

1. complete CV.

Education

1990: Dr. phil. habil, University of Passau, Germany

1984: Ph. D. (summa cum laude) University of Passau, Germany

1980: M.A., University of Munich, Germany

1974 - 1980: Studying Political Science, Sociology, History at the universities of Munich / Germany, Strasbourg / France and Ann Arbor / USA

1972 - 1974: Military Service (rank achieved by 1991: Major)

1963-1972: Humanistisches Gymnasium Leopoldinum, Passau, Germany

Professional Career

since 1992: Full Professor of comparative government, Political Science Department, Dresden University of Technology

1991 - 1992: In charge of founding the Political Science Department of Dresden University of Technology

1991: Visiting Professor, Dresden University of Technology

1990: Visiting Professor, University of Salzburg, Department of Political Science

1984 - 1990: Assistant Professor, University of Passau, Department of Political Science

1980 - 1984: Teaching and Research Assistant, University of Passau, Department of Political Science

Fields of Study

- comparative politics
- comparative legislative studies
- political communication
- historical and evolutionary institutionalism

Major Research Projects

- Germany's civil religion and civil theology, 2009-2013 (grant obtained from the German Research Foundation, Collaborative Research Centre 804 'Transcendency and Common Sense')

- Instrumental and symbolic functions of parliaments (comparison of the French National Assembly, the Canadian Senate, the German Bundesrat, the German Bundestag, the People's Chamber of the German Democratic Republic, the Chamber of Nations of Czechoslovakia, the European Parliament) and the EU Council), 1997-2008 (grant obtained from the German Research Foundation, Collaborative Research Centre 537 'Institutionality and Historicity')

- Saxony's local political elite, 1999-2001 (grant obtained from the German Research Foundation)
- Members of Parliament and their social networks, 1996-1999 (grant obtained from the German Research Foundation)
- popular knowledge and opinions on parliament in Germany, 1994-95 (grant obtained from the German Research Foundation)
- role orientations and role behavior of German Members of Parliament, 1994-95 (grant obtained from the German Research Foundation)
- role orientations and role behavior of Members of Parliament in Eastern Germany, 1991-1994 (grant obtained from the Fritz-Thyssen-Foundation)

Fields of Teaching

- German politics (Germany's political system, GDR's political system, German parties; German parliamentarism)
- comparative government (Western democracies, totalitarian regimes, political elites, political opposition)
- legislative studies (representative democracy, members of parliament and their roles)
- methods of the social sciences (epistemology and methodology of social science research; content analysis; survey research; statistics)
- institutional analysis ('new', 'historical' institutionalism and 'evolutionary' institutionalism)

Major publications

- Einführung in die sozialwissenschaftliche Statistik. (Introduction into social science statistics). 1985. Munich / Vienna: Oldenbourg.
- Sozialwissenschaftliche Forschungslogik. Einführung (Epistemology of the Social Sciences: An Introduction). 1986. Munich / Vienna: Oldenbourg.
- Grundlagen der Ethnomethodologie. Theorie, Empirie und politikwissenschaftlicher Nutzen einer Soziologie des Alltags (Foundations of Ethnomethodology: theory, empirical studies, and its possible contribution to political science). 1987. München: Fink. (= revised Ph.D. thesis).
- Einführung in die Politikwissenschaft. Grundriß des Faches und studiumbegleitende Orientierung (Introduction to Political Science); 1992, 6th ed. 2007. Passau: Wissenschaftsverlag Rothe
- Abgeordnete und Repräsentation. Amtsverständnis und Wahlkreisarbeit (Members of parliament in representative democracy. Role orientations and constituency work). 1993. Passau: Wissenschaftsverlag (= revised Dr. phil. habil. thesis).
- Aufgaben politischer Bildung in den neuen Bundesländern (Challenges for political education in East Germany). 1994. Dresden: Landeszentrale für politische Bildung
- Abgeordnete und ihr Beruf (Members of parliament and their profession). 1995. Berlin: Akademieverlag
- ed., Parlamente und ihre Symbolik (Parliaments and their practices of self-symbolization). 2001. Opladen: Westdeutscher Verlag

- ed. (with mit Roland Schirmer), Die Volkskammer der DDR. Sozialistischer Parlamentarismus in Theorie und Praxis (The People's Chamber of GDR. Socialist parliamentarism in theory and practices). 2002. Opladen: Westdeutscher Verlag
- ed., Parlamente und ihre Funktionen. Institutionelle Mechanismen und institutionelles Lernen im Vergleich (Parliaments and their functions. Institutional mechanisms and institutional learning). 2003. Wiesbaden: Westdeutscher Verlag
- ed., Parlamente und ihre Macht. Kategorien und Fallbeispiele institutioneller Analyse (Parliaments and their power. Categories and Examples of institutional analysis). 2005. Baden-Baden: Nomos
- ed., Evolutorischer Institutionalismus. Theorie und empirische Studien zu Evolution, Institutionalität und Geschichtlichkeit (Evolutionary institutionalism. Theory and empirical studies on evolution, institutionality, and historicity). 2007. Würzburg: Ergon
- ed. (with Everhard Holtmann): Führen Regierungen tatsächlich? Zur Praxis gubernementalen Handelns (Do governments really lead? On the practice of governmental action). 2007. Wiesbaden: VS-Verlag für Sozialwissenschaften)

In addition, numerous articles in edited volumes and journals (among others: Zeitschrift für Parlamentsfragen, Politische Vierteljahresschrift, Zeitschrift für Politik, Aus Politik und Zeitgeschichte, Journal of Legislative Studies etc.) A complete list of publications is available at <http://www.tudresden.de/phfipo/polsys/>

Awards

- 1985 East Bavarian Cultural Award (Kulturpreis Ostbayern) for 'Ethnomethodology'
- 1995 Science Award of the German Bundestag (Wissenschaftspreis des Deutschen Bundestages) for 'Members of Parliament in Representative Democracy'.

Professional Affiliations

- International Political Science Association
- German Political Science Association
- German Association for Parliamentary Affairs
- German Association for Political Education
- International Association for the Study of German Politics
- Kommission für Geschichte des Parlamentarismus und der politischen Parteien

-member of the editorial board of the 'Zeitschrift für Parlamentsfragen' (Journal of Parliamentary Affairs)

- editor of the 'studies of parliamentarism' series of the Nomos-Verlag, Baden-Baden

- advisory board of the 'Sächsische Landeszentrale für Politische Bildung' (Saxonian Centre for Civic Education)

- advisory board of the 'Hannah-Arendt-Institut für Totalitarismusforschung'

Languages

English, French

Hobbies

- plays violoncello both in chamber music and as a soloist
- chorus conductor for more than 35 years
- founder and Musical Director of the former Angath Chorus Festival, which took place in the Austrian village of Angath, Tyrolia, every August from 1978 to 2002 (see <http://www.youtube.com/watch?gl=DE&hl=de&v=3ne8ke5Glok>)
- founder and Musical Director of the Schmochtitz Chorus Festival, taking place in Schmochtitz near Dresden and attracting ambitious singers from all parts of Germany.

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