

Curriculum Vitae



Dr. Rixta Wundrak

Education and Graduates

2013- present	Post-doctoral thesis 'Practices of narration. Praxeological and discourse-analytical approaches in biographical research'. Georg-August-University of Goettingen, Germany.
5/2008	Doctor Of Philosophy (Doc.rer.pol.), University of Potsdam, Germany. PhD thesis: The Chinese Community in Bucharest. A reconstructive case study on Chinese migration to Romania since 1989. Magna cum laude
2001	Master of Arts in Social Science (Magistra/Diploma degree) Mag.rer.soc.oec Thesis: 'Migration and Family history'. Final Grade: A. Sociology and Romance Studies. University of Vienna, Austria.
1993 - 2001	Studies in Sociology and Romance studies University of Vienna, Austria.
1987 - 1992	High School for Art and Design, Graz, Austria Final Grade:: A, "with honors"

Research Experience

7/2016 - present	Post doc lecturer. University of Bremen, Socium: Center for Social policy. Qualitative Methods, Seminars and Lecture. Bremen, Germany. Project: <i>Biographies and social Networks</i>
9/2011-9/2016	Post doc lecturer Alice Salomon Hochschule for Social Work And University of Vienna, Institute for Sociology Berlin, Germany.
2/2010 - 1/2015	Research Associate Georg-August-University of Goettingen, Center of Methods in Social Sciences.

	In cooperation with the Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Beer Sheva and the Al Quds-University in Israel/Palestine. <i>Trilateral DFG-Research Project: Established and Outsiders at the same time: Palestinians and Israelis in different figurations.</i>
10/2009 - 6/2013	Scientific Associate (Coordination, course teaching and student counseling) Georg-August-University of Goettingen, Center of Methods in Social Sciences. <i>Transdisciplinary Counseling Service in Qualitative Social Research (in German and English).</i>
2009 - present	Supervisor and consultant Institute for Qualitative Social Research Quatext e.V. Berlin, Germany Workshop, Method Consulting. http://www.quatext.de/Englisch/index_e.htm .
5/2008 - 4/2009	Research Associate Free University Berlin, Law-in-action group (Prof. Dr. Thomas Scheffer). Emmy-Noether Research project: <i>"Comparative Micro-Sociology of Criminal Procedure"; Political Inquiries in Germany, England, and the European Union.</i> http://www.law-in-action.de/ .
3/2006 - 3/2008	Researcher and Assistant Director Film Documentary 'Oceanul mare' director: Katharina Copony, Berlin, Germany and Hi-Film Production Bucharest, Romania http://www.komplizenfilm.net/e/oceanul-mare.html .
9/2002 - 9/2006	Research Associate and Project Coordinator University of Potsdam, Department for Cultural Anthropology in cooperation with the University of Bucharest, the University West Timișoara, and the Babeș-Bolyai-University in Cluj-Napoca, Romania. <i>Migration in Romania – Migration policies and migrants' strategies'.</i> Bilateral Research Project financed by the German Research Foundation GRF
4/1997 - 8/2002	Project Coordinator KulturKontakt Austria e.V., Initiative South East Europe in cooperation with the Austrian Ministry of Education and the Ministries in the resp. countries. Implementation of 17 multilateral educational projects in Albania, Bulgaria, Romania, Rep. of Macedonia, Montenegro, Bosnia-Herzegovina and Kosovo. http://www.kulturkontakt.or.at

Publications

Monographs

2010	Die chinesische Community in Bukarest. Eine rekonstruktive, diskursanalytische Fallstudie über Immigration und Transnationalismus. Aus der Reihe: Theorie und Praxis der Diskursforschung, Wiesbaden: VS Verlag für Sozialwissenschaften.
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- [The Chinese Community in Bucharest. A reconstructive, discourseanalytical Case study on Immigration and Transnationalism.]
- 2009 Die chinesische Community in Bukarest. Eine fallrekonstruktive Analyse zur chinesischen Migration nach Rumänien seit 1989. Dissertation. <https://publishup.uni-potsdam.de/opus4-ubp/frontdoor/index/index/docId/2737>.
- 2001 Migration und Familiengeschichte. Fallstudie einer Mutter und Tochter aus Rumänien. University of Vienna.
[Migration and Family history. A case study on a mother and her daughter from Romania.]

