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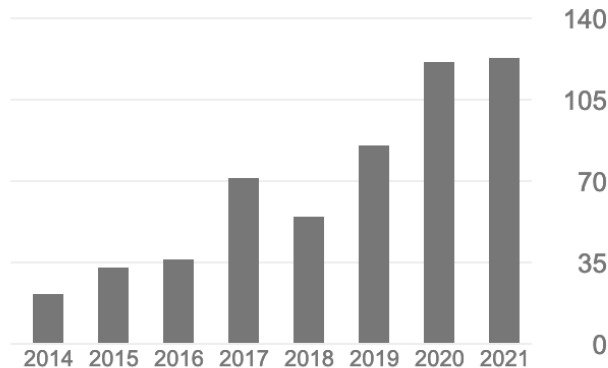
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 - Keynote for Event “The West also lies in the East. What a European initiative in the "Indo-Pacific" could look like”, Institut français Bonn, Veranstaltung im Rahmen der Ringvorlesung "Les Outre-Mer" und des "Deutsch-Französischen Strategischen Dialogs" January 11, 2021. Bonn.
 - „Competition and Cooperation in Technology and Innovation between China and the European Union“, Lecture for Southeast University, 11 September 2020, Nanjing.
 - „Macht und Markt: Herausforderung China“, Würth-Gruppe, 24 June 2020, Bad Mergentheim/Virtual Space.
 - „Digitaler Orientalismus. Kritische Perspektiven auf Chinas Aufstieg als Digitalmacht“, Universität Bonn, 10 June 2020, Bonn.
 - “Digitalmacht China? Einblicke und Herausforderungen für Europa und Deutschland”. Public lecturing as part of the lecture series „Demokratie und Rechtsstaat im Cyberspace – Perspektiven für ein stabiles Deutschland in Europa“, Bonn University, 16 January, 2020, Bonn.
 - “Übermächtiges China? Wie die chinesische Seidenstraßen-Initiative die internationalen Beziehungen verändert”. Österreichisches Institut für Internationale Politik, 6 December, 2019, Wien.
 - “The Role of Cities in China’s Belt and Road Initiative”, presentation at “New Global Cities: The Belt and Road Initiative and Urban Infrastructure”, Global Cities Scholars’ Workshop, 2019 Pritzker Forum on Global Cities, 6-8 June, 2019, Chicago.
 - “What The West can Learn from May Fourth – crisis and self-strengthening”, Public Discussion organized by Royal Asiatic Society, 2 June 2019, Shanghai.
 - “Historical Statecraft as Practice of Post-Western World Making”, invited talk co-organized by Department of China Studies and Department of International Relations, Xian Jiaotong Liverpool University, 23 May 2019, Suzhou.
 - “Perspektiven auf die Digitalisierung in China”, Diskussionsreihe: Utopien einer postdigitalen Gesellschaft: Technologiepolitik, nationale Sicherheit und digitale Technologien in Zeiten Künstlicher Intelligenz, 9 Mai 2019, Berlin.
 - Diskussionsbeitrag for “Netzpolitischer Abend in der FES. Wege der

