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"World politics: The emergence of political arenas and modes of observation in world society"



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Preface

Our Research Training Group has just celebrated its first anniversary since the first cohort of ten doctoral researchers and one post-doctoral researcher took up their positions. The research group deals with the genesis of world politics as a specific type of politics. With a research-oriented, interdisciplinary, and international profile, the major objective of the RTG is to investigate from different angles the pathways that have led to the establishment of world politics as a specific form of politics.

In this framework the doctoral students pursue, in cooperation with eleven principal investigators from political science/international relations, sociology, history, and law, their research projects in topics related to the field of world politics. Most of our researchers have drafted, and over the summer semester discussed the chapters of their dissertations and other scientific papers, both at the group's own research class, as well as at a range of international academic conferences (see list below).

Our group has also continued to benefit from a range of distinguished guests who have spent some time with us not only in order to present their own relevant research but also in order to share their thoughts on various aspects of the research that takes place within the group. While we will receive fewer guests in the current semester given that many of the group's researchers are conducting, or are about to conduct field research, we are excited to have a range of guests already confirmed for the 2019 summer semester and thereafter.

The present newsletter primarily reports on the many scholarly activities of the group's researchers in terms of presenting and publishing their work.



Group photo of the first workshop organised by RTG researchers on 1 and 2 October 2018 at Bielefeld University

Back row (from left to right): Anatoly Boyashov, Karlson Preuss, Martin Koch, Tobias Werron, Mathias Albert, Dirk Nabers (University of Kiel);

Middle row: Angelika Epple, Madeleine Myatt, Sandra Holtgreve, Yasin Sunca, Sisay Megersa Dirirsa;

First row: Gladys Vásquez, Johannes Nagel, Aziz Elmuradov

In addition to presenting at academic conferences outside of Bielefeld University, and to receiving guests here in Bielefeld, the group's researchers have organised two in a series of four planned workshops in Bielefeld, bringing together researchers from within the group, including most of its principal investigators, with a range of distinguished external guests. The first workshop on "Imagining Belonging in World Politics" took place on 1-2 October, and the workshop on "Balance and Competition in World Politics" on 9-10 November.

Prof. Dr. Mathias Albert
Speaker of the RTG

Post-Doctoral and Doctoral Researchers of the RTG

Post-Doctoral Researcher



Dr. James Stafford

Post-Doctoral Project:

Commercial Treaties Between "Political Economy" and "International Law", c. 1750-c. 1950

Doctoral Researchers



Anatoly Boyashov

Doctoral Project:

Actors in Establishment of Global Human Rights Networks Within International Organisations: Case Study of the United Nations Human Rights Council



Aziz Elmuradov

Doctoral Project:

Contesting Images of EU in Russian Foreign Policy: In Search of Identity or Policy?



Sandra Holtgreve

Doctoral Project:

Coloniality in the Global South and North. An Analysis of Social Work Education in Germany, Mexico and Ecuador



Marc Jacobsen

Doctoral Project:

Antisemitism in the World Society: Globalization and the Transformation of Jew Hatred



Madeleine Myatt

Doctoral Project:

Cybersecurity a Shared Responsibility? The Role, Implementation and Strategic Promotion of Cooperative Partnerships with the Cybersecurity Industry



Johannes Nagel

Doctoral Project:

The U.S Military Transformation and the Observation of World Politics, 1865-1910.



Karlson Preuss

Doctoral Project:

The Unwritten Constitution as an Intersection between Global Law and World Politics



Daniela Russ

Doctoral Project:

Globalizing Energy: Engineers and the Making of the Global Energy Economy (1880-1990)



Yasin Sunca

Doctoral Project:

Building Political Space at the Intersection of Global Structures and Social Change: The International Relations of the Kurdish Movement in Upper Mesopotamia



Gladys Vásquez Zevallos

Doctoral Project:

The Creation of American Regional Integration and the Origination of the Inter-American System after Independence. The Congress of Panama (1826) and the American Congress of Lima (1847)

CONFERENCES AND SUMMER SCHOOLS

Gladys Vasquez Zevallos "I. International Congress History and Present of Women in Africa, Latin America and the Iberian World". Seville, Spain, 10-12 April 2018.