Editorial work

- 2017 (in print) (together with Christoph Maeder und Florian Elliker): Thematic Issue: The Sociology of Knowledge Approach in Discourse Ethnography SKADE In Journal for Discourse Studies (JfDS)

Peer reviewed Journals

- 2017 (in print) (together with Christoph Maeder und Florian Elliker): Introduction to the thematic issue and methodological thoughts on the Sociology of Knowledge Approach in Discourse Ethnography SKADE In: Journal for Discourse Studies (JfDS)
- 2017 (in print) Welcome to Paradise. Methodological accentuations to the Sociology of Knowledge Approach to Discourse Ethnography based on field notes from a refugees' shelter. In: Journal for Discourse Studies (JfDS)
- 2016 Dialogue and Narration. (with Anna Ransiek). In: The International Journal of Cross-cultural Studies and Environmental Communication. IJCCSEC. Special Issue on Dialogue in a Global World. Vol. 5, No. 1. <https://crosscultureenvironment.files.wordpress.com/2017/02/ijccsec-vol-5-1-2016-art5.pdf>
- 2016 Verschleierung und Vereinnahmung alltäglicher Geschichte/n. Eine wissenssoziologische Diskursethnographie (WDE) narrativer Interviews in Rumänien und in Israel. [Containment and Concealment of stories in everyday live. The Sociology of Knowledge Approach to Discourse Ethnography (SKADE)]. In: Journal for Discourse Studies (JfDS), 16/1, 71-97.
- 2015 Die Materialität des Erzählens. Die Bedeutung von Dingen und Körpern in einem biographischen Interview. Ein Beispiel aus Jaffa (Israel). [Materiality of narrations. The meaning of things and bodies within a biographical interview. A case from Jaffa (Israel)]. In: Österreichische Zeitschrift für Soziologie: Band 40, Heft 4 (2015), Seite 355-371, DOI: 10.1007/s11614-015-0179-1
- 2012 ‚Erzählungen aus Jaffa.‘ Narrationstheorie und Triangulation in kulturvergleichenden Analysen. [‚Stories from Jaffa‘. Introducing narrative theory and triangulation in cross-cultural analyses]. In Bohnsack, R. u.a.: Zeitschrift für

- qualitative Forschung (ZQF). 13 (1-2) Doppelheft zum Thema ‚Qualitative Forschung im Kulturvergleich‘. Leverkusen: Barbara Budrich Verlag. 151-172.
- 2010 L’immigration des commerçants chinois dans le Bucarest postcommuniste, [The immigration of Chinese entrepreneurs to Bucharest after Communism]. *Revue d’études comparatives Est-Ouest*, Volume 41, Issue 04, December 2010, 149-170.
<http://www.necplus.eu/action/displayAbstract?fromPage=online&aid=2432712>
- 2010 Die Realität medialer Berichterstattung – Veröffentlichungsprozesse von Untersuchungsausschüssen in Deutschland, England und der EU. [The Reality of Medial Reporting. Processes of Publicizing Political Inquiries in Germany, England and EU.] In *Soziale Welt* 61. 137-156 (mit Thomas Scheffer, Steffen Albrecht, Matthias Michaeler)
- 2008 Immigration during the ‘Wild Years’. Chinese Pioneers in Bucharest, in: Ovidiu Laurian Simina (Ed.), *Romanian Journal of European Studies*, No. 5-6/07, 135-151. <https://sites.google.com/site/romanianjournal/rixtawundrak>.

