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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 Second Vatican Council · Hans Urs von Balthasar

RESEARCH STAYS

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

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

2026 Conference Travel Grant, Freundeskreis Sankt Georgen e. V. (ECAP12, Madrid)
2025 Conference Travel Grant, Universitätsstiftung Bonn (SoPhiA Conference, Salzburg)
Since 2024 Deutschlandstipendium (awarded three times), 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)
- European Society for Catholic Theology, German Section (Europäische Gesellschaft für Katholische Theologie, Deutsche Sektion)
- German Society for Philosophy of Religion (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Religionsphilosophie, DGR)

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
7/2026 “Facing the Shoggoth. Apophatic Language and the New Opacity of Contemporary AI in the Anthropocene”
European Academy of Religion (EuARe), Rome · 30 June – 3 July 2026

- 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
- 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 (*accepted; not delivered due to illness*)
- 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 (*accepted; not delivered due to illness*)
- 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 [*forthcoming*]
- Summer 2023 Workshop: "Wissenschaftliches Arbeiten (fast) ohne Anstrengung. Einführung in das Wissensmanagement" (in German) · Cologne University of Catholic Theology

LANGUAGES

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