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### **Education**

2014	Ph.D., Social Sciences, University of Cologne.
	Thesis title: "Große Hoffnungen und instabile Ordnungen."
	Committee: Jens Beckert, Mark Ebers, Wolfgang Streeck
	(summa cum laude).
2010	M.A., Sociology and Political Science, RWTH Aachen (with distinction).
2008	B.A., Sociology, Economics, and Economic History, RWTH Aachen.

# **Employment**

since 2015	Senior Researcher, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies,
	Cologne. Ombudsman, Member of the Works Council.
2014-2015	Post-doc, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies, Cologne.
2010-2014	International Max Planck Research School on the Social and Political
	Constitution of the Economy (IMPRS-SPCE), Cologne.
2009-2010	Research Assistant, Sociology of Technology and Organization,
	RWTH Aachen.
2008-2010	Research Assistant, Sociology, RWTH Aachen.

# Visiting Positions

Spring 2019	Visiting scholar, Department of Sociology,
	Columbia University, New York City.
Fall 2012	Visiting student, Department of Political Science,
	Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge.

#### **Awards**

2015	Theodor-Wessels-Preis. EWI Cologne. For research contributions
	in energy economics and energy policy.
2010	Springorum Coin. RWTH Aachen. For outstanding final exams.
2010	Dean's List. RWTH Aachen. (3% university-wide).
2010	Thesis award. Department of Sociology, RWTH Aachen. Thesis title:
	"Wirtschaftlicher Wettbewerb und soziale Ordnung."

#### **Publications**

#### **Books**

2015 Große Hoffnungen und brüchige Koalitionen. Politik, Industrie und die schwierige Durchsetzung der Photovoltaik. Frankfurt am Main/New

York, Campus.

Reviewed in Sonne Wind & Wärme 06-2016 and Gesellschaft für

Energiewissenschaft und Energiepolitik

#### Articles

2019 Varieties of Economization in Competition Policy: Institutional Change in

German and American Antitrust, 1960-2000. Review of International

Political Economy Online First (with S. Kohl).

#### *Book chapters*

2018 The Dilemma between Aligned Expectations and Diversity in Innovation:

Evidence from Early Energy Technology Policies. In: Jens Beckert and Richard Bronk (eds.), *Uncertain Futures: Imaginaries, Narratives, and Calculation in the Economy*. Oxford, Oxford University Press, pp. 298–318.

#### Others

The Symmetric Fallacy: The Dangers of Symmetric Reasoning in the

Social Sciences. CES Open Forum Series, no. 32. Center for European

Studies, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA (with L. Haffert).

2018	Unsichere Zukünfte und die Entstehung von Kooperation. Wie
	Erwartungen kollektives Handeln ermöglichen. MPIfG Discussion Paper
	18/8. Cologne: MPIfG (with M. Seeliger.)
2018	2018. Zwischen Offenheit und Festlegung. Ein Dilemma in der Förderung
	von Innovationen. Gesellschaftsforschung 1.18, pp. 14–15.
2018	2018. Brexit, Nationalismus, Abstiegsängste: Soziologen untersuchen
	Zukunftserwartungen. Radiointerview. Deutschlandfunk, Aus Kultur- und
	Sozialwissenschaften, 15. November 2018 (with L. Suckert).
2017	Die Zukunft im Forschungsprogramm des Max-Planck-Instituts für
	Gesellschaftsforschung. Gesellschaftsforschung 2.17, pp. 12–15 (with J.
	Beckert).
2017	Varieties of Economization in Competition Policy: A Comparative
	Analysis of German and American Antitrust Doctrines, 1960–2000. MPIfG
	Discussion Paper 17/18. Cologne: MPIfG (with S. Kohl.)
2017	Coalitional Cohesion in Technology Policy: The Case of the Early Solar
	Cell Industry in the United States. MPIfG Discussion Paper 17/7. Cologne:
	MPIfG.
2016	Große Hoffnungen und brüchige Koalitionen: Industrie, Politik und die
	schwierige Durchsetzung der Photovoltaik. MPIfG Jahrbuch 2015–2016,
	pp. 37–42.
2015	Die ökonomische Theorie in Zeiten systemischer Krisen: Zur
	analytischen und sozialen Geschichte der Makroökonomie. Die Scholar in
	Residence Lectures von Robert Boyer. Gesellschaftsforschung 1.15, p. 24.
2015	In der Solarbranche kämpfte jeder für sich. Interview mit Hartmut
	Steiger. VDI-Nachrichten 2015.15, p. 11.
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Teaching	
2018	Good academic practice and its problems. Seminar for early-career
	researchers. MPIfG Cologne.
2018	Organisationssoziologie multinationaler Unternehmen. Seminar for

