

Curriculum Vitae

Christian Fuchs

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Personal Data

Name: Christian Fuchs

Languages: German (mother tongue), English (excellent), Swedish (fair)

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Academic Biography

- Since November 2017: Faculty Co-Director of Research of the Westminster School for Media, Arts & Design, University of Westminster
- Since September 2015: Director of the Westminster Institute for Advanced Studies, University of Westminster (<http://www.wias.ac.uk>, <http://www.westminster.ac.uk/wias>)
- Since August 2015: Director of the Communication and Media Research Institute, University of Westminster (<http://www.camri.ac.uk>, <http://www.westminster.ac.uk/camri>).
- Since February 2013: Professor of Social Media, University of Westminster, Communication and Media Research Institute, Director of the Centre for Social Media Research (<http://www.westminster.ac.uk/csmr>),
- February 2013 – July 2015: Co-Course Leader of the MA in Social Media, Culture and Society
- October 2010-January 2013: Professor of Media and Communication Studies, Department of Informatics and Media (Institutionen för informatik och media), Uppsala University, Sweden
- April 2008-September 2010: Associate Professor (Privatdozent), University of Salzburg, Faculty of Cultural and Social Sciences
- October 2005-April 2008: Assistant Professor for Internet and Society at the ICT&S Center for Advanced Studies and Research in Information and Communication Technologies & Society (ICT&S Center, University of Salzburg)
- 2004-2005: Lecturer at the ICT&S - Center for Advanced Studies and Research in Information and Communication Technologies & Society, University of Salzburg
- July 2001-June 2004 Research assistant at the Institute of Design and Technology Assessment, Vienna University of Technology
- 2000-2006: Lecturer at the Vienna University of Technology's Institute of Design and Technology Assessment

Education and Academic Degrees

- Academic degrees: Prof., Privatdozent (PD), Dipl.-Ing., Dr.techn.
- 1994-2000 Studies in computer science at the Vienna University of Technology. Major fields of study: sociological and philosophical aspects of informatics and computer

science, information society, technology assessment, Human Computer Interaction, User Interface Design

- 1999-2000 Diploma thesis ("Selbstorganisation in der Informationsgesellschaft". "Self-organization in the Information Society")
- March 2000 Final degree (Dipl.-Ing.)
- Autumn 2000 – March 2002 Doctoral studies in technical sciences at the Vienna University of Technology, dissertation/thesis: "Aspekte der evolutionären Systemtheorie in ökonomischen Krisentheorien unter besonderer Berücksichtigung techniksoziologischer Aspekte" ("Aspects of Evolutionary System Theory in Economic Crisis Theories with a Special Sociological Consideration of Technological Factors") within the framework of the international research project "Human Strategies in Complexity. Philosophical Foundations for a Theory of Evolutionary Systems"
- March 2002: Final degree (Doctor technicae)
- February 2008: Habilitation (venia docendi) in the field of Information and Communication Technologies & Society, University of Salzburg, academic degree: Privatdozent [= academic qualification for a full professorship] (reviewers: Prof. Douglas Kellner, University of California Los Angeles, USA; Prof. Leah Lievrouw, University of California Los Angeles, USA; Prof. Nick Dyer-Whiteford, University of Western Ontario, Canada; Prof. Robin Mansell, London School of Economics, UK; Commission: Prof. Wolfgang Hofkirchner, Universität Salzburg; Prof. Manfred Knoche, Universität Salzburg; Prof. Manfred Tscheligi, Universität Salzburg; Prof. Christiane Floyd, Universität Hamburg; Ao. Prof. Martin Weichbold, Universität Salzburg; Ass.Prof. Ursula Maier-Rabler, Universität Salzburg; Lukas Fabi, Universität Salzburg)

Main Research Interests

social theory, critical theory, social and political philosophy, political economy, political economy of media and communication, information and communication technologies (ICTs) & society, information society studies, Internet and society, media & society, media & economy, ICTs & society, social media & society, digital media & society, digital media economics, sociology of technology, technology assessment, working life in the information society, philosophy and ethics of digital media and information technologies

Taught University Modules

(WT=Winter Term, ST=Summer Term, VO=Lecture)

Taught modules, University of Westminster:

- Political Economy of Communication, WT 2013/2014, WT 2014/2015, WT 2015/2016, WT 2016/2017, WT 2017/2018. WT 2018/2019
- Critical Theory of Social Media and the Internet, ST 2014, ST 2015
- Approaches to Media & Communication Research ST 2013
- Advanced Independent Study WT/ST 2013/2014, WT/ST 2014/2015
- Social Media Research Project, WT/ST 2013/2014, WT/ST 2014/2015, WT/ST 2015/2016

Taught modules, Uppsala University:

- Introduction to Information Society Studies (MA Programme Digital Media & Society) WT 2012/2013
- Internet, Social Media and Society (MA Programme Digital Media & Society) WT 2012/2013
- Critical Media and Information Society Studies (MA Programme Media and Communication Studies) ST 2012
- Changing Media, Media Change (MA Programme Media and Communication Studies) WT 2011/2012
- Analysis of Media and Organizational Communication (MA Programme Media and Communication Studies) WT 2010/2011
- Internet and New Media (MA Programme Human Computer Interaction) WT 2010/2011
- Media Policy and Regulation (Undergraduate Programme International Media and Communication Studies) WT 2010/2011
- Journalism, Media and Society (Graduate Programme in Journalism) WT 2010/2011
- Media, Communication and Society (Undergraduate Programme in Media and Communication Studies) WT 2010/2011, ST 2011
- Current Research in Informatics and Media (Doctoral Course) WT 2010/2011
- Theories and Methods for the Analysis of the Global Media Society (Undergraduate Programme in Media and Communication Studies) ST 2011

Taught modules, University of Salzburg:

- VO Die Selbstorganisation der Informationsgesellschaft (Self-Organization of the Information Society) (WT 2004/2005, ST 2007)
- Seminar Internettheorien (Internet and Social Theory) (WT 2005/2006, WT 2006/2007, WT 2007/2008, WT 2008/2009)
- Seminar Kritische Theorie: Informationsgesellschaft und digitale Medien (Critical Theory: Information society and digital media) (ST 2009)
- Seminar Kritische Theorie und Informationsgesellschaft (Critical Theory and Information Society) (WT 2009/2010)
- Seminar Kritische Theorie: Gesellschaft, Medien, Information (Critical Theory: Society, Media, Information) (ST 2010)

- Magisterkonversatorium (Colloquium for Master's Students) (WT 2006/2007, ST 2007, WT 2007/2008, ST 2008, WT 2008/2009, ST 2009, WT 2009/2010, ST 2010)
- Pro-Seminar Methoden der Kommunikationswissenschaft II (Empirical Social Research for Communication Studies) (WT 2005/2006, WT 2006/2007, ST 2008, ST 2009)
- Seminar Politik im Internet – Soziale Bewegungen und Cyberprotest (Internet and Politics: Social Movements and Cyberprotest) (ST 2005, ST 2006, ST 2007)
- VO (Lecture) Politik und Ökonomie im globalen Informationskapitalismus (Politics and Economy in Global Informational Capitalism, WT 2008/2009)
- Seminar Protestbewegungen und Alternativmedien (Protest Movements and Alternative Media) (ST 2008)
- VO (Lecture) Wissensgesellschaft (Knowledge Society) (ST 2006, WT 2007/2008)

Taught modules, Vienna University of Technology:

- VO Technikentwicklung- und Technikpolitik (Technology-Development and –Politics) (WT 2000/2001, WT 2001/2002, WT 2002/2003)
- VO Informatik und Gesellschaft 1 (Informatics and Society 1) (ST 2002, ST 2003)
- VO Technologie und Medienpolitik (Technology and Media Politics) (WT 2003/2004, WT 2004/2005, WT 2005/2006)

Module, Technical University of Cottbus, Germany:

- Theorien und Aspekte der Informationsgesellschaft (Theories and Aspects of the Information Society) (ST 2003)

Tutor, Vienna University of Technology:

- Mensch-Maschine-Kommunikation (Human Computer Interaction) (WT 1997/98, WT 1998/99)
- Folgenabschätzung von Informationstechnologien (Information Technology Assessment) (ST 1998, ST 1999, ST 2000, ST 2001)
- Gesellschaftswissenschaftliche Grundlagen der Informatik (Sociological Foundations of Informatics) (WT 1999/2000, WT 2000/2001, WT 2001/2002)
- Soziologie für Wirtschaftsinformatik (Sociology for Business Informatics) (ST 2000, ST 2001)

Research Projects

Digitale Demokratie und öffentlich-rechtliche Medien (Digital Democracy and Public Service Media)

Duration: December 2017-February 2018

Funding sum: €3,000

Funded by Österreichischer Rundfunk (ORF) [*Austrian Broadcasting Corporation*]

Project description:

This work is a sub-study of the ORF's study on Public Service Media and democracy. It investigates the democratic roles that Public Service Media can and should play in society and what prerequisites, requirements and demands exist to that end. Additionally, it analyses legal aspects and the necessary scope of action. Recommendations are formulated of how Public Service Media can advance digital democracy.

Grundlagenanalyse für Maßnahmen zur Herstellung von Wettbewerbsneutralität hinsichtlich der Werbeabgabe bei Onlinewerbung (Foundational Analysis of Measures for Creating Competition Neutrality in Taxing Online Advertising)

Project team: Dr Josef Baum (University of Vienna), Prof Christian Fuchs (University of Westminster), Prof Clemens Thiele (University of Salzburg)

Funded by Österreichischer Rundfunk (ORF) [*Austrian Broadcasting Corporation*] & Arbeiterkammer Wien

Funding sum: €38,000

Duration: 2017

Project description:

The task of this project is to analyse foundations of how to tax online advertising. Google and Facebook dominate the online advertising market. Such transnational companies use international financial structures for avoiding paying taxes. Whereas the digital economy and the Internet are global in nature, political regulation takes place to a much larger degree on a national level. The question that the project addresses is what measures can be taken for taxing the advertising profits of such companies.

netCommons – Network Infrastructure as Commons

Total funding: 1 933 500 €, funding share: 356 250 €

Duration: January 2016 – December 2018 (36 months)

Project co-ordinator: University of Trento, Italy

Funded by the EU Horizon 2020 ICT Programme

Grant agreement number: 688768

<http://netcommons.eu/>

Project description:

Communications and information distribution are key components of a modern society, and their control is the key to societal development. The advent of the Internet has been often invoked as a remedy for their democratization and the diffusion of fundamental human rights. The light of truth shows today a different picture: the digital divide is widening the gap between those who can access and take advantage of the new systems, and those who remain "disconnected" (with respect to physical access to

technology, economic advantages, cultural uses and skills, and democratic impacts). A problem is emerging about the Internet's sustainability, both socio-economic (large Internet corporations eluding taxes and aggressively commercializing most services) and political-democratic (the global Internet surveillance and the lack of transparency). This, coupled with the complexity of the Internet's organisation and the diffused lack of awareness about its actual implementation makes the users easy targets of manipulation, and unaware of the possibility to have a bottom-up, democratic, communal organisation of "the Internet".

netCommons aspires to study, support and further promote an emerging trend, community-based networking and communication services that can offer a complement, or even a sustainable alternative, to the global Internet's current dominant model. Community networks not only provide citizens with access to a neutral, bottom-up network infrastructure, which naturally increases the transparency of data flow, but they also represent an archetype of networked collective cooperation and action, mixing common or communal ownership and management of an infrastructure with a balanced set of services supported by the local stakeholders. Community networks, however, are complex systems that require multiple skills to thrive: technical, legal, socio-economic, and political.

They face many challenges and they also need abstractions, models and practical tools to grow and produce a higher beneficial impact on our society.

netCommons follows a dual approach to achieve the maximum possible impact.

On the one hand, the project works at the local level, mingling with the communities that implement and manage community networks to gather relevant information, elaborate it, and then return to communities advanced conceptual and technical tools helping them to grow and thrive. On the other hand, starting from such hands-on experience and work, netCommons contributes to Internet Science by abstracting concepts and opening the perspective to the world of global communications. It studies solutions and interpretations of how to build global awareness about the importance of sustainability, participation, co-operation, on-line information, freedom, democracy, peer production, the public and common good, and the role of community networks to help such process. Consequently netCommons will foster the implementation of the proper actions (local to communities and global to the regulatory level) that can guarantee that information creation and diffusion remains free, neutral, fair, and respectful of individual rights.

