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**Profiles** 

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## **PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS**

- Information systems-enabled organizational transformation, human-centered perspective: Transformation management
- Artificial intelligence (AI): Explainable AI
- Cognitive psychology: Human-Al interactions

I am interested in how people can use digital technologies to improve knowledge management, augment human intelligence and promote sustainable development. With my professional interests, I want to contribute to the deployment of emerging technologies, especially AI, to have a positive impact on society. Taking a human-centered perspective, I see a well-designed implementation process as one of the key success factors.

#### **EDUCATION**

University of Liechtenstein (external): Ph.D. Business Economics / Dr. rer. oec. (magna cum laude) 09/2020 - 03/2023, Vaduz, Liechtenstein

Dissertation title: "The role of self and place in the digital world: Challenges for hybrid work and virtual collaboration".

## WHU – Otto Beisheim School of Management: Doctoral Programm in Business Administration (transferred to University of Liechtenstein)

10/2017 – 08/2020, Vallendar, Germany

Research area: "IS-enabled organizational transformation".

## Higher School of Economics (HSE): Magister in Strategic Logistics Management

09/2010 - 07/2012, Moscow, Russia

Master thesis: "Elaboration and implementation of IT-based inventory control systems in the retailing sector: The case of OOO Enter".

## Philipps-University Marburg: Exchange Study

10/2007 – 08/2008, Marburg, Germany

DAAD European Recovery Programme Scholarship (Economics Graduate Scholarship): exchange semesters WS07 and SS08; focus on Supply Chain Management and Controlling.

## Higher School of Economics: Diploma in International Business

09/2004 – 06/2010, Moscow, Russia (with honors)

Qualification paper: "Supply chain management approach to the development of the automotive industry in Russia".

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

## WHU – Otto Beisheim School of Management: Research Assistant

10/2017 – 03/2021, from 09/2021 till now, Vallendar, Germany (part-time, fixed-term contract)

Teaching support, co-supervision of B.Sc.- and M.Sc.- students (see below), setup of VR-Lab, participation in research projects.

## leap in time GmbH: Researcher

04/2021 – 07/2021, Darmstadt, Germany (full-time, fixed-term contract)

Preparation of applications by Ethics Commission, preparation and execution of online surveys, conducting of literature reviews, scientific documentation of research.

## Russian Presidential Academy of National Economy and Public Administration: Consultant and Research Associate

05/2013 – 10/2017, Moscow, Russia (full-time, permanent contract)

Business analysis (consulting on economic and business topics, e.g., business processes optimization; strategic consulting, pricing mechanisms), theory-based elaboration of economic policy for state authorities (SMEs support, infrastructure development, private-public projects implementation, etc.).

## OOO Enter: SCM Specialist, with Focus on Digitalization

12/2011 – 04/2013, Moscow, Russia (full-time, permanent contract)

Digitalization of cross-functional communication and coordination processes; automation of the demand forecasting and supply planning processes (various product groups); business analysis using BI; distribution chain optimization.

## GlaxoSmithKlein: Business (SCM) Analyst within an IT Project

03/2011 – 11/2011, Moscow, Russia (full-time, fixed-term contract)

Digitalization of cross-functional communication and coordination processes; automation of the process of reporting on supply and distribution chain performance; SQL programming and data warehouse management and business analysis (Cognos BI); presentation of results for CEOs; training sessions for key account managers.

## Daimler AG: Internship

08/2008 - 01/2009, Stuttgart, Germany

Assistance at Purchasing Department (International Procurement Services Department), supplier assessment, and purchasing activities.

#### **RESEARCH STAYS**

## National University of Science and Technology: Visiting Researcher

03/2022 – 05/2022, Trondheim, Norway (by Prof. Dr. Patrick Mikalef)

Research area: machine learning (Al)-based systems, human-Al collaboration, cognitive psychology. Presentation of the study (working paper) at the research seminar of the COMPAMA Project.

#### **Durham University Business School: Visiting Researcher**

10/2018 – 11/2018, Durham, UK (by Assistant Professor Dr. Min Liu)

Research area: socio-cognitive issues hindering (digital) transformation, social psychology.

Development of the agent-based simulation model (NetLogo) for a short paper.

#### SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY

Support by the M.Sc. and B.Sc. admission procedures (WHU) (since 2018)

Assessor: final interviews with candidates (on campus and/or online); assessment of group work (on campus); evaluation of presentations and talks on Kira Talent (online).

