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European Union law, constitutional Law, administrative law, comparison of laws

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DAAD- Lecturer at Universitas Gadjah Mada in Yogyakarta (since 10/2024, 2018 - 2023)

DAAD Lecturer at Maqsut Narikbayev University in Astana (2023 - 2024)

Lecturer at the Hochschule des Bundes für öffentliche Verwaltung in Brühl (2017/18)

Advisor at the Academia de Administrare Publică in Chişinău (2015 - 2017)

DAAD Lecturer at the Hanoi Law University (2012 - 2014)

DAAD Lecturer at the University of Latvia (2006 - 2010)

Visiting Lecturer at the Riga Graduate School of Law (2008 - 2010)

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Außerplanmäßiger Professor: Göttingen 2005

Habilitation: Göttingen 2001

Doctorate in law: Göttingen 1989

Zweite Juristische Staatsprüfung [Second State Examination in Law]: Saarbrücken 1992

Erste Juristische Staatsprüfung [First State Examination in Law]: Göttingen 1985

Significant professional experience

- Since 10/2024 and 2018- 2023: DAAD Lecturer at the Universitas Gadjah Mada in Yogyakarta, Indonesia
- 2023 - 2024: DAAD Lecturer at the Maqsut Narikbayev Uni-versity in Astana, Kazakhstan
- 2017/18: Lecturer at the Hochschule des Bundes für öffentliche Verwaltung [Federal University of Public Administration] in Brühl, Germany
- 2015 - 2017: Advisor at the Academia de Administrare Publică in Chişinău, Republic of Moldova (Integrated Expert placed by the German Centre for International Migration and Development)
- 2012 - 2014: DAAD Lecturer at the Hanoi Law University in Hanoi, Vietnam
- 2012: Interim Professor [Lehrstuhlvertreter] at the University of Cologne
- 2006 - 2010: DAAD Lecturer at the University of Latvia in Riga; 2008 - 2010: Visiting Lecturer at the Riga Graduate School of Law
- 2001 - 2005: Habilitated Senior Lecturer [Oberassistent] at the University of Göttingen; Interim Professor [Lehrstuhlvertreter] at the Universities of Bonn (2002/02) and Greifswald (2002/03); lectures at the Euro-Faculty Kaliningrad, the Academy of European Public Law in Spetses (Greece) and the Deutsche Rechtsschule in Budapest
- 1992 - 2001: Post-doc Researcher and Assistant Professor [Akademischer Rat, Wissenschaftlicher Assistent] at the University of Göttingen
- 1986 - 1989: Graduate Research Assistant [Wissenschaftliche Hilfskraft] at the University of Göttingen

Legal education

- 1992 - 2001: post-doctoral studies at the Faculty of Law of the University of Göttingen
- 1989 - 1992: legal traineeship [Rechtsreferendariat] in Saarbrücken with a focus on public law (stages at the Saarland Ministry of the Interior, the Higher Administrative Court at Saarlouis and a specialised law firm; stages abroad at the Napier City Council, New Zealand, and at the Saarland Liason Office in Brussels)
- 1986 - 1989: doctoral studies at the Faculty of Law of the University of Göttingen
- 1979 - 1985: studies at the Faculty of Law of the University of Göttingen

Areas of expertise

- European Union law (in particular EU internal market law, European constitution, fundamental rights, foundations of European Union law, the European Union in the general theory of state)
- Constitutional law (in particular fundamental rights, constitutional review, constitutional problems of the participation in the process of European integration)
- Administrative law (in particular rule of law)
- Comparison of laws in the field of public law
- Legal terminology and multilingual communication in public law and European Union law

Main publications

- [Integration in der Supranationalen Union](#). Das europäische Organisationsmodell einer prozeßhaften geo-regionalen Integration und seine rechtlichen und staatsrechtlichen Implikationen, 2001 [[Integration in the Supranational Union](#). The European model of organisation for process-oriented, geo-regional integration, and its concomitant legal and theoretical implications; habilitation thesis]
- Rechtsstaat und Grundrechtsschutz im französischen Polizeirecht, 1989 [The rule of law and the protection of fundamental rights in French police law; doctoral thesis, awarded the Heinz Maier-Leibnitz Prize in 1989]
- Kāzusi un mācību materiāli Eiropas Savienības tiesībās. Kāzusi un to risinājumi, tiesu prakses pārskats, vispārīgi mācību materiāli par Eiropas Savienības tiesībām un mācību materiāli par Eiropas iekšējā tirgus tiesībām, Rīga 2010 [Cases and materials on European Union law, translated into Latvian by Kaspars Gailītis, Jūlija Kolomijceva, Kristīna Krasta, Ieva Vanaga and Līga Ziedīņa]
- Editor and co-author: [Basic vocabulary of European Union law / Grundwortschatz Europarecht / Eiropas tiesību pamattermini](#), 1st edition 2009, 2nd edition 2010 [English-German-Latvian legal dictionary]
- Innenansicht des europäischen Verfassungsrechts? [Inside view of European constitutional law?], in: Christian von Bar/Yu-Cheol Shin/ Michael Stolleis (editors), Innenansichten des deutschen und ostasiatischen Rechts [Inside views of German and East Asian law], 2021, p. 129 - 162
- [The general principles of European Union law - a source of inspiration for the development of a modern administrative law in the Republic of Moldova](#), Administrarea Publică 2017, Nr. 1 (93), p. 26 - 40
- Die Grundrechtecharta als Teil der Verfassung der Europäischen Union [The Charter of Fundamental Rights as part of the constitution of the European Union], in: Europarecht 2004, 691
- [Das europäische Volk und seine Rolle bei einer Verfassungsgebung in der Europäischen Union](#), in: Europarecht 2003, 217 = Le peuple européen et son rôle lors d'un acte constituant dans l'Union européenne, in: Revue du droit public et de la science politique en France et à l'étranger 2003, 1709
- Die Kontrolle der Verfassungsmäßigkeit von Gesetzen in den baltischen Staaten [Constitutional review of laws in the Baltic States], in: Zeitschrift für Staats- und Europawissenschaften 2003, 555
- Die EU-Grundrechtecharta aus grundrechtsdogmatischer und grundrechtstheoretischer Sicht [The EU Charter of Fundamental Rights from the perspective of fundamental rights doctrine and theory], in: Juristenzeitung 2001, 833
- [Chronik der Rechtsprechung des Bundesverfassungsgerichts](#) [Chronicle of the jurisprudence of the German Federal Constitutional Court, series of articles], European Review of Public Law / Revue Européenne de Droit Public 1995 - 2004

Special skills

- Language skills: English (proficient), French (fluent), Spanish and Romanian (beginner)
- IT skills: Advanced user skills, internet skills (creation and maintainance of own websites), experience in online teaching
- International experience: Legal traineeship stages at Napier (N.Z.) and Brussels; academic teaching in English and German language in Astana, Yogyakarta and Jakarta, Bangkok, Hanoi, Chişinău, Bukarest, Budapest, Riga, Spetses (Greece) and Kaliningrad

Professional memberships

- Societas Iuris Publici Europaei (association of European constitutionalists)
- Vereinigung der Deutschen Staatsrechtslehrer (association of German constitutionalists)
- Gesellschaft für Rechtsvergleichung (German association for comparative law)
- Deutscher Hochschulverband (German Association of University Professors and Lecturers)
- Deutsch-lettische Juristen-Vereinigung (German-Latvian lawyers' association)
- Ukrainisch-deutscher rechtswissenschaftlicher Dialog e.V. (Ukrainian-German association of legal scientists)