PACT – Public Perception of Security and Privacy: Assessing Knowledge, Collecting Evidence, Translating Research into Action

Total funding: 2 675 107.85 €; funding share: 216 120 €

Duration: February 2012-January 2015 (36 months)

Project co-ordinator: Centre for Science, Society & Citizenship, Italy

Consortium: 11 European teams, including the University of Westminster's

Communication and Media Research Institute and Uppsala University's Department of Informatics

Funded by the EU FP7 Security Programme

Grant agreement number 285635

Project Description

PACT is a 36 month collaborative project, which aims:

- 1) to assess existing knowledge about public perception of the tension between security and privacy and the role played by social trust and concern;
- 2) to collect empirical evidence about the way in which European citizens perceive and assess in real life novel surveillance technologies;
- 3) to analyze the main factors that affect public assessment of the security and privacy implications of given security technology.

RESPECT - Rules, Expectations & Security through Privacy Enhanced Convenient Technologies

Total funding: 3 492 690.45 €; funding share: 141 600 €

Duration: February 2012-January 2015 (36 months)

Project co-ordinator: University of Groningen, The Netherlands

Consortium: 19 research teams, including the University of Westminster's Communication and Media Research Institute and Uppsala University's Department of Informatics and Media

Funded by EU FP7 Security Programme

Grant agreement number 285582

Project Description

RESPECT is a 36 month collaborative project. It seeks to investigate if the current and foreseeable implementation of ICTs in surveillance is indeed "in balance" and, where a lack of balance may exist or is perceived by citizens not to exist, the project explores options for redressing the balance through a combination of Privacy-Enhancing Technologies and operational approaches. Investigating at least five key sectors not yet tackled by other recent projects researching surveillance (CCTV, database mining and interconnection, social media, RFID & geo-location/sensor devices, financial tracking), RESPECT also carries out quantitative and qualitative research on citizens' awareness and attitudes to surveillance.

Social Networking Sites in the Surveillance Society (Social Networking Seiten in der Überwachungsgesellschaft)

€ 273 187.23

Duration: 2010-2014 (30 months)

Project co-ordinator: Christian Fuchs

Funded by Fonds zur Förderung der wissenschaftlichen Forschung/Austrian Science Fund (FWF)

Project number P22445-G17

<http://www.sns3.uti.at>

Project Description:

Social networking sites (SNS) are Internet-based platforms that allow users to construct profiles, establish displayed connections with other users, and that support various forms of online communication. Examples are studiVZ, MySpace, or Facebook.

The overall aim of this research project is to study electronic surveillance on social networking sites that are used by Austrian students.

The specific research questions are:

(1) How important are the topics data surveillance and privacy in discussions by SNS users? Which arguments do they use for arguing that they disagree or agree with surveillance on SNS?

(2) Which major advantages and disadvantages of social networking platforms do Austrian students see? What is the role of surveillance and privacy in this context?

(3) Are knowledge and attitude towards surveillance and privacy of Austrian students and their information behaviour on social networking platforms connected?

The research methods employed are qualitative interviewing (for research question 1) and quantitative and qualitative surveys (for research questions 2 and 3).

Theoretical foundations of surveillance and privacy will be systematically elaborated. Interviews with students about their opinions on surveillance, privacy, and surveillance and privacy on SNS will be conducted. A survey that is focusing on students from 18 major Austrian universities as potential respondents will be carried out. We will analyze which major advantages and disadvantages students see in SNS. We will also analyze which role surveillance and privacy play in the context of the advantages and disadvantages that students perceive, how large their knowledge of surveillance is in general (surveillance knowledge index), which attitudes they have towards surveillance (surveillance critique index) and privacy, how much knowledge they have about concrete SNS that are used in Austria, and their information behaviour (advertising settings, privacy settings, etc) about specific SNS. These variables will be correlated in order to find out if and how the surveillance and privacy variables and SNS usage are causally connected.

It will be discussed how perceived surveillance risks can be reduced.

This project is an Austrian contribution to the COST Action IS0807 "Living in Surveillance Societies".

Conference Funding by Vetenskapsrådet – The Swedish Research Council for the organisation of the Conference "Critique, Democracy and Philosophy in 21st Century Information Society. Towards Critical Theories of Social Media".

Uppsala University. May 2nd-4th, 2012. Amount of funding: 80 000 SEK.

Vice chair and management committee member of the EU COST Action "**Dynamics of Virtual Work**" (IS1202),

<http://dynamicsofvirtualwork.com/>

Member of working group 3 "Innovation and the emergence of new forms of value creation and new economic activities" (working group leader: Dr. Eran Fisher, The Open University, Israel)

Funded by COST – European Cooperation in Science and Technology

Duration: 2012-2016

Project chair: Prof. Ursula Huws, University of Hertfordshire, United Kingdom

Project Description:

ICTs have had a major impact on the content and location of work. Digitisation of information has transformed labour processes whilst telecommunications have enabled jobs to be relocated globally. But ICTs have also enabled the creation of entirely new

types of 'digital' or 'virtual' labour, both paid and unpaid, shifting the borderline between 'play' and 'work' and creating new types of unpaid labour connected with consumption and co-creation of services. This affects private life as well as transforming the nature of work. Because of the gender division of labour, this affects women and men differently. The changing geography of virtual work and the emergence of new value-generating virtual activities have major implications for economic development, skills and innovation policies. However these are poorly understood because they have been studied in a highly fragmentary way by isolated researchers.

This COST action distills knowledge to enable policymakers to separate facts from hype and develop effective strategies to generate new employment and economic development in Europe. It will bring together experts in the fields of communications, innovation, management, digital media, creative industries, technology, employment, economics, sociology, geography, gender studies and cultural studies to consolidate theory, map this emerging field, support early stage researchers and develop new research agendas.

Management committee member of the EU COST Action "Living in Surveillance Societies (LiSS)" (IS0807)

Member of LiSS working group 2 "Surveillance Technologies in Practice" (working group leader: Dr. Kees Boersma, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, The Netherlands)

Funded by COST – European Cooperation in Science and Technology

Duration: 2009-2013

Project chair: Dr. William Webster, University of Stirling, Scotland, United Kingdom

Website: <http://www.liss-cost.eu/>

Project Description:

Surveillance, the systematic and purposeful attention to the lives of individuals or groups, is an ubiquitous feature of European society with citizens routinely monitored by a range of sophisticated technologies. Increasing levels of surveillance are typically justified by the threat of terrorism, crime and disorder, and to improve public and private services. The main objective of the Action is to increase and deepen knowledge about living and working in surveillance societies, to better understand the consequences of technologically enhanced surveillance for social questions, such as equity, cohesion and trust, and to make recommendations about its future governance and practice. Integral to this primary objective are core outcomes including the consolidation and evolution of knowledge, improved public policy and practice across Europe, and greater societal awareness of surveillance issues and technologies. The Action facilitates an interdisciplinary international network of academic surveillance experts and generates important knowledge for citizens, government, public agencies and the private sector.

Social Networking Sites and Surveillance

Pilot study

Duration: August 2008-January 2009

Project Description:

The task of this project was to analyze the usage of social networking sites (StudiVZ, Facebook, MySpace, etc) by students in the context of electronic surveillance. An online

survey was conducted, 674 students from Salzburg participated. The following aspects were assessed: Main perceived advantages and disadvantages of social networking sites, the knowledge and attitude towards surveillance, and the knowledge about and information behaviour on specific platforms.

Team co-ordination (together with Ursula Maier-Rabler) of the Project "**PoliPedia – Political Participation of Youths in the Age of Web 2.0**" (PoliPedia – Politische Partizipation Jugendlicher im Zeitalter des Web 2.0), December 2007-December 2008, funded by Bundesministerium für Unterricht, Kunst und Kultur
€ 20 000

Project Partner:

Demokratiezentrum Wien

Project Objectives:

The context of this project is that in Austria the voting age has been lowered from 18 to 16 years, which has implications for political education. The aim of this project is to explore how Web 2.0 technologies (such as wikis, blogs, social networking, etc) can be used as tools for political education by young Austrians. The approach taken is a participatory democracy approach: the applications and the content produced are co-developed by the research team in close co-operation with young Austrians so that they can participate in the design process. The project brings together approaches from computer science, political education, and democratic theory, and hence is transdisciplinary in character. The ICT&S Center is a co-operation partner in this project that is overall supervised by Demokratiezentrum Wien.

Co-ordination (together with Ursula Maier-Rabler) of the Project "**Living Labs Salzburg: A Study on Mobile Communication in Salzburg**", May-November 2006, funded by ZIS – Zentrum für Innovation und Standortpolitik; Land Salzburg, Fachabteilung 15: Wirtschaft, Tourismus, Energie; Land Salzburg, Fachabteilung 0/92: Hochschulen, Wissenschaft und Zukunftsfragen; Stadt Salzburg WirtschaftsService
€ 10 000

Project Partner:

Interlace Invent, Copenhagen

Project Objectives:

The objective of this project was to conduct a benchmark study that assesses the readiness of the city and region of Salzburg for the development of new projects in the area of mobile technologies and services and for becoming a member of the European-wide Living Labs network. Living Labs are innovative regions that develop new technologies and services, they form a European network of innovative regions (Living Labs Europe) in which synergies emerge from co-operation.

Further Information:

<http://www.livinglabs-europe.com/salzburg.asp>

Research Assistant in the Project "**Human Strategies in Complexity. Philosophical Foundations for a Theory of Evolutionary Systems**", 2001-2004, funded by INTAS

(International Association for the Promotion of Co-operation with Scientists from the New Independent States (NIS) of the Former Soviet Union) and the Austrian Ministry of Education, Science, and Culture.

Project Partners:

Department of Philosophy, University of Kassel (Germany);

Chair of Philosophy and Methodology of Science, Kiev National Shevchenko University (Ukraine);

Institute of Philosophy of the Russian Academy of Science, Moscow (Russia)

Project Objectives:

- To contribute to a single and comprehensive transdisciplinary scientific research programme for investigating self-organization by elaborating selected epistemological, ontological and axiological implications, thus attempting at unifying the scattered approaches in the so-called non-linear science of complexity
- To contribute to a scientific understanding of the "feedback-loop" of human action and reflection in a historical moment in which the destiny of the world system is at stake

Further Information:

<http://www.self-organization.org>

Professional Activities

- 2018-2021: Member of the editorial board of the journal "Communication and Critical/Cultural Studies"
- November 2017-July 2018: Faculty Co-Director of Research of the Westminster School for Media, Arts & Design, University of Westminster
- Since December 2015: Editor of the open access book series "Critical Social and Digital Media Studies", University of Westminster Press
- Since August 2015: Director of the Westminster Institute for Advanced Studies at the University of Westminster
- Since 2015: Founding member and board member of the University of Westminster Press
- Since August 2015: Director of the Communication and Media Research Institute at the University of Westminster.
- Conference Committee and Programme Chair and member of the organisation committee of the 2017 European Sociological Association Conference "(Un)Making Europe: Capitalism, Solidarities, Subjectivities", Athens, Greece
- August 2015 – August 2017: Member of the European Sociological Association's Executive Committee (<http://www.europeansociology.org/>).
- Since August 2015: Member of the Board of the European Sociological Association's Research Network 18 – Sociology of Communications and Media Research
- Since 2007: Editor of "tripleC: Communication, Capitalism & Critique: Open Access Journal for a Global Sustainable Information Society" (<http://triple-c.at>)
- October 2011-August 2015: Chair of the European Sociological Association's Research Network 18 (RN18) – Sociology of Communications and Media Research
- Co-founder and Chair of the ICTs and Society Network (<http://www.icts-and-society.net>)
- 2013-2015: Organiser/Chair of the Communication and Media Research Institute's Research Seminar Series at the University of Westminster
- Since 2015: Advisory board member of Momentum Quarterly – Journal for Social Progress
- Since 2014: International editorial board member of the European Journal of Social Theory
- 2003-2007: Managing editor of tripleC – Cognition, Communication, Co-operation
- Since 2011: International advisory board member of "Critical Sociology"
- Board member of the Unified Theory of Information Research Group (Vienna, Austria)
- Consulting editor of "Cybernetics & Human Knowing"
- Member of the editorial advisory & review board of the "Journal of Knowledge Management Practice"
- Editorial board member of "Cyborg Subjects: Discourses on Digital Culture"
- External member of the Centre for the Critical Study of Global Power and Politics, Trent University, Peterborough, Canada (<http://www.trentu.ca/globalpolitics/>)
- Board member of the Ernst Bloch Association (2007-2009)
- Member of the scientific editorial board of the Book Series "Scenari e Strategie/Scenarios and Strategies" (McGraw Hill)

