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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- Since 10/2017 **Technical University Munich, School of Public Policy** (Hochschule für Politik)
- **Postdoctoral Researcher and Lecturer**
 - Research projects: “Governing Energy Transitions: Phase-Outs of Energy Technologies” and “International Climate Governance under the Paris Agreement”
- 12/2016 – 09/2017 **Free University of Berlin, East Asian Studies Department**
- **GEAS Award Postdoc Position**

VISITING APPOINTMENTS

- 03/2024 **German Institute for Japanese Studies (DIJ)**, Tokyo, Japan
- **Visiting Researcher**
- 02/2023 & 05/2023 **Kyoto University**, Kyoto, Japan
- **Visiting Researcher** at Graduate School of Global Environmental Studies
- 09/2022 **Waseda University**, Tokyo, Japan
- **Visiting Researcher** at School of International Liberal Studies
- 03/2019 – 04/2019 **Kyoto University**, Kyoto, Japan
- **Visiting Researcher** at Graduate School of Global Environmental Studies
- 08/2018 – 09/2018 **Tokyo University**, Tokyo, Japan
- **Visiting Researcher** at Social Science Institute
- 03/2015 – 09/2015 **Sophia University**, Tokyo, Japan
- **Visiting Researcher** at Graduate School of Global Environmental Studies

EDUCATION

- 10/2013 – 05/2017 **Free University of Berlin, Graduate School of East Asian Studies (GEAS)**
- **PhD in Political Science**
 - PhD Thesis: Reforming nuclear safety administration in Japan after the Fukushima nuclear accident: A critical juncture in regulatory practices
- 10/2010 – 08/2013 **Free University of Berlin**
- **MA Japanese Studies and Political Science**
- 10/2005 – 04/2010 **Free University of Berlin**
- **BA Japanese Studies and East Asian Studies**
- 10/2008 – 03/2009 **Tsukuba University**, Tsukuba, Japan
- **Student exchange**, Japanese Language Training

FURTHER QUALIFICATIONS

- Since 11/2023 **TUM Training for Interdisciplinary Research and Responsible Leadership**
- 10/2023 – 03/2024 **Leadership Training**
- 10/2020 **Advanced Introduction to Qualitative Comparative Analysis (QCA)**

- 08/2017 **Introduction to Statistics**
- 02/2017 – 07/2017 **Teaching Certificate: Learning and Planning Teaching (1) & Advanced Workshop (2)**

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- 01/2022 – 12/2023 **Lead Investigator**
- Project on “Governing Sustainability Transitions: Technology phase-outs in Germany and Japan” (Follow-up to “Governing Energy Transitions”)
 - DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service): Funding for research abroad (ca. 29,000 €)
- 04/2023 – 09/2023 **Hybrid Teaching Grant**
- Technical Equipment and Student Assistant for hybrid teaching (3000 €)
- 03/2021 **Workshop Funding**
- Workshop on “Continuity and Change 10 Years after 3.11”
 - Fritz Thyssen Foundation (ca. 3,300 €)
- 03/2020 – 12/2021 **Lead Investigator**
- Project on “Governing Energy Transitions: Phase-in and phase-out of technologies in Germany and Japan”
 - DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service): Funding for research abroad (ca. 27,000 €)
- 02/2020 **Teaching Exchange** at Kyoto University, Japan
- European Union Program for Education, Youth and Sports: Erasmus+ (ca. 2,700 €)
- 03/2019 – 04/2019 **Research Funding** for a research stay at Kyoto University
- DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service): DAAD-Kyoto University partnership programme towards SDGs (ca. 4,000 €)
- 03/2016 **Fieldwork Grant** for a research stay at Sophia University, Japan
- Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Foundation) (ca. 2,000 €)
- 04/2015 – 09/2015 **Fieldwork Grant** for a research stay at Sophia University, Japan
- Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Foundation) (ca. 10,000 €)
- 10/2013 – 11/2016 **PhD Grant** at the Graduate School of East Asian Studies
- Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Foundation) (ca. 55,000 €)