Irmgard-and-Erich-Schneider-Foundation Scholarships program (WHU) (since 2020)

Program Manager: announcement of calls for scholarships, evaluation of applications, interviews with candidates, suggestion of candidates for the scholarship, communication with scholarship holders and the accounting department.

WHU Doctoral Committee (WHU) (2018-2020)

Member: support by selecting candidates for Deutschlandstipendium (evaluation of application documents).

First aider / responder (WHU) (since 2019; certified by Arbeiter-Samariter-Bund Deutschland e.V., since 09/2021).

#### MEMBERSHIPS AND SERVICE TO THE SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY AND AWARDS

Association for Information Systems, AIS SIGs Artificial Intelligence & Autonomous Application, IS-Cognitive Research (SIG IS-CoRE), Decision Support and Analytics (SIG DSA).

AOM CTO Division (Academy of Management; Communication, Digital Technology, and Organization Division):

service as a webmaster since January 2019

service as student representative (2-year fixed term) August 2020 – August 2022

Ad-hoc Reviewer for: AOM Annual Meeting, BPM, DESRIST, ECIS, ICIS, WI:

AOM OCIS Best Reviewer Award 2020 AOM CTO Best Reviewer Award 2022.

## SOFTWARE AND SKILLS

Data analysis: Python (basic skills; topic modeling); Stata; NVIVO (analysis of qualitative data).

Microsoft Office, Mind Maps. Surveys: Unipark, DISE, LamaPoll.

Simulations: NetLogo (agent-based modeling).

Virtual Reality: HTC Vive (organization of the VR Lab at WHU). Digital learning: Moodle; FeedbackFruits (within Moodle).

Language skills: Russian (nat.); German (fluent: TestDaF 2008 – 20/20 points); English (fluent: IELTS 2017 – level C1).

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (selection)

## MISQ Knowledge-Sharing Workshops (online)

09/2022: "Qualitative IS Research".

04/2022: "Computationally-intensive Theory Construction".

03/2022: "Causality in Quant IS Research".

11/2021: "Machine Learning in IS Research".

## Harvard Business Publishing – Education: Webinars (online)

12/2022: "It's Time We Talk About Mental Health in Business Classrooms. But How?"

11/2022: "Why Undergraduate Students (and Faculty) Struggle with Active Learning".

01/2022: "Giving Students Real-World Experience Through Simulations: Road-Tested Lessons and Advice".

10/2021: "Normal Isn't Coming Back. What Can Educators and Students Do to Adapt in Our Ever-Changing Learning Environment?"

## MHFA Ersthelfer: Kurse für psychische Gesundheit

(Central Institute for Mental Health Mannheim: Mental Health Courses)
09-11/2021, Germany / online. Course participation + Exam (certified first responder for mental health).

## AOM Annual Meeting: Paper Development Workshop on Ethical Analytics

08/2019, Boston, USA. Discussion of the working paper: "Bringing academic virtual communities of practice to practice: Ethical issues".

# University of Milan & University of Brescia: Behavioral Summer School on Agent-Based Modeling for Social Scientists

09/2018, Brescia, Italy. Development of own simulation model of social processes using NetLogo.

#### XXIX ISPIM Innovation Conference: Junior Research Lab

06/2018, Stockholm, Sweden. Participation in workshops and visits to Innovation Incubators.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

#### Peer Reviewed Journal and Conference Articles

- Schneider, J., Hacker, J., Litvinova, Y., Handali, J., vom Brocke, J. (2021) Exploring the Use of Backgrounds in Webconferencing with Image and Text Analysis. *ICIS 2021 Proceedings.* 14.
- Litvinova, Y., Rehm, S.V., Goel, L.C. and Junglas, I. (2018, June). Collaborating in virtual reality by using digital twins. In *ISPIM Innovation Symposium* (pp. 1-10). The International Society for Professional Innovation Management (ISPIM).
- Litvinova, Y., Ponomarev, Y. (2016). Strategy of the development of the Russian highway system till 2030 (in Russian). *Transport of the Russian Federation*, No 4(65), pp. 18-21. ISSN: 1994-831X.
- Idrisova, V., Litvinova, Y. (2016). Trade in value-added: Empirical analysis (in Russian). *Russian Foreign Economic Journal*, No 8, pp. 49-66. ISSN: 2072-8042.
- Litvinova, Y., Ponomarev, Y. (2016). The influence of transport infrastructure development on TFP in the Russian economy (in Russian). *Russian Journal of Entrepreneurship*, Vol. 17, No 1, pp. 89-98. ISSN: 2409-4420.
- Idrisova, V., Litvinova, Y. (2015). Specific features of Russia's integration in global and regional value chains (in Russian). *Russian Economic Developments by the Institute for Economic Policy*, No 12, pp. 120-128. ISSN: 2306-5001.
- Idrisov, G., Litvinova, Y. (2015). Determinants of retail gasoline prices: Empirical evidence for Saint Petersburg (in Russian). *HSE Economic Journal*, Vol. 19, No 3, pp. 423-456. ISSN: 1813-8691.

