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CURRENT ACADEMIC POSITION

Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Potsdam, Germany **Since 04/2019**
Chair of International Relations (Prof. Andrea Liese)
Open Topic Postdoc Programme, with teaching obligation (4 SWS)
(on leave from 10/2019 – 03/2020)

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Acting Professor of International Organizations, University of Potsdam **10/2019 – 03/2020**
Vertretungsprofessor (W2), Chair of International Organizations and Public Policy,
Advanced teaching obligation (8 SWS)

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, TUM School of Governance, Munich, Germany **12/2018 – 03/2019**
Chair of European and Global Governance (Prof. Eugénia da Conceição-Heldt)
ERC-Project “Delegation and Empowerment of International Organizations”

JSPS-UNU Postdoctoral Fellow, United Nations University, Tokyo, Japan **10/2016 – 09/2018**
Centre for Policy Research (UNU Rector David Malone, Sebastian von Einsiedel)

Research Fellow, University of Bamberg, Germany **02/2016 – 09/2016**
Chair of International Relations (Prof. Thomas Gehring)
Advanced teaching obligation (5 SWS)

Research Fellow, University of Bamberg, Germany **02/2014 – 01/2016**
Chair of International Relations (Prof. Thomas Gehring), Project “Rule-based
Decision-making within the Security Council”

Visiting Scholar, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, USA **08/2013 – 12/2013**
Department of Political Science, Center on Terrorism (Prof. Peter Romaniuk)

Research Fellow, University of Bamberg, Germany **02/2012 – 06/2012**
Chair of International Relations (Prof. Thomas Gehring), Project pilot “Rule-based
Decision-making in the Security Council”

Research Fellow, University of Bamberg, Germany **04/2011 – 09/2012**
Chair of International Relations (Prof. Thomas Gehring)
Advanced teaching obligation (5 SWS)

Research Fellow, Universität Konstanz, Germany 10/2010 – 03/2011
Chair of International Relations and Conflict Resolution (Prof. Katharina Holzinger)
DFG-Project “Constitutional Evolution in the European Union”

EDUCATION

PhD in Political Science (summa cum laude), University of Bamberg, Germany 07/2016
Bamberg Graduate School of Social Sciences (German Excellence Initiative)
Dissertation: Security Council Sanctions Committees: From Power-based to Rule-based Decision-making?
Committee: Thomas Gehring, Monika Heupel and Thomas Rixen
Hans-Löwel Science Award 2018, University of Bamberg
Dissertation Award 2017, UN Association of Germany (DGVN)

Master of Arts (M.A.), Political Science, Universiteit Leiden, The Netherlands 2009 – 2010
Final grade: 8.5 (Scale: 0 to 10 best), degree with distinction (“cum laude”)

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), Political Science, University of Bamberg, Germany 2006 – 2009
Second-best graduate in 2009

INVOLVEMENT IN ATTRACTING COMPETITIVE EXTERNAL FUNDING

German Foundation for Peace Research, Project “Rule-based Decision-making within the Security Council through Complex Governance Structures” 02/2014 – 01/2016
Principal investigator: Prof. Thomas Gehring, grant amount: € 102,000

German Foundation for Peace Research, Project pilot “Rule-based Decision-making in the Security Council: The Al-Qaida Sanctions Committee” 02/2012 – 06/2012
Principal investigator: Prof. Thomas Gehring, grant amount: € 15,000

SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS

Research and Travel Grant, University of Potsdam (€ 22,000) Since 04/2019
Jargon Jumble - The Up Goer Five Challenge, ISA (finalist) 09/2021
JSPS Postdoc Scholarship, Japan Society for the Promotion of Science, grant amount: ¥ 8,900,000 (ca. € 69,000) 10/2016 – 09/2018
Research and Travel Grant, Japan Society for the Promotion of Science, grant amount: ¥ 1,600,000 (ca. € 12,500) 10/2016 – 09/2018
Hans-Löwel-Prize for Promising Scholars 2018, University of Bamberg (€ 4,000) 07/2018
Dissertation Award 2017, UN Association of Germany (€ 1,000) 09/2017
Research and Travel Grant, Bamberg Graduate School of Social Sciences (€ 4,500) 10/2013 – 09/2015
Full PhD Scholarship, Elite Network of Bavaria (€ 25,200) 10/2012 – 01/2014
DAAD Travel Grant, Visiting Scholar, John Jay College of Criminal Justice (€ 2,700) 08/2013 – 12/2013

TRAINING IN HIGHER EDUCATION DIDACTICS AND MANAGEMENT

Basic Module “Management Skills for Research and University” (80 units), exp. **12/2021**
Potsdam Graduate School, advanced workshops on team management, grant proposal writing, communication, conflict resolution and project management

Advanced Certificate “Higher Education Didactics Brandenburg” (200 units), **05/2021**
Netzwerk Studienqualität Brandenburg, advanced workshops on Teaching and Learning, Academic Advising and Counselling, Oral and Written Exams in addition to individual specializations

Certificate of Higher Education Didactics (68 units), Fortbildungszentrum **12/2012**
Hochschullehre Bamberg, Teaching and Learning, Presentation and Communication, Academic Advising, Oral and Written Exams, Evaluation in Higher Education

PROFESSIONAL & DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

Organization Team, Lecture Series “Sustaining Peace”, University of Potsdam **Winter 2021**
Lecture Series together with GIZ Germany & Engagement Global

PhD Board of Examiners (Promotionsausschuss), University of Potsdam **Since 08/2020**
Representation (deputy) of junior researchers

Selection Committee, Chair for Economic Policy (W3), University of Potsdam **10/2019 – 04/2020**
Representation of junior- and senior researchers

Speaker, Political Science Researchers, University of Bamberg, Germany **04/2011 – 10/2012**
Coordination and representation of junior- and senior researchers

COMMITMENT AND REPRESENTATION

Mentor, Leiden University Mentoring Network **Since 09/2017**
Senior Advisor and Simulation Coach, EuroSoc GmbH, Germany **12/2008 – 09/2016**
Consultant, UN Department of Political Affairs, New York, USA **03/2014**
Intern, UN Department of Political Affairs, New York, USA **10/2013 – 12/2013**
Tutor, Model UN Delegation, University of Bamberg, Germany **10/2007 – 03/2011**

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

International Studies Association (ISA)
ECPR Standing Group on International Relations (SGIR)
European International Studies Association (EISA)
German Political Science Association (DVPW)
Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS)
United Nations Association of Germany (DGVN)
Leiden University Mentoring Network
Political Science Alumni Association, University of Bamberg (BAD e.V.)
DAAD Alumni-Network

RESEARCH MONOGRAPH

1. Dörfler, Thomas. 2019. Security Council Sanctions Governance. The Power and Limits of Rules. Routledge Research on the United Nations. Abingdon, Oxon & New York: Routledge.