Madeleine Myatt "GIG-ARTS 2018 - Overcoming Inequalities in Internet Governance: framing digital policy capacity building strategies". Co-authored Paper with Detlef Sack "Cyber security a shared responsibility? The role and likelihood of Public Private Partnerships in national Cyber-Security Strategies as a capacity building tool of power politics", Cardiff, UK, 26.-27 April 2018.

Anatoly Boyashov "A changing EU in a changing World", Mainz, 3-4 May 2018.

James Stafford "The mart in Europe for the trade of America': Ireland and the British World in the 1780s". Paper presented at the international conference "Splendid Isolation? Insularity in British History", Centre for British Studies, Humboldt University, Berlin, 5 May 2018.

James Stafford "Commercial Empire, Hierarchy and the Irish Kingdom in the 1780s". Second Annual Conference on International Relations and History: 'Hierarchies and Empires in International Relations', Queens College, Cambridge, 11 May 2018.

Anatoly Boyashov "Shifts in Global Power Relations, the European Union and the United Nations", Bruges, Belgium, 15 May 2018.

Anatoly Boyashov "EU International Affairs Conference 2018", Brussels, Belgium, 16-18 May 2018.

Gladys Vasquez Zevallos "Latin American Studies in a Globalized World". LASA 2018. XXXVI International Congress, Barcelona, Spain, 23-26 May 2018.

Sandra Holtgreve "Social Work in the Americas: Managing tensions between localization and globalization in the world society". Panel chair at the International Congress of Interamericanist Students, Bielefeld University, Bielefeld, 6-8 June 2018.

Yasin Sunca "Democratic Confederalism: Re-imagining Political Space beyond Territorial Nation-State". Paper presented at the 'Violence, Space and the Political Conference', National University of Ireland, Galway, 7-9 June 2018.

Madeleine Myatt and Frederik Zimmermann "Cyber Space zwischen Freiheit und Versicherheitlichung. Die Wirkungsmacht von Open Source Intelligence (OSINT) im digitalen Zeitalter". Paper presented at the Workshop „Politische Öffentlichkeit in Gesellschaft der Computer“, Excellence Cluster Uni Konstanz, Konstanz, 20-22 June 2018.

Anatoly Boyashov "Networks in the Global World", Saint Petersburg, Russia, 4-6 July 2018.

Yasin Sunca "Two Responses to the Global Political Crisis: Kurdistan in the Age of Uncertainties". Paper presented at the 'ASN European Conference: Nationalism in Times of Uncertainty', Centre for Southeast European Studies, University of Graz, Graz, 4-6 July 2018.

Aziz Elmuradov "Inclusion and Exclusion. New Perspectives in History and Sociology". Chair at the panel "Revolution and Nation" at the 10th Annual Seminar of the Bielefeld Graduate School in History and Sociology (BGHS), Bielefeld University, Bielefeld, 5-7 July 2018.

Daniela Russ "Towards a Rural Universal in Energy Development Politics: UNEP's Rural Energy Centres (1975-1985)". Presentation at the World Congress of the International Sociological Association, Toronto, Canada, 15-21 July 2018.

Anatoly Boyashov "Europe and Eurasia: Foresight-2030", Moscow, Russia, 22-26 July 2018.

Madeleine Myatt "Cyberspace as diplomatic arena: The role of data analytics & OSINT as resource of diplomatic practice in security affairs". Discussant, Panel P469 "The Political Economy of Platforms and Big Data". Chair & Paper Presenter, Panel P126 "E-Diplomacy - How the digital age shapes international and security affairs", co-authored Paper with Frederik Zimmermann, ECPR General Conference, Hamburg, 22-25 August 2018.

Anatoly Boyashov "Annual ESPANet Conference 2018", Vilnius, Lithuania, 30 August-1 September 2018.

James Stafford "Desolation and Abundance: The Transformation of Irish Poverty 1720-1820', Ideas of Poverty in the age of Enlightenment". Kings College, London, 5-6 September 2018.