## Working papers

- Litvinova, Y., Rilke, R.M., Guenther, C. (major revision; paper based on an experiment in immersive virtual reality) Me, Myself, and I: Image Concerns and Ethical Behavior in Immersive VR.
- Litvinova, Y., Mikalef, P., vom Brocke, J. (*target journal: Decision Support Systems; a conceptual paper*) Framework for Human-XAI Symbiosis: Extended Self from the Dual-Process Theory Perspective.
- Litvinova, Y., Junglas, I., Hacker, J., vom Brocke, J. (target journal: Information & Organization; a conceptual paper) Lost in Zoom: The role of place in video-based collaboration systems.
- Plattfaut, R., Litvinova, Y., Wang, H., Kautz, K. (*Paper-a-thon short paper by ICIS 2022*) Digital Transformation through the Appropriation of IIoT and AI A Case Study of an Established Family-Owned Mittelstand Enterprise.
- Plattfaut, R., Litvinova, Y., Wang, H., Kautz, K. (target journal: Information Systems Research; a real-life case study) Appropriation of IIoT and AI A Case Study of an Established Family-Owned Mittelstand Enterprise.
- Jingyao, L., Litvinova, Y., Marabelli, M., Newell, S. (accepted for AOM Annual Meeting 2023; a short essay) Ethical implications of AI use in practice.
- Litvinova, Y., Junglas, I., Hacker, J., vom Brocke, J. (target journal: tbd; paper using computational topic modeling, in *Python*) Is the Workplace Still a Place? A Data-Driven Reflection on Working from Home.

Hacker, J., Litvinova, Y., Schneider, J., Handali, J., vom Brocke, J. (*target journal: tbd*) Use of Custom Backgrounds in Web-Conferences – The Need for Self, Place, and Relatedness.

## PRESENTATIONS AT ACADEMIC CONFERENCES (selection)

## **ICIS 2021**

"Exploring the Use of Backgrounds in Web-conferencing with Image and Text Analysis," (with Johannes Schneider, Janine Hacker, Joshua Handali, Jan vom Brocke), Int. Conf. on Information Systems, AIS, 12/2021, Austin, USA & hybrid (participation online), Track Social Media and Digital Collaboration, short paper.

## Nagymaros Conference on Organizational Ecology

"Exploring the dynamics of group level taken-for-grantedness: An agent-based model," presentation (with Christina Günther, Min Liu), Nagymaros Group on Organizational Ecology, 06/2020, virtual (participation online), Track Formal Modeling and Simulation.

#### **ICIS 2019**

"How do we adapt to adaptive information infrastructures," presentation (with Sven-Volker Rehm), Int. Conf. on Information Systems, AIS, 12/2019, Munich, Germany, TREO talk Innovation, business, and technology.

## 79th AOM Annual Meeting: OCIS Doctoral Consortium

"IS-enabled organizational transformation: Socio-cognitive approach," presentation of the doctoral research project, Academy of Management Annual Meeting, AOM, 08/2019, Boston, USA.

## Research Colloquium at University of Strasbourg – EM Business School

"The dynamics of organizational transformation," presentation (with Sven-Volker Rehm), 04/2019, Strasbourg, France, working paper.

## 78th AOM Annual Meeting: OCIS Doctoral Consortium

"IS-enabled organizational transformation: The impact of new technologies," presentation of the doctoral research project, Academy of Management Annual Meeting, AOM, 08/2018, Chicago, USA.

## **ISPIM Innovation Conference**

"Collaboration in Virtual Reality by using Digital Twins," presentation (with Sven-Volker Rehm, Iris Junglas, Lakshmi Goel), International Society for Professional Innovation Management, 06/2018, Stockholm, Sweden, working paper.