- Member of the Committee of the "6th International Conference on Knowledge Management 2009" (ICKM 2009), December 3-4, 2009, Hong Kong.
- Member of the Committee of the Conference "ICT, Society and Human Beings 2008", IADIS Multi Conference on Computer Science and Information Systems, Amsterdam, Netherlands, July 22-24, 2008. Organizer: IADIS – International Association for Development of the Information Society.
- Member of the Programme Committee of the International Conference on Cultural Attitudes towards Technology and Communication (CATaC) 2010 "Diffusion 2.0: Computing, Mobility, and the Next Generations", June 15-18, 2010. University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada.
- Member of the Committee of the Conference "ICT, Society and Human Beings 2010", IADIS Multi Conference on Computer Science and Information Systems, Freiburg, Germany, July 29-31, 2010. Organizer: IADIS – International Association for Development of the Information Society.
- Member of the Steering Committee of the "Third World Summit on the Knowledge Society", Corfu, Greece, September 22-24, 2010.
- Member of the Committee of the "7th International Conference on Knowledge Management 2010" (ICKM 2010), October 22-23, 2010, Pittsburgh, PA, USA.
- Member of the scientific committee of the Joint Conference of the Society for the Study of Artificial Intelligence and Simulation of Behaviour (AISB) and The International Association for Computing and Philosophy (IACAP) - Social Computing, Social Cognition, Social Networks and Multiagent Systems. Birmingham. July 2nd-3rd, 2012.
- Organiser of the 4th ICTs and Society Network-Conference "Critique, Democracy, and Philosophy in 21st Century Information Society. Towards Critical Theories of Social Media Towards Critical Theories of Social Media" (May 2-4, 2012; Uppsala University, Sweden)
- Co-Organiser of the European Sociological Association Research Network 18-Sociology of Communications and Media Research 2012 conference, University of the Basque Country, October 18-20, 2012.
- Organiser of Research Network 18-Sociology of Communications and Media Research's conference streams and plenary session at the European Sociological Association's 11th Conference "Crisis, Critique and Change". University of Turin, Italy. August 28-31, 2013.
- Member of the scientific committee of the conference "Freedom of Information: Control – Crisis – Culture" (February 28-March 1, 2014, Vienna University of Technology"
- Co-Organiser of the European Sociological Association Research Network 18-Sociology of Communications and Media Research 2014 conference. University of Bucharest, Romania. October 17-18, 2014.
- Since July 2014: Elected member of the Leibniz Sozietät der Wissenschaften zu Berlin (Leibniz Academy of Science)
- Organiser of the European Sociological Association's Research Network 18-Sociology of Communications and Media Research's conference stream and semi-plenaries at the

European Sociological Association's 12th Conference "Differences, Inequalities and Sociological Imagination". Prague. August 25-28, 2015

- Organiser of the 5th ICTs and Society Conference "The Internet and Social Media at a Crossroads". Part of the ISIS Summit Vienna 2015: Information Society at the Crossroads: Response and Responsibility of the Sciences of Information. Vienna University of Technology. June 3-7, 2015.
- Co-Organiser (together with Prof David Chandler) of the 6th ICTs and Society Conference "Digital Objects, Digital Subjects: An Interdisciplinary Symposium on Activism, Research & Critique in the Age of Big Data Capitalism". Organised by Westminster Institute for Advanced Studies & Centre for the Study of Democracy, University of Westminster, May 20-21, 2017.

Reviewing activities

For example for: Constellations: An International Journal of Critical and Democratic Theory, Convergence: The International Journal of Research into New Media Technologies, Cambridge Journal of Economics, Asian Journal of Communication, University of Melbourne's School of Culture & Communication, Time & Society, Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), Austrian National Bank Jubiläumsfonds, American Behavioral Scientist; Communication, Culture & Critique; Communication Theory, Constructivist Foundations, Critical Sociology, Cybernetics & Human Knowing, Empedocles: European Journal for the Philosophy of Communication, Encyclopedia of E-Business Development and Management in the Digital Economy, European Journal of Social Theory, First Monday; Handbook of Research on Web 2.0, 3.0, and X.0; International Association of Media and Communication Research Annual conference (Communication Policy & Technology-Section, Political Economy of Communication-Section), International Communication Association Annual Conference (sections on Communication and Technology, Mass Communication, Philosophy of Communication, Political Communication), International Journal of Communication, Information Systems Journal, International Review of Information Ethics, Journal of Classical Sociology, Journal of Computer-Mediated Communication, Journal of Knowledge Management Practice, Journal of Sex Research; Jurimetrics: The Journal of Law, Science, & Technology; MedieKultur, Medien Journal, MIT Press, New Media & Society, Norwegian Research Council, Organization Studies, Peter Lang, Rethinking Marxism, Routledge, Sage, Science and Engineering Ethics, Surveillance & Society, Telecommunications Policy, Television & New Media, tripleC, VW Foundation.

Memberships in Academic Associations

Current:

European Communication Research and Education Association (ECREA)

European Sociological Association

European Sociological Association: Research Network (RN) 18 – Sociology of Communications and Media Research

ICTs and Society Network

International Association for Media and Communication Research (IAMCR)

Media, Communication and Cultural Studies Association (MeCCSA)
Netzwerk Kritische Kommunikationswissenschaft

Former:

Association of Internet Researchers

Föreningen för svensk medie- och kommunikationsforskning (Association of Swedish
Media and Communication Research)

International Sociological Association

List of Publications

Monographs

Fuchs, Christian. 2018. *The Online Advertising Tax as the Foundation of a Public Service Internet*. London: University of Westminster Press.

Short version: Fuchs, Christian. 2018. *The Online Advertising Tax. A Digital Policy Innovation*. CAMRI Policy Briefs No. 1. London: University of Westminster Press.

Fuchs, Christian. 2018. *Digital Demagogue: Authoritarian Capitalism in the Age of Trump and Twitter*. London: Pluto Press.

German translation: Fuchs, Christian. 2018. *Digitale Demagogie: Autoritärer Kapitalismus im Zeitalter von Trump und Twitter*. Hamburg: VSA.

Fuchs, Christian. 2018. *Nationalism 2.0. The Making of Brexit on Social Media*. London: Pluto Press.

Fuchs, Christian. 2017. *Social Media. A Critical Introduction*. London: Sage. Second edition.

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Towards a Public Service Internet and an Online Advertising Tax in the Age of Fake Online News. Talk at the launch event of the Communication and Media Research Institute's Policy Brief Series. University of Westminster, July 3, 2018.

Industrie 4.0: Die digitale deutsche Ideologie (Industry 4.0: The Digital German Ideology). Talk in the lecture series „Kapitalismus 4.0: Digitalisierung – Finanzkapital – Alternativen“ (Capitalism 4.0: Digitisation – Finance Capital – Alternatives). University of Salzburg, June 22, 2018. Organised by Arbeitsgruppe Wirtschaftsgeographie (Working Group on Economic Geography)

Launch talk of the book "Digital Demagogue: Authoritarian Capitalism in the Age of Trump and Twitter". Organised by Westminster Institute for Advanced Studies, Communication and Media Research Institute and Pluto Press. London, University of Westminster. March 1, 2018.

Karl Marx in the Age of Digital Capitalism. Invited Talk. Nottingham, University of Nottingham: Department of Culture, Film and Media. February 8, 2018.

Karl Marx in the Age of Digital Capitalism. Invited Talk. London, University College London (UCL). January 26, 2018.

Die Kritik der Politischen Ökonomie der Medien & Kommunikation: Ein hochaktueller Ansatz (Critique of the Political Economy of Media & Communication: A Highly Topical Approach). Keynote talk at the founding conference of the Network Critical Communication Studies (Netzwerk Kritische Kommunikationswissenschaft). Munich, Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich, December 1, 2017.

How the Acceleration of Digital Capitalism Colonises the Public Sphere. Invited talk at the event "Acceleration, Communication, Fashion". London College of Fashion. November 15, 2017.

Chair and respondent at the launch of the book „Assembly“ by Michael Hardt and Antonio Negri. Organised by Westminster Institute for Advanced Studies & Oxford University Press. University of Westminster. October 12, 2017.

Conference Committee and Programme Chair of the 13th Conference of the European Sociological Association "(Un)Making Europe: Capitalism, Solidarities, Subjectivities". Athens, August 29-September 1, 2017, & Chair of the opening plenary session

"(Un)Making Capitalism" (speakers: David Harvey, Eva Illouz),
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Gig Economy = Platform Capitalism. Input talk at the policy event "Creative Industries and Beyond: Is the 'Gig Economy' the Way Forward?". Communication and Media Research Institute (CAMRI) Policy Observatory. University of Westminster, June 13, 2017.

The Rise of Big Data Capitalism. Invited talk at the conference "Society Through the Lens of the Digital". Organised by University of Munich and Hans-Bredow-Institute Hamburg. June 1, 2017. Hannover, Germany.

Conference co-organiser (together with David Chandler): The 6th ICTs and Society Conference: Digital Objects, Digital Subjects: An Interdisciplinary Symposium on Activism, Research & Critique in the Age of Big Data Capitalism. University of Westminster, May 20-21, 2017.

Karl Marx in the Age of Big Data Capitalism. Talk at the 6th ICTs and Society Conference: Digital Objects, Digital Subjects: An Interdisciplinary Symposium on Activism, Research & Critique in the Age of Big Data Capitalism. University of Westminster, May 20-21, 2017.

Invited talk: Reading Marx in the Age of Digital Capitalism. Scuola Normale Superiore, Centre on Social Movement Studies (COSMOS). March 29, 2017.

Invited talk: Donald Trump – The Rise of Twitter Fascism? Social Movements and Media Technologies: Present Challenges and Future Developments Seminar Series. Goldsmiths University of London. March 27, 2017.

Invited talk: Marx und die digitale Revolution. Universität Jena, February 1, 2017. Forschungskolloquium des Arbeitsbereichs „Arbeits-, Industrie- und Wirtschaftssoziologie" (Klaus Dörre).

The Limits of Participatory Media Culture in Digital Capitalism. Invited keynote talk at the 2016 Challenging Media Landscapes Conference "Access, Participation and the Mediatized World". University of Salford. November 14, 2016.

Marxism and Communication: Reflections on Capitalism and Post-Capitalism. Invited keynote talk at the conference "Marx 2016". Stockholm. October 15, 2016.

Co-organiser (together with Arwid Lund) of the panels "Digital Labour, Marx and Dallas Smythe" and "Exploitation 2.0: Class and Exploitation in the Digital Age" at the conference "Marx 2016". Stockholm. October 15+16, 2016.

Fuchs, Christian. 2016. Critical Theory of Communication: New Readings of Lukács, Adorno, Marcuse, Honneth and Habermas in the Age of the Internet. Talk at the launch of

University of Westminster Press and the launch of the book "Critical Theory of Communication". University of Westminster, October 13, 2016.

Karl Marx and communicative capitalism. Invited keynote talk at the conference "Rethinking Power in Communicative Capitalism: Critical Perspectives on Media, Culture and Society". European Sociological Association Research Network 18 (Sociology of Communications and Media Research). ISCTE-IUL. Lisbon, Portugal. September 8, 2016.

Reading Marx in the information age. Talk at the IAMCR 2016 conference. University of Leicester. July 30, 2016.

Co-organiser (together with Marisol Sandoval) of the panels "Media and Marxism 1" and "Media and Marxism 2" at the IAMCR 2016 conference. University of Leicester. July 30, 2016.

Opening talk at the IAMCR 2016 Pre-Conference "Media and the Development Challenge: New Frontiers in International Media Development Research". University of Westminster. July 26, 2016.