CONFERENCES AND SUMMER SCHOOLS

James Stafford "The French Revolution, Peasant Proprietorship and the Origins of the Irish 'Land Question'". Paper presented at the "21st Conference of Irish Historians in Britain 2018, Political Thought in Ireland", University of Northumbria, Newcastle upon Tyne, Great Britain, 8 September 2018.

Johannes Nagel "U.S. military reforms and the observation of world politics, 1865-1910". Poster presentation at the 59th international conference of the Center for Military History and Social Sciences of the Bundeswehr (ITMGS), Potsdam, 11 September 2018.

James Stafford "Empire, Revolution and the British-Irish Union of 1801". Cambridge Forum on Geopolitics/These Islands Conference "Reframing the Union", University of Cambridge, Great Britain, 14 September 2018.

Karlson Preuß "Was ist neu an der heutigen 'Krise des Rechts'? Radikale Rechtskritik zu Beginn des 20. Jahrhunderts". Paper presented at the Conference "Abschaffung des Rechts?". Basel, Switzerland, 14-15 September 2018.

Johannes Nagel. 12th Trier Summer School on Social Network Analysis, University of Trier, Trier, 17-22 September 2018.

Karlson Preuß "Gesellschaftstheoretische Anmerkungen zur Kultursoziologisierung der Rechtswissenschaft im frühen 20. Jahrhundert". Paper presented at the DGS Conference "Komplexe Dynamiken globaler und lokaler Entwicklungen", Universität Göttingen, Göttingen, 24-28 September 2018.

Aziz Elmuradov "Russlands europäische Schatten: Historisches Erbe und zeitgenössische politische Einstellungen". Paper presented at the DAAD Center's doctoral conference "Herausforderungen der neuen Welt Imaginationen der neuen Generation: 1968-2018", Centre for German and European Studies, Chung-Ang University, Seoul, 4-8 October 2018.

PUBLICATIONS

Anatoly Boyashov (2017). *Human Rights and Standardization of Business*. Russian International Affairs Council. Analytical articles. 27 December 2017 (in Russian).

Anatoly Boyashov (2017). From High Aspirations to Harsh Reality: EU Human Rights Promotion at the UN Human Rights Council. *MGIMO Review of International Affairs*, 6(57), pp. 174-195.

Anatoly Boyashov (2018). Migrant's Rights at a System of the European Convention on Human Rights. *European Proceedings of Social & Behavioural Sciences*, Issue 38, pp. 89-96 (in co-authorship).

Anatoly Boyashov (2018). Prevention of Extremism in Multipolar World and Role of Union State. *Social Sciences and National Security*, Minsk, Military Academy of the Republic of Belarus, vol. 4, pp. 61-64 (in Russian).

Jasmin Siri and Madeleine Myatt (2018). Germany – Conditions for the Recent Establishment of Right-Wing Populism and Progressive Responses, in: Krell, Christian, Henri Möllers and Niklas Ferch (ed.). *Reclaiming Action – Progressive Strategies in Times of Growing Right-Wing Populism in Denmark, Norway, Sweden and Germany*, Berlin, pp. 75-96.

Kaldewey, David, Daniela Russ and Julia Schubert (2018): The Politics of Grand Challenges. Energy Security and Geoengineering. In: Maasen, S., Dickel, S., Schneider, C. (ed.): *TechnoScienceSociety. Technological reconfigurations of science and society*. Heidelberg: Springer.

FIELD AND ARCHIVAL RESEARCH

Anatoly Boyashov. 27-29 November 2017. Participation in the 6th UN Forum on Business and Human Rights. Geneva.

Daniela Russ. 25 October - 5 November 2017. Visit to the UN Archives. New York City.

Johannes Nagel. 12 February - 3 April 2018. Archival Research. Washington, D.C.

Daniela Russ. 25 February - 13 May 2018. Archival Research in the UN Archives. New York City, United States of America.

Yasin Sunca. 15 March - 15 April 2018. Guest Research Stay, École des hautes études en sciences sociales. Paris.

Aziz Elmuradov. 26 June 2018. Interview Research at the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation in the European Union, Brussels, Belgium.

FIELD AND ARCHIVAL RESEARCH

Yasin Sunca. 25-27 July 2018. Field work in Eindhoven, Netherlands.