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

- 2023 **“Japan’s Nuclear Disaster and the Politics of Safety Governance“**, Cornell University Press

PEER-REVIEWED PAPERS AND BOOK CHAPTERS

- In progress **“Phase-Out Climate Clubs’ role in phasing out fossil fuels and implementing the Paris Agreement”** (to be submitted to the *Special Issue on Phase-Out Politics and Governance*)

In progress	“Special Issue: Phase-Out Politics and Governance” (co-edited with Adrian Rinscheid and Gregory Trencher)
Under Review	“Japan’s Nuclear Regulation Authority – A Proactive Independent Regulator” (resubmit with minor revisions to <i>Regulation & Governance</i>)
Forthcoming	“Legal Fallout from Fukushima Dai’ichi: Fundamental Changes in Nuclear Safety Administration in Japan” In: Weizdörfer, Julius F.; Lauta, Kristian C. (Eds.): <i>Fukushima and the Law</i> , Cambridge University Press
2024	“Post-3.11 Nuclear Safety Regulation” In: Hiroshi Ohta (Ed.): <i>Handbook of Japan’s Environmental Law, Policy and Politics</i> , MHM Limited
2023	“The Evolution of "Phase-Out" as a Bridging Concept for Sustainability: From Pollution to Climate Change” (co-authored with Gregory Trencher, Adrian Rinscheid, Daniel Rosenbloom, Nhi Truong & Pinar Temocin) In: <i>One Earth</i>
2023	“More Weapons than Windmills: Japan's Military and Energy Policy Response to Russia's Attack on Ukraine” (co-authored with Ulv Hanssen) In: <i>Czech Journal of International Relations</i>
2023	“More Than Just Organics: Boosting Separate Collection of Dry Recyclables with Door-to-door Bio-waste Collection in EU Capitals” (co-authored with Kuat Abeshev) In: <i>Waste Management</i> , Vol 161
2022	“Continuity and Change 10 Years after 3.11: Processes and Dynamics in State-society Relations” (co-authored with Anna Wiemann and Tobias Weiss) In: <i>Contemporary Japan</i> , Vol 34 (2)
2022	“Nuclear Revival won't Rid Japan of its Energy Crisis” In: <i>East Asia Forum</i>
2021	“Japan’s Climate Change Discourse: Towards Climate Securitisation?” (co-author Ulv Hanssen) In: <i>Politics and Governance</i> , Vol 9 (4)
2021	“Japan’s Energy Transition 10 Years after the Fukushima Nuclear Accident: Special Issue Introduction” In: <i>Social Science Journal Japan</i> , Vol 24 (1)
2021	“Nuclear Restart Politics: How the ‘Nuclear Village’ Lost Policy Implementation Power” In: <i>Social Science Journal Japan</i> , Vol 24 (1)
2021	“Japan’s Nuclear Safety Regulation Policy” In: Midford, Paul; Espen, Moe (Eds.): <i>New Challenges and Solutions for Renewable Energy</i> , Palgrave Macmillan
2021	“Waning Support for Nuclear Power 10 Years after Fukushima” In <i>East Asia Forum</i>
2020	“Japan’s Growing Dependence on Coal” (co-authored with Ulv Hanssen) In <i>East Asia Forum</i>
2018	“Remodelling Japan’s Climate Policy” In: <i>East Asia Forum</i>
2017	“Ausstieg oder Wiedereinstieg?: Abes widersprüchliche Atompolitik” In: Heinrich, Steffen; Gabriele Vogt (Ed.): <i>Japan in der Ära Abe. Eine politikwissenschaftliche Analyse</i> , Iudicium
2017	“Will the Silent Comeback of Coal Threaten Japan’s Climate Goals?” In: <i>East Asia Forum</i>
2016	"Japan’s Nuclear Power Plans Don’t Add Up" In: <i>East Asia Forum</i>
2016	“Japanese Climate-related Aid to South East Asia: Furthering 'Weak' or 'Strong' Sustainability?” In: <i>ASIEN- German Journal on Contemporary Asia</i> , No. 138, 1/2016

