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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Candidate, Institute of Political Science, Leiden University, 2017-

Dissertation: “Courtiers or consultants? The construction of China’s national interest between top-down rule and societal debate”

Thesis advisors: Prof. Dr. Daniel Thomas, Prof. Dr. Daniela Stockmann, Prof. Dr. Nicolas Blarel

M.A. International Relations, 2015

Department of Political and Social Sciences, Free University Berlin, joint program with Humboldt University Berlin and Potsdam University

Thesis title: “Chinese IR scholars’ publishing practices and language”

Thesis advisors: Prof. Dr. Thomas Risse, Dr. Ingo Peters

M.A. China Studies, 2015

Department of East Asian Studies, Free University Berlin

Thesis title: “Quoting patterns in foreign reporting about China”

Thesis advisors: Prof. Dr. Katja Levy, Prof. Dr. Carola Richter

B.A. Governance and Public Policy, 2011

Department of Arts and Humanities, Passau University, with semesters abroad at Geneva University and University Oxford Brookes

Thesis title: “China’s relations to ASEAN – a new form of multilateralism?” (in German)

Thesis advisor: Prof. Dr. Bernhard Stahl

APPOINTMENTS

Visiting researcher, German Institute for Global and Area Studies (GIGA), Hamburg, 2019-

Research Associate, Mercator Institute for China Studies, Berlin, 2016-2019

Focused on the domestic sources of China’s foreign policy and Chinese activities on the African continent. Set up and oversaw the institute’s knowledge management system.

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-reviewed articles

Forthcoming, “What is lost in translation? Differences between Chinese foreign policy statements and their official English translations”, in: *Foreign Policy Analysis*.

2017, “Whose Voices Shape China’s Global Image? Links Between Reporting Conditions and Quoted Sources in News about China”, in: *Journal of Contemporary China*, Vol. 26, No. 107.

Book Chapters

Forthcoming, “Frame Analysis”, in: *The Routledge Handbook of Frame Analysis Methods*, Ed. by Patrick Mello and Falk Ostermann.

2021, “Reading between the lines: How frame analysis reveals the Chinese government’s policy priorities”, in: *The Routledge Handbook of Chinese Studies*, Ed. by Chris Shei.

2020, “The Global IR Debate in the Classroom”, in: *International Relations from the Global South Worlds of Difference*, Ed. by Arlene B. Tickner and Karen Smith, London: Routledge (with Wiebke Wemheuer-Vogelaar, Ingo Peters, Laura Kemmer, Alina Kleinn, Luisa Linke-Behrens).

2016, “Chinese IR Scholars’ Publishing Practices and Language – The “Peaceful Rise” Debate”, in: *Studying the Global Discipline: International Relations Scholarship Amidst Divides and Diversity*, Ed. by Wiebke Wemheuer-Vogelaar, Ingo Peters, London: Palgrave Macmillan.

2016, “Introduction to Part II: Practicing diversity? IR scholarship beyond the West”, in: *Studying the Global Discipline: International Relations Scholarship Amidst Divides and Diversity*, Ed. by Wiebke Wemheuer-Vogelaar, Ingo Peters, London: Palgrave Macmillan.

Book Reviews

2020, “International Relations narratives: plotting world politics. By Riikka Kuusisto. Routledge. 2019”, in: *International Affairs* 96:5.

2020, “Explaining Change in China’s Military Strategy – Review of M. Taylor Fravel’s “Active Defense,” Princeton University Press. 2019”, in: *International Studies Review*.

Reports and Policy Research

2019, “Europe cannot afford to ignore China’s deepening influence in Africa”, in: *MERICs Blog*.

2018, “Decoding Chinese concepts for the global order”, in: *MERICs China Monitor*.

2018, “China owns the stage in Africa”, in: *MERICs Blog*.

2018, “China will keep spending more on foreign affairs to catch up with other countries”, in: *The Diplomat/MERICs Blog* (with Markus Herrmann).

2018, “China strengthens diplomatic corps: Chinese experts challenge Western generalists”, in: *The Diplomat/MERICs Blog*.

2017, “China’s emergence as a global security actor: Strategies for Europe”, in: *MERICs Papers on China* (with Mikko Huotari, Jan Gaspers, Thomas Eder, Helena Legarda).

2017, “Is the Belt and Road Initiative Globalizing China’s National Security Policy?”, in: *The Diplomat*.

2011, „Feindliche Freunde? Die indisch-chinesische Konkurrenz und Kooperation in Asien“, in: *GIGA Focus Asien* (mit Sandra Destradi).

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2019, Doctoral research grant, *Cusanuswerk Scholarship Foundation*, ca. €70 000.

2008-2015, *Cusanuswerk Scholarship Foundation*.

2012-2015, *German National Academic Foundation*.

2011-2012, China-Scholarship Programme, *Alfried Krupp von Bohlen und Halbach-Stiftung, German National Academic Foundation*.

INVITED TALKS

2019, „Advantages and pitfalls of using newspaper reports to find out what shapes European perceptions of China”, University College London, August 19.

2018, „Chinas globale Strategien entschlüsseln – Akademische Debatten zur künftigen Weltordnung“, German Embassy Beijing, November 21.

2018, “Was steckt hinter Chinas Aufstieg im pazifischen Raum?”, Bavarian State Chancellery, October 14.