PEER REVIEWED JOURNALS

2. Dörfler, Thomas and Eugénia da Conceição-Heldt. 2021. The Orchestration of Private Investors for Development: Revitalizing the World Bank. In: Regulation & Governance (online first).
3. Dörfler, Thomas. 2021. The Effect of Expert Recommendations on Intergovernmental Decision-Making: North Korea, Iran, and Non-Proliferation Sanctions in the Security Council. In: International Relations (online first).
4. Dörfler, Thomas and Thomas Gehring. 2021. Analogy-based Collective Decision-making and Incremental Change in International Organizations. In: European Journal of International Relations 27 (3), 753–778.
5. Gehring, Thomas and Thomas Dörfler. 2019. Constitutive Mechanisms of UN Security Council Practices. Precedent Pressure, Ratchet Effect and Decisions on Council Action in Intrastate Conflicts. In: Review of International Studies 45 (1), 120-140.
6. Gehring, Thomas, Christian Dorsch and Thomas Dörfler. 2019. Precedent and Doctrine in Organizational Decision-making: The Power of Informal Institutional Rules in the United Nations Security Council's Activities on Terrorism. In: Journal of International Relations and Development 22 (1), 107-135.
7. Hosli, Madeleine O. and Thomas Dörfler. 2019. Why is Change so Slow? Assessing Prospects for United Nations Security Council Reform. In: Journal of Economic Policy Reform 22 (1), 35-50. *#1 most read article in JEPR*.
8. Becker, Manuel, Thomas Dörfler and Thomas Gehring. 2018. Credible Commitment without Independent Regulatory Agents: Evidence from the United Nation Security Council's Compensation Commission. In: Regulation & Governance 12 (3), 395-412.
9. Dörfler, Thomas, Katharina Holzinger and Jan Biesenbender. 2017. Constitutional Dynamics in the European Union. Success, Failure and Stability of Institutional Treaty Revisions. In: International Journal of Public Administration 40 (14), 1237-1249.
10. Stollenwerk, Eric, Thomas Dörfler and Julian Schibberges. 2016. Taking a New Perspective. Mapping the Al Qaeda Network through the Eyes of the UN Security Council. In: Terrorism and Political Violence 28 (5), 950-970.
11. Dörfler, Thomas and Thomas Gehring. 2015. Wie internationale Organisationen durch die Strukturierung von Entscheidungsprozessen Autonomie gewinnen. Der Weltsicherheitsrat und seine Sanktionsausschüsse als System funktionaler Ausdifferenzierung. In: Conceição-Heldt, Eugénia, Koch, Martin and Liese, Andrea (eds.): Politische Vierteljahresschrift 49 (Special Issue on International Organizations), 30-56.

12. Gehring, Thomas and Thomas Dörfler. 2013. Division of Labor and Rule-based Decision-making within the UN Security Council: The Al-Qaida/Taliban Sanctions Regime. In: Global Governance: A Review of Multilateralism and International Organizations 19 (4), 567–587.

CHAPTERS IN EDITED VOLUMES AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS (* PEER REVIEWED)

13. *Hosli, Madeleine O. and Thomas Dörfler. 2020. The United Nations Security Council: History, Current Composition, and Reform Proposals. In: Hosli, Madeleine and Joren Selleslaghs (eds.): The Changing Global Order. Challenges and Prospects. Springer: United Nations University Series on Regionalism, Vol. 17, 299-320.
14. Dörfler, Thomas. 2019. Spotlight on the United Nations Security Council. In: E-International Relations. Student Feature. <https://www.e-ir.info/2019/08/21/student-feature-spotlight-on-the-united-nations-security-council/>
15. *Dörfler, Thomas, Eric Stollenwerk and Julian Schibberges. 2019. Uncovering Covert Structures: Social Network Analysis and Terrorist Organizations. In: Sage Research Methods Case.
16. Dörfler, Thomas. 2018. Die Sanktionsausschüsse zwischen Macht und Regeln. In: Vereinte Nationen [Germany Review on the United Nations] 66 (2): 62-66.
17. Hosli, Madeleine O. and Thomas Dörfler. 2015. The United Nations Security Council: The Challenge of Reform. In: Dries Lesage and Thijs Van de Graaf (eds.): Rising Powers and Multilateral Institutions. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, 135-152.
18. Dorsch, Christian and Thomas Dörfler. 2014. Organized Hypocrisy of the International Community: An Institutionalist Explanation of the UN Security Council's Contradictory Activity on Darfur. In: Zeitschrift für Genozidforschung 15 (1/2), 8-30.
19. Dörfler, Thomas and Madeleine O. Hosli. 2013. Proposals, Strategies and Preferences: Reforming the United Nations Security Council. In: Bob Reinalda (eds.): Routledge Handbook of International Organization. Milton Park, Abingdon, Oxon: Routledge, 377-390.