Book Chapters

- 2018 (in print) Biographie als Praxis-Diskurs-Formation. Eine praxeologische Perspektive auf lebensgeschichtliche Interviews in Jaffa. [Biography as a Practice-Discourse-Formation. A praxeological perspective on life-story interviews in Jaffa.] In: Alber, Ina; Griese, Birgit; Schiebel, Martina (Hg.): *Biografieforschung als Praxis der Triangulation*. Wiesbaden, Springer VS, 83-104.
- 2016 Being Palestinian in Jaffa. How Druze and Bedouin Israeli women talk about we-images and belonging. In: Rosenthal, Gabriele (Hrsg.): *Established and Outsiders at the same time. Self-Images and We-Images of Palestinians in the West Bank and in Israel*, Goettingen Series in Social and Cultural Anthropology, Vol. 8, Goettingen: University Press. 181-201.
- 2015 Palästinensisch Sein in Jaffa. Wir-Bilder und Zugehörigkeitskonstruktionen einer drusischen und einer beduinischen Israelin. [Beeing Palestinian in Jaffa. The ‚We‘-images and the belonging of a Druze and a Bedouin Israeli woman in Jaffa, Israel] In: Rosenthal, Gabriele (Hrsg.): *Etablierte und Außenseiter zugleich: Selbst- und Fremdbilder in den palästinensischen Communities im Westjordanland und in Israel*, Frankfurt/New York: Campus, 243-270.
- 2013 Geschichten über versus Geschichten von?! Eine triangulierende Diskursanalyse am Beispiel der chinesischen Community in Bukarest. [Stories about or Stories of?! A discourse-analytical case study of the Chinese community in Bucharest] In: Reiner Keller, Inga Truschkat (Ed.): *Methodologie und Praxis der wissenssoziologischen Diskursanalyse*, Band 1: Interdisziplinäre Perspektiven, VS Verlag Sozialwissenschaften, 249-279.
- 2010 Die Anhörung von Politprominenz – oder: zur Selbstbeschränkung von Untersuchungsverfahren. [The procedures (and self-regulations of hearings with high level politicians at political inquiries] In: Barbara Stollberg-Rilinger und André Krischer (Ed.): *Herstellung und Darstellung verbindlicher*

- Entscheidungen. Legitimation durch Verfahren in vormodernen und modernen Gesellschaften, Berlin: Duncker & Humboldt (mit Thomas Scheffer, Steffen Albrecht, Matthias Michaeler, Ian Schank), 523-559.
- 2009 Emerging transnational migrant networks in Eastern Europe: The Chinese community in Bucharest post-1989. In: Gabriele Rosenthal, Artur Bogner (Ed.) Ethnicity, Belonging and Biography. Ethnographical und Biographical Perspectives. Hamburg/London et al.: LIT, 203-225.
- 2006 Chinesische Immigrant_innen in Bukarest: Eine neue Minderheit in Rumänien? [Chinese migrants in Bucharest. A new minority group in Romania?] In: Wilfried Heller, Peter Jordan, Tede Kahl, Josef Sallanz, Josef (Ed.): Ethnizität in der Transformation. Zur Situation nationaler Minderheiten in Rumänien. Münster: LIT Verlag, 130-149.

Book Reviews and Conference Reports

- 2017 (forthcoming) Review: Günter Mey, Katja Mruck (Hrsg.): Qualitative Forschung. Analysen und Diskussionen – 10 Jahre Berliner Methodentreffen. In: Soziologische Revue.
- 2012 Program Reflection: Report on the joint session “Where Are you From? Experiences of Exclusion, Marginalization and Racism”; RC38 and RC05, at the Second ISA Forum of Sociology: Social Justice and Democratization, Buenos Aires, Argentina, August 1-4, 2012 in: Newsletter Biography and Society, Research Committee 38 of the ISA, December 2012, 14-17. <http://www.isa-sociology.org/rc38.htm>.
- 2012 Conference Report “Where Are you From? Experiences of Exclusion, Marginalization and Racism”, in: Newsletter of the Section Biographical Research, No. 63, 2012, 40-44. <http://www.isa-sociology.org/rc38.htm>.
- 2009 Review: Asiye Kaya: Mutter-Tochter-Beziehungen in der Migration. Biographische Erfahrungen im alevitischen und sunnitischen Kontext . [Mother-daughter-relationships and migration. Biographical experiences in Alevi and Sunni families.] In: BIOS 22 (2009), 2. Leverkusen: Barbara Budrich Verlag.
- 2009 Review: Steve Hall, Simon Winlow und Craig Ancrum 2008: Criminal Identities and Consumer Culture: Crime, Exclusion and the new culture of narcissism, Portland, Oregon, USA: Willan Publishing. In: Law and Politics, vol. 19, no. 3, 197-201, <http://www.lpbr.net/search/label/Vol.%2019%20No.%203>.
- 2008 Review: Ernst Spaan, Felicitas Hillmann, Ton van Naerssen (Ed.): Asian Migrants and European Labour Markets. Patterns and processes of immigrant labour market insertion in Europe, in: Geographical Revue, No. 01/2008, 84-89.
- 2008 Conference report „Bedeutungswandel von Ethnizität in Südosteuropa“ (with Jörg Becker). ‚Ethnizität in der Globalisierung. [Ethnicity and Globalization] Zum Bedeutungswandel ethnischer Kategorien in Transformationsländern Südosteuropas‘, [The changing meanings of Ethnicity in South Eastern Europe

during the political transition period]Potsdam Nov.2005, in: Rundbrief Geographie, No. 198. Leipzig, VGDH 2006, 22-24.