Invited Talk: Social Media and the Capitalist Crisis. Keynote talk at the workshop "A Digital Turn? Emergence of a Digital Sociology". Organised by Abertay University and the British Sociological Association. Abertay University, Dundee. June 29, 2016.

Invited Talk: Social Media and the Capitalist Crisis. Talk at the conference "Social media, politics and democracy". City University London: Department of Sociology. June 9, 2016.

Invited Talk: Soziale Netzwerke: Zwischen Meinungsfreiheit und Datenklau (Social Networks: Between Freedom of Expression and Data Theft), talks by Christian Fuchs & Andrea Jelinek (Head of the Austrian Data Protection Authority) Organised by the Austrian Science Fund FWF. Akzent Theater, Vienna. June 6, 2016.

Invited Talk: Social Media and the Capitalist Crisis. European Journal of Communication Symposium on Social Media. University of Minho, Braga, Portugal. May 27, 2016.

Invited Talk: OccupyMedia! The Occupy Movement and Social Media in Crisis Capitalism. Velha-a-Branca, Braga, Portugal. May 26, 2016.

Invited Talk: Social Media and the Capitalist Crisis. Symposium "Capitalist Crisis and the Media: European Perspectives". May 10, 2016. City University London. Organised by Cardiff School of Journalism, Media and Culture & City University Department of Journalism.

Invited Keynote Talk: The MacBride Report in 21st Century Information Capitalism, the Age of Social Media and the BRICS Countries. Conference "Internet, Participation and Society: Opportunities for the Global South". University of Warwick. March 17, 2016.

Talk "New Cultural Materialism". Inter-Faculty Panel Discussion "New Materialism: Aesthetics, Politics, Science". University of Westminster. March 10, 2016.

Discussant at the workshop "What is New in New Materialism? Marxisms, New Materialisms and the Nature/Culture Divide". University of Westminster. March 4, 2016. Organised by the Conference of Socialist Economists South and the Centre for the Study of Democracy.

Participation in the ESRC Workshop "Social Media Data: Towards More Ethical Research Methodologies". University of Aberdeen Sociology. February 20 + March 1, 2016.

OccupyMedia! Social Media in Times of Capitalist Crisis and Political Change. Talk at the 25th Anniversary Conference of the Centre for the Study of Democracy "Doing and Thinking Democracy Differently". University of Westminster. November 7, 2015.

Digital Commons and Digital Capitalism. Online talk at the 4th International e-Life Congress. Organised by the Hellenic Association for the Study of Internet Addiction Disorder. Athens, Greece. November 6-7, 2015.

A Critical Political Economy-Perspective on Big Data & Social Media. Talk at the Symposium "Transforming Data: Creative and Critical Directions in the Arts and Humanities". University of Westminster. October 24, 2015.

Karl Marx as Media Sociologist: Reading Marx's Capital Volume 1 in the Information Age: The Prefaces, Postfaces, and Chapter 1. Talk at the 12th European Sociological Association Conference. Prague, August 27, 2015.

Organiser of the Conference Stream of Research Network 18 – Sociology of Communications and Media Research at the 12th European Sociological Association Conference. Prague, August 25-28, 2015.

Yuqi Na and Christian Fuchs: The Political Economy of the Development of the Internet in China. International Association of Media and Communication Research Conference 2015. Montreal, Canada. July 15, 2015.

Participation in the plenary panel discussion "New/Old Theory in Media Studies/Cultural Studies" (together with: Joanna Zylińska, Kaarle Nordenstreng). Conference "Reframing Media/Cultural Studies in the Age of Global Crisis". University of Westminster. Communication and Media Research Institute. June 20, 2015.

Participation in the plenary panel discussion "Affirmative Disruption: Diamond Open Access, the Academic Gift Economy and the Common" (together with: Marisol Sandoval, John Holmwood, Armin Beverungen). Radical Open Access Conference. June 15, 2015.

Coventry University.

Marx, the General Intellect, the Grundrisse, and the Fragment on Machines in the Age of Digital Labour and Digital Capitalism. Talk at the 5th ICTs and Society-Conference "The Internet and Social Media at a Crossroads". June 4, 2015. Vienna University of Technology, Austria.

Critical Theory of the Internet: The Importance of Raymond Williams, Dallas Smythe, and Herbert Marcuse. Keynote talk at the International Society for Information Studies Summit "The Information Society at the Crossroads: Response and Responsibility of the Sciences of Information". June 4, 2015. Vienna University of Technology, Austria.

Convenor of the 5th ICTs and Society-Conference "The Internet and Social Media at a Crossroads" as sub-conference of the International Society for Information Studies Summit "The Information Society at the Crossroads: Response and Responsibility of the Sciences of Information". June 3-7, 2015. Vienna University of Technology, Austria.

Raymond Williams and Digital Labour. Talk at the conference "Raymond Williams Now". May 30, 2015. Manchester.

Critically Theorising Communication Labour. Invited keynote talk at the Labour and Communication (LaborComm) 2015 Conference. May 10, 2015. Ankara, Turkey.

Raymond Williams, Herbert Marcuse and Dallas Smythe in the Age of Social Media. Invited lecture. Multimedia Institute (MaMa). Zagreb, Croatia. May 9, 2015.

Raymond Williams, Herbert Marcuse and Dallas Smythe in the Age of Social Media. Invited lecture. University of Zadar, Croatia. May 8, 2015.

Raymond Williams, Herbert Marcuse and Dallas Smythe in the Age of Social Media. Invited lecture. Nottingham Trent University, Department of English, Culture and Media. April 29, 2015.

Participation in the panel debate „Digitale Revolution?“ (Digital revolution?). Linke Woche der Zukunft. Organised by Rosa-Luxemburg-Stiftung. Berlin. April 25, 2014 (Other participants: MP/MdB Halina Wawzyniak, Anke Domscheit-Berg).

Raymond Williams, Herbert Marcuse and Dallas Smythe in the Age of Social Media. Invited lecture. University of Kent – School of Social Policy, Sociology and Social Research-Research Seminar. March 12, 2015.

Raymond Williams, Herbert Marcuse and Dallas Smythe in the Age of Social Media. Invited lecture. Gothenburg, Sweden. University of Gothenburg, Department of Journalism, Media and Communication – Research Seminar. February 13, 2015.

Threats to Freedom, Privacy and the Public Sphere in the Age of Social Media and Mass Surveillance. Invited talk at Tate Liverpool as part of the event "The Opticon". February 7, 2015. Liverpool.

OccupyMedia! Social Media in Times of Capitalist Crisis and Political Change. Invited keynote talk. Researching (with) Social Media Reading Group. University of Cambridge – Department of Sociology. February 2, 2015.

Elihu Katz Colloquium: Raymond Williams, Herbert Marcuse and Dallas Smythe in the Age of Social Media. Invited lecture. Annenberg School for Communication. University of Pennsylvania. Philadelphia, USA. January 23, 2015.

Krise, Kommunikation, Kapitalismus. Für eine kritische politische Ökonomie der Medien und des Internets im Zeitalter von Apple, Facebook, Google und Twitter. Luxemburg Lecture. Betahaus, Berlin. December 12, 2014. Invited talk. Organiser: Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung (RLS).

Power and communication in contemporary capitalism. Reinvigorating Karl Marx's political economy. Keynote talk at the ECREA (European Communication Research and Education Association) 2014 Conference "Communication for Empowerment: Citizens, Markets, Innovations". November 15, 2014. Lusophone University of Humanities and Technologies. Lisbon, Portugal.

OccupyMedia! Social media in times of political change and revolutions. Talk at the conference "Media and communication in and after the global capitalist crisis". Mid-Term Conference of the European Sociological Association's Research Network 18-Sociology of Communications and Media Research. University of Bucharest, Romania. October 17, 2014.

Co-organiser of the conference "Media and communication in and after the global capitalist crisis". Mid-Term Conference of the European Sociological Association's Research Network 18-Sociology of Communications and Media Research. University of Bucharest, Romania. October 17-18, 2014.

Invited book colloquium "Social media: A critical introduction". University of Oxford: Foundation for Law, Justice and Society. Wolfson College. October 9, 2014.

Theorising digital labour: A cultural-materialist perspective. Plenary talk at the conference "The Dynamics of Virtual Work: The Transformation of Labour in a Digital Global Economy". University of Hertfordshire. September 4, 2014.

Participant in the panel discussion "The Media in the Age of Mass Surveillance". Organiser: Media Reform Coalition. London. August 13, 2014.

Internet, Kapitalismus und periphere Entwicklung im Waldviertel. Talk at the

“Volksuniversität Andreas Schremser – Waldviertel: Woher? Wohin? Wirtschaft – Wohlstand – Wissen“. Waidhofen an der Thaya, Austria. August 2, 2014. Organised by Verkehrsforum Waldviertel.

Participation in the roundtable discussion “What is an Author, Now? Futures of Scholarly Communication and Academic Publishing“. Conference “Governing Academic Life“. London School of Economics/British Library. June 25, 2014.

The Digital Labour Theory of Value and Karl Marx in the Age of Facebook, YouTube, Twitter and Weibo. Keynote talk at the workshop “The Labour Theory of Value in the Digital Age“. June 16, 2014. The Open University of Israel.

Co-organiser (together with Eran Fisher) of the workshop “The Labour Theory of Value in the Digital Age“. June 15-17, 2014. The Open University of Israel. Funded by COST IS1202 – Dynamics of Virtual Work.

Social media, the Internet, (Un-)freedom and the public sphere in times of crisis. Invited talk at the Tel Aviv New Media Salon. Tel Aviv, Israel. June 14, 2014.

Soziale Medien und Überwachung im Internetkapitalismus [Social Media and Surveillance in Internet Capitalism]. Talk at the Conference “Marx is Muss 2014“. Berlin. June 9, 2014.

Participation in the panel discussion “iRevolt: Social media and social movements“. Dangerous Times Festival. London. May 31, 2014.

Organisation and participation in the workshop “Citizen Engagement and Digital Democracy in the Work of Parliament“. UK Parliament: Speaker’s House. May 19, 2014. Organised by University of Westminster – Centre for Social Media Research, Centre for the Study of Democracy. The House of Commons-Speaker’s Commission on Digital Democracy. For a report, see the Parliament’s website: <http://www.parliament.uk/business/commons/the-speaker/speakers-commission-on-digital-democracy/publications/summaries-of-roundtable-discussions/westminster/>

Panel discussant in Glenn Greenwald’s Lecture for the Centre for Cultural Studies Research. University of East London. May 14, 2014.

Social media and digital labour. Invited talk. Newcastle University – Newcastle Critical Discourse Group. April 1, 2014.

An introduction to the study of digital labour. Invited talk. University of East London. March 28, 2014.

Social media, the Internet, (Un-)freedom and the public sphere in times of crisis. Keynote talk at the conference “Freedom of Information under Pressure: Control – Crisis – Culture“. Vienna University of Technology. March 1, 2014.

Participant in the discussion panel "Surveillance and whistle-blowing". Conference "Freedom of Information under Pressure: Control – Crisis – Culture". Vienna University of Technology. March 1, 2014.

Moderator of the keynote panel with Gillian Phillips (Director of Editorial Legal Service, The Guardian): "Edward Snowden: More Questions than Answers?". Conference "Freedom of Information under Pressure: Control – Crisis – Culture". Vienna University of Technology. February 28, 2014.

Social media and the public sphere. University of Westminster – Inaugural lecture. February 19, 2014.

3 invited lectures at the University of Helsinki's Department of Social Research: Media and Communication Studies:

- * Karl Marx and the Media: An Introduction
 - * The Digital Labour Debate
 - * The Political Economy of Global Media
- December 5-6, 2013.

Defining and theorizing digital labour. Talk in the panel "Marxist perspectives on digital labour" at the 10th Annual Historical Materialism Conference. November 7, 2013. University of London: School of Oriental and African Studies.

Respondent on Andrew Jackson's (OfCom) presentation of OfCom's 2013 Communications Market Report. Social Media: The Fourth Transforming Audiences Conference. University of Westminster. London. September 3, 2013.

Reflections on the Digital Labour Debate. Talk at the European Sociological Association's 2013 Conference "Crisis, Critique and Change". Turin, Italy. August 28, 2013.

