

## CURRICULUM VITAE

### PERSONAL DETAILS

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### PROFESSIONAL CAREER

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Since Aug 2019

**UNIVERSITY OF FREIBURG, FACULTY FOR ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

*Juniorprofessorship "Transformation towards Sustainable Energy Systems" (tenure track) and Head of Junior Research Group "Urban Footprints", funded by a Freigeist-Fellowship of the Volkswagen Foundation*

Research and teach in the fields of (international) environmental, energy, planning law and the governance of sustainable urban development.

Jan 2018 – Jul 2019

**HAFENCITY UNIVERSITY HAMBURG**

*Head of Junior Research Group "Urban Footprints", funded by a Freigeist-Fellowship of the Volkswagen Foundation*

Research and teach with a focus on accountable governance of cities' carbon and material flows from an international, interdisciplinary perspective combining law and urban studies.

Nov 2015 – Jul 2019

**HAFENCITY UNIVERSITY HAMBURG**

*Postdoc*

Research and teach in the fields of (international) environmental, energy, planning law and policy, and the governance of sustainable urban development.

May 2011 – Nov 2015

**LAW FIRM OF RECHTSANWÄLTE GÜNTHER PARTNERSCHAFT, HAMBURG**

*Lawyer*

Designed heating and electricity supply contracts for innovative, decentralized CHP or renewable energy projects; litigated cases of and advised SMEs, citizens, and associations in the fields of energy, building, planning, and environmental law. Parental leave: Oct 2012 – Jul 2013, Jan – Oct 2015.

Oct 2011 – Apr 2015

**HAFENCITY UNIVERSITY HAMBURG**

*Lecturer on the Master's program Resource Efficiency in Architecture and Planning (REAP)*

Co-lectured for the course "Legal and Economic Instruments of Environmental Policy."

Jan 2008 – Apr 2011	<b>UNIVERSITY OF HAMBURG, FACULTY OF LAW</b> <i>Doctoral candidate under the supervision of the Chair of Public Law, Environmental Law and Legal Philosophy, Prof. Dr. Hans-Joachim Koch</i>
	<b>HAFENCITY UNIVERSITY HAMBURG</b> <i>Research assistant for the Chair for Law and Administration, Prof. Dr. Martin Wickel</i> Supported the Professor's teaching and research on the study programs Urban Planning and Resource Efficiency in Architecture and Planning (REAP).
Dec 2004 – Jan 2008	<b>HAMBURG GOVERNMENT</b> <i>Law clerk (Referendariat)</i>
Sep – Nov 2007	<b>UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE (UNECE), GENEVA, SWITZERLAND</b> Supported the preparation and conducting of meetings of working groups, task forces and the compliance committee, as well as the administration of financial issues at the Secretariat to the UNECE Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (Aarhus Convention).
Dec 2006 – Aug 2007	<b>LAW FIRM OF RECHTSANWÄLTE GÜNTHER PARTNERSCHAFT, HAMBURG</b> Drafted documents and supported litigation and consultation of citizens, citizens' initiatives, and associations mainly in the fields of infrastructure planning and environmental law.
Sep – Nov 2006	<b>FEDERAL MINISTRY FOR THE ENVIRONMENT, NATURE CONSERVATION AND NUCLEAR SAFETY, BERLIN</b> Researched, drafted law, and wrote official notifications at the Department of International Legal Affairs.
Jun – Aug 2005	<b>DISTRICT COURT HAMBURG-WANDSBEK</b> Researched, attended hearings, and drafted sentences as law clerk at the Department of General Civil Law.
Mar – May 2005	<b>HAMBURG AGENCY FOR URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT</b> Researched, drafted law, and wrote official notifications at the legal department.
Dec 2004 – Feb 2005	<b>DISTRICT COURT HAMBURG-HARBURG</b> Researched, attended hearings, and drafted sentences as law clerk at the Department of Juvenile Criminal Law.