- Digitalisierung in China, den USA und bei uns”, 7 May, 2019, Berlin.
<https://www.fes.de/medienpolitik/artikelseite/netzpolitischer-abend-in-der-fes-wege-der-digitalisierung-in-china-den-usa-und-bei-uns>
- “Socio-infrastructureal innovations and symmetrical methods for urban design processes in Megacities”, Konrad Adenauer Stiftung und Bund Katholischer Unternehmer, XII. FACHTAGUNG ENTWICKLUNG UND WIRTSCHAFT „Fernost... und doch so nah!“ Europas Umgang mit den Herausforderungen aus Ost- und Südost-Asien, 25-26 January, 2019, Bonn.
 - “Chinas neue globale Rolle – die aktuelle internationale Sicherheitsarchitektur aus europäischer Sicht”, public lecture on invitation by Friedrich-Ebert Stiftung, Dt. Reservistenverband, and Gesellschaft für Sicherheitspolitik, 22 November, 2018, Regensburg/Donaustauf.
 - “Großtechnische Infrastruktursysteme in den internationalen Beziehungen: Versuch eines IR-STS Gesprächs”, Series on “Infrastructure and Society”, Institute for Social Sciences, Stuttgart University, 6 November, 2018, Stuttgart.
 - “Eine vernachlässigte Komponente? Zur neuen Rolle der Sicherheit in den deutsch-chinesischen Beziehungen”, Gesellschaft für Sicherheitspolitik/ Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, 24 October, 2018, Ellwangen, Germany.
 - “The ‘Return of History’ and China’s historical statecraft”, East China Normal University, International Graduate Program in Politics, 11 June, 2018, Shanghai.
 - “Historical statecraft and China’s Belt and Road”, Jinan University, 7 May, 2018, Guangzhou.
 - “China’s silk road initiative from a theoretical point of view”, Costal Carolina University, 13 April, 2018, Conway.
 - “China’s Belt and Road Initiative Economics, culture and global order”, April 10, 2018, Krasno Events Series University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill.
 - “Nudging with Chinese Characteristics? A preliminary study of the emerging Social Credit System(s)”, China Humboldt Institute for Internet and Society, Berlin Workshop, 10 January, 2018, Berlin.
 - “Infrastructure of Disconnection China and the Great Firewall”, TUM School of Governance, Technical University Munich, 9 January, 2018, München.
 - “Strategische Antworten auf die neue Seidenstraße: China als Sicherheitspartner?” Universität Bonn, 8 November, 2017, Bonn.
 - “China as a Eurasian power? The new Silk Road initiative from a theoretical point of view”, Helmut-Schmidt-Universität/Universität der Bundeswehr Hamburg, Institut für Internationale Politik, 7 November, 2017, Hamburg.
 - “Seidenstraßen-Strategie: Auswirkungen und Risiken von Chinas Infrastruktur-Außenpolitik”, Leibniz-Institut Hessische Stiftung Friedens- und Konfliktforschung (HSFK), 10 Juli, 2017, Frankfurt.
 - “Chinas Seidenstraßen-Initiative und die neue Raumpolitik in Eurasien”, Kiel University, 20 April, 2017, Kiel.
 - “Virtuelle Missverständnisse? Cyber-Sicherheit und digitale Souveränität in den EU-China Beziehungen”, Institute for Security Policy Kiel University (ISPK), Lunch Talk, 19 April, 2017, Kiel.
 - “德国莱茵河的水岸文明 / Cultural landscapes of the Rhine River“, 东西对话：文化水岸 22 January, 2017, Shanghai.
 - “The Digital Dragon: How China is transforming the Global Internet - Perspectives & challenges“, LMU Munic, MCTS Lunch Talk, January 13, 2017, Munic.
 - “German views on China and the Chinese – with a case study about reactions to

- recent Chinese investments in Germany”, Nanjing University, 24 November, 2016, Nanjing.
- “Cities after Cars. Urbane Mobilität, Lebensqualität und Stadt-Design von unten“ · 4. Deutsch-Chinesisches Symposium zur Urbanisierung: nachhaltige Verkehrsentwicklung als Teil des Chinesischen Urbanisierungsprozesses, 20-25 November, 2016, Chengdu.
 - “The synergetic co-development of Chinese-German Industry 4.0 中德工业4.0的协同发展”, 2016智能制造—工业4.0中德论坛, 4 November, 2016, Chengdu.
 - “Technological Systems Transformations and the Sustainable Agenda for the Belt and Road Initiative”, 2016 Pujiang Innovation Forum Roundtable: Building the Belt & Road Innovation Community, 25 September, 2016, Shanghai.
 - “Wenn Seidenstraßen und Energietrassen aufeinandertreffen: energiepolitische Überlegungen zur Belt and Road-Initiative”, Jahrestreffen 2016 der KAS-AltstipendiatInnen in der VR China, 9 September, Baotou.
 - “Stories of Hope and Death: Refugees and the Rise of Emotional Politics in Europe,” The Hopkins China Forum, 14 July, 2016, Shanghai.
 - “The battle over life and death: refugees and sovereignty crisis in Europe”, Qinghua University, Taiwan, 27 April, 2016, Taizhong.
 - “The development direction of emerging energy technologies in Germany”, Taiwan Institute of Economic Research (TIER), 25 February, 2016, Taipei.
 - “Great Game, Development Push, Or Red Elephants? Behind China’s Global Infrastructure Geopolitics“, DIIS, Danish Institute for International Studies, 11 April, 2016 Copenhagen.
 - “Wissenschaft und Internationale Beziehungen”, Bonn University, Ringvorlesung: „Perspektiven der Wissenschaftsforschung“, 21 December, 2015, Bonn.
 - „Emerging Techno-Science and Global Youth Innovation“, 同济大学“博思”研究生创新论坛 · 8 December, 2015 Shanghai.
 - “Global Infrastructuralism and Silk Road Imaginaries”, Researcher’s Night 4.0, organized by EURAXESS EU-China Links, Think in China, and ESSCA School of Management, 26 November, 2015 Shanghai.
 - “Three visions for infrastructure and regional economic sustainability“, Presentation for the Conference „Economic Sustainability at the End of Double Digit Growth“, Konrad Adenauer Foundation, 11 November, 2015, Shanghai.
 - “The new innovation super power? Myths about China’s technology leadership”, Webster University, 14 September, 2015, Geneva.
 - “The BRICS: Rising Knowledge Powers?”, HCMC National University, Saigon Centre of International Studies, 15 June, 2015, Saigon.
 - “Planetary technological transformations and Sino-European relations in the 21st Century”, Tongji University, 7 January, 2015, Shanghai.
 - “China - weltpolitischer Akteur vor dem ‚großen Sprung‘?”, Deutsche Atlantische Gesellschaft, Regionalkreis Saarbrücken, 3 June, 2014, Saarbrücken.
 - “China’s Great Firewall and the Rise of Documentation Power”, Lecture for the Center for International Education and Institute of World Affairs, University of Wisconsin Milwaukee, 2 April, 2014. Milwaukee.
 - “Außenpolitische Optionen der VR China unter der neuen Führung” Presentation at the conference „China – Aufstieg zur Weltmacht?“, Sächsische Landeszentrale für politische Bildung Samstag, 30 November, 2013. Chemnitz.
 - “Are the BRICS merging technology powers?” Dinner lecture, Naumannstiftung, 4