Organizer of the Media Sociology-stream at the European Sociological Association's 2013 Conference "Crisis, Critique and Change". Turin, Italy. August 28-31, 2013.

The Digital Labour Debate. Invited talk at the BFI Media Conference 2013. British Film Institute, London. July 5, 2013.

What is Digital Work? What is Digital Labour? Talk at the IAMCR 2013 Conference: Political Economy of Communication-Section. June 29, 2013. Dublin City University.

Chair of the panel *Communications Practices, Experiences and Struggles of Social Movements: Indignados, #OWS and #YoSoy132*. IAMCR 2013 Conference: Political Economy of Communication-Section. June 28, 2013. Dublin City University.

Why We Need Critical Political Economy for Studying Surveillance. Invited keynote talk at the 2nd Ethics of Surveillance Conference. University of Leeds. June 24, 2013.

Participation in the panel *Technology and the International Division of Labour* (together with Toby Miller, Lisa McLaughlin, Jack Qiu). Post Conference Seminar "Cultural Work, Subjectivity and Communication Technologies". June 22, 2013. King's College London.

Invited participation in the round table *European Public Sphere and Small Nations: Is There a Critical Role for Academics/Intellectuals?* University of Helsinki, June 7-8, 2013. Organized by the University of Helsinki's Department of Social Research: Media and Communication Studies.

Invited participation in EU COST's symposium *Open Access: Practice, Opportunities and Challenges*. Vienna. May 13-14, 2013.

Chair of and discussant in the panel "Theoretical Reinventions" at the conference *New Media – New Politics? (Post) Revolutions in Theory and Practice*. Organized by the Arab Media Centre, University of Westminster. April 26th, 2013.

Introduction to Digital Labour Studies. Introductory talk in the EU COST Action "Dynamics of Virtual Work"-Working Group (WG) 3: Innovation and the emergence of new forms of value creation and new economic activities. TU Darmstadt, Technical University Darmstadt. April 8, 2013.

Reflections on the Digital Labour Debate. University of Westminster – Communication and Media Research Institute – Research Seminar. March 6th, 2013.

Invited participation in the European Science Foundation's *Forward Look Media Studies Workshop*. January 24-25, 2013. Ljubljana, Slovenia.

Organiser of the European Sociological Association's Research Network 18 (Sociology of Communications and Media Research) Conference "Communication, Crisis and Critique in Contemporary Capitalism". Bilbao, University of the Basque Country. October 18-20, 2012. Co-organisers: ESA Research Network 18. University of the Basque Country – Faculty of Social Sciences and Communications.

The Political Economy and Societal Impacts of Deep Packet Inspection (DPI) Internet Surveillance. Talk at the European Sociological Association's Research Network 18 (Sociology of Communications and Media Research) Conference "Communication, Crisis and Critique in Contemporary Capitalism". Bilbao, University of the Basque Country. October 18-20, 2012.

Introduction to PACT WP1: Theoretical Foundations of Studying Privacy, Security & Surveillance. Talk at the "Root and Branch Review Workshop". Brussels. September 17-18, 2012. EU FP7 Project PACT - Public perception of security and privacy: Assessing

knowledge, Collecting evidence, Translating research into action.

Critique of the Political Economy of Social Media and Informational Capitalism. Keynote plenary talk at the 4th ICTs and Society-Conference "Critique, Democracy and Philosophy in 21st Century Information Society. Towards Critical Theories of Social Media". May 2-4, 2012. Uppsala University, Sweden.

Organiser of the 4th ICTs and Society-Conference "Critique, Democracy and Philosophy in 21st Century Information Society. Towards Critical Theories of Social Media". May 2-4, 2012. Uppsala University, Sweden.

Studying Media and Information in the Information Society. Talk at Lund University, Department of Cultural Sciences. March 2, 2012.

The Internet as Surveilled Workplace and Factory. Invited Plenary talk at the 4th Conference on Computers, Privacy and Data Protection (CPDP), panel "Freedom of association in the networked workplace". 4th Conference on Computers, Privacy and Data Protection. January 25th, 2012. Brussels.

Critical Theory and alternative media/journalism. Talk at Umeå University. December 15, 2011.

Political economy of social media. Talk at Umeå University. December 14, 2011.

Cyberbrottslighet och sociala medier. Teoretiska och etiska implikationer. (Cybercrime and social media. Theoretical and ethical implications). Talk at the workshop "Cyberbrottslighet och sociala medier". FOI - Totalförsvarets forskningsinstitut (Swedish Defence Research Agency). November 21, 2011.

Studying Internet and capitalism. An applied field of the critique of the political economy. Invited talk at the doctoral course "Critical studies in the development of capitalism". Centre for Environment and Development Studies. Uppsala, October 18, 2011.

Chair of the workshop "Digital media and political change – the Arab spring". Uppsala University. September 12, 2011. With: W. Lance Bennett, Alexandra Segerberg, Gail Ramsay, Kristina Riegert, Christian Christensen, Muzammil M. Hussain.

Internet prosumption in contemporary capitalism. Invited semi-plenary talk at the 10th Conference of the European Sociological Association ("Social Relations in Turbulent Times"), September 9, 2011. University of Geneva, Switzerland.

The Swedish information society. A critical discourse analysis (together with Pieter Verdegem). Talk at the Nordmedia Conference 2011, University of Akureyri, Iceland, August 13, 2011.

The political economy of Google. Talk at the Nordmedia Conference 2011, University of Akureyri, Iceland, August 13, 2011.

Chair of the session "Critical theory and political economy of the Internet". Nordmedia Conference 2011, University of Akureyri, Iceland, August 13, 2011.

The state of Critical Internet Studies (together with Nick Dyer-Witheford and Mark Andrejevic). Annual Conference of the International Association for Media and Communication Research (IAMCR). Kadir Has University, Istanbul, Turkey. July 17th, 2011.

Critique of the political economy of privacy on Facebook (together with Thomas Allmer, Verena Kreiling, Sebastian Sevignani). Annual Conference of the International Association for Media and Communication Research (IAMCR). Kadir Has University, Istanbul, Turkey. (together with Pieter Verdegem). July 16th, 2011.

The political economy of Wikipedia (together with Sylvain Firer-Blaess). Talk at the 2011 Conference of the International Association of Media and Communication Research (IAMCR), Kadir Has University, Istanbul, Turkey. July 15th, 2011.

The political economy of transparency, economic surveillance and privacy in Sweden (together with Pieter Verdegem). Talk at the 2011 Conference of the International Association of Media and Communication Research (IAMCR), Kadir Has University, Istanbul, Turkey. (together with Pieter Verdegem). July 14th, 2011.

What does it mean to study the Internet critically? Talk at the 7th International Critical Management Studies Conference, University of Naples Federico II, Naples, Italy, July 12th, 2011.

Facebook and capitalism. Invited talk at the symposium "Organized producers of net culture". Organized by Jönköping University's research project "Organized producers of net culture" (project co-ordinator: Tobias Olsson, funded by KK-stiftelsen). Malmö, Sweden. May 20, 2011.

Media and Communication Studies in Sweden. An outside-in-perspective. Talk at the annual meeting of the Swedish Association of Media and Communication Research (Föreningen för svensk medie- och kommunikationsforskning, FSMK). Uppsala University. May 3, 2011.

Labour in informational capitalism and on the Internet. Guest lecture in the MA course "Digital culture & society". IT University Copenhagen. February 28, 2011.

Media and communication studies at Uppsala University. Department of Informatics and Media Alumni Day. December 3, 2010. Uppsala University.

Opponent in the PhD defense preparation seminar of Johan Söderberg, PhD candidate in Science and Technology Studies (STS), topic: A Critical Theory Perspective on Open Hardware Development. Göteborg University, Faculty of Social Sciences, December 2, 2010.

Prolegomena to the study of media and communication in the information society. Inaugural lecture for the chair in media and communication studies. November 18, 2010. Uppsala University, Sweden.

Critique of the political economy of web 2.0 surveillance. Talk at the 2010 Conference of the European Association for the Studies of Science and Technology (EASST). University of Trento, Italy. September 2, 2010.

Organization of the conference track "Surveillance in society" (together with Anders Albrechtslund (Aarhus University), Kees Boersma (VU University Amsterdam), Peter Lauritsen (Aarhus University)). 2010 Conference of the European Association for the Studies of Science and Technology (EASST). University of Trento, Italy. September 2-4, 2010.

Critique of the political economy of web 2.0 surveillance. Talk at the 17th World Congress of the International Sociological Association, panel "New Media Futures", Göteborgs universitet, Sweden, July 14, 2010.

Global capitalism: new imperialism? media imperialism? Talk at the 17th World Congress of the International Sociological Association, panel "Theorizing Global Media and Cultural Flows", Göteborgs universitet, Sweden, July 14, 2010.

Cultural sociology as sociology of the media, ICTs, and the information Society. Invited Talk. University of Manchester. School of Social Sciences. July 8, 2010.

Chair of the panel "Perspectives of ICTs and society research" at the conference "ICTs and Society 2010", Internet Interdisciplinary Institute (IN3), Universitat Oberta de Catalunya; July 2, 2010, Barcelona, Spain. Organized and supported by the Unified Theory of Information Research Group, Universitat Oberta de Catalunya, Internet Interdisciplinary Institute, Singapore Internet Research Centre, Oxford Internet Institute, tripleC (cognition, communication, co-operation) – Journal for a Global Sustainable Information Society.

Co-organizer of the conference "ICTs and Society 2010", Internet Interdisciplinary Institute (IN3), Universitat Oberta de Catalunya, June 29-July 2, 2010, Barcelona, Spain. Organized and supported by Unified Theory of Information Research Group, Universitat Oberta de Catalunya, Internet Interdisciplinary Institute, Singapore Internet Research Centre, Oxford Internet Institute, tripleC (cognition, communication, co-operation) – Journal for a Global Sustainable Information Society.

Participation as invited plenary discussant in the presentation of the book "Deep Search. Politik des Suchens jenseits von Google" ("Deep search: the politics of search beyond Google"), edited by Konrad Becker and Felix Stalder. April 28, 2010. Bruno Kreisky Forum. Organized by Institute for New Culture Technologies/t0 (Institute für neue Kulturtechnologien / t0) Vienna, Austria.

Social media: trends and research challenges. Invited talk. Uppsala University, Faculty of Social Sciences. Uppsala, Sweden. April 21, 2010.

Social networking sites and the surveillance society. Invited talk and invited research seminar. Södertörn University. April 20, 2010. Flemingsberg, Stockholm, Sweden.

How can surveillance be defined? Remarks on theoretical foundations of surveillance studies. Talk at the conference "A Global Surveillance Society?". London City University. April 13-15, 2010. Organized by: Surveillance Studies Network, Surveillance & Society, EU COST Action "Living in Surveillance Societies".

Critique of the political economy of web 2.0 surveillance. Talk at the conference "A Global Surveillance Society?". London City University. April 13-15, 2010. Organized by: Surveillance Studies Network, Surveillance & Society, EU COST Action "Living in Surveillance Societies".

Chair of the panel "The Internet & surveillance" (together with Kees Boersma, Anders Albrecht Lund, Marisol Sandoval), organized by working group 2 "Surveillance Technologies in Practice" of the EU COST Action "Living in Surveillance Societies". Conference "A Global Surveillance Society?". London City University. April 13-15, 2010. Organized by: Surveillance Studies Network, Surveillance & Society, EU COST Action "Living in Surveillance Societies".

Obrist, Marianna and Christian Fuchs: Broadening the view: HCI & Critical Theory. Contribution at the Workshop "Critical Dialogue: Interaction, Experience and Cultural Theory". CHI2010 (28th ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems). Atlanta, GA, USA. April 10, 2010.

Informations- und Kommunikationstechnologien: Aspekte des medialen und gesellschaftlichen Wandels. (Information- and communication technologies: aspects of changes of media and society) Invited Talk. Sozialwissenschaftliche Fakultät. Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München. February 10, 2010.

Computervermittelte Kommunikation und Gesellschaft (Computer-mediated communication and society). Invited Talk. Philosophische Fakultät. Universität Passau. February 6, 2010.

Medien und Gesellschaft (Media and society). Invited Talk. Hochschule für Gestaltung, Offenbach am Main, Germany. January 15, 2010.

