

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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## AREAS OF INTEREST

- political philosophy, especially of economic institutions
- ethics and political theory of resistance and social change
- business ethics

## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

since 04/2025: wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter (Postdoc), Munich School of Politics and Public Policy at TUM

11/2024 - 07/2025: Docent (Fixed-term lecturer), Ethics Institute, Utrecht University

09/2020 - 10/2024: PhD Researcher, Utrecht University. Full-time position in Rutger Claassen's ERC project "The Business Corporation as a Political Actor"

09/2022 - 12/2022: Visiting Research Fellow, Brown University. Host: Alex Gourevitch

04/2018 - 08/2020: Teaching and Research Assistant, Ruhr-University Bochum. Chair of Practical Philosophy, esp. Political Philosophy and Philosophy of Law, Prof. Corinna Mieth

## EDUCATION

PhD in Philosophy, Utrecht University, 2025. Thesis Title: *Democratizing Business Corporations. An Exercise in Transitional Theory*. Available online. Supervisors: Rutger Claassen and Maurits de Jongh. Examination committee: Alex Gourevitch, Christian Neuhäuser, Ingrid Robeyns, Lisa Herzog and Mauro Bonazzi

MA in "Ethics - Economics, Law and Politics (EELP)", Ruhr-University Bochum, 2020

BA in Philosophy with a minor in Business Studies, Goethe-University Frankfurt, 2017

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Philipp Stehr, "A Democratic Right to Political Strikes," *Political Philosophy* 2, no. 2 (2025), <https://doi.org/10.16995/pp.18607>

Philipp Stehr, "Expropriation as a Measure of Corporate Reform: Learning from the Berlin Initiative," *European Journal of Political Theory* 24, no. 1 (2025): 70–91, <https://doi.org/10.1177/14748851231197799>

Philipp Stehr, “The Boundary Problem in Workplace Democracy: Who Constitutes the Corporate Demos?,” *Political Theory* 51, no. 3 (2023): 507–529, <https://doi.org/10.1177/00905917221131821>

#### WORK IN PROGRESS

Drafts available upon request. Titles withheld to protect anonymous peer review.

An article defending strikes as a means for workers to combat degeneration in democratic corporations. Article under review: R&R at *Journal of Social Philosophy*

An article on the problem of making managers cooperate in democratizing firms, arguing for the permissibility of a temporary workers’ dictatorship. Article under review

An article on the ethics of dismissal, arguing that people’s life plans in employment are a strong reason to protect them from dismissal. Co-authored with Daniel Sharp. Article under review

An article defending an agonistic perspective on corporate governance, arguing that unions should be a key part of such a framework. Co-authored with Chi Kwok. Article under review

#### SHORTER WRITINGS AND PUBLIC PHILOSOPHY

Barbara Bziuk and Philipp Stehr, “What Is Wrong with the World Power System and What Can Accounting Do About It?,” *Journal of Law and Political Economy* 3, no. 3 (2023), <https://doi.org/10.5070/LP63361150>

Philipp Stehr, *Dienstpflicht von unten*, praefaktisch.de, 2023 [Link](#)

Savriel Dillingh and Philipp Stehr, *Hoe lossen we de wooncrisis op?*, Bij Nader Inzien, 2022 [Link](#)

Philipp Stehr, *A Match Made in Law? On Corporations and Their Uncomfortable Fit with Democracy*, Blog of the APA, 2021 [Link](#)

Philipp Stehr, *Das Berliner Volksbegehren und die politische Theorie des Unternehmens*, praefaktisch.de, 2021 [Link](#)

#### CONFERENCE ORGANISATION

- *Reconceiving Business Corporations in Times of Political Contestation*, 22 - 24 May 2025, Utrecht, with Uğur Aytac and Rutger Claassen
- MANCEPT Workshop: *Business Corporations, Non-ideal Theory, and Social Change*, 11 - 12 September 2023, Manchester, with Barbara Bziuk
- *Democracy and the Corporation*, 16 - 18 March 2022, Utrecht, with Rutger Claassen

## SERVICE

Peer Review for:

- Book Review for Springer Nature (2025)
- *Review of Social Economy* (2025)
- *Journal of Social Philosophy* (2023, 2024, 2025)
- *Critical Horizons* (2024)
- *Erasmus Journal for Philosophy and Economics* (2023, 2024)
- *Political Theory* (2023)