OPINION PIECES AND MEDIA APPEARANCES

- 2023 Podcast on "**Japan's Nuclear Disaster and the Politics of Safety Governance**" for *New Books Network*
- 2023 Interview for "**Japan – vom Klimapionier in Kyoto zum Kohlekönig**" In *Tagesspiegel Background*
- 2022 "**As Japan Sanctions Russian Coal, it is High Time to Kick the Habit Altogether**" (co-authored with Ulv Hanssen) In *Climate Home News*
- 2021 "**A Turning Point for Japan-US Climate Cooperation? Biden Needs to Put More Pressure on Japan to Abandon Coal**" (co-authored with Ulv Hanssen) In *The Diplomat*
- 2021 "**Japans Nuklearer Weißer Elefant**" In *Süddeutsche Zeitung*
- 2019 Interview for "**Umwelt- und Klimaschutz: Ist die Bevölkerung weiter als die Politik?**" In *Bento*

BOOK REVIEWS

- 2021 "**Book review: Energy Transition in East Asia: A Social Science Perspective**" In: *Social Science Journal Japan*, Vol. 24 (1)
- 2019 "**Book review: Learning from a Disaster: Improving Nuclear Safety and Security after Fukushima**" In: *Social Science Journal Japan*, Vol. 22 (2)

TEACHING DIGEST

- Institutions and Institutional Change Theory** (B.A. Seminar, German, online, Winter Semester 2020/21)
- Climate Politics: International, National and Local dimensions** (B.A. Modul, English, Winter Semester 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23, 2023/24), evaluation: 1.3¹
- Comparative Environmental Politics – National and Subnational Perspectives** (B.A. Modul, German, Winter Semester 2017/18 & Summer Semester 2019), evaluation: 1.4
- Comparative Politics** (B.A. Lecture, German, Winter Semester 2022/23), evaluation: 2.1
- International and National Dimensions of Climate Strategies in the Context of UNFCCC** (M.A. Modul, English Winter Semester 2021/22, 2022/23, 2023/24), evaluation: 1.8
- Environmental and Climate Transformations in the Asia-Pacific** (M.A. Seminar, English, Summer Semester 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021), evaluation: 1.3
- Global Environmental and Climate Governance** (M.A. Seminar, English, Summer Semester 2018, 2021, 2022), evaluation: 1.4

SUPERVISION & MENTORING

- Since 2018 **12 Bachelor Thesis, 14 Master Thesis, 1 PhD Student**
- Since 2020 **5 Student Research Internships** at the Chair for Environmental and Climate Policy

SELECT CONFERENCES & TALKS

- November 2023 **German Association for Social Science Research on Japan (VSJF) Annual Conference**

¹ scale from 1 = „very good“ to 5 = „very unsatisfied“

- September 2023 **Paper presented:** "Comparing Nuclear Energy Policy in Germany and Japan"

Energy, Mobility, and Sustainability Transitions in the Face of Climate Change Conference, TUM Science & Study Center, Bavaria, Germany

 - **Paper presented:** "Phase-out Climate Clubs"
- July 2023 **9th Biennial Conference of the ECPR Standing Group of Regulatory Governance**, University of Antwerp, Belgium

 - **Paper submitted:** "Japan's Nuclear Regulation Authority – an unexpected independent regulatory agency"
- June 2023 **Governance in Japan**, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich

 - **Presentation:** "Japan's Nuclear Disaster and the Politics of Safety Governance: From capture to independence"
- May 2023 **Book Talk "Japan's Nuclear Disaster and the Politics of Safety Governance"**, German Institute for Japanese Studies (DIJ) and Temple University, Tokyo, Japan
- October 2021 **International Sustainability Transitions Conference (IST)**, Fraunhofer Institute for Systems and Innovation Research, Karlsruhe, Germany