Invited lecture "Class and exploitation on the Internet" at the conference "The Internet as Playground and Factory: A Conference on Digital Labor", New York City, Eugene Lang College, New School, USA. November 12-14, 2009.

Economic crisis and the information economy. Talk at the University of Massachusetts Amherst, USA, November 7, 2009.

A contribution to critical globalization studies. Talk at the University of Massachusetts Amherst, USA, November 7, 2009.

Theoretical foundations of critical media studies. Talk at the University of Massachusetts Amherst, USA, November 6, 2009.

Participation in the management committee meeting and 1st Workshop of the EU COST Action "Living in Surveillance Societies", University of Hamburg, Hamburg, October 7-9, 2009.

The Internet & surveillance. Talk at the meeting of the working group Surveillance Technologies in Practice. EU COST Action "Living in Surveillance Societies", Brussels, August 25, 2009.

Meeting of the working group Surveillance Technologies in Practice. EU COST Action "Living in Surveillance Societies", Brussels, August 24-25, 2009.

New Media & society. Invited Lecture. Coventry University. Coventry, United Kingdom. July 27, 2009.

The pitfalls and perils of the transdisciplinary field "ICTs and Society". Talk at the workshop "ICTs and Society", University of Trento, Faculty of Social Sciences, Italy. June 29-30, 2009.

Participation in the workshop "ICTs and Society". University of Trento, Faculty of Social Sciences, Italy. June 29-30, 2009.

Management committee meeting of the EU COST project "Living in Surveillance Societies" (ISO 807). Brussels. April 22-23, 2009.

(Digital) media & society. Invited Lecture. University of Stirling. Stirling, Scotland. April 1, 2009.

Information, technology, society. Invited Lecture. University College Dublin. Dublin, Ireland. March 19, 2009.

Alles nur Manipulation? Massenmedien, Herrschaft und Emanzipation im Kapitalismus [Only manipulation? Mass media, domination, and emancipation in capitalism]. Panel Discussion, Congress "Kapitalismus am Ende?" (The End of Capitalism?), Organizer: Attac Germany, March 8, 2009. Discussants: Bernard Cassen (Le Monde Diplomatique), Christian Fuchs, Walter van Rossum (Journalist, author).

Civil media: towards a theory of critical media (together with Marisol Sandoval). Talk at the Unconference "Civilmedia 08: Cultures – Participation – Dialogue", Salzburg, December 4, 2008.

Karl Marx und die Medien (Karl Marx and the media). Talk at the Conference „Perspektiven kritischer Medien- und Kommunikationstheorien“ (Perspectives of Critical Media and Communication Theories), Leuphana University Lüneburg, October 30 – November 1, 2008.

Critical social theory in the age of the Internet. Talk at the European Sociological Association Social Theory Conference: Social Theory and the Sociological Discipline(s), September 13, 2008. University of Innsbruck.

Chair of the Session "Can social theory be national?", European Sociological Association Social Theory Conference: Social Theory and the Sociological Discipline(s), September 13, 2008. University of Innsbruck.

Critical theory in the age of the Internet. Talk at the 1st World Forum of the International Sociological Association, Open University, Barcelona, Spain, September 6, 2008.

Critical theory and alternative (online-) media (together with Marisol Sandoval). Talk at the 1st World Forum of the International Sociological Association, Open University, Barcelona, Spain, September 6, 2008.

Organizer of the 1st International Doctoral Students' Conference in Information and Communication Technologies & Society (ICT&S) an co-organizer of the International ICT&S Network Start-Up Meeting, University of Salzburg, June 20-21, 2008 (see <http://www.icts-and-society.net>)

Grundlagen der Kritik der Politischen Ökonomie der Medien (Foundations of the critique of the political economy of the media). Talk at the Lecture Series „Kritische Ansätze zu Politik und Ökonomie im globalisierten Kapitalismus“ (Critical Approaches on Politics and Economy in Globalized Capitalism). May 5, 2008. University of Vienna.

Chair of the session "Theorising web 2.0" at the Conference "Politics: Web 2.0", Royal Holloway University London, UK, April 18, 2008. Organizer: New Political Communication Unit, Department of Politics & International Relations, Royal Holloway, University of London.

Social theory foundations of social software and the web: from web 1.0 towards

web 2.0 and web 3.0 (together with Wolfgang Hofkirchner, Matthias Schafranek, Celina Raffl, Marisol Sandoval, Robert Bichler). Talk at the Conference "Politics: Web 2.0", Royal Holloway University London, UK, April 17, 2008. Organizer: New Political Communication Unit, Department of Politics & International Relations, Royal Holloway, University of London.

Internet und Gesellschaft: Beiträge zu einer Theorie des Informationszeitalters (Internet and society: contributions to a theory of the information age). Habilitation Colloquium and Public Defense. ICT&S Center, University of Salzburg, February 28, 2008.

Gesellschaftskritik und Gesellschaftstheorie im Zeitalter des Internets (Critique of society and social theory in the age of the Internet). Talk at the Conference "Die Zukunft der Informationsgesellschaft" (The Future of the Information Society), University of Klagenfurt, December 9-11, 2007. Organized by Institut für Medien- und Kommunikationswissenschaft, Universität Klagenfurt, & European Network of Cultural Diversity and New Media.

Organization and Moderation of the Panel Discussion and Book Presentation "Dating 21 – Liebesorganisation und Verabredungskulturen" (Dating 21 – The culture of love and dating), December 4, 2007. ICT&S Center, University of Salzburg.

Internet und Gesellschaft: Gesellschaftstheorie im Informationszeitalter (Internet and society: social theory in the information age). Fachbereich Kommunikationswissenschaft, Universität Salzburg, November 27, 2007.

Dialektisches Denken als Grundlage der Kritik des transnationalen informationellen Kapitalismus, Teil 2 (Dialectical philosophy as foundation for a critical theory of transnational informational capitalism, part 2). Talk at the Conference "Kybernetik, evolutionäre Systemtheorie, Dialektik" (Cybernetics, Evolutionary Systems Theory, Dialectics), Berlin, Humboldt University/Free University, November 7-10, 2007. Organized by Deutsche Gesellschaft für Kybernetik, Leibniz Sozietät, Bertalanffy Center for the Study of Systems Science, Ernst Bloch Gesellschaft.

Dialektisches Denken als Grundlage der Kritik des transnationalen informationellen Kapitalismus, Teil 1 (Dialectical philosophy as foundation for a critical theory of transnational informational capitalism, part 1). Talk at the Conference "Polyphone Dialektik" (Polyphonous Dialectics), Berlin, November 1-4, 2007. Organized by the Ernst Bloch Assoziation.

Grundeinkommen: Neoliberalismus oder Umverteilung? (Basic income: neoliberalism or redistribution?) Talk at the Introductory Plenary of the Congress „2. Deutschsprachiger Grundeinkommenskongress" (2nd Basic Income Congress in the German-Speaking Countries), University of Basel, October 5-7, 2007. Organizers: Netzwerk Grundeinkommen Deutschland, Attac Deutschland, Netzwerk Grundeinkommen und

sozialer Zusammenhalt Österreich, Attac Österreich-Inhaltsgruppe Grundeinkommen, B.I.E.N. Schweiz, Attac Schweiz.

Informational capitalism: commodity or gift economy? Talk at the 8th Annual European Sociological Association Conference, September 3-6, 2007. Glasgow, UK, Sociology of Media and Communications Research Network.

The urgent need for change: rethinking knowledge and management (together with Stefan Blachfellner and Robert Bichler). Talk at the Conference "4th International Conference on Knowledge Management", August 27-28, 2007. Vienna, Austria.

eParticipation – Theorie und Empirie an Hand des Beispiels des aktiven IKT-Nutzungsverhaltens Salzburger Jugendlicher (eParticipation: theory and empirical social research based on the example of the active ICT usage of youth in Salzburg, together with Ursula Maier-Rabler). Talk at the Conference "Digital Divide und Bibliotheken" (Digital Divide and Libraries). May 4-6, 2007. Renner Institut, Vienna. Organizers: Arbeitskreis kritischer Bibliothekarinnen und Bibliothekare im Renner-Institut (KRIBIBI), Erwachsenenbildungskommission des Bundesbildungsausschusses der SPÖ.

Informational capitalism and the digital divide in Africa (together with Eva Horak). Talk at the Conference "Cyberspace 2006". November 24-25, 2006. Organized by the Faculty of Law, Masaryk University. Brno, Czech Republic.

Räume im Netzwerkapitalismus (Spaces in network capitalism). Talk at the Conference "Constructing and Experiencing Space", organized by the Ernst Bloch Association and the ICT&S Center, October 27-29, 2006, ICT&S Center, University of Salzburg, Salzburg, Austria.

Transnational space and the 'network society'. Talk at the Conference "Internet Research 7.0: Internet Convergences", organized by the Association of Internet Researchers, September 27-30, 2006, Hilton Brisbane, Australia.

Broadening eParticipation: rethinking ICTs and participation. Talk at the Conference "Internet Research 7.0: Internet Convergences", organized by the Association of Internet Researchers, September 27-30, 2006, Hilton Brisbane, Australia.

Chair of the Session "Politics and (in)equality" at the Conference "Internet Research 7.0: Internet Convergences", organized by the Association of Internet Researchers, September 27-30, 2006, Hilton Brisbane, Australia.

Sustainability and the information society. Talk at the Conference "HCC7: 7th International Conference 'Human Choice and Computers'", organized by the Slovenian Society Informatika, sponsored by IFIP-TC9. Maribor, Slovenia. September 21-23, 2006.

The self-organization of cyberprotest. Talk at the conference "The Internet & Society 2006. Second International Conference on Advances in Education, Commerce & Governance: Technology's Impact on Individuals, Culture and Society", June 12th-14th 2006, Ashurst, UK, organized by Wessex Institute of Technology and Bergen University.

Participation and input talk at the panel talk "Information und Selbstorganisation" (Information and Self-Organization), June 2nd 2006, Vienna, organized by Wissenschaftliche Gesellschaft Dynamik-Komplexität-menschliche Systeme.

Participation in the "Fuschl Conversations 2006", Workshop "The Future of Conversations"; Seehotel Schlick, Fuschl am See, April 22nd-27th 2006, Organizer: International Federation for Systems Research (IFSR).

The nature-society-system and the global sustainable information society (GSIS). Talk at the 18th European Meeting on Cybernetics and Systems Research. April 18th-21st, 2006, University of Vienna. Organizer: Austrian Society for Cybernetic Studies.

Co-operative cyberethics for a sustainable information society (w/Robert Bichler and Celina Raffl). Talk at the 7th Global Conference "Perspectives on Evil and Human Wickedness". March 13th-17th, 2006, Salzburg. Organizer: Interdisciplinary.Net.

Information society – sustainable or not? Talk at the Conference "Sustainable Solutions for the Information Society" - 11th International Conference on Urban Planning and Spatial Development in the Information Society. February 13-16, 2006, Congress Center Vienna, Austria, organized by CORP - Competence Center for Urban and Regional Development.

Participation in the Workshop "Organized Networks (OrgNets)", Berlin, Grand Hotel Esplanade, February 3rd 2006, organized by the Institute of Network Cultures, Hogeschool van Amsterdam.

"Self-producing agents co-producing evolutionary networks (SPACE-NET)". "Emergence and Downward Causation in Biological, Social, and Artificial Systems". Project Proposal Presentation at the European Commission's NEST (New and Emerging Science and Technology) Brokerage Event, Brussels, December 6th 2005.

The self-organization of the knowledge society (together with Wolfgang Hofkirchner). Talk at the 2nd Heinz von Foerster-congress "Truth is the Invention of a Liar", November 11-13 2005, University of Vienna, Organizers: Institut für Zeitgeschichte (University of Vienna), Wiener Institut für Sozialwissenschaftliche Dokumentation und Methodik (WISDOM).

Participation in the Workshop "Post-INTAS: Human Strategies in Complexity", Organized by the IAG Philosophische Grundlagenprobleme, University of Kassel, October 23-25, 2005.

