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Doctoral Researcher in Systematic Theology

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ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH POSITIONS

- Since 12/2025* **Editorial Board Member and Editor**, *Zeitschrift für Theologie und Philosophie* (ZTP)
– Manuscript editing and review
– Copy-editing and proofreading of contributions (German and English)
– Editorial correspondence with authors
- Since 10/2025* **Research Associate**, Chair of Fundamental Theology and Theological Epistemology (Prof. Dr. Alexander Löffler SJ), Sankt Georgen Graduate School of Philosophy and Theology, Frankfurt am Main
- 3/2024 – 9/2025* **Research Assistant** and Assistant to the Rector, Chair of Canon Law and Religious Law (Prof. Dr. Christoph Ohly), Cologne University of Catholic Theology
- 3/2021 – 2/2024* **Student Assistant**, Chair of Canon Law and Religious Law (Prof. Dr. Christoph Ohly), Cologne University of Catholic Theology

EDUCATION

- Since 10/2025* **Doctoral studies in Catholic Theology** (Dr. theol.), Sankt Georgen Graduate School of Philosophy and Theology, Frankfurt am Main
Dissertation (working title): “Offenbare Wirklichkeit. Skizze eines Neuen Realismus für die Theologie”
[Manifest Reality: Outline of a New Realism for Theology]
Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Alexander Löffler SJ
- Since 10/2025* **M.A. in Philosophy**, University of Bonn
- 10/2023 – 9/2025* **B.A. in Philosophy and Media Studies** (two-subject Bachelor’s), University of Bonn — *with distinction*
Thesis: “Plattformempörungen – Empörungsplattformen? Eine phänomenontologische Betrachtung von Vergemeinschaftungslogiken des Shitstorms als Stör- und Idealfall von Social Network Sites” (in German)
[Platform Outrage – Outrage Platforms? A Phenomeno-ontological Study of the Community-formation Logics of the Shitstorm as a Disruptive and Ideal Case of Social Network Sites]
Supervisors: PD Dr. Christoph Ernst, Lea Klingberg, M.A.

10/2018 – 2/2024 **Mag. theol. in Catholic Theology** (equivalent to M.A.), University of Bonn and Cologne University of Catholic Theology — *with distinction*
 Thesis: “Vergebene Freiheit – vergebende Erlösung? Betrachtungen der Eschatologie Hans Urs von Balthasars als Strukturprinzip einer trinitarisch unterfassten Soteriologie im Lichte theodramatischer Freiheitsbegegnung” (in German)
[Forgiven Freedom – Forgiving Redemption? Reflections on the Eschatology of Hans Urs von Balthasar as the Structural Principle of a Trinitarianly Grounded Soteriology in Light of the Theo-dramatic Encounter of Freedom]
 Supervisors: Prof. Dr. Manuel Schlögl, Prof. Dr. Gianluca De Candia

2018 **Abitur** (General University Entrance Qualification), Niels Stensen Gymnasium, Hamburg

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Theological Epistemology · Apophatic Theology · New Realism · Philosophical Theology of Artificial Intelligence · Theology of Revelation

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Systematic Theology · Analytic Philosophy of Religion · Realism and Antirealism · Theology of the 2nd Vatican Council · Hans Urs von Balthasar

RESEARCH STAYS

6/2021 – 8/2021 Istituto Italiano di Studi Classici, Rome, Italy

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

2025 Conference Travel Grant, Universitätsstiftung Bonn (SoPhiA Conference, Salzburg)

Since 2024 Deutschlandstipendium (awarded twice), University of Bonn

2020 – 2023 Deutschlandstipendium (awarded three times), Cologne University of Catholic Theology

MEMBERSHIPS

- German Society for Analytic Philosophy (Gesellschaft für Analytische Philosophie, GAP)
- European Academy of Religion (EuARe)
- German Society for Philosophy (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Philosophie)
- Early-Career Network for Dogmatic and Fundamental Theology (Nachwuchsnetzwerk für Dogmatik und Fundamentaltheologie)

CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION

2027 Co-organizer, “Making Theology Explicit!” · Sankt Georgen Graduate School of Philosophy and Theology, Frankfurt am Main · 8–9 March 2027 *[in preparation]*

TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

9/2026 “Facing the Shoggoth. Ein Plädoyer für apophatische Sprache im Angesicht des Blackbox-Problems künstlicher Intelligenz” (in German)
 Conference of the European Society for Catholic Theology (ESCT), German Section · 28–30 September 2026 *[forthcoming]*

8/2026	“Facing the Shoggoth. Apophatic Language and the New Inferential Opacity of Contemporary AI” European Congress of Analytic Philosophy (ECAP12) • 24–28 August 2026 <i>[forthcoming]</i>
7/2026	“Facing the Shoggoth. Apophatic Language and the New Opacity of Contemporary AI in the Anthropocene” European Academy of Religion (EuARe), Rome • 30 July – 3 August 2026 <i>[forthcoming]</i>
6/2026	“Facing the Shoggoth. Apophatische Sprache und die neue Opazität gegenwärtiger AI” (in German) 4th Conference “Auf den Punkt. Philosophieren mit Explizierten Begriffen,” University of Bonn • 26 June 2026 <i>[forthcoming]</i>
3/2026	“(Re-)Learning to Dance. Eine inferentialistische Perspektivierung des systematischen Anspruchs theologischer Inhalte” (in German) Conference of the Early-Career Network for Dogmatic and Fundamental Theology, Stuttgart • 11–13 March 2026
9/2025	“Sharing the Platform. Vergemeinschaftungslogiken von Shitstorms als Problem- und Idealfall von Social Network Sites” (in German) 12th Conference for Practical Philosophy, Passau • 25–26 September 2025 <i>(accepted; not delivered due to illness)</i>
9/2025	“Sharing the Platform. Communication and Communitization Practices of Shitstorms and the Epistemic Limitations of Social Network Sites” SoPhiA Conference, Salzburg • 3–5 September 2025
6/2025	“Vernetzungslandschaften – Empörungsdynamiken – Plattformlogiken. Anmerkungen zu Kommunikations- und Vergemeinschaftungslogiken von Shitstorms als Problem- und Idealfall von Social Network Sites” (in German) 3rd Conference “Auf den Punkt. Philosophieren mit Explizierten Begriffen,” University of Bonn • 20–21 June 2025
4/2025	“‘I don’t remember agreeing to this...!’ Sexueller Consent und Demenz” (in German) Interchair Colloquium, University of Bonn • 23 April 2025
11/2024	“AI, Affekte, Amalgame der Macht. ‘Sociotechnical imaginaries’ der Andersheit in gegenwärtigen AI-Diskursen als Strategien der Verschleierung gegenwärtiger Affizierungsrelationen” (in German) 2nd Conference “Auf den Punkt. Philosophieren mit Explizierten Begriffen,” University of Bonn • 22–24 November 2024

TEACHING

WiSe 2025/26 & 2026/27	Colloquium: “Einführung in den christlichen Glauben” (in German) • Sankt Georgen, Frankfurt am Main 2025/26 with Prof. Dr. Bernhard Knorn SJ; 2026/27 as sole instructor <i>[forthcoming]</i>
Summer 2023	Workshop: “Wissenschaftliches Arbeiten (fast) ohne Anstrengung. Einführung in das Wissensmanagement” (in German)

LANGUAGES

Modern	German (native) • English (fluent) • Italian (good) • Spanish (good) • French (basic)
Ancient	Latin (good; proficient in translation) • Ancient Greek (basic) • Biblical Hebrew (basic)