POLICY REPORTS

20. Dörfler, Thomas. 2021. Interface Challenges of UN Sanctions with Forums of Export Control: Towards Cohesion and Consistency in Non-Proliferation Sanctions? In: Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik (SWP) Working Paper "International Sanctions: Improving Implementation Through Better Interface Management" (eds. Judith Vorrath, Sascha Lohmann).
21. Hosli, Madeleine and Thomas Dörfler. 2019. The United Nations Security Council: History, Current Composition, and Reform Proposals. In: UNU-CRIS Working Paper (W-2019/2).
22. Brubaker, Rebecca and Thomas Dörfler. 2017. How can Sanctions Contribute to the Prevention of Conflict? In: UNU-CPR Conflict Prevention Series No.4.

23. Dörfler, Thomas, Thomas Gehring and Manuel Becker. 2017. Toward Rule-based Decision-making within the UN Security Council through Complex Governance Structures. In: Forschung DSF No.43 (Research Series of the German Foundation for Peace Research).

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS

- Dörfler, Thomas, Eric Stollenwerk and Julian Schibberges. Understanding Jihadist Terrorist Networks to Resolve Conflict: Differences and Commonalities in the Network Structure of Al-Qaida and the Islamic State. Paper to be presented at the Research Workshop on Resolving Islamist Armed Conflicts, Uppsala, Sweden, 9–10 October 2021. (upon invitation)
- Dörfler, Thomas and Mirko Heinzl. Greening Global Governance. INGO Secretariats and Environmental Mainstreaming of IOs, 1950 to 2017. Paper to be presented at the 28th virtual DWVP Congress, 14-16 September 2021.
- Dörfler, Thomas. Publishing Research Monographs in the Social Sciences. Lunchtime Talk at the Bamberg Graduate School of Social Sciences, Bamberg, Germany, 13 July 2021. (upon invitation)
- Dörfler, Thomas, Eric Stollenwerk and Julian Schibberges. Terrorist Networks do not Look Alike: Exploring Differences in the Network Structure of Al-Qaida and the Islamic State. Paper presented at the virtual ISA Annual Convention, 6-9 April 2021.
- Dörfler, Thomas and Mirko Heinzl. Greening Global Governance. The Role of Non-Governmental Organizations in Environmental Mainstreaming of International Organizations. Paper presented at the virtual ISA Annual Convention, 6-9 April 2021.
- Dörfler, Thomas. The Reform of the Security Council. The Changing Global Order and the Informal Reform of the Security Council. Presentation in “The United Nations System – Politics and Prospects” Seminar (Prof. Andreas Hasenclever), Tübingen, Germany, 24. February 2020. (upon invitation)
- Dörfler, Thomas. Interface Challenges of UN Sanctions with Forums of Export Control: Towards Cohesion and Consistency in Non-Proliferation Sanctions? Paper presented at the Authors Workshop “International Sanctions: Improving Implementation Through Better Interface Management” at Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik (SWP), Berlin, Germany, 10 December 2020. (upon invitation)
- Thomas Dörfler and Thomas Gehring. Analogy-based Collective Decision-making and Incremental Change in International Organizations. Paper presented at the Workshop “Seeing like the United Nations Security Council: The Socio-Technical Embeddedness of International Diplomacy”, Graduate Institute Geneva, Switzerland, 22-23 October 2020. (upon invitation)
- Thomas Dörfler and Thomas Gehring. Collective Analogical Reasoning and the Continuous Development of International Organizations. Paper presented at the ISA Annual Convention, Hawaii, USA, 25-28 March 2020. (accepted, but conference cancelled)
- Thomas Dörfler. Regulatory Expertise and Transgovernmental Networks in Security Council Decision-making: The Non-proliferation Sanctions on Iran and North Korea. ECPR General Conference 2019, Wrocław, Poland, 4-7 September 2019.