Grundeinkommen und Wissensgesellschaft (Basic income and knowledge society). Talk at the Workshop "Grundeinkommen, immaterielle Arbeit und Wissensgesellschaft" (Basic Income, Immaterial Labour, and Knowledge Society) at the Congress "Grundeinkommen – In Freiheit tätig sein" (Basic Income –Activity in Freedom"), Vienna, October 7th-9th 2005, organized by Netzwerk Grundeinkommen Österreich, Netzwerk Grundeinkommen Deutschland, ATTAC Österreich Inhaltsgruppe Grundeinkommen, ATTAC Österreich, ATTAC Deutschland

Cyberprotest and democracy. Talk at the Workshop "Digital Media: New Opportunities for Democracy and Participation", September 24th 2005, Vienna University of Technology, organized by the Institute of Design and Technology Assessment

Eigentum in der Wissensgesellschaft (Property in the knowledge society). Talk at the event "Zukunftsfähig wirtschaften" (The Future of the Economy), September 21st 2005, organized by the Katholische Sozialakademie Österreichs (KSÖ), Otto-Mauer-Zentrum, Vienna.

Knowledge and society from the perspective of the Unified Theory of Information (UTI) approach. Talk at FIS 2005: Third Conference on the Foundations of Information Science. Paris, July 4-7, 2005.

The self-organization of the cultural subsystem of modern society (organized by the International Federation for Systems Research). Talk at the Conference "Twelfth Fuschl Conversations 2004", Fuschl/See, April 18th.-23rd, 2004

The political system as a self-organizing information system. Talk at the Congress "Cybernetics and Systems 2004" (organized by the Austrian Society for Cybernetic Studies), University of Vienna, April 13th-16th, 2004.

The self-organization of politics and the Internet in the global society. Talk at the INTAS-Workshop "Human Strategies in Complexity", Berlin, Humboldt Universität, March, 6th-11th, 2004.

Globalization and self-organization. Talk at the INTAS-Workshop "Human Strategies in Complexity", Berlin, Humboldt Universität, March, 6th-11th, 2004.

The self-organization of science. Talk at the INTAS-Workshop "Human Strategies in Complexity", Berlin, Humboldt Univeristät, March, 6th-11th, 2004.

Self-organising of the political system in a globalising world. Talk at the "Science, Complexity, and the Ethics of Global Governance", organized by the Department of Government, University College Cork, 26.-28.2.2004, Ireland.

Selbstorganisation und Wissensmanagement (Self-organization and knowledge management). Talk at the 7th Congress of the Austrian Society for Philosophy, "Justice: In Search of a Balance", Session "Cognitive Science – Knowledge Management – Knowledge Production", February, 1st-4th, 2004

Selbstorganisation und Informationsgesellschaft (Self-organization and information-society). Talk at the Arbeitskreis „Langfristige Entwicklungsforschung (Zukunftsforschung)“, Austrian Statistical Society, January 21st, 2004

Knowledge and self-organization (together with Wolfgang Hofkirchner). Talk at the Heinz von Foerster Congress "Knowledge – Organization – Society", Vienna, November 13-15, 2003 (Organizers: American Society for Cybernetics, Austrian Society of Cognitive Science, University of Vienna).

Co-operation and new technology. Talk at the Conference "The Unifying Aspects of Culture", Vienna, November 7-11, 2003 (Organizer: Research Institute for Austrian and International Literature and Cultural Sciences)

The architecture of the information society (together with Wolfgang Hofkirchner). Talk at the "47th Annual Conference of the International Society for Systems Sciences (ISSS): Agoras of the Global Village", Iraklion, Crete, Greece, July 7-11, 2003.

Co-operation in complex, self-organising, information-generating systems. Talk at the "47th Annual Conference of the International Society for Systems Sciences (ISSS): Agoras of the Global Village", Iraklion, Crete, Greece, July 7-11, 2003.

Symposium "Foundations of Information Science (FIS)" (Symposium Chair, together with Søren Brier), "47th Annual Conference of the International Society for Systems Sciences (ISSS): Agoras of the Global Village", Iraklion, Crete, Greece, July 7-11, 2003.

Symposium "Foundations of Self-Organisation" (Symposium Chair), "International Nonlinear Sciences Conference 2003" (INSC 2003), University of Vienna, February 7th-9th, 2003

Dialectical materialism and the self-organisation of matter. Talk at the "International Nonlinear Sciences Conference 2003" (INSC 2003), University of Vienna, February 7th-9th, 2003

Co-operation in complex, self-organising systems. Talk at the INTAS-Workshop "Human Strategies in Complexity", Vienna, March 5th-11th, 2003

The auto-creativity of communication and the re-creativity of actions in social systems (together with Gottfried Stockinger). Talk at the INTAS-Workshop "Human Strategies in Complexity", Vienna November 8th-11th, 2002

Concepts of social self-organisation. Talk at the INTAS seminar "Human Strategies in Complexity", Yalta, July 1st-8th, 2002

Der Fortschrittsbegriff bei Ernst Bloch und Herbert Marcuse (Ernst Bloch's and Herbert Marcuse's notions of progress). Talk at the Conference "Grenzen der Utopie? Krieg der Hoffnung? Ernst Bloch zum 25. Todestag" (Limits of Utopia? War of Hope? Congress at the 25th Anniversary of the Death of Ernst Bloch's), organiser: Ernst Bloch Assoziation). 28.-30.6.2002, Ernst Bloch-Zentrum, Ludwigshafen.

Social information and self-organization. Talk at the 16th European Meeting on Cybernetics and Systems Research (organizer: Austrian Society for Cybernetic Studies). University of Vienna, 2.-5.4.2002.

Der Technikbegriff bei Rosa Luxemburg (Rosa Luxemburg's notion of technology). Talk at the conference "Kritik, Ironie und tiefere Bedeutung. Zum Werk Rosa Luxemburgs aus heutiger Sicht" (Criticism, Irony and Deeper Meaning: On the Importance of the Works of Rosa Luxemburg Today) (organizer: Ernst Bloch Assoziation). 19.-21.10.2001, Berlin.

Information and self-organization in social systems. Talk at the "Bertalanffy 100th Anniversary Conference – Unity through Diversity". Vienna University of Technology, 1.-4.11.2001.

The dialectic of bottom-up and top-down emergence in social systems (w/ W. Hofkirchner and B. Klauninger). Talk at the conference "Problems of Individual Emergence" (organisers: UK Cybernetics Society, Systeemgroep Nederland, Lincoln Research Centre, Center for Innovation and Co-operative Technology). Amsterdam, 16.-20.4.2001

Die Dialektik der Globalisierung in Technik, Politik, Ökonomie und Kultur (The dialectic of globalization in technology, polity, economy, and culture, w/ W. Hofkirchner). Talk at the congress of the Austrian Society of Sociology, University of Vienna, 20-23.9.2000.

Ein einheitlicher Informationsbegriff für eine einheitliche Informationswissenschaft (A unified notion of information for a unified science of information, w/ W. Hofkirchner). Talk at the conference "Organisationsinformatik und Digitale Bibliothek in der Wissenschaft" (Organizational Informatics and Digital Libraries), 23 – 24.3.2000. Humboldt University Berlin.

Information in social systems (w/ W. Hofkirchner). Talk at the 7th International Congress of the International Association for Semiotic Studies (IASS/AIS), University of Technology Dresden, 6.-11.10.1999

Informations- und Kommunikationstechnologien im Kontext der kontrollgesellschaftlichen Umstrukturierung (Information- and communication technologies in the context of the transformation towards a society of control). Talk at the 20th Congress Political

Psychology "Sozialisation und Identitäten. Politische Kultur im Umbruch?" (Socialization and Identity: The Transformation of Political Culture?), Hamburg, 15.-18.10.1998.

Supervision of Ph.D. Theses

Finished:

* Thomas Allmer (University of Salzburg): (Dis)Like Facebook? Towards a Dialectical and Critical Theory of Digital and Social Media; primary supervisor

* Sebastian Sevignani (University of Salzburg): The Commodification of Privacy in Informational Capitalism; primary supervisor

* Yu Xiang (University of Westminster): The Ideological Sinicisation of the People's Republic of China's Foreign Propaganda: A Reception Analysis of CCTV News' African Audience; secondary supervisor

Ongoing:

* Yuqi Na (University of Westminster): The Political Economy of Advertising on Social Media and the Internet. A Comparative Study between the United Kingdom and China; primary supervisor

* Teerada Na Jatturas (University of Westminster): Internet and Politics; primary supervisor

* Antonios Broumas (University of Westminster): Intellectual Commons & the Law: An Institutional Ecology for Commons-Based Peer Production; primary supervisor

* Jamileh Kadivar (University of Westminster): Religious Extremists and Social Media: The Cases of ISIS and Al-Qaeda; primary supervisor

* Trenton Lee (University of Westminster): A Political Economy of Identity: Identity, Labour, and the Commodity in the Information Age; primary supervisor

* Oliver Marino (University of Westminster): The Spectacle's Material Basis: A Synthesis of Günther Anders' and Guy Debord's Theories of Modernity; primary supervisor

* Manisha Ganguly (University of Westminster): The Newsroom and Investigative Journalism in the Age of Artificial Intelligence-Based Automation; primary supervisor

* Rupert Waldron (University of Westminster): A Critical Political Economy of the Self-Constitution of the Soul: Internationalised Higher Education and The Creative Labour of Transcultural Intermediation; primary supervisor

* Evgueni Tchubykalo (University of Westminster): Wikipedia as a System of Co-production of Knowledge; primary supervisor

Defence of Dissertations

* Internal examiner in the viva voce of Chris Nineham's dissertation "Making the News: The Media and the Movement against the Iraq War". University of Westminster.

* External examiner in the viva voce of Ekaterina Netchitailiva' dissertation "A Critical Exploration of Facebook: The Corporation and its Users". Sheffield Hallam University. April 17, 2013.

* Member of the grading committee in the defence of Magdalena Kani-Lundholm's dissertation "Re-Branding A Nation Online: Discourses on Polish Nationalism and Patriotism". Uppsala University, Department of Sociology. October 26, 2012.

* Member of the grading committee in the defence of Peter Jakobsson's dissertation

"Öppenhetsindustrin" (The openness industry). Södertörns högskola, Media and Communication Studies. March 23, 2012.

* Member of the grading committee in the defence of Anna-Mari Simunaniem's dissertation "Consuming and Communicating Fruit and Vegetables: A Nationwide Food Survey and Analysis of Blogs among Swedish Adults". Uppsala University, Department of Food, Nutrition and Dietetics. September 30, 2011.

* Chair in the defence of Cecilia Strand's dissertation "Perilous Silences and Counterproductive Narratives Pertaining to HIV/AIDS in the Ugandan, Lesotho and Namibian Press". Uppsala University, Department of Informatics and Media, September 29, 2011.

* Opponent in the defence preparation seminar of Johan Söderberg's dissertation "Free Software to Open Hardware: Critical Theory on the Frontiers of Hacking". Göteborg University, Faculty of Social Sciences, Department of Sociology, Science and Technology Studies (STS). December 2, 2010.

Supervision of MA Dissertations (University of Westminster)

2015:

MA dissertation supervision. Students: Chengjie Qian, Ebru Sahin, Gabriela Rodriguez Moreno, Salonee Kakodkar, Sherry Zhao

2014:

10 MA dissertations on various topics concerning social media & society and the political economy of media and communication (students: Anna Klesse, Bin Kong, Chun Yang, Emina von Borstel, Jing Wang, Taylore Hunt, Xin Wang, Yingying Lee, Yuqi Na, Yuyue Xu).

2013:

Devfanny Artha: The Role of Public Service Broadcasting in Indonesia
Ahmed Elseikh: Social Media and Political Change in Post-Revolutionary Egypt
Yifan Hao: The Role of Weibo in China's Public Sphere
Qianruo He: Weibo and the Public Sphere in China
Lunlailit Niyomtas: The Role of Social Media in Disasters
Maria Spiridonova: Women in Media Production
Fei Wang: News Coverage on Chinese Microblogs
Mengna Wang: The Role of Weibo in Combating Child-Trafficking in China
Jingmiao Xing: Narcissism and Facebook Usage
Huikang Zhang: Celebrities on Social Media

Supervision of Master's Theses (Uppsala University)

Weiwei Fang: Motivations and Engagement: A Comparative Study of Environmental Communication on Chinese and International Social Networking Sites (SNS).