- November, 2013, Berlin.
- “China im Konzert der Weltmächte: Einesicherheitspolitische Standortbestimmung Herausforderungen für Deutschland und Europa”, Presentation at Bonn Deutsche Atlantische Gesellschaft e.V., 25 September, 2013, Bonn.
- “Chinas Aufstieg – kulturell und politisch”, Presetation at the 8. Sicherheitspolitisches Forum, 13 April, 2013, Kiel.
- “BRICS auf der Überholspur? Wissensmachtverlagerung im globalen Vergleich” (BRICS and shifts in global knowledge power), Lunch Time, Bertelsmann Stiftung, 25 March, 2013, Gütersloh.
- “Vom Produzenten zum Erfinder? China als Wissensmacht” (From producing to inventing? China as Knowledge power), Lecture series, ‘China Aktuell’, China-Forum Freiburg, 16 January, 2013, Freiburg.
- “Theorizing Knowledge Power and global Power Shift”, Presentation at the Tongji University, German Studies Centre, 21 October, 2011, Shanghai.
- “Herausforderung Klimawandel” (Challenge Climate Change), Presentation und Discussion with Vietnamese Government Delegations, Bochum, 20 September, 2011.
- “Der Faktor China in der internationalen Politik und seine Folgen für Deutschland und Europa” (The factor China in international politics and its impact in Europe and Germany), Presentation for the seminar “China in der Weltpolitik”, Karl-Arnold Foundation, Königswinter, 17-19 May, 2011.
- “Die Auswirkungen des chinesischen Engagements auf die Entwicklung Afrikas“, (The effects of China’s engagement on development in Africa) DEUTSCHE GESELLSCHAFT FÜR DIE VEREINTEN NATIONEN e.V. (DGVN), Veranstaltung zum 50-jährigen Jubiläum der Entkolonialisierung Afrikas“, 12 July, 2010, Bonn.
- Maximilian Mayer/ Studentische Forschungsgruppe, „Die BRIC-Staaten als aufstrebende Wissensmächte?“ (BRICs as rising knowledge powers?) – Presentation und Discussion with the Committee for Education, research and technical risks, Deutscher Bundestag, 8 May, 2010, Berlin.
- “Chinas Ressourcenhunger – Strategien und Herausforderungen für die chinesische Energiepolitik” (China’s resource demand – strategies and challenges of the Chinese energy policy) , IKH Hannover, 8 February, 2010, Hannover.
- “Chinas Anpassung an den Klimawandel. Lokale und Nationale Perspektiven“ (China’s adaptation to climate change: local and national perspetives), Chinatag, 5 December, 2009, Köln.
- “Ressourcenhunger – Strategien und Herausforderungen für die chinesische Energiepolitik“ and „Chinas außen- und sicherheitspolitische Interessen“, Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, 9 September, 2009, Wendgräben.
- “Sind Ressourcenkonflikte vermeidbar? - Das Beispiel China,” (Are resource conflicts avoidable? The example of China) presentation for Forum Offene Wissenschaft, Universität Bielefeld, 11 October, 2008, Bielefeld.
- “Neue Hoffnung aus dem Osten? Reflexionen über Chinas Engagement in Afrika und seine Bewertung,” (New hope form the East? Reflections on China’s engagement in Africa) Presentation for „Chinas machtvoller Auftritt: Chance oder Gefahr für Afrika“, Mission Eine Welt, 19-20, April 2008, Nürnberg.
- “Unersättliche Wirtschaftsweltmacht? - Chinas 'Energiehunger' in kritischer Perspektive” (A critical perspective on Chinese energy demand), KMF-conference „Supermacht? - eine Zwischenbilanz über die Wirtschaftsmacht China“, 12-14 October, 2007, Ludwigshafen.
- “Experimentierfeld für Nachhaltigkeit oder ökologische Katastrophe? Chinas „Ressourcenhunger“ und was er für die Industrienationen bedeutet.” (experimental