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- Thomas Dörfler and Thomas Gehring. Analogical Reasoning and Evolving Informal Rules in International Institutions. The Yugoslavia Sanctions Committee in the Security Council. Paper presented at the ECPR Joint Sessions of Workshops 2019, Mons, Belgium, 8-12 April 2019.
- Dörfler, Thomas and Eugenia da Conceição-Heldt. Privatization Trends in Multilateral Development Governance: Adaptation Strategies of the World Bank in Turbulent Times. Paper presented at the ISA Annual Convention 2019, Toronto, Canada, 27-31 March 2019.
- Dörfler, Thomas. Regulatory Expertise and Transgovernmental Networks in Security Council Decision-making: The Non-proliferation Sanctions on Iran and North Korea. Paper presented at the European Workshops in International Studies, Groningen, The Netherlands, 6-9 June 2018.
- Dörfler, Thomas. Precedents and Rule-like Informal Practice in the Security Council: The Yugoslavia Sanctions Committee. Paper presented at the ISA Annual Conference 2018, San Francisco, CA, USA, 4-7 April 2018.
- Dörfler, Thomas. Precedents and Rule-like Informal Practice in the Security Council: The Yugoslavia Sanctions Committee. Paper presented at the EISA Pan-European Conference on International Relations, Barcelona, Spain, 13-16 September 2017.
- Dörfler, Thomas. Regulatory Expertise and Transgovernmental Networks in Security Council Decision-making: The Non-proliferation Sanctions on Iran and North Korea. Paper presented at the ECPR General Conference 2017, Oslo, Norway, 6-9 September 2017.
- Dörfler, Thomas and Madeleine Hosli. The Global Changing Order and the (Informal) Reform of the Security Council. Paper presented at the ACUNS Annual Meeting, Seoul, Republic of Korea, 15-17 June 2017.
- Dörfler, Thomas and Thomas Gehring. Complex Governance Structures and Rule-based Decision-making within the UN Security Council. Paper presented at the UNU-CPR & Kroc Institute author's retreat "The Sanctions Enterprise" Manhasset, NY, United States, 11-13 February 2016.
- Dörfler, Thomas and Thomas Gehring. Complex Governance Structures and Rule-based Decision-making within the UN Security Council. Paper presented at the ISA Annual Conference New Orleans, LA, United States, 18-21 February 2015.
- Gehring, Thomas, Christian Dorsch and Thomas Dörfler. Institutional Constraints as Sources of Organizational Autonomy. The Impact of Doctrines and Delegation to Sanctions Committees on Decision-making within the United Nations Security Council (UNSC). Paper presented at the ISA Annual Conference New Orleans, LA, United States, 18-21 February 2015.
- Gehring, Thomas, Christian Dorsch and Thomas Dörfler. Institutional Constraints as Sources of Organizational Autonomy. The Impact of Doctrines and Delegation to Sanctions Committees on Decision-making within the United Nations Security Council (UNSC). Paper presented at the ECPR General Conference, Glasgow, United Kingdom, 3-6 September 2014.
- Dörfler, Thomas and Thomas Gehring. Wie internationale Organisationen durch die Strukturierung von Entscheidungsprozessen Autonomie gewinnen. Der Weltsicherheitsrat und seine Sanktionsausschüsse als System funktionaler Ausdifferenzierung. Paper presented at PVS author's workshop, Potsdam, Germany, 1-2 November 2013.

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Dörfler, Thomas and Madeleine O. Hosli. The United Nations Security Council: The Challenge of Reform. Paper presented at the 2013 WIRE Workshop, Brussels, Belgium, 13-14. September 2013.

Stollenwerk, Eric, Thomas Dörfler and Julian Schibberges. Eyes Wide Shut? Mapping the Al-Qaida Network through the Eyes of the UN Security Council. Paper presented at the ECPR SGIR Conference Warsaw, Poland, 18-21 September 2013.