## TEACHING

- At TU Munich
  - *Power, Injustice, and Resistance* (Political Science BA); course design, coordination and seminar teacher (Fall 2025)
  - *The Political Theory of Big Tech* (Politics and Technology MA); course design and coordination, co-taught with Manon Westphal (Fall 2025)
  - *Introduction to Political Theory* (Political Science BA); course design and seminar teacher, co-taught with Manon Westphal (Fall 2025)
  - *Democratic Innovations* (Political Science BA), co-taught with Manon Westphal (Spring 2025)
- At Utrecht University
  - *Uncivil Resistance* (Applied Ethics MA, Philosophy MA); course design and coordination. (Spring 2025)
  - Bachelor thesis supervision: six students, in Dutch and English (Philosophy BA, spring 2025)
  - *Metaethics* (Philosophy BA); seminar teacher, co-taught with Janis Schaab (Spring 2025)
  - *Introduction to Practical Ethics* (Philosophy minor); seminar teacher, co-taught with Pepijn Al and Uwe Peters (Spring 2025)
  - *Ethics and Public Policy* (PPE BA); seminar teacher; co-taught with Yara Al Salman and Lila Braunschweig (Fall 2024)
  - *History and Philosophy of the Welfare State* (PPE BA minor); course coordinator, lecturer and seminar teacher; Interdisciplinary course co-taught with Esther Baakman (Fall 2024)
  - *Ethics and Public Policy* (Applied Ethics MA); seminar teacher; co-taught with Frans Brom (Fall 2024)
  - *Political Philosophy* (PPE BA); seminar teacher; co-taught with with Barbara Bziuk, Rutger Claassen (Spring 2023) and Dorothea Gädeke (Spring 2022)
- As teaching assistant at Ruhr-University Bochum:
  - 2020: *Universal Basic Income*. Seminar for EELP MA students, with Martin Sticker
  - 2019: *Human Enhancement*. Seminar for EELP MA students, with Marcelo Araujo
  - 2018: *Legitimacy*. Seminar for EELP MA students, with Ana Matan

- 2018, 2019, 2020: *Introduction to Ethics*. Tutorial teacher for 1st year philosophy students, with Corinna Mieth (2018, 2020) and Klaus Steigleder (2019)
- Training in Teaching
  - Ongoing: University Teaching Qualification at Utrecht University (9-month teaching development course, >125 hours total workload)
  - 2021: PhD Teaching course at Utrecht University (15-hour course)
  - 2019: Introductory teaching course for teaching assistants at Ruhr-University Bochum (12-hour course)

## PRESENTATIONS

- *A Life Plan View of Employment and the Ethics of Dismissal* (with Daniel Sharp)
  - Dortmund Disputes on Economic Justice, 13 June 2025
- *A Democratic Right to Political Strikes*
  - Tagung für praktische Philosophie, Passau, 26 September 2025
  - Deutscher Kongress für Philosophie, Münster, 23 September 2024
  - OZSW Annual Conference, Eindhoven, 30 August 2024
- *A Right to Strike in Democratic Corporations?*
  - MANCEPT Workshop: Economic Democracy: Normative and Practical Challenges, Manchester, 4 September 2025
  - Association for Social and Political Philosophy (ASPP) Annual Conference 2024, Swansea, 11 July 2024
  - Workshop für politische Philosophie, Düsseldorf, 5 July 2024
- *On a problem for workplace democracy and its solution via a workers' dictatorship*
  - ECPR General Conference, Dublin, 12 August 2024
  - 13th Braga meetings on Ethics and Political Philosophy, 16 June 2023
  - EURO-DEM Workshop: Varieties of Workplace Democracy: from specific models to a political economy, Berlin, 8 June 2023
  - OZSW Annual Conference, Leiden, 2 June 2023
  - Workshop für politische Philosophie, Düsseldorf, 25 May 2023
- *Expropriation as a Measure of Corporate Reform - Learning from the Berlin Initiative*
  - Association for Social and Political Philosophy (ASPP) Annual Conference 2022, Durham, 13 July 2022
  - Utrecht Philosophy Graduate Conference, 13 May 2022
- *Defining the Corporate Demos*
  - VIII. Tagung für praktische Philosophie, Salzburg, 1 October 2021
  - Oxford Graduate Conference in Political Theory, 27 April 2021

## LANGUAGES

- German: native reading, writing and speaking
- English: fluent reading, writing and speaking
- Spanish: proficient reading, very good writing and speaking
- Dutch: good reading, writing and speaking
- French: basic reading, writing and speaking

## REFERENCES

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