2008

with Jörg Becker: Ethnizität in der Globalisierung. Zum Bedeutungswandel ethnischer Kategorien in Transformationsländern Südosteuropas. [The changing meanings of Ethnicity in South Eastern Europe during the political transition period]In: Südosteuropa-Mitteilungen. No. 01/2006. 46. Jhrg., 88-93.

Teaching

WiSe 2017/2018

Workshop Qualitative Methods. (Urban studies and Migration; Social Inequality and Living Arrangements) Master: Sociology and Social Research. University of Bremen, Institute of Sociology, Seminar. (MA) 3 ECTS

SoSe 2017

Qualitative Methods. Doing Field work (Participant observation and interviewing). Master: Sociology and Social Research. University of Bremen, Institute of Sociology, Seminar. (MA) 4 ECTS

WS 2016/2017

Methods of Social Research II. Lecture. University of Bremen, Institute of Sociology. (BA) 1 ECTS

WS 2016/2017

Qualitative Methods. Techniques of Interpretation. Master: Sociology and Social Research. University of Bremen, Institute of Sociology, Seminar. 3 ECTS

SS 2016

Theory and Methods in Social Work. The Reconstructive approach. Topic: Asylum and refugees. Part 1. Alice Salomon Hochschule for Social Work. Berlin, Germany. (MA) 4 ECTS

WS 2014/2015

Qualitative Methods: Biographical case reconstruction. Department of Sociology, University of Vienna. (BA and MA) 3 ECTS (in German).

WS 2013/2014

Qualitative Methods: Introduction to SCAD, the 'Sociology of Knowledge Approach in Discourse Analyses', Department of Sociology, University of Vienna. 3 ECTS (in German and English).
<http://kellersskad.blogspot.de/p/blog-page.html>

WS 2011/2012

Triangulation – Mixed Methods. Narrative Interviews, Participant observation and document analyses. University of Vienna, Department of Sociology, Seminar and Training. 5 ECTS (in German).

WS 2011/2012

Teacher Training. Workshop at ZeUS, Centre for Empirical Research into School and Education, University of Goettingen. (in German and English).

WS 2010/11

Belonging and Migration – Introduction to Qualitative Methods. The narrative Interview, University of Goettingen, Center for Methods in Social Sciences. Undergraduate Seminar, 3 ECTS. (in German).

SS 2010

Ethnography. University of Goettingen, Center for Methods in Social Sciences. Tutorial for the advanced graduate seminar and training. Prof. Larissa Schindler. 5 ECTS (in German).

SoSe 2010	„Belonging to“. Grouping-processes, Inclusion and Exclusion. Training Seminar, 3 ECTS (in German).
WiSe 2009	Common sense and Social Science. The Sociology of Knowledge Theory. Methodological Basics in Qualitative Social Research. University of Goettingen, Center for Methods in Social Sciences. 3 ECTS (in German).
WiSe 2009	Theory and practice of Qualitative Interviews. Department of Sociology, Johannes-Gutenberg-University Mainz, Germany. 3 ECTS (in German).
SoSE 2009	Expertise in Methods. Analyses of field notes, discourse materials and network-diagrams. Georg-August-University of Goettingen, Center for Methods in Social Sciences. Advanced graduate seminar for PhD candidates. 3 ECTS (in German).
9/2009	Interpretative Social Research II. Summer School in Social Methods. Graduate School of Social Sciences (GGG) advanced graduate seminar (in German).
9/2008	Interpretative Social Research I. Summer School in Social Methods. Graduate School of Social Sciences (GGG), advanced graduate seminar (in German).
10/2007-2/2008	Qualitative Methods in Gender Studies. Humboldt-University of Berlin, Institute for transdisciplinary Gender Studies, team teaching with Prof. Dr. Asiye Kaya. Advanced graduate seminar. 3 ECTS (in German).
2003-2007	Assistance and Facilitation in advanced workshops for PhD candidates at the University of Goettingen, Center of Methods in Social Sciences.