Milda Liokaityte: An Empirical Study of Copyright and Intellectual Property Rights in File Sharing

Mahjabeen Manwar: The Role of the Internet in Higher Education – Bangladesh and Sweden.

Qiong Tang: Online Participatory Media and Participatory Democracy in China.

Monika Tichonovaite: Lithuanian Public Service Broadcasting in the Era of Commercialization.

Xiaoyang Wu: The Portrayal of Crime in Chinese Crime Reality TV Programmes

Shuo Yang: The Political Economy of Hunan TV and the "Entertainment Cutback Order" in China

Yanan Zhao: The Influences of Culture-Oriented Tourism Promotion Videos on Potential Tourists.

Supervision of Master's Theses (University of Salzburg)

Thomas Allmer: A Critical Contribution to the Analysis of (Internet) Surveillance in the Modern Economy

Constanze Biesalski: Backpacking @ Latin America: The Role of Communication, Mobility, and ICTs

Helga Hochwind: Habermas 2.0 – Neubewertung kritischer Öffentlichkeitstheorien im Zeitalter des Internets (Habermas 2.0 – Reassessment of critical public sphere theories in the age of the Internet)

Peter Klingenbrunner: Die Rolle des Internets in Neuen Sozialen Bewegungen an Hand des Beispiels der globalisierungskritischen Bewegung (The Role of the Internet in New Social Movements: The Example of the Movement for Democratic Globalization)

Valerie Gabl: Wirkung von Social Software und Vergemeinschaftungs- und Individualisierungsprozesse in studentischer Kultur (The Effects of Social Software on Processes of Community-Building and Individualization in Students' Culture)

Eva Gaderer: Strategien und Akteure der Entwicklungspolitik in Nicaragua unter besonderer Berücksichtigung der Rolle (neuer) Medien (Strategies and Actors in Development Politics in Nicaragua with a Special Consideration of the Role of (New) Media)

Thomas Hauzeneder: Traditionelle und kritische Theorien des Journalismus im Zeitalter des Internets (Traditional and Critical Theories of Journalism in the Age of the Internet)

Christine Rainer: Manipulierte oder kritische Öffentlichkeit? Die Rolle der Medien und der neuen Medien im Irakkrieg 2003 (Manipulated or Critical Public? The Role of Media and New Media in the Iraq War 2003)

Walburga Ratz: Möglichkeiten für Partizipation und Kooperation durch Social Software in modernen Organisationen (Opportunities for Participation and Co-operation through Social Software in Modern Organizations)

Benjamin Seibel (Student of cultural studies at the University of Lüneburg (Germany, visiting student at the University of Salzburg in summer term 2009): Konkurrenz und Kooperation im informationellen Kapitalismus an Hand des Beispiels File Sharing (Competition and co-operation in informational capitalism: The example of file sharing)

Siegbert Stolz: Theorien der Wissensarbeit (Theories of Knowledge Labour)

Mario Weikenkas: Internet und Beschleunigung: Zeitverhältnisse in der modernen Gesellschaft (Internet and Acceleration: The Role of Time in Modern Society)

Alexandra Weiss: Altern und Wandel im Nutzungsverhalten neuer Medien in Salzburg
(Ageing and the Usage of New Media in Salzburg)

Supervision of Bachelor Theses

Summer Term 2005 (Topic: Cyberprotest and New Social Movements, University of Salzburg):

Astl, Christina: CorpWatch: Holding Corporations Accountable.

Brunnauer, Maria Elisabeth: RAWA – Revolutionary Association of the Women of Afghanistan.

Gams, Michael: ®™ark. Die Kunst des Cyberprotests.

Hofrichter, Simone: 50 Years is Enough.

Klingenbrunner, Peter: Bretton Woods Project.

Matheis, Gregor: Attac Österreich im Internet.

Nussmüller, Lisa: Cyberprotest in Österreich. Protestgruppen gegen die ÖVP-FPÖ Koalition 1999/2000 am Beispiel „Gegenschwarzblau“:

<http://www.gegenschwarzblau.net/indexalt.htm>.

Ratz, Walburga: European Social Forum 2004: „Another World is Possible“. „Un autre monde est possible“. „Eine andere Welt ist möglich“.

Sandoval Gomez, Marisol Johanna: Vernetzter Widerstand. Entstehung, Protest und Solidaritätsbewegungen der EZLN.

Sveinsdottir, Gudrun: Soziale Bewegungen am Beispiel von Equality Now.

Tossavainen, Riikka: Cyberprotest am Beispiel der Umweltorganisation Friends of the Earth (GB).

Tschopp, Rainer: www.greenpeace.de: Eine empirische Analyse von Kommunikation und Protest auf der Webseite von Greenpeace Deutschland.

Vogel, Elisabeth: Human Rights Watch. Portrait einer Menschenrechtsorganisation.

Weiß, Alexandra: ATTAC Deutschland – Gesellschaftlicher Hintergrund und Internetkommunikation.

Winter Term 2006 (Topic: Internet Theories, University of Salzburg):

Aigner, Georg: Die Kirche und das Internet.

Dürnberger, Wolfgang: Information Overload durch das Internet

Döry, Sandor: Vom konventionellen Marketing zum Marketing im Internet.

Eder, Christina: Kommunikation im Chat.

Gams, Michael: Hacker im Internet. Kriminalität oder Informationsfreiheit?

Grossrubatscher, Gregor: Der Trend zur virtuellen Teamarbeit.

Gückelhorn, Sebastian/Schober, Alexa: Der Digital Divide zwischen Industrie- und Entwicklungsländern.

Hatlauf, Karoline/Schmitt, Susanne: Musik und Internet

Hauzeneder, Thomas: Die Krise der Arbeit – und mögliche Lösungsversuche.

Heuse, Florian: Elektronische Signaturen

Hofer, Elke: Sprachwandel durch Internet.

Kapeller, Maria: Online-Journalismus.

Klein, Sabine: Virtuelle Identitäten.

Knaus, Silvia: Bridging the Global Divide.
Raich, Barbara: E-Learning und seine Lernmethoden.
Lechner, Cornelia: Netzkunst
Mustafic, Edin: Terrorismus und Internet
Rebhandl, Petra: Rechtsextremismus im Internet. Wie nutzen Neonazis das World Wide Web?
Renner, Monika: Gesundheitskommunikation im Internet. Von der Telemedizin zur Cybermedizin.
Schmid, Thomas: Fotografie und Internet
Schober, Bettina: Rechtsextremismus im Internet – Meinungsfreiheit versus Zensur.
Staudinger, Julia: Fotografie und Internet
Taxacher, Anna: Schulisches Lernen mit ICT.
Wieser, Carolin: E-Commerce. Rahmenbedingungen für erfolgreiches Online-Shopping.
Wiesinger, Karin: e-Learning an Hochschulen.

Summer Term 2006 (Topic: Politics on the Internet, University of Salzburg)

Bamberger, Kathrin: Analyse der Homepage der Plattform gegen Temelin e.V.
Bodner, Andrea: Internet als Protestplattform für soziale Bewegungen am Beispiel der Anti-Atombewegung „AntiAtom.info“
Daichendt, Marina: Cyberprotest der Revolutionary Association of the Women of Afghanistan (RAWA)
Eder, Stefan: Indymedia Österreich: Verwirklicht Indymedia das Konzept von Grassroots Journalismus?
Heindl, Nora: Student Movement of International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War.
Hochwind, Helga: Fair Work e.V. Analyse und Hintergrund einer sozialen Bewegung.
Holzmann, Johanna: Kommunikation, Protest und Interaktivität auf der Website von Attac Deutschland
Humer, Barbara: Der Einsatz von Internet und des WWW als neue Form des Protests neuer sozialer Bewegungen, insbesondere der Ökologiebewegung am Fallbeispiel Global 2000.
Biesalski, Constanze/Keuschnigg, Thomas: Human Rights Watch. Defending Human Rights Worldwide.
Leitner, Ingrid: Die Protestgruppe „50 Years is Enough“ und ihre Kritik an Weltbank und IWF.
Leitner, Manuela: Antifaschistischer Protest im Internet. Eine Analyse der Webseite der Rosa Antifa Wien.
Mäser, Christina: Anti-Globalisierung.
Plank, Judith: Die Ökologiebewegung im Internet: Die Nutzung der ICTs am Beispiel von Greenpeace International.
Raab, Ursula: Der Einsatz des Internets durch kleine, friedenspolitisch aktive Gruppen am Beispiel der Werkstatt für Frieden und Solidarität Linz
Rainer, Christine: Menschenrechte online. Nutzung von ICTs durch die Menschenrechtsorganisation Amnesty International.
Roner, Katrin: Denkmalpflege und Denkmalschutz als politische Organisation im Netz.

Schachtner, Elisabeth: A.N.S.W.E.R. – Analyse und Hintergrund einer sozialen Bewegung.
Schamberger, Julia: Las Zapatistas. Die erste Informations-Guerilla.
Spraidler, Angelika: Antiwar.com: Cyberprotest und neue soziale Bewegungen im Internet.
Steinbacher, Kerstin: Anti-Atom-Bewegung und Cyberprotest.
Wiesinger, Walter: Soziale Bewegungen und Cyberprotest am Beispiel „Die Grünen“
Zechner, Nina: mcspotlight.org: What’s wrong with McDonald’s?

Winter Term 2006 (Topic: Internet Theories, University of Salzburg)

Auinger, Sebastian: Ist die unterschiedliche Darstellung der Identität im Internet eine Gefahr?
Bizjak, Hanna: Zensur im Internet: Theoretische Aspekte
Breckner, David: Blogs in der Unternehmenskommunikation
Decker, Christina-Maria: Internetsucht: Mythos oder Realität?
Geissrigler, Christoph: Google – Das Tor zum Netz
Gerner, Nathalie: Sprache in Internetkultur und virtuellen Gemeinschaften
Grillenberger, Petra: Wirkung von Internet und Organisation und Kommunikation in Netzwerkunternehmen
Holzinger, Roland: Eigentumskonflikte in der Wissensgesellschaft
Jarusch, Agnes: Information als Ware oder Kollektivgut?
Kronberger, Markus: Entwicklungen in der Onlinewerbung: Personalisierte Onlinewerbung und Web 2.0
Marchgraber, Anita: Hörsen-Sehen-Verstehen: Bereicherung des Hörfunks durch das Internet
Meingassner, Roman: Online-Psychotherapie: Beratung im Zeitalter der Kommunikation
Naderer, Diana Maria: Demokratie & Internet: Theoretische Aspekte
Penzenauer, Teresa: Chancen und Risiken der Cyberlove: Partnersuche im Internet
Rajal, Clemens: ICTs und Gesundheit: Die Auswirkungen von ICTs auf die körperliche und psychische Verfassung des Menschen
Schicker, Ingrid: Konstruktion und Veränderung von Identität im virtuellen Raum
Schöppl, Michael: Überwachung in der Informationsgesellschaft an Hand des Beispiels RFID
Schulze, Katrin: Zeitaspekte von Arbeit und Freizeit in der postmodernen Internetära
Schüsterl, Anna: Gesellschaftstheoretische Aspekte der Nutzung des Internets durch den internationalen Terrorismus am Beispiel Al Quaidas
Serani, Nora: eLearning aus lerntheoretischer Sicht
Shehadeh, Amjad: Theories and Concepts of Participatory E-Learning
Steinhuber, Isabella: Wissen: Begriffsdefinition und Theorien unter Berücksichtigung aktueller Ansätze aus der Ökonomie
Stockhammer, Christian: Internetspiele und ihre Möglichkeiten
Topf, Marlene: Soziale Beziehungen Online an Hand des Beispiels ICQ
Wimmer, Doris: Begriffe und Modelle von eHealth
Zhang, Jingjing: Der Digital Divide in China
Zwingenberger, Anna: eLearning – Theorien, Methoden und Konzepte

Summer Term 2007 (Topic: Politics on the Internet, University of Salzburg)

Allmer, Thomas: Die Dialektik neuer sozialer Bewegungen am Beispiel des Independent Media Centers Deutschland

Altacher, Danny: ATTAC Deutschland

Baischer, Susanne: Vom Naturgefühl zum Cyberprotest

Bayrhammer, Alfred/Weiss, Holger: Fans gegen die fortschreitende Kommerzialisierung des Fußballs

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