 - **Paper presented:** "Phase-Outs: A Literature Review" (together with Gregory Trencher, Kyoto University, Daniel Rosenbloom, University of Toronto, Adrian Rinscheid, University of St. Gallen, Nhi Truong, Tohoku University, Pinar Temocin, Hiroshima University)
- March 2021 **"Continuity and Change 10 years after 3.11"**, Annual Conference of the German Association for Social Science Research on Japan (VSJF), online

 - **Conference Organizer**
- November 2020 **German Association for Social Science Research on Japan (VSJF) Annual Conference**, online

 - **Paper presented:** "Japan's Discursive Struggle over Climate Change: Increasing Securitization?" (together with Ulv Hanssen, Soka University Japan)
- August 2020 **European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) Annual Conference**, online

 - **Paper submitted:** "Contradictions in Pursuing Independence and Legitimacy Under Pressure"
- April 2020 **European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) Joint Sessions**, online

 - **Paper submitted:** "Japan's Nuclear Policy Conflict: Diverging Interpretations of Nuclear Safety"
- February 2020 **Energy Transitions in Germany, Japan, and around the World**, Center for Advanced Policy Studies, Kyoto University

 - **Presentation:** "Comparing Nuclear Power Politics in Germany and Japan"
- August 2019 **Japan's Energy Transition**, TUM Science & Study Center, Bavaria, Germany

 - **Workshop Organiser**
- July 2019 **Nexus Hackathon: Water-Food-Energy**, Technical University Munich, Germany

 - **Keynote:** "Why we need to overcome trade-offs between water, food, and energy"
- May 2019 **EU-Canada Relations Jean Monnet Network Workshop**, TUM Science & Study Center, Bavaria, Germany

 - **Presentation:** "EU Energy and Climate Policies"
- October 2018 **"Differential Success: Barriers and Solutions in Renewable Energy Development in Japan, East Asia and Northern Europe"**, Book Workshop at Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU), Trondheim, Norway

- **Chapter submitted:** “Reforming Japan’s Nuclear Regulation After 3/11 – Long-term impact on energy policy”

- September 2017 **European Association for Japanese Studies (EAJS) Annual Conference**, Universidade NOVA, Lisbon, Portugal
 - **Presentation:** “Nuclear safety regulation after the Fukushima accident: Which degree is considered safe?”

- May 2017 **Nordic Association for the Study of Contemporary Japanese Society (NAJS) Annual Conference**, Swedish Institute of International Affairs (UI), Stockholm, Sweden
 - **Paper submitted:** “Nuclear safety regulation after the Fukushima accident: An ongoing struggle over defining nuclear safety”

- September 2016 **3rd Energy and Society Conference**, Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research, Leipzig, Germany
 - **Presentation:** “Are nuclear safety measures undermining nuclear power goals?”

- January 2015 **German Asian Studies Association (DGA) Young Scholars Conference**, Burg Rothenfels, Germany
 - **Paper submitted:** Japan’s environmental aid to Southeast Asia – From Kaihatsu to Hatten?

- December 2014 **Japanese Studies Association in Southeast Asia (JSA-ASEAN) Conference**, Thammasat University, Bangkok, Thailand
 - **Presentation:** Japanese foreign climate policy in Southeast Asia - recent trends and developments

COMMITTEE WORK

- Since 2022 **Board Member at the VSJF** – German Association for Social Science Research on Japan
- 2018 – 2021 **Representative of Research Fellows** at the Munich School of Public Policy and Politics
- 2018 – 2019 **Representative of Postdocs** at the Munich School of Public Policy and Politics
- 2014 – 2016 **Student representative** of the first PhD cohort at the Graduate School of East Asian Studies

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