Workshops (working language)

7/2017	<i>Biographical Case reconstruction. Theoretical positions and possible bridges to practice theory. Lecture and Workshop for the research group „Doing Transitions“– The Formation of Transitions over the Life Course (Collaborative DFG-funded Research Training Group at Goethe University Frankfurt and Eberhard Karls University Tuebingen) at the Goethe-University, Frankfurt, DE (in German).</i>
4/2015	Two-day workshop: <i>Introduction to reconstructive biographical research.</i> Methodenkompetenzzentrum [Center for Empirical Methods of the Social Sciences], University of Graz, Austria, (in German).
1/ 2014	Case reconstructions in Biographical and Discourse analyses, Part II. Advanced graduate Workshop, International section of the Faculty of Social Sciences, Goethe University Frankfurt (IPC), Germany (in German and English).
7/2013	Interdisciplinary Workshop on data analysis Methods. Two-day workshop, for advanced graduates, Center for Development Research (ZEF), University of Bonn, Germany, (in English).
1/2013	Case reconstructions in Biographical and Discourse analyses. Advanced graduate Workshop, International section of the Faculty of Social Sciences, Goethe University Frankfurt (IPC), Germany (in German and English).

6/2012	Qualitative Methods in Euroculture. Two-day workshop, Erasmus Mundus Master's Programme EUROCULTURE, University of Goettingen, Germany (in English).
2/6/9/2012	Biographical Case reconstruction and Typology. Four-day workshop, Catholic University of Applied Science Berlin, Germany, (in German).
SoSe 2011	Urban Sociology and Qualitative Methods within the Seminar ‚Milieu and Social Space. New Approaches to Urban Sociology (Dr. Thomas Dörfler) Short workshop for geographers, University of Goettingen, Germany, (in German).
9/2011	Interpretative Social Research and Ethnography. Facilitation. Part II, Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Beer Sheva, Israel (in English).
3/2011	Interpretative Social Research and Ethnography. Facilitation. Part I, Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Beer Sheva, Israel (in English).
6/2009	Interdisciplinary Workshop on Data Analysis Methods. Two-day workshop advanced graduate, Center for Development Research (ZEF), University of Bonn, Germany (in English).

Conference and Session Organisation

2/2017	Reporter. Advancing Life Course Theories and Methods: Key Challenges and Solutions. University of Bremen/Delmenhorst.
Geplant 7/2016	Session Organizer Practices in Biographical Research in the Context of Globalization. With Maria Pohn-Lauggas at the third ISA Forum of Sociology, Vienna, Austria (in English).
10/2015	Session-Organizer Globalisierung und ihre Empirie. [The Globalization and it's Empirical analysis] Session der Sektion für empirische Sozialforschung (gemeinsam mit Prof. Larissa Schindler) am österreichischen Soziologiekongress: Soziologie in Österreich – Internationale Verflechtungen (in German).
4/2009	Conference-Organizer Biographie und Recht. [Biography and Law]. Organisation, der Sektionen Biographieforschung und Rechtssoziologie der German Sociological Association (GSA) and Center of Methods in Social Sciences, University of Goettingen, Germany (in German).

