Research of World-Systems, University of California at Riverside, April 2004

"'Catching up with the West': The Recurrent Challenge of the Civilizing Mission in 19th and 21th Century Romania", Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle, March 20, 2003

“Zum (umstrittenen) Begriff des Opfers von Menschenhandel”, Conference “Frauenmigration. Zwischen Gewalt, Ausbeutung und Willen zur Selbstbestimmung”, September 23-24, 2003, Magdeburg

## **Courses Taught**

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| Winter 2010/11:<br>(in progress) | The Americas: Connections and Divergencies<br>Latin America as Laboratory of Modernity (with Barbara Fritz)<br>Graduate and doctoral research seminar (with Sérgio Costa) |
| Summer 2010:                     | Global Social Inequalities (with Sérgio Costa)<br>Graduate and doctoral research seminar (with Sérgio Costa)<br>Development: Theories and Policies                        |
| Winter 2009/10:                  | Introduction to Sociology I : Basic Concepts<br>Progress, Development, Modernization: Concepts of Social Change in Theories of Modernity                                  |
| Summer 2009:                     | Europe as a Project, a Process and a Problem<br>Reading Course: Max Weber<br>Gender Identities: Construct vs. Social Reality  |
| Winter 2008:                     | Reading Course: Karl Marx<br>Introduction to Sociology I: Basic Concepts  |
| Summer 2008:                     | Globalisation and Social Inequalities<br>Introduction to Sociology II: Theoretical Approaches   |
| Winter 2007/08:                  | Macrosociologia do seculo XXI (IUPERJ, Brasil)<br>(English and Portuguese)  |
| Summer 2007:                     | Identity and Alterity as Categories of a Sociology of Culture   |

- Macrosociology of the 21st Century
- Winter 2006/07: Introduction to Sociology I : Basic Concepts  
Reading Course: Emile Durkheim
- Summer 2006: Introduction to Sociology II: Theoretical Approaches  
Cultural Change and Evolutionary Theory
- Winter 2005/06: Gender Identities: Construct vs. Social Reality  
Reading Course: Max Weber
- Summer 2005: Identity and Alterity as Categories of a Sociology of Culture  
Progress, Development, Modernization: Concepts of Social Change in  
Theories of Modernity
- Winter 2004/05: Introduction to Sociology: Basic Concepts  
Reading Course: Karl Marx
- Summer 2004: Introduction to Sociology: Theoretical Approaches  
Social Inequality and the Educational Expansion
- Winter 2003/04: Cultural Change and Evolutionary Theory  
Gender Identities: Construct vs. Social Reality
- Winter 2002/03: Progress, Development, Modernization: Concepts of Social Change in  
Theories of Modernity

### **Other Professional Activities, Service and Memberships**

Member of the editorial board, *Zeitschrift für Weltgeschichte* (since 2010)

Series editor, *Zentrum und Peripherie* series, Hampp Verlag, Munich (since 2010)

Series editor, *Gesellschaft-Entwicklung-Politik*, Mandelbaum Verlag, Vienna (since 2010)

Member of the editorial board, *Journal of World-Systems Research* (since 2008)

ERASMUS coordinator of the academic exchange with the universities of Salamanca (Spain),  
Bucharest (Romania) and Pilsen (Czech Republic), Catholic University of Eichstätt-  
Ingolstadt

Equal Opportunity Commissioner, Faculty of Historical and Social Sciences, Catholic  
University of Eichstätt (2005-2009)

Member, Examination Committee, Department of Sociology, Catholic University of Eichstätt  
(2003-2010)

Council Member, Faculty of Historical and Social Sciences, Catholic University of Eichstätt

Council Member, Interdisciplinary Working Group “Normalcy of the Other”, Catholic  
University of Eichstätt (1998-2008)

Member, International Sociological Association (ISA)

Secretary-Treasurer, Thematic Group 02 Historical and Comparative Sociology, International Sociological Association (ISA) (since 2007)

Member, Political Sociology Section, German Sociological Association (DGS) (since 2006)

Member, Sociology of East and East Central Europe Section, German Sociological Association

Member, Center for Latin American Studies (ZILAS), Catholic University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt (since 2006)

Member, German Association for Research on Latin America (ADLAF) (since 2005)