- area for sustainability or ecological disaster: China's resource demand and what it means for the industrial countries), Deutsche Gesellschaft für Auswärtige Politik, Forum Bonn, ZEI, 9 October, 2007, Bonn.
- “Müssen wir China fürchten? Ein Blick auf aktuelle Themen der Außen- und Sicherheitspolitik Chinas in den deutschen Medien” (Do We have to fear China? Recent coverage of Chinese foreign affairs and security policy in German media) Presentation for ‚Der Drache erwacht: Das China-Bild in den deutschen Medien‘, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, 25-29 June, 2007, Hamburg.
 - “Die Auswirkungen chinesischer Direktinvestitionen in Afrika auf die Verwirklichung der Millenniumsziele,” (Effects of Chinese FDI in Africa) VENRO - Diskussion: Ausländische Direktinvestitionen – Königsweg für die Entwicklung des Südens?, 15 May, 2007, Berlin.
 - “Neue Hoffnung aus dem Osten? Chinas politisches und ökonomisches Engagement in Afrika“, (New hope from the East? Reflections on China's economic and political engagement in Africa), Konferenz „Afrikas Zukunft, Aufbrüche, Neuerungen, Hoffnungsvolles?“, Evangelische Akademie Tutzing, 9-11 March, 2007, Tutzing.
 - “Wachstum und Energieverbrauch in China: Systemische Zwänge, politische Antworten und die Rolle der Internationalen Gemeinschaft,” (Growth and energy consum: systemic constraints, political response and the role of the international community), Politischer Mittwoch, AStA Uni Bielefeld, 8 November, 2006, Bielefeld.
 - “Chinas Energiepolitik. Herausforderungen, Perspektiven und Widerstand,” (China's energy policy: Challenges, perspectives, and resistance), Bundeskongress Internationalismus BUKO, Energie Panel, 25-28 May, 2006, Berlin.
 - “Chinas Energiesicherheit: Nationale Probleme und globale Herausforderungen,” (Chinese energy security: national issues and global challenges), Rotary Loccum, 14 September, 2005, Loccum.

Interviews and Quotations in Radio and Print Media

Die Tageszeitung, Financial Times Deutschland, Süddeutsche Zeitung, Deutsche Welle, Strait Times, Wirtschaftswoche, Deutschland Radio Kultur, NDR, WDR, SRF, Spiegel Online, BILD online, German ntv., Die Zeit, FAZ, Phoenix, Generalanzeiger, Politico, Tagesspiegel, ARD.

Education und professional experience

School and Civil Service

1987-1991	Elementary School
1991-2000	High School (Bodensee Gymnasium Lindau)
2000-2001	Civil service

Academic education and training

2002-2005	Bachelor-program “East Asian Economy and politics”, Ruhr-university Bochum (and Tongji-University, Shanghai)
2005-2007	Master-program “East Asian Politics”, Ruhr-university Bochum
2013	Dissertation at the chair of international relations, Rheinischen Friedrich-Wilhelms-University Bonn; (Grade: Summa cum laude; topic: “The Unbearable Lightness of International Relations. Technological Innovations, Creative Destruction and Assemblages”)