## **TEACHING**

#### **Teaching Assistant**

Engagement as Teaching Assistant for the following courses (see below):

re-working of content together with the Professors, content preparation (including slides), conceptualization of (real life) business cases, course structuring, proposals for learning objectives and assessment criteria; course planning (coordinating communication between Program Office and the Professors), coordination for offsite company visits, communication with guest lecturers;

content and student management in Moodle; course management in Cascam; setting of Zoom sessions (March 2020 – April 2021), synchronization between Moodle content and Zoom sessions for active learning workshops; coaching students throughout the courses (during their work on seminar papers and/or case studies, individually and in groups), preparation and planning of coaching sessions, evaluation, performance reviews and feedback, and final grading (according to the assessment criteria).

#### **Business Information Systems I** (10/2017 — today) (3 ECTS)

*Introduction to MIS (lecture)*, B.Sc. Program in International Business Administration, at WHU, Chair for Business Information Science and Information Management, PD Dr.-Ing. Sven-V. Rehm.

#### Foresight Scenario Building Challenge (2019-2020)

Problem-Oriented Learning Workshop (within BIS I): HS2020 (8 students), WS2019 (12 students), SS 2019 (28 students).

#### *Market Dynamics and Industrial Evolution* (01/2019 – today) (6 ECTS)

*Seminar (incl. case studies)*, B.Sc. Program in International Business Administration, at WHU, IHK-Chair of Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises, Prof. Dr. Christina Günther: SS2020 (12 students), SS2019 (20 students).

## Business War Gaming (incl. 1-day workshop co-organized with KEARNEY) (2020 - today) (6 ECTS)

*Seminar*, B.Sc. Program in International Business Administration, at WHU, IHK-Chair of Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises, Prof. Dr. Christina Günther: SS2023 (21 students); SS2021 (19 students), SS2020 (20 students).

## *Industrial Organization* (2018)

Case Study, M.Sc. Program, at WHU, IHK-Chair of Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises, Prof. Dr. Christina Günther: WS2018 (15 students in M.Sc. in Entrepreneurship & 60 students in M.Sc. in Management Programs).

## Supervision of M.Sc. and B.Sc. Theses (as the second supervisor):

Hilti Chair of Business Process Management (University of Liechtenstein), Primary supervisor: Assistant Professor, Dr. Janine Hacker:

Understanding the usage of virtual backgrounds in web-conferencing systems: Insights from Twitter data analysis and user interviews. (M.Sc. 2022)

Virtual Choir Experience: Experiencing real-time choral singing and conducting in a virtual environment. (M.Sc. 2022)

Mechanismen des sozialen Einflusses aus der Neuromarketing-Perspektive: Literaturüberblick. (B.Sc. 2021, in German – Mechanisms of Social Influence from the Neuro-Marketing Perspective: Literature Review) University 2.0 - The new digital reality. (M.Sc. 2021)

#### IHK-Chair of Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises (WHU), Primary supervisor: Prof. Dr. Christina Günther:

The role of M&As in overcoming obstacles to innovation activities in German family firms. (B.Sc. 2020)

Eco-innovations and sustainable development of SMEs in Germany: Public incentivizing and support. (B.Sc. 2020)

A Customer-Focused Ideation Process for SMEs in the Manufacturing Industry (Design Thinking): Design and Implementation. (M.Sc. 2019, in cooperation with a company)

Pricing in Innovative SMEs: Introducing a Structured Value-Based Pricing Strategy. (M.Sc. 2019, in cooperation with a company)

Product Launch Process Design in SMEs. (M.Sc. 2019, in cooperation with a company)

SME employer attractiveness: Job advertisements optimization through experiments. (M.Sc. 2019)

Behavioral experiments in Virtual Reality. (B.Sc. 2019, two students within a research project)

Internalization Strategy and Location Analysis for an SME. (B.Sc. 2018, in cooperation with a company; *IHK Koblenz Best Paper Student Award 2019*)

## Chair of Business Information Systems (WHU), Primary supervisor: Assistant Professor, Dr. Sven-V. Rehm:

Virtual Reality and Public Speaking Anxiety: Supplementation of Public Speaking Anxiety Treatments with Virtual Reality. (B.Sc. 2018)

Knowledge Management in a Digitalized World – The Role of TMS in Today's Knowledge-Economy. (B.Sc. 2018) Taxonomy of intra-organizational inertia: The knowledge management perspective. (B.Sc. 2018) Knowledge Aspects of 3D Printing Business Ecosystems. (B.Sc. 2018)

## **HOBBIES AND INTERESTS**

Marathon running and participation in charity running events (incl. Wings for Life World Run, Drei-Brücken-Lauf in Bonn); participation in running events for WHU Team (B2Run, Münz-Firmenlauf Koblenz, Generations Cup – Frankfurt Marathon Relay). Landscape photography; painting.