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Education

2003: Defense of doctoral thesis (Dr. rer. pol., thesis title “IMF Structural Adjustment and Stabilization Programs in the 1990s: Background, Concepts, and Criticism”).

1991 – 1996: Studies of economics at Freie Universität Berlin (FU Berlin, degree: Diplom-Volkswirt).

Professional Positions

Since 2013:	Member of the H.O. Stekler Research Program on Forecasting, Columbian College of Arts & Science, The George Washington University.
2010/05 – 2010/11, 2012/11, 2013/03:	Non-resident Visiting Fellow, International Monetary Fund, Research Department.
Since 2010/04:	Research Fellow, Konjunkturforschungsstelle (KOF), ETH Zürich.
Since 2009/10:	Full Professor (tenure), Universität Hamburg, Department Socioeconomics.
2005/10 – 2009/09:	Juniorprofessor (Assistant Professor), Universität Hamburg, Department of Economics and Politics.
2005/01 – 2005/09:	Deputy Head of Department (acting), Department Macro Analysis and Forecasting, German Institute for Economic Research (DIW Berlin).
2002/07 – 2002/10:	Associate Economic Affairs Officer, UNCTAD, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, Geneva.
1998/07 -2009/02:	Economist and Senior Economist at DIW Berlin (German Institute for Economic Research), Department Macro Analysis and Forecasting.
1997:	Freelance economist at the HWWA-Institute, Hamburg.
1995 – 1996:	Student employee at the Research Centre of the Deutsche Gesellschaft für die Vereinten Nationen, Lv. Berlin (German United Nations Association, Berlin Branch).
1994 – 1995:	Student employee at the Central Institute for Social Research, Freie Universität Berlin.
1992 – 1994:	Student employee in the project “Structural change in mechanical engineering and electrical industry in the divided Berlin between 1945 and 1989” (Dr. Johannes Bähr).

Membership in Scientific Associations

Verein für Socialpolitik
Keynes-Gesellschaft

Consulting**Technical assistance:**

- Kazakhstan: member of the German staff of “Kazakhstan Economic Trends” (EU Project, 1998-99).
- Vietnam: macroeconometric modelling (gtz-Project, 1999).
- Cuba: tax estimation system for the Ministry of Finance (EU Project, 2000-2001).
- Lesotho: macroeconometric modelling (EU Project, 2006).

Policy consulting (selected projects):

- The Euro and prices: changeover-related inflation and price convergence in the Euro area (EU Commission, DG ECFIN, 2007-2008).
- Evaluation of Forecasting Services of the Directorate General Economic and Financial Affairs (EU Commission, DG ECFIN, 2006-2007).
- Macroeconomic conditions to reach full employment in Germany until 2010 (Federal Ministry of Economics and Labor, 2004-2005).
- Country-specific differences in wage, price and productivity trends and their relevance for growth and employment differences in the Euro area (Federal Ministry of Economics and Labor, 2004-2005).
- Output Gap and NAIRU: Implications for the macroeconomic policy-mix with special reference to changes in wage and price-setting behavior due to New Economy (Federal Ministry of Finance, 2002-2003).

Refereeing

Accounting and Finance, Applied Economics, B.E. Journal of Macroeconomics, Computational Economics, Economic Inquiry, Economic Journal, Economics: The Open-Access, Open-Assessment E-Journal, Empirica, Empirical Economics, European Economic Review, European Journal of Economics and Economic Policy: Intervention, German Economic Review, International Economics and Economic Policy, International Finance, International Journal of Central Banking, International Journal of Banking, International Journal of Forecasting, International Journal of Public Policy, Jahrbücher für Nationalökonomie und Statistik (Journal of Economics and Statistics), Journal of Applied Econometrics, Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control, Journal of European Economic History, Journal of Forecasting, Journal of International Development, Journal of International Money and Finance, Journal of Labour Market Research, Journal of Macroeconomics, Journal of Money, Credit, and Banking, Konjunkturpolitik (Applied Economics Quarterly), Oxford Economic Papers, PLOS One, Perspektiven der Wirtschaftspolitik, Review of Economics and Statistics, Review of International Economics, Review of International Organizations, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Southern Economic Journal, Structural Change and Economic Dynamics.

Evaluation reports and referee for Fritz-Thyssen foundation, Hans-Böckler-Foundation, Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG), Schweizerischer Nationalfonds (SNF).

Editorial Activities

1999-2008: Member of the editorial team “Quarterly Journal of Economic Research” (Vierteljahrshefte zur Wirtschaftsforschung).

