

## TIMUR ERGEN

- experience** Senior Researcher, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies, 2015–.  
(full-time parental leaves 12/2017–02/2018 & 10/2020–03/2021.)  
John F. Kennedy Memorial Fellow, Harvard University, 09/2022–07/2023.  
Visiting Researcher, Department of Sociology, Columbia University, 02/2019–07/2019.  
Post-doc, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies, 2014–2015.  
Visiting Student, Department of Political Science, M.I.T., 08/2012–01/2013.
- education** Dr. rer. pol. (summa cum laude), University of Cologne, 14<sup>th</sup> October 2014.  
Master of Arts, Sociology and Political Science, RWTH Aachen (with distinction), 2010.  
Bachelor of Arts, Sociology, Economics, and Economic History, RWTH Aachen, 2008.
- awards** Socio-economic Review best article award shortlist, 2023.  
Theodor-Wessels-Award. For research contributions in energy economics and policy, 2015.  
Outstanding thesis award. Department of Sociology, RWTH Aachen, 2010.  
Springorum Coin. RWTH Aachen. For outstanding final exams, 2010.  
Dean's List. RWTH Aachen (3% university-wide), 2010.
- publications** *Book*  
2015. *Große Hoffnungen und brüchige Koalitionen. Politik, Industrie und die schwierige Durchsetzung der Photovoltaik*. Campus Verlag.
- Journal Articles (peer-reviewed)*  
2023. Firm Foundations: The Statistical Footprint of Multinational Corporations as a Problem for Political Economy. *Competition & Change* 27, 1, 44–73 (with B. Braun & S. Kohl.)  
2023. The Silicon Valley Imaginary: U.S. Tax Reform in the 1980s. *Socio-economic Review* 21, 2, 935–957 (with I. Rademacher.)  
2023. No Strings Attached: Corporate Welfare, State Intervention, and the Issue of Conditionality. *Competition & Change* 27, 2, 253–276 (with F. Bulfone & M. Kalaitzake.)  
2022. Rival Views of Economic Competition. *Socio-economic Review* 20, 3, 937–965 (with S. Kohl).  
2022. Contested Futures: Reimagining Energy Infrastructures in the First Oil Crisis. *Historical Social Research* 47, 4, 242–266 (with L. Suckert.)  
2021. Shifting Patterns of Expectations Management in Innovation Policy: A Comparative Analysis of Solar Energy Policy in the United States, Japan and Germany. *Energy Research and Social Science* 79, 102177 (with M. Umemura.)  
2021. Is More Mittelstand the Answer? Firm Size and the Crisis of Democratic Capitalism. *Analyse & Kritik* 43, 1, 41–70 (with S. Kohl.)

2019. Wirtschaftliche Untergangsszenarien und neoliberale Reformen. *Leviathan* 47, 2, 144–168.

2019. Varieties of Economization in Competition Policy: Institutional Change in German and American Antitrust, 1960–2000. *Review of International Political Economy* 26, 2, 256–286 (with S. Kohl.)

*Book chapters (selection)*

2023. The Future in the Economy. In: Milan Zafirovsky (ed.), *The International Handbook of Economic Sociology*. Milton Park: Routledge, 583–600 (with M. Seeliger.)

2021. Transcending History's Heavy Hand: The Future in Economic Action. In: Andrea Maurer (ed.), *Handbook of Economic Sociology for the 21st Century*. London, Springer Nature, 79–94 (with J. Beckert.)

2018. The Dilemma between Aligned Expectations and Diversity in Innovation. In: Jens Beckert and Richard Bronk (eds.), *Uncertain Futures: Imaginaries, Narratives, and Calculation in the Economy*. Oxford, Oxford University Press, pp. 298–318.