Gehring, Thomas and Thomas Dörfler. Rule Based Decision-Making in the Security Council: The Al-Qaida Sanctions Committee. Paper presented at the PhD-Workshop "Internationale Beziehungen", Kochel am See, Germany, 13-14 July 2012.

Gehring, Thomas and Thomas Dörfler. Rule Based Decision-Making in the Security Council: The Al-Qaida Sanctions Committee. Paper presented at the GIGA Workshop "Autocratic Regimes and the Effects of International Sanctions", Hamburg, Germany, 25 June 2012.

Dörfler, Thomas and Madeleine O. Hosli. Proposals, Strategies and Preferences: Reforming the United Nations Security Council. Paper presented at the 2011 WIRE Workshop, Brussels, Belgium, 27-28 May 2011.

PANEL DISCUSSIONS

UNU Conversation Series, "Beneath or Beyond? The Question of Individual Rights at the United Nations Security Council", a Conversation with Prof. Machiko Kanetake, 20 June 2018, Tokyo, Japan (as moderator).

Stellt sich Deutschland seiner internationalen Verantwortung? Die Kandidatur der Bundesrepublik für einen nichtständigen Sitz im UN-Sicherheitsrat 2019/2020, Roundtable, United Nations Association of Germany, Berlin, Germany, 22 February 2018.

Japan und die Vereinten Nationen, Roundtable, United Nations Association of Germany, Berlin, Germany, 21 February 2018.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Winter 2021/2022 Seminar (BA): International Institutions, University of Potsdam
Research Seminar (BA): Sanctions Sometimes Smart? On the Effectiveness of Multilateral Sanctions, University of Potsdam
- Summer 2021 Online Seminar (MA): International Cooperation, University of Potsdam
Online Seminar (BA): German Foreign and Security Policy, University of Potsdam
- Winter 2020/2021 Online Seminar (MA): The Security Council and Crisis Management, University of Potsdam
Online Seminar (BA): International Security Policy, University of Potsdam
- Summer 2020 Online Seminar (MA): Formal and Informal International Organizations in Time, University of Potsdam
Online Research Seminar (BA): Sanctions Sometimes Smart? On the Effectiveness of Multilateral Sanctions, University of Potsdam
- Winter 2019/2020 Lecture (MA): Theories of International Institutions and Organizations, University of Potsdam
Colloquium (MA): Thesis Seminar for Master Thesis in International Relations and International Politics, University of Potsdam
Seminar (MA): Research Designs in Political Science, University of Potsdam
Seminar (BA): International Organizations in Security, Economics and the Environment, University of Potsdam
- Summer 2019 Seminar (MA): The Security Council and Crisis Management, University of Potsdam
Seminar (BA): European Integration, University of Potsdam
- Summer 2016 Seminar (MA): Political Strategy, University of Kent at Brussels with Professor Thomas Saalfeld (University of Bamberg)
Seminar (BA): European Integration, University of Bamberg
Proseminar (BA): Introduction to international and European Politics, University of Bamberg
- Winter 2015/2016 Project Seminar (BA/MA): How the United Nations works, University of Bamberg
- Winter 2014/2015 Project Seminar (BA/MA): How the United Nations works, University of Bamberg
- Winter 2012/2013 Project Seminar (BA/MA): How the United Nations works, University of Bamberg

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- Summer 2012 Seminar (BA): International Institutions, University of Bamberg
Proseminar (BA): Introduction to international and European Politics, University of Bamberg
- Winter 2011/2012 Project Seminar (BA/MA): How the United Nations works, University of Bamberg
Seminar (BA): International Institutions, University of Bamberg
Proseminar (BA): Introduction to international and European Politics, University of Bamberg
- Summer 2011 Seminar (BA): International Institutions, University of Bamberg
Proseminar (BA): Introduction to international and European Politics, University of Bamberg