Talks

8/2017	“Welcome to paradise [sic]” Discourse ethnography in the refugees’ world/s in Europe. Paper for the 13th Conference of the European Sociological Association “(Un)Making Europe: Capitalism, Solidarities, Subjectivities” in Athens, Greece, Sesson: Key Topics in the Sociology of Knowledge III: Discourses, Affectivity & Subjectivities
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- 7/2017 *Biographische Fallrekonstruktion.* Methodologische Verortungen und mögliche Verbindungen zur Praxistheorie. Vortrag und Workshop für das Graduiertenkolleg Doing Transitions – Formen der Gestaltung von Übergängen im Lebenslauf (Kooperatives DFG-Graduiertenkolleg der Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main und der Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen) an der Goethe-Universität, Frankfurt, DE.
- 6/2017 *Gestaltqualitäten der Empirie.* Triangulation von Biographie, Ethnographie und Diskurs. Tagung des Wiener Netzwerkes für Theorie und Methodologie, „Sozialwissenschaften im Extrazimmer“ im Rahmen der Veranstaltungsreihe: Methodeninnovationen. Aktuelle Debatten qualitativer Sozialforschung. (22.6.2017).
- 3/2017 Heterotopien der Flucht – Die ethnographische Diskursanalyse (WDE) weitergedacht. Tagung: Die diskursive Konstruktion von Wirklichkeit III. Interdisziplinäre Perspektiven einer wissenssoziologischen Diskursforschung. Stream O: Wissenssoziologische Diskursethnographie Augsburg, Germany.
- 12/2016 *Diskursethnographien in Rumänien und in Israel.* Vortrag im Rahmen des BIQUAM-Kolloquiums (Bremer Initiative für Qualitative Methoden) am Socium, Bremen (13.12.2016).
- 10/2016 *Ethnizität in Israel – oder: Wie geht die Soziologie mit emotionalem Sprechstoff um?* [Ethnicity in Israel – How Sociology deals with „emotional dynamite“] Paper for the Hearings, Professorship in Sociology, Migration and Ethnicity, Johannes Gutenberg-University of Mainz. (3.12.2016).
- 9/2016 Welcome to Paradies! A discourse ethnography of a refugee camp in Berlin (The Sociology of Knowledge Approach to Discourse Ethnographies), Qualitative Research Summit. ESA RN 20 Qualitative Methods Midterm Conference, European Sociological Association Research Network 20 Qualitative Methods, Cracow, Polen).
- 4/2016 *„Willkommen im Paradies“.* Überlegungen zur Programmatik der Wissenssoziologischen Diskursethnographie WDE. ‚Heterotopien des Helfens‘ in Notunterkünften für Geflüchtete in Deutschland Forschungsgespräch am Soziologischen Seminar St. Gallen (SfS-HSG), Schweiz [„Welcome to paradise! The methodology of SCADE – Sociology of Knowledge approach in discourse-ethnography].
- 12/2015 Diskursanalyse und Ethnographie - In der Sozialen Arbeit mit Geflüchteten. [Discourse Analysis and Ethnography in the field of Social Work for Refugees] Vortrag im Rahmen der Ringvorlesung ‚Soziale Arbeit und Gesundheit im Kontext Sozialer Kohäsion‘. Hochschule Emden-Leer, Deutschland (in German).
- 10/2015 *„Mitleid mit den Aliens“* Die Wissenssoziologische Diskursethnographie (WDE) im Forschungskontext Israel und Palästina. [The sympathy is with the Aliens‘. The Sociology of Knowledge Approach in Discourse Ethnography. SCADE.] Arbeitskreis ‚Wissenssoziologie & Diskursforschung‘ auf dem Kongress der Sektion Wissenssoziologie, Landau, Germany. (in German).

- 9/2015 Dialogue and Narration. Together with Anna Ransiek. 3rd ESTIDIA Conference 'Dialogue as Global Action: Interacting Voices and Visions across Cultures'. Constanta, Rumania (in English).
- 4/2015 Die erzählte Welt des Anderen – Zugehörigkeiten und Fremdsetzungen in Rumänien und in Israel/Palästina.
[Telling stories about the Other – Belonging and Othering in Romania and in Israel and Palestine].
Center of Research in Social Science. University of Graz, Austria (in German).
- 3/2015 Die ‚diskurslastige‘ Konstruktion des Interviews. Die diskursive Konstruktion der Wirklichkeit WDA II –
[Interdisciplinary perspectives on a Sociology of Knowledge Approach in Discourse analyses].
Interdisziplinäre Perspektiven einer wissenssoziologischen Diskursforschung. Prof. Reiner Keller, Dr. Sasa Bosancic, Augsburg, Germany (in German).
http://www.philso.uni-augsburg.de/lehrstuehle/soziologie/sozio1/wda_tagung/Datei/Call_DCoR_II_EN.pdf
- 1/2015 Die erzählte Welt des Anderen - Ausdrucksformen der Transkulturalität in zwei Forschungskontexten.
[Telling stories about the Other – Examples of cross-cultural analyses in two research projects]
Leuphana University Lueneburg, Germany (in German).
- 10/2014 Das Imaginäre (in) der Erzählung – und seine Bedeutung im Nahostkonflikt. Ad-hoc Gruppe: Imaginäre Spielräume.
[Imagined worlds and narrations – in the context of the Middle-East conflict]
Das Imaginäre als Gegenstand und Methode der Soziologie. 37th Congress of the German Sociological Association (GSA), Trier, Germany (in German).
- 10/2014 Der Nahostkonflikt und sein Bedarf an Biographien.
[The Middle-East Conflict and its 'need' for Biographies].
Veranstaltung der Sektion Biographieforschung zum Thema „Die Krise als Biographiegenerator“, 37th Congress of the German Sociological Association (GSA), Trier, Germany (in German).
- 1/2013 ‚Zur Triangulation von biographischen und diskursanalytischen Fallrekonstruktionen‘
Presentation and Workshop, Annual Conference of the Section in Biographical Research, GSA, University of Kassel, Germany (in German).
- 11/2012 „Erzählungen aus Jaffa“. Verstrickte Zugehörigkeiten und Fremdsetzungen.
[Stories from Jaffa, entangled belongings and othering]. University of Trier, Germany.
- 8/2012 Othering and territorial claims in the Palestinian-Israeli context.
Research Committee Racism, Nationalism and Ethnic Relations (RC 05)
Second ISA Forum on Sociology, Social justice and democratization in Buenos Aires, Argentina (in English).

