



Wicked Problems, Contested Administrations:
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International Workshop

Micro-moves in International Institutions

February 9th & 10th 2017

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Venue: University of Potsdam, DFG Research Training Group *Wicked Problems, Contested Administrations*, Campus Potsdam Griebnitzsee (S-Bahn stop Griebnitzsee), House 7, Room 3.07.227-29

Deadline: Please send your paper to esguerra@uni-potsdam.de by January 31st. We will circulate all papers by February 1st.

Format: This workshop alternates between plenary sessions and smaller working groups organized in two streams. In the plenary sessions we aim to address the broader themes of the workshop as sketched in the introductory paper. In the smaller working groups, we focus on specific topics by discussing two to three papers in each session.

We kindly ask you to read in advance the introductory paper as well as the papers in your session. Of course you are more than welcome to read the other papers too.

For each paper we have a timeslot of 30 min. We ask paper givers to present the main themes of the paper in 10 min. The discussant has 5-10 min. to highlight the potentials for improvement as well as how the paper adds new insights to the main themes of the workshop.

Thursday 09.02.2017

1:00 pm Light lunch & registration

1:30 – 3:00 pm **WIPCAD OPENING LECTURE**

Thomas Scheffer, University of Frankfurt
Micro-foundation of statehood & trans-sequential analysis

3:00 – 3:30 pm *Plenary*

Alejandro Esguerra (University of Potsdam), Katja Freistein (KHK Duisburg),
Stefan Groth (University of Zürich)
Introduction to the workshop & introductory chapter (Disc.: tba).

3:30 – 3:45 pm Coffee & Snacks

3:45 – 4:45 pm *Stream 1*

Stream 2

**ANTHROPOLOGY AND
ETNOGRAPHY MEETS
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**

Sina Birkholz, Free University of
Berlin
*(Non)Political Work – An
ethnography of democracy and rule
of law promotion in Lebanon (Disc.
Julian Eckl)*

Julian Eckl, University of Hamburg
*How Zooming in Helps to Dissolve
the Taken-For-Granted and to
Reconstruct Its Production (Disc.:
Sina Birkholz)*

INDIVIDUAL ACTORS

Linda Martina Mülli, University of Basel
*'Micro-networks' in the context of UN
headquarters: On the intertwining of
biographies and careers of international civil
servants (Disc.: Daniel Schade)*

Daniel Schade, Vienna School of
International Studies
*Ordinary politics in International
Organisations: Routine and individual
decisions in the doing of Austria's 2017
OSCE presidency (Disc.: Linda M. Mulli)*

4:45 – 5:00 pm Coffee & Snacks

5:00 – 6:00 pm *Stream 1*

Stream 2

TRANSLATION

Lydia Malmedie, University of
Potsdam
*Making sense of difference –
making sense differently? LGBTI
between EU headquarters and
delegations (Disc.: Andrea
Schneiker).*

Andrea Schneiker, University of
Siegen
*NGOs as Norm Takers: Insider–
Outsider Networks as Translators of
Norms (Disc.: Lydia Malmedie).*

**ROUTINES AND INSTITUTIONAL
LOGICS**

Cornelius Friesendorf, University of
Frankfurt
*Let's Walk: Foot Patrols as a British Army
Routine in Multinational Mission (Disc.:
Michael Giesen).*

Michael Giesen, Free University Berlin
*Institutional Logics of International
Organisations – Complex Organising
(in)action
(Disc.: Cornelius Friesendorf).*

6:00 – 6:45 pm *Plenary*

REFLECTIONS ON DAY ONE

7:00

Dinner
EfA Restaurant

Friday 10.02.2017

9:00 – 10:30pm

Stream 1

REPRESENTATION AND LEGITIMATION

Henrike Knappe, Potsdam Institute for Advances Sustainability Studies
'Because I feel it's my role to deal with disagreement.' *Doing Representation in Transnational Civil Society* (Disc. Sebastian Schindler).

Sebastian Schindler, University of Frankfurt
When Explanations Turn out to be Allegations. How Micro-Moves can challenge macro-Theories of International Institutions (Disc. Henrike Knappe).

Dr. Matthias Ecker-Ehrhardt, Free University Berlin,
Public Self-Legitimation by Framing Failure and Passing the Buck? How the United Nations Secretariat Communicated Sexual Exploitation and Abuse during Peacekeeping Missions since 1996 (Disc. Anna Holzscheiter).

10:30 – 10:45

Break

10:45 – 11:45

Stream 1

GENDER

Prof. Dr. Vânia Pinto, University of Brasilia, Brazil
Gendered diplomatic institutions in Portugal and Brazil: Some reflections (Disc.: Liam Swiss).

Prof. Dr. Liam Swiss, Memorial University St. John's, NL, Canada / KHK Duisburg
Gender Equality as Aid Priority: The Micro-Level Influences of the World Society & Bureaucrat Agency (Disc: Vânia Pinto).

11:45 – 12:15 pm

Plenary

TAKING STOCK

12:15 – 1:00 pm

LUNCH BREAK

1:00 – 2:30pm

KÄTE HAMBURGER LECTURE AND WIPCAD LECTURE

Karin Knorr Cetina, University of Chicago
Financial Markets as Microinstitutional Forms

Stream 2

PRACTICES

Luis Aue, Centre for Global Cooperation Research, Duisburg,
Re-Conceptualizing Global Health Politics with its Metrics. A practice theoretical framework (Disc.: Oliver Schmidt).

Minh-Nguyet Le & Oliver Schmidt, University of Potsdam
Mikro ist tot, es lebe Mikro! Oder, wie man die Mikro-Makro-Trennung neu denkt (Disc.: Nicholas Rüffin).

Nicholas Rüffin, WZB Berlin
Praktiken des Anschlusses im Feld Science Diplomacy (Disc.: Luis Aue).

Stream 1

DOCUMENTS

Dr. Tobias Berger, Free University of Berlin
Just on Paper (Disc. Stefan Groth).

Dr. Stefan Groth, University of Zürich
Document Analysis as a Black Box: On the Contextualization of Speech Acts in Multilateral Negotiations (Disc. Tobias Berger).

2:30 – 2:45pm

BREAK

2:45 – 4:15 pm

Plenary

ATMOSHERE AND SPATIALITY

Holger Niemann, University of Lüneburg.

Micro-level analysis of Security Council practices: Public Security Council meetings and the Council's organizational culture (Disc. Jonas Bens).

Thurid Bahr & Anna Holzscheiter , WZB Berlin

The Many Faces of the Multinational Enterprise: A Conceptual Proposal on How MNEs Enact Norms in International Institutions (Disc. Matthias Ecker-Ehrhardt).

Jonas Bens, Free University Berlin

The Courtroom of the International Criminal Court as an Affective Arrangement (Disc. Holger Niemann).

4:15 – 4:45 pm

Plenary

REMAINING MICRO, CONNECTING TO MACRO