**teaching**

2024. Sociology of markets. Doctoral seminar. Sciences Po Paris (with O. Pilmis) (24h.)  
2016–2022. Annual seminars on Good Academic Practice. MPIfG Cologne (8h).  
2021. Green energy transitions. Undergraduate seminar. University of Wuppertal (33h.)  
2019. Foundations of institutional theory. Master's seminar. University of Cologne (28h).  
2018. Organisationssoziologie multinationaler Unternehmen. Undergraduate seminar. University of Duisburg-Essen (with S. Kohl) (42h.)  
2018. Innovation & society. Master's seminar. University of Cologne (32h).  
2018. Economy & society II. Doctoral seminar. MPIfG Cologne (28h).  
2017. Economy & society II. Doctoral seminar. MPIfG Cologne (with J. Beckert) (30h.)  
2016. Economy & society II. Doctoral seminar. MPIfG Cologne (with J. Beckert) (30h.)

**stipends & grants**

International seminar grant, Université Franco-Allemande, 2023.  
John F. Kennedy Memorial Fellowship, Harvard University, 2022.  
Travel grants. Deutscher akademischer Austauschdienst, 2019, 2018, 2016.  
PhD stipend. International Max Planck Research School, 2010–2014.

**service**

Presidential Search Committee. Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics, 2023.  
Graduate Grant Review Committee. Center for European Studies, Harvard University, 2023.  
Early Career Workshop Faculty. Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics, 2022.  
SER Best Article Prize Committee. Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics, 2021.  
Executive Council. Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics, 2020–.  
First Generation Doctorate Mentoring+. University of Cologne, 2019.  
Digital Economy Network Chair. Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics, 2018–  
Works Council Member. Max-Planck-Institute for the Study of Societies, 2018–2022.  
Ombudsperson. Max-Planck-Institute for the Study of Societies, 2016–2022.  
Doctoral Spokesperson. IMPRS-SPCE, 2011–2013.

- recent talks**
- 2023. New paradigm and tools for industrial policy. ICIPO2023. International Conference on Industrial Policy, 25–27 August, Bangkok (with E. Maggor & F. Bulfone.)
  - 2023. Imaginaries of industrial change in Germany and the United States. 34th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics, 20–22 July 2023.
  - 2023. Organizing decline: Deindustrialization in Germany and the United States. Loughborough University London. 12 June.
  - 2023. Rival views of economic competition. Economic Sociology Graduate Seminar, UC San Diego, 15 May.
  - 2023. Deindustrialization as structural fact and political idea. New Research in Europe Seminar. Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, 22 March.
  - 2022. Free markets à la carte: Infrastructural power in the European green deal. Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies, European University Institute, Florence, 12 December (with L. Schmitz.)
  - 2022. The first oil crisis and the role of multi-layered interpretative struggles in bringing about alternative futures. Conference ‘Governing (by) expertise. The politics of social scientific knowledge production.’ ENS Paris-Saclay, 28–29 April.
- conference organization**
- 2021. Panels series *The role of the state in digital transitions*. 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics. 2–5 July.
  - 2018. Mini-conference *Marketization and the digital economy*. 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics, 23–25 June.
  - 2018. Mini-conference *Revisiting neoliberal capitalism: Germany and Japan ten years after the great financial crisis*. 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics, 23–25 June.
  - 2017. *The making of neoliberalism*. MPIfG Cologne, 13–14 July (with A. 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, 29 June–1 July.
- reviewer**
- Comparative Political Studies, Competition & Change, Enterprise & Society, European Journal of Sociology, Journal for Technology Assessment in Theory and Practice, Independent Research Fund Denmark, Leviathan, MPIfG Discussion Paper Series, Österreichische Akademie der Wissenschaften, Oxford University Press, Policy & Internet, Perspectives on Politics, Review of International Political Economy, Review of Social Economics, Routledge, Schweizerischer Nationalfonds, Social Forces, Socio-economic Review, Strategic Organization, Weizenbaum Journal for the Digital Society.
- memberships**
- American Sociological Association, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Soziologie, Hamburger Kolloquium für Sozialtheorie, Hertie Foundation Fellows & Friends, Society for the Advancement of Socioeconomics, Weatherhead Research Cluster on Comparative Inequality and Inclusion at Harvard University (2022–2023 Affiliate.)