- 8/2012 Intractable violence in everyday life and the 'Big Conflict' in the Middle-East. Research Committee Biography and Society. Second ISA Forum on Sociology, Social justice and democratization in Buenos Aires, Argentina (in English).
- 11/2011 Zur Verbindung von Stadtethnographie, Diskursanalyse und Biographieforschung in einem palästinensisch-israelisch-deutschen Forschungsprojekt. [Urban Studies, discourse analysis and biographical research], University of Tuebingen, Institute for Sociology, Germany.
- 10/2010 Die chinesische Community in Bukarest: Immigration, Transnationalismus und Netzwerkbildung in Osteuropa nach 1989. [The Chinese Community in Bucharest: Immigration, Transnationalism and Network-Building in Eastern Europe after 1989] Sections Urban Studies and Migration Studies, 35. Congress of the GSA, Frankfurt/Main, Germany.
- 7/2010 ,Bucharest's Chinatown – Ethnicization and the performance of capitalism. ISA World Congress of Sociology, RC38 Biography and Society, Session: Performing ethnicities. Gothenburg, Sweden.
- 9/2008 Medien und Verfahren am Beispiel des VISA-Untersuchungsausschusses. [Media and Political Inquiries. The VISA-inquiry in Germany.] Kongress der deutschsprachigen Rechtssoziologie-Vereinigungen. „Wie wirkt Recht?“ University of Lucern, Switzerland.
- 12/2007 Reconstructing the case of Chinese migrant-networks in Bucharest, Ethnicity, Belonging, Biography and Ethnography. Nova Southeastern University (NSU) in Fort Lauderdale, South Florida, USA, and University of Goettingen, Germany.
- 04/2006 Chinese Migration to Romania after 1989, Migrations between East and West: Normalizing the Periphery. Research School for Southeast Asian Studies, Xiamen University, China. Institute for Ethnic and Migration Studies, University of Amsterdam, International Institute for Asian Studies, Amsterdam/Leiden, Hong Kong Baptist University, China. Xiamen, VR China.
- 12/2005 Ethnography and Field Research, Presentation in the workshop for Qualitative Research. Center of Methods in Social Sciences, University of Goettingen, Germany (in German).
- 12/2004 Transnational Migration-Networks in Eastern Europe since 1989, European and National Management of Immigration Flows. European Research Forum on Migration and Ethnic Relations (EuroFor), European Center for Migration (EMZ), Florence. Maria-Curie Program: From Immigration Politics to Migration Management. Changes in Migration Governance. Florence, Italy.
- 05/2004 Immigrant_innen-Communities: Neue kulturelle Minderheiten in Rumänien. [Immigrant-Communities: New cultural Minority groups in Romania] Nationale Minderheiten im Transformationsprozess in Rumänien. Workshop am österreichischen Ost- und Südosteuropa-Institut, Vienna, Austria.

Memberships

European Sociological Association (ESA)
Research Networks: Qualitative Methods RN20, RN7, RN 3, RN27 (ESA)
International Sociological Association (ISA)
Research committee 38, Biography and Society (ISA)
German Sociological Association (GSA)
Section of Sociology of Knowledge (GSA)
Section of Biographical Research (GSA)
Section Qualitative Methods in empirical Social Research (GSA)
Austrian Society for Sociology (ÖGS)
Section for empirical methods and research designs (ÖGS)
Working Group Gender Studies Georg-August-University of Goettingen
Network Wissenssoziologische Diskursanalyse (WDA)
Quatext – Institute for Qualitative Research assn. Berlin
Network Qualitative research Graz, Austria
Network for Theory and Methodology Vienna, Austria

Other activities

Quatext – Institut für Qualitative Sozialforschung e.V. Berlin
<http://www.quatext.de/>
Youth-organisation for Roma and non-Roma Amaro Foro e.V. Berlin
<http://www.amaroforo.de/>

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