2018, “China’s global security policy: drivers and implications”, Mercator Kolleg für internationale Aufgaben, September 12 (with Helena Legarda).

2018, “Die Globalisierung chinesischer Sicherheitspolitik – Was steckt dahinter?“, Cusanuswerk Fachschaftstagung Internationale Zusammenarbeit, June 10.

2018, „Chinas globale Sicherheitspolitik: Was Europe tun kann“, German National Academic Foundation, Berlin, March 8 (with Jan Weidenfeld).

2017, „The characteristics of China’s approach to development”, Hertie School of Governance, Berlin, April 26.

2016, “China als “aufstrebender” Geber in Afrika“, f.ize, Forum Internationale Zusammenarbeit für nachhaltige Entwicklung, July 6 (with Mikko Huotari).

2015, „Chinese IR scholars’ publishing practices and the debate on China’s “Peaceful Rise”, College of William & Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia, February 14.

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

2021, German Political Science Association (GPSA), 28th Scientific Convention, virtually
Paper: Frame-Analyse und die Konstruktion des nationalen Interesses

2021, International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Convention, virtually
Paper: Conceptualizing foreign policy opinion makers’ expectations

2020, German Political Science Association (GPSA), IR Conference, virtually

Paper: What does it mean to get China right” and why does it matter? - Conceptualizing elite expectations in Foreign Policy Analysis

Discussant for the panel: Decision-making in foreign policy: new perspectives

2020, International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Convention, canceled

Paper: Setting the baseline for pulling China into foreign policy analysis (FPA) - A frame analysis of China's shifting foreign policy priorities”

2020, German Political Science Association (GPSA), Conference for Early Career Researchers, Tutzing

Paper: Did we get China right, and why does it matter? Conceptualizing foreign policy opinion makers' expectations

Chaired panel on International Organizations

2020, Theory Workshop of the Young Scholars Group “Asia Studies”, Bochum

Presented dissertation project's theoretical framework

2019, Konferenz des Arbeitskreis Sozialwissenschaftliche Chinaforschung (ASC) der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Asienkunde (DGA), Jacobs University Bremen

Participated as paper discussant

2019, “The Hamburg () Sessions 2019: Un-Cancelling the Future”, Institut für Friedensforschung und Sicherheitspolitik (IFSH), Hamburg

Participated as part of the Future Leaders' Program

2019, „Methoden der Außenpolitikanalyse: Ansätze, Daten und Perspektiven“, German Political Science Association (GPSA), Themengruppe Außen- und Sicherheitspolitik, Universität Erfurt

Paper: Zwischen den Zeilen: Wie Frame-Analyse die außenpolitischen Prioritäten autoritärer Staaten sichtbar macht

2015, International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Convention, New Orleans

Paper: “Chinese IR Scholars' Publishing Practices and the Debate on China's “Peaceful Rise”

Input to Presidential Theme Panel: “How The Search For ‘Non-Western IR’ Led To A

Reflection Of The ‘Self’: (Un)Learning IR In And Beyond The Classroom”

2015, “EU in the World” Conference, Johannes-Gutenberg-Universität, Mainz

Paper: “The EU in the Academic World – A Postcolonial Perspective on the Field of “Comparative Regionalism”

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Freiburg University, B.A. seminar, “Introduction to International Relations”, Summer Semester 2022.

Freiburg University, B.A. seminar, „Foreign Policy Analysis: Actors, approaches, and disruptions”, Winter Semester 2021.

Hamburg University, B.A. seminar, “Authoritarian rule in the digital age”, Summer Semester 2020 and Winter Semester 2021

Free University Berlin, BA seminar, “Chinese debates about China’s role in international politics”, Winter Semester 2015.

Free University Berlin, Tutor for first-year students in China Studies, Winter Semester 2013.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2015, Research Intern, Mercator Institute for China Studies, Berlin

Drafted reports for weekly newsletter on current affairs in China, conducted desk research on judicial reforms and e-government in China.

2014-2015, Research Assistant, College of William & Mary/Free University Berlin, “Teaching, Research & International Policy”- Project

Coded Chinese academic articles and compiled a sample of all International Relations scholars in Germany for TRIP survey, translated survey questions into German.

2013-2015, Research Assistant, Department of East Asian Studies, Free University Berlin.

Translated Chinese academic articles in the field of law into English for publication, analyzed annual reports from Chinese foundations and programs from Taiwanese parties.

2012, Research Intern, Beijing Civil Society Development Research Center, Beijing.

Collected data for an online directory of international and Chinese NGOs and on recent developments within civil society in China.

2011, Research Intern, GIGA German Institute of Global and Area Studies, Hamburg.

Conducted literature searches on the role of emerging powers in climate negotiations, assisted in drafting a research proposal, co-authored a report on Chinese-Indian relations.

SERVICE

2020-, Member of the speaker team of the thematic network “Foreign and Security Policy” of the German Political Science Association (GSPA)

2020-, Member of the speaker team of the IR Early Career Group of the German Political Science Association (GSPA)

2019-, Member in admission commission German National Scholarship Foundation

LANGUAGES

German	native	French	excellent
English	fluent	Spanish	conversational
Chinese	excellent (HSK 6)	Latin	translation skills

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

ISA
DGA
DVPW

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