Stipends and prizes

2004-2007	Full Scholarship from the German national academic foundation
2005	Winner of the prizes for Students, Ruhr-university Bochum
2008-2009	Full PhD Scholarship from the German national academic foundation
2019	Nominated for <i>International Affairs</i> Early Career Prize Shortlist

Academic career

2003-2007	Research Assistant Ruhr-University Bochum
2007-2009	Lecturer at the chair for East Asian Politics, Ruhr-University Bochum
2008-2009	Field study in China, Yunnan Province (research on climate change and socio-economic change on a local scale)
2009	PhD-Summer School on “Advanced Security Studies”, University Tromso
2010	Research stay/ visiting scholar at the School for Global Studies, University Gothenburg
2014	Visiting scholar at Harvard Kennedy School, Program on Science, Technology and Society
2009-2015	Lecturer, research fellow and managing assistant at the Center for Global Studies (CGS), Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-University Bonn; including supervision work for BA, MA, and PhD students
2015-2018	Research Professor at Tongji University, German Studies Center.
2018-2019	Senior Resercher at Munich Center for Technology in Society, Technical University Munich.
2019-2020	Assistant Professor at University of Nottingham Ningbo China
2020-present	Junior-Professor for International Relations and Global Politics of Technology, University of Bonn

Organization/ management of funded research projects

2010-2015	Conceptual and organizational contribution to numerous project applications at the CGS
2012	“The BRICS as emerging knowledge powers?” Research project funded by Bertelsmann-Foundation (€10,000)
2015-2017	Research seed funding for several projects from Tongji University (€65,000)
2016-2017	“Cities after Car”. Citizen-Research Project funded by DAAD, Tongji DESIS Lab D&I, Shanghai Himalayan Museum (€2,000)
2016	“Energy policy cooperation between Germany and China“. Research project funded by Konrad Adenauer Foundation (€3,000)
2018	“The European Integration and German Policy Movements under Multiple Crises” Project No. 17JJDGJW011. Project leader at Renmin University (€40,000)
2019	“Sharing Practices of Data Generated by Intelligent Devices”. AHRC small research grant, together with Prof. Hing Kai Chan (50,000 RMB)
2019	“Comparing the unintended consequences of technological infrastructure projects”, UNNC, SIS Competitive Research Funding Scheme (30,000 RMB)
2020-2022	Asian-European Consortium for Social Science AI Research (AECAIR) established in collaboration with Intellisias Institute in Guangzhou, City University of Hong Kong (AI and Society Research Institute), Think Tank for Digital Governance Im.Plant.Tech.Consulting. Funded by Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung Shanghai, Singapur und Deutschland (€300,000).
2020-2025	Infrastructures of China’s modernity and their global constitutive effects. Research group funded by NRW-Rückkehrer-Programms (€1,2 Mio)
2021	Surveying Strategic Digital Politics Options and Limitations of Digital Autonomy in Relation to Dependency and Fragmentation through the Increasing Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) funded by Konrad Adenauer Foundation (€50,000)
2021	Assessment of Evolving International Infrastructures and Pandemic Management Governmental Responsiveness, Innovation and Politics of Care in International Comparison. Funded by The Federal Ministry of Education and Research (Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung), as part of egePan Unimed (€110,000).

Academic Leadership

2005-2009	Member and Head of the research team on “Energy security in East Asia”
2005-2007	Participant at the 1st interdisciplinary research college of German national academic foundation
2006	Founder of the “Discussion workshop”, an open and regular forum of interdisciplinary exchange
2007	Founding member of Transdis e.V., an association of young researchers for transdisciplinary dialogue and research
2007	Member of the team organizing the interdisciplinary conference “Changing Orders”, Berlin, January 2007

2010-2014	Head of the research group “Emerging Knowledge Powers” at the CGS
2009-2019	Organization of numerous panels at international conference and research workshops in Germany and China
2014-2017	Co-Program chair ISA section STAIR (Science, Technology, Arts and international Relations)
2015-2018	Founder and co-organizer of Tongji University’s Interdisciplinary Research Lab
2018-2020	Research Fellow at Renmin University
2021-	Spokesperson for the Katekisama Initiative Bonn.
2021-	Member of the working group „Lessons learned: Konsequenzen aus der SARS-CoV2-Pandemie für das Bildungs-, Gesundheits- und Wissenschaftssystem“, organized by Berlin-Brandenburgische Akademie der Wissenschaften und die Nationale Akademie der Wissenschaften Leopoldina.
2021-	Member of the Sounding Board of Crisis Science Project (CRISP) organized by BMBF
Memberships:	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Asienkunde (DGA); Arbeitskreis für sozialwissenschaftliche Chinaforschung (ASC) in der DGA; International Studies Association (ISA), European International Studies Association, 4S
Reviewer for:	Security Dialogue, International Political Sociology, Journal of Chinese Political Science, East Asia, Review of International Political Economy, International Affairs, Geopolitics, Technological Forecasting & Social Change, Territory, Politics, Governance; Global Change, Peace & Security; Routledge, Palgrave

