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Education

1995 – 1998 Doctoral Studies, University of Magdeburg, Ph.D. in Economics
1989 – 1994 Studies in Economics at the University of Bonn (Diploma)
TA and RA for microeconomics, macroeconomics and econometrics

Appointments and Long-term Visiting Positions

2003 – Full Professor (C4/W3) of Economics at the University of Cologne
2015 Visiting Professor at Stanford University (Economics Department)
2002 – 2003 Associate Professor (C3) at Max Planck Institute for Economics, Jena
1999 – 2001 Assistant Professor at the University of Magdeburg (Faculty of Economics and Management)
1999 – 2000 Postdoctoral Research Fellow at Harvard University (Harvard Business School)
1996 – 1997 Visiting Scholar at Penn State University (Smeal College of Business)

Selected Activities

2019 – Advisory Board of “Leaders for Climate Action”
2019 – Advisory Board of the “Walter-Siegenthaler-Gesellschaft”
2018 – Coordinator of the Research Area “Market Design & Behavior” in the Excellence Cluster ECONtribute
2018 – Department Editor at Management Science
2017 – Scientific Advisory Council of the ZEW in Mannheim
2016 – 2018 Board of the “Verein für Socialpolitik”
2015 – Speaker of the “Excellence Center for Social and Economic Behavior” of the University of Cologne
2012 – 2014 Contributing Author, Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), AR5
2011 – 2012 Speaker of the Department of Economics at the University of Cologne
2011 – 2017 Coordinator of the DFG Research Unit FOR 1371 “Design & Behavior”
2010 – Academic Advisory Board of the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy (BMWi)

- 2010 – 2014 Board of the “Verein für Socialpolitik”
- 2007 – Scientific Advisory Board of the University of Cologne
- 2004 – Founding Director of the Cologne Laboratory for Economic Research
- 2004 – Board of Trustees of the "Organisationsforum Wirtschaftskongress”
- 2004 – 2006 President of the of the Association of Experimental Economics (GEW)
- 2003 – 2007 Director of the Institute of Energy Economics, University of Cologne

Selected Memberships

- 2017 – National Academy of Science and Engineering (acatech)
- 2016 – European Academy of Sciences
- 2006 – Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities
- 2005 – North Rhine-Westphalian Academy of Sciences, Humanities and the Arts

Selected Grants and Awards

- 2020 “Zukunftspreis” (Hans Kelsen Award) of the University of Cologne
- 2018 – European Research Council (ERC) Advanced Grant
(Project title: “Economic Engineering of Cooperation”)
- 2018 – PI in the Excellence Cluster ECONtribute
- 2016 Albertus Magnus Award for Excellence in Teaching
- 2015 – 2018 PI in the DFG Research Unit FOR 2150 “Relativity in Cognition”
- 2015 Ranked 31 in the Global Thought Leader Index for Germany, Austria and Switzerland (www.thoughtleaders.world)
- 2013 – 2020 Ranked among the “most influential economists in Germany”, FAZ
- 2011 – 2017 PI in the DGF-Research Unit FOR 1371 “Design and Behavior”
- 2006 Gossen-Prize (German Economic Association)
- 2005 Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz Prize (DFG)
- 2005 Voted best German economist (age < 40) by the Wirtschaftswoche
- 2001 – 2007 Emmy Noether grant of the DFG
(Project title: “Economic Design of Online-Auctions”)
- 2001 Otto-von-Guericke Research Prize 2001 of the University of Magdeburg
- 1999 Prize for best Ph.D. thesis of the Economic Science Association
- 1999 Prize of the Faculty of Economics and Management of the University of Magdeburg for the best Ph.D. thesis 1999
- 1997 Heinz-Sauermann-Award of the Association of Experimental Economics (GEW) for the best diploma thesis

Research

Market Design, Behavioral and Experimental Economics. My research has many useful applications, and has benefitted from fruitful collaborations with governments, market platforms and companies mostly in Europe and the USA.