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Innovation & society. Seminar for master and doctoral students. University

Economy & society II. Seminar for master and doctoral students. MPIfG

undergraduate students. University of Duisburg-Essen.

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of Cologne.

Cologne.

- 2017 Economy & society II. Seminar for master and doctoral students. MPIfG
   Cologne. With Jens Beckert.
   2016 Economy & society II. Seminar for master and doctoral students. MPIfG
   Cologne. With Jens Beckert.
- 2014–2015 TA for *Economy & society I & II*, Seminars for master and doctoral students, by Jens Beckert. MPIfG Cologne.

#### Presentations at professional meetings

2018	Nationale Spielarten multinationaler Konzernaktivität – Der Fall Schwedens.
	Ad-hoc Gruppe Komparative Wirtschaftssoziologie auf dem 39. Kongress
	der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Soziologie. Universität Göttingen, 24–28
	September.
2018	Unsicherheit über die Zukunft als strategisches Mittel im Wandel von Märkten.
	Sektionsveranstaltung der Sektion Wirtschaftssoziologie auf dem 39.
	Kongress der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Soziologie. Universität Göttingen,
	24–28 September.
2018	Wirtschaftliche Untergangszenarien und die Durchsetzung neoliberaler Politik.
	Frühjahrstagung der DGS-Sektion Wirtschaftssoziologie Ökonomischer
	Nationalismus? "Nation" und "Nationalismus" in der soziologischen
	Analyse wirtschaftlicher Ordnungen. Universität Graz, 1–2 July.
2017	The Symmetric Fallacy in Political Economy. 29th Annual Meeting of the

- 2017 The Symmetric Fallacy in Political Economy. 29th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics, Université de Lyon 1, 29 June–1 July.
- The Impaired Economization of European Antitrust: The Quarrel over the "Effects-Based Approach" in European Competition Policy. 28th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics, University of California, Berkeley, 24–26 June.
- 2016 Commercial Countermovements: The Case of Alternative Energy Support. 28th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics, University of California, Berkeley, 24–26 June.
- 2016 The American Industrial Policy Debate and the Politics of the Future Economy.

  Industrial Decline and the Rise of the Service Sector? International conference by the Institut für Zeitgeschichte, Munich and the German Historical Institute, Washington, D.C, Munich, 16–17 June.

2015 Policy Feedback, Sectoral Fragmentation and Germany's Elusive Solar
 Economy. 22nd International Conference of Europeanists, Sciences Po
 Paris, July 8–10.
 2015 Big Promises and Fragile Coalitions – The Political Economy of the Early
 Photovoltaic Industry. 27th Annual Meeting of the Society for the
 Advancement of Socio-Economics, London School of Economics and
 Political Science, 2–4 July.
 2015 The Politics of Competition in the German Photovoltaics Industry. 13e Congrès
 de l'Association Française de Science Politiques. Sciences Po Aix en
 Provence, 22–24 June.

## **Conference organization**

Since 2018	Co-organizer of the SASE Research Network "Digital Economy."
2018	Mini-Conference Marketization and the Digital Economy. 30th Annual
	Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics, Doshisha
	University, Kyoto, 23–25 June 2018.
2018	Mini-Conference Revisiting Nonliberal Capitalism: Germany and Japan Ten
	Years After the Great Financial Crisis. 30th Annual Meeting of the Society for
	the Advancement of Socio-Economics, Doshisha University, Kyoto, 23–25
	June 2018.
2017	The Making of Neoliberalism. Conference at the MPIfG Cologne, 13–14 July.
	With Ariane Leendertz.
2017	Mini-Conference Competition in Digital Capitalism: New Patterns and New
	Rules. 29th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Socio-
	Economics, Université de Lyon 1, 29 June–1 July.