Language Abilities

German: Mother language
 English: fluent
 Chinese: good

Lecturing (2007-2021)

Title of course	Course type	Semester	University
Datenmacht, digitale Dependenz und Cyber-Infrastrukturen in der neuen Internationalen Politischen Ökonomie	Master Seminar	WS 21/22	UB
Geopolitical, Technological and Cultural Impacts of Global China (Katekisama open course)	Master Seminar	WS 21/22	UB
Master colloquium	Master Seminar	SuSe 2021/ WS 21/22	UB
Modernity, Technology and Political Transformation in East Asia II (Katekisama open course)	Master Seminar	SuSe 2021	UB
Modernity, Technology and Political Transformation in East Asia I	Master Seminar	WS 20/21	UB
China in IR	Postgraduate course	SuSe 2020	UNNC
Government and Politics of China	Postgraduate course	WS 2019/2020	UNNC
Core Concepts in International Relations and World History (co-teaching)	Undergraduate	WS 2019/2020	UNNC
Introduction to IR Theories (co-teaching)	Postgraduate course	SuSe 2019	UNNC
China in IR	Undergraduate/postgraduate course	SuSe 2019	UNNC
RESET Project "Nudging"	MA Module	WS 2018/2019	TUM
Sustainability Theory and Practice	Master Seminar (Block)	SuSe 2016 SuSe 2017	TJ
2016 Research lab: Evolving Frontiers—science, technology and infrastructure in global politics	Colloquium for doctoral candidates and MA students	WS 2016	TJ
Global Politics of Science and Technology: Interdisciplinary Research Lab	Colloquium for doctoral candidates and MA students	WS 2015	TJ
Science, Security, Secrecy	BA Seminar	SuSe 2015	UB

Global Politics of the Internet	MA Seminar	SuSe 2014	UB
Innovation systems in East Asia	BA Seminar (research seminar)	SuSe 2014	UB
Heterogeneous zones and the global politics of technology	BA Seminar (research seminar)	SuSe 2013	UB
Automatization of Security: the use of Drones in China, Japan, US and UK in comparison	MA Seminar (Taskforce-seminar)	SuSe 2013	UB
Introduction to Theories of International Relations	BA course	WS 2014/15 WS 2013/14 WS 2012/13 WS 2011/12 WS 2010/11 WS 2009/10	UB
PhD/ Master-colloquium (as assistant)	Colloquium for doctoral candidates and MA students	WS 2014/2015 SuSe 2014 WS 2013/14 SuSe 2013 WS 2012/13 SuSe 2012 SuSe 2011 WS 2010/11 SuSe 2010	UB

		WS 2009/10	
Classics of international political economy and their relevance for understanding recent global power shifts	BA Seminar (research seminar)	SuSe 2012	UB
Maritime Security in Asia-Pacific	BA Seminar (including an study trip to Hamburg)	SuSe 2012	UB
Structures, Change and conflict in the international Governance of Knowledge	Seminar	SuSe 2011	UB
Knowledge, Technology and structural power in international affairs	Seminar (Task-Force Seminar including study trip to Berlin)	SuSe 2010	UB
Theory und Praxis of International politics of East Asia	BA Seminar	WW 2008/09	RUB
Power, rule, and legitimacy in contemporary China from a post-modern perspective	BA Seminar	SuSe 2008	RUB
Energy security and environmental pollution in China: national and international dimensions	BA Seminar (self-organizing Seminar including an Open Space and a study trip to Berlin)	WW 2007/08	RUB
Introduction to the political system of China	Lecture/ exercise course	SuSe 2007	RUB

Abbreviations:

RUB: Ruhr-University Bochum

SuSe: Summer Semester

TJ: Tongji University

TUM: Technical University Munich

UB: Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-University Bonn

WS: Winter Semester

UNNC: University of Nottingham Ningbo China