Gladys Vasquez Zevallos. August 2018. Research at Daniel Cosío Villegas Library. COLMEX; Historical Archive of the UNAM and General National Archive in Mexico City, Mexico, and Research at National Library of Chile and National Archive of Chile, Santiago de Chile, Chile.

James Stafford. September 2018. Research at British Library, London. Great Britain.

Sandra Holtgreve. 01 October – 31 December 2018. Research at Higher Education institutes in Quito and Cuenca, Ecuador.

Sandra Holtgreve. 01 January 2019 – 09 April 2019. Research at Higher Education institutes in Guadalajara and Mexico D.F., Mexico.

GUEST LECTURERS AND RESEARCHERS

The following guest researchers visited the research Training Group "World Politics" from March until September; 2018

Or Rosenboim. 8 May 2018. Public Lecture "Globalism: Historical Perspectives on a Contested Concept". Or Rosenboim is a Junior Research Fellow in Politics at Queens' College and POLIS, both at the University of Cambridge.

Shih-Jiunn Shi. 5 June 2018. Public Lecture "Cultural Convergence or Political-economic Divergence: A Comparative Perspective on the Welfare Development in Greater China". Shih-Jiunn Shi is Fellow at ZiF, Bielefeld University.

Jennifer Pitts. 7 June 2018. Guest Workshop "Boundaries of the International". Jennifer Pitts is Associate Professor of Political Science at the Department of Political Science at the University of Chicago.

Ursula Mense-Petermann. 19 June 2018. Public Lecture "Transnationale Arbeitsmärkte in wirtschaftssoziologischer Perspektive - Zur Herstellung eines transnationalen Arbeitsmarktes in der Fleischindustrie". Ursula Mense-Petermann is Professor of the Sociology of Work and the Economy at Bielefeld University.

Jens Bartelson. 24-28 June 2018. Guest researcher. Jens Bartelson is Professor of Political Science at Lund University.

Peter Hålden. 25 June - 11 July 2018. Guest researcher. Peter Hålden is Associate Professor in Political Science at the Swedish Defense University, Stockholm.

Georgios Varouxakis. 12 July 2018. Public lecture "Towards a genealogy of the concept of the West". Georgios Varouxakis is Professor of the History of Political Thought at Queen Mary University, London.

Benjamin Tallis. 24 October 2018. Public lecture "Identities, Borderscapes, (Dis)orders: Understanding the EU's Migration and Neighbourhood Crises". Benjamin Tallis is a researcher in the Institute of International Relations, Prague.

WORKSHOPS ORGANISED BY RTG RESEARCHERS

Gladys Vasquez Zevallos, Sandra Holtgreve, Yasin Sunca, Marc Jacobsen, Karlson Preuß and Aziz Elmuradov "Imagining Belonging in World Politics: Concepts, practices and struggles". Bielefeld University, 01-02 October 2018.

Dr. James Stafford, Daniela Russ, Anatoly Boyashov, Johannes Nagel, Madeleine Myatt, Workshop : "Balance & Competition in World Politics", 09-10 November 2018

EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES ACTIVITIES

Daniela Russ. Lecture at "Markets, Money and Governance"-Kolloquium, University of Chicago, 3. April, and Mentoring Meeting with Karin Knorr Cetina, Otto Borchert Distinguished Service Professor, University of Chicago, USA, 03-04 April 2018.

Gladys Vasquez Zevallos. Mentoring Meeting with Lucrecia Enriquez, Professor at the Institute of History, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Chile, 19-26 August 2018.

Workshop "Attention please and the power of persuasion'. Gender issues within communication, status behaviour and the power of persuasion" with Deborah Ruggieri, 13 September 2018.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE WINTER TERM 18/19

Workshops & Conferences

- **13 -14 December 2018** . Annual retreat of the Institute for World Society Studies in Bad Salzufflen

Guest Lectures

- **18 December 2018**. Teresa Koloma Beck (Universität der Bundeswehr München). 'Globalisation and the Everyday. How sociologies of everyday life can contribute to globalisation research'.
- **8 January 2019**. Anja Weiß (Universität Duisburg-Essen). "Sociology of Global Inequalities".

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