Editor-in-charge or co-editor of the following special issues:

- “80 Years of Business Cycle Studies at DIW Berlin” (2006-2),
- “Stabilisierungspolitik in Euroland” (“Stabilisation policy in the Euro area”, 2004-3),
- “Konjunkturforschung in der Europäischen Wirtschafts- und Währungsunion” (“Business cycle research in the EMU”, 2001-3),
- “Entwicklungsprozesse und Asienkrise” (“Development processes and the Asian crisis”, 1999-1).

Since 2006: Member of Editorial Board, “International Journal of Public Policy”.

Since 2009: Associate Editor, “Economics: The Open-Access, Open-Assessment E-Journal”

Since 2011: Member of Editorial Board, “European Journal of Economics and Economic Policy: Intervention”.

2018/2019: Guest associate editor “International Journal of Forecasting”

Academic Self-Administration

April 2006 – October 2009: Member of the “Prüfungsausschuss” (Examination Board).

November 2006 – October 2017: Member of the “Promotionsausschuss” (Doctoral Candidate Admission Board).

April 2010 – October 2011: Member of the Deanery at the School of Business, Economics and Social Sciences.

October 2010-March 2011: Acting Speaker of the Department’s Executive Committee.

April 2011 – March 2014: Member of the Department’s Executive Committee (“Fachbereichsvorstand”).

October 2011 – September 2013, October 2015 – September 2019, October 2021 – present: Member of the Board of the Faculty (“Fakultätsrat”).

October 2018 – September 2021: Member of the Board of the Department (“Fachbereichsrat”).

October 2019 – recent: Head of the “Prüfungsausschuss BA Sozialökonomie”

Fields of Professional Specialisation

- Applied macroeconomics and macroeconometrics
- Forecasting and forecasting techniques
- Economic policy (focus on monetary policy and European integration, macroeconomic policy evaluation, stabilization policy)
- Computational text analysis

Recent Research Grants

- Untersuchung des Zusammenhangs von Erfahrung und Erwartung bei der Erstellung makroökonomischer Prognosen unter Verwendung von computer-gestützter Textanalyse und von Verfahren des maschinellen Lernens (Exploring the experience-expectation nexus in macroeconomic forecasting using computational text analysis and machine learning), joint project with Jörg Döpke and Christian Pierdzioch, funded by DFG in the framework of the Schwerpunktprogramm SPP 1859 “Erfahrung und Erwartung: Historische Grundlagen ökonomischen Handelns” (2019-2022)
- Makroökonomische Prognostik in Großen Krisen (Macroeconomic Forecasting in Great Crises), joint project with Jörg Döpke and Christian Pierdzioch, funded by DFG in the framework of the Schwerpunktprogramm SPP 1859 “Erfahrung

- und Erwartung: Historische Grundlagen ökonomischen Handelns” (2016-2019)
- Inflationserwartungen und -erwartungen von Haushalten und ihre Beziehung zu Spar- und Konsumentscheidungen: Survey-Evidenz für Deutschland (Inflation perceptions and expectation and their relationship to savings and consumption decisions: survey evidence for Germany, funded by German Bundesbank, Hamburg branch, 2015 - 2016).
- Evaluation von makroökonomischen Prognosen: Annahmen, Verzerrungen, strategisches Verhalten und Evaluationskriterien (Evaluation of macroeconomic forecasts: Assumptions, Biases, strategic considerations, and evaluation criteria, funded by Hans-Böckler-Foundations, 2015-2016).
- Inflation Expectation Formation and Information Transmission on Households' Expectations: Stickiness, Agenda-Setting and Uncertainty (funded by Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft, finished October 2012).

Appointments

- 12/2009: Appointment W3 (tenure), “Volkswirtschaftslehre/ Makroökonomik”, BTU Cottbus (declined).
- 05/2009: Appointment W3 (tenure), „Volkswirtschaftslehre, insbesondere Empirische Wirtschaftsforschung“, Universität Hamburg, Dept. Socioeconomics (accepted).
- 03/2009: Appointment W3 (tenure), “Angewandte Makroökonomie”, Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg (declined).
- 02/2009: Appointment W2 "Volkswirtschaftslehre, insbesondere Makroökonomik" Martin-Luther-University Halle-Wittenberg and head of department "Makroökonomik" IWH (declined).

Language and Programming Skills

German (native), English (fluent), Russian (basic knowledge).
EViews, gretl, RATS, R, LaTeX, Stata.