#### **ACADEMIC TRAINING**

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Jun 2012	<b>UNIVERSITY OF HAMBURG, FACULTY OF LAW</b> Dissertation: "Greening International Jurisprudence – Environmental NGOs before International Courts, Tribunals and Compliance Committees"
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	Completed under the supervision of Prof. Dr. Hans-Joachim Koch and Prof. Dr. Stefan Oeter (second supervisor). Honors: summa cum laude. Awards: achieved two awards
Jul 2008	<b>UNIVERSITY OF JOENSUU, FINLAND AND UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME (UNEP)</b> Course on International Environmental Law-making and Diplomacy at the University of KwaZulu-Natal, Pietermaritzburg, South Africa (Diploma).
Jan 2008	<b>STATE EXAMINATION OFFICE AT HAMBURG HIGHER REGIONAL COURT</b> Zweite Juristische Staatsprüfung (second German law degree, 10.07 points)
Dec 2004 – Jan 2008	Legal Clerkships in Hamburg, Berlin, and Geneva (see above)
Sep 2005 – May 2006	<b>UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN LAW SCHOOL, ANN ARBOR, MI, USA</b> Master of Laws (LL.M.) Fellow of the Michigan Grotius Fellowship Program and German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) Focused on American environmental law, gender and civil rights
Mar 2004	<b>STATE EXAMINATION OFFICE AT HAMBURG HIGHER REGIONAL COURT</b> Erste Juristische Staatsprüfung (first German law degree, 11.96 points)
Mar 2001 – Mar 2004	<b>UNIVERSITY OF HAMBURG, FACULTY OF LAW</b> Specialization in European and public international law as well as environmental and planning law
Sep 1999 – Jun 2000	<b>UNIVERSITY CARLOS III, GETAFE/MADRID, SPAIN</b> Erasmus Programme
Oct 1997 – Mar 2001	<b>WESTFÄLISCHE WILHELMS-UNIVERSITÄT MÜNSTER, FACULTY OF LAW</b> Attended a two-year Foreign Language Course for Law Students in Anglo-American Law (FFA) with courses in American private, constitutional, and administrative law in addition to German courses (1997-1999)

#### **FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

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Jan 2018 – Dec 2022	5-year Freigeist-Fellowship of the Volkswagen Foundation for research project "Urban Footprints – Towards Greater Accountability in the Governance of Cities' Carbon and Material Flows"
Jul 2013	Biocracy Prize for Research in Environmental Law (Biokratie-Preis für umweltrechtliche Forschung 2013), donated by the Hamburg entrepreneur Dr. Georg Winter (Haus der Zukunft – House of the Future, Hamburg)
May 2013	First prize doctoral thesis award of the University of Hamburg, Faculty of Law (Erster Promotionspreis der Fakultät für Rechtswissenschaft der Universität Hamburg, 2013)

Sep 2005 – May 2006	Fellowships of the Michigan Grotius Fellowship Program and German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) for Master of Laws Program
May 2003	Environmental Award of the Association for the Promotion of Research in Environmental Law (Umweltpreis des Vereins zur Förderung umweltrechtlicher Forschung e.V.) for a paper on the treatment and use of sewage sludge
Jul 1999	Award of the association Friends of Jurisprudence at the University of Münster (Preis des Freundeskreises Rechtswissenschaften e.V.) for the final examination in the Foreign Language Course for Law Students in Anglo-American Law (Fachspezifischen Fremdsprachenausbildung in amerikanischem Recht, FFA)

#### **VOLUNTARY COMMITMENTS**

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May 2004 - 2011	<b>GERMAN LAW AND POLICY JOURNAL FORUM RECHT</b> Member of editorial board and responsible for sales.
Jun 2008	<b>SECRETARIAT TO THE UNECE AARHUS CONVENTION</b> Supported Secretariat at third Conference of Parties in Riga, Latvia.
Jun – Aug 2006	<b>AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION (ACLU) OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES, USA</b> Supported preparation and litigation of civil actions, e.g. for homeless people on Skid Row/Downtown LA.
Jan – May 2006	<b>NATIONAL WILDLIFE FEDERATION (NWF) IN ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN, USA</b> Drafted complaints for citizen suits based on the Clean Water Act combating pollution of the Great Lakes.
Oct/Nov 2004	<b>CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION (CIMAC), LEÓN, NICARAGUA</b> Volunteered to strengthen relations in the field of environmental education between partner cities León and Hamburg. Co-initiated an information campaign about GMOs. Directed a seminar on environmental protection through urban planning.
Apr 2001 – Feb 2002	<b>EUROPEAN LAW STUDENTS ASSOCIATION (ELSA), HAMBURG</b> Director for Erasmus

#### **MEMBERSHIPS**

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- International Law Association / Deutsche Vereinigung für Internationales Recht / Study Group on the Role of Cities in International Law
- Gesellschaft für Umweltrecht (Environmental Law Society) e.V. (GfU)
- Hamburg International Environmental Law Conference e.V.
- International Academic Association on Planning, Law, and Property Rights (PLPR)
- European Environmental Law Forum (EELF)
- Future Earth Open Network