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Curriculum Vitae

Long version (Last updated: 1/6/2026)

Education

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| 2014 | Postgraduate Certificate in Academic Practice, University of Edinburgh. |
| 2006 | PhD in Philosophy, University of Vienna. |
| 2003 | MA in Philosophy* and Political Science, University of Vienna. |
| 2001–2002 | Studies in Philosophy and Political Science, Université de Paris VIII (Saint-Denis) and Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (EHESS). |
| 1997–2001 | Studies in Philosophy and Political Science, University of Vienna, interrupted from 1999–2000 by one full year of civil service in a refugee camp. |
| 1989–1997 | High School Wien VIII (Piaristen). |

Academic Positions

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| 2022– | Professor of Political Theory, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh. |
| 2016–2022 | Senior Lecturer, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh. |
| 2012–2016 | Chancellor's Fellow, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh. |
| 2008–2012 | Senior Researcher, Centro de Estudos Sociais, Universidade de Coimbra. |
| 2009–2012 | Sessional University Lecturer, Institut für Philosophie, University of Vienna and Institut für Philosophie, University of Klagenfurt. |
| 2007 | Postdoctoral Fellow, Institute for European Integration Research, Austrian Academy of Sciences. |
| 2006–2007 | Postdoctoral Fellow, Centre for Ethics, University of Toronto. |
| 2005–2006 | Tutor, Institut für Philosophie, University of Vienna. |

Publications

Research Monographs

- 2022 *No Other Planet: Utopian Visions for a Climate-Changed World*. Cambridge/New York: Cambridge University Press, 2022. (Shortlisted for the PSA WJM Mackenzie Prize 2023 for the best book published in the entire field of political science.)
Reviewed in: *Centre for the Study of Governance and Society* (Duncan Bell), *Environmental Politics* (Joe P. L. Davidson); *Global Policy* (Ruth Houghton); *Contemporary Political Theory* (Benjamin L. McKean); *Cambridge Review of International Affairs* (Carl Death); *Political Science Quarterly* (Joel Alden Schlosser); *Contemporary Political Theory* (Matthew Benjamin Cole); *Freeside Europe Online Academic Journal* (Zsolt Czigányik); *Oxford Political Review* (Wallerand Bazin); *Review of Politics* (Nicole Rogers); *Political Theory* (Didier Zúñiga); *Deutsche Zeitschrift für Philosophie* (Darrel Moellendorf); *Utopian Studies* (Ashley S. Moser).
A translation of the book into Spanish and Catalan is forthcoming in 2026.
The book has moreover been the object of an *author meets critics*-workshop at the University of Edinburgh in November 2022. Another book launch took place in December 2022 at the University of Durham. A third panel is envisaged for 2024 at the Universidade de Minho in Braga. The book has also discussed in an International Political Theory Master class at the University of St. Andrews, in November 2023.
- 2018 *Naming Violence: A Critical Theory of Genocide, Torture, and Terrorism*. New York: Columbia University Press, 2018. (published in the series *New Directions in Critical Theory*).
Reviewed in: *Contemporary Political Theory* (Christopher Finlay), *Perspectives on Politics* (Jessica Whyte), *Genocide Studies International* (Maureen S. Hiebert), *Humanity* (Cristof Royer), *Political Theory* (Charlotte Epstein), *H-War* (Eric Ross).
The book has been the object of an *author meets critics*-workshop at the University of Copenhagen in May 2019. A second book panel took place at Oxford University, in January 2020.
- 2008 *Moralische Politik oder politische Moral? Eine Analyse aktueller Debatten zur internationalen Gerechtigkeit*. Frankfurt/Main: Campus, 2008. [*Moral Politics or Political Morality? Analyzing Contemporary Debates on Global Justice*]
Reviewed in: *ZPol: Zeitschrift für Politikwissenschaft*, *Die Furche*, *Die Presse* (Spectrum), *Das Argument*.

Edited Books

- 2020 *Political Violence and the Imagination: Complicity, Memory and Resistance*. Abingdon/New York: Routledge, 2020. (edited with Mihaela Mihai)
- 2014 *On the Uses and Abuses of Political Apologies*. Basingstoke/New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2014. (edited with Mihaela Mihai)

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

- 2025 "Transition or Interregnum? Two Ways of Understanding Politics in the Anthropocene", accepted for publication in: *Political Studies*.
- 2025 "Repetition in Action: Søren Kierkegaard and the Problem of Human Agency in the Anthropocene." *Political Theory*, ahead of print, December 12, 2025. <https://doi.org/10.1177/00905917251398784>.
- 2025 "Acting Otherwise in the Face of Ecological Collapse: Günther Anders and the Politics of Infinite Delay." *The Journal of Politics*, ahead of print, October 23, 2025. <https://doi.org/10.1086/739296>.
- 2025 "Social Dreaming and World Building in the Anthropocene." *Distinktion: Journal of Social Theory* 26, no. 3 (2025): 465–90. <https://doi.org/10.1080/1600910X.2025.2523840>. (co-authored with Andrew Schaap, Ruth Kinna, Gerard Delanty and Marit Hammond.)
- 2024 "Environmental Commemoration: Guiding Principles and Real-World Cases." *Memory Studies* 17, no. 6 (2024): 1378–95. <https://doi.org/10.1177/17506980231176037>. (co-authored with Mihaela Mihai.)
- 2024 "Eco-Miserabilism and Radical Hope: On the Utopian Vision of Post-Apocalyptic Environmentalism." *American Political Science Review* 118, no. 1 (2024): 318–31. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S000305542300031X>.
- 2023 "Utopia, Breakdown, Repair: Failure and Success in Social Dreaming." *New Political Science* 45, no. 3 (2023): 431–47. <https://doi.org/10.1080/07393148.2023.2235211>.
- 2022 "Warning through Extrapolation: On the Practical Aims of Dystopia." *Utopian Studies* 33, no. 1 (2022): 90–106. <https://doi.org/10.5325/utopianstudies.33.1.0090>.
- 2022 "What If: Multispecies Justice as the Expression of Utopian Desire." *Environmental Politics* 31, no. 2 (2022): 258–76. <https://doi.org/10.1080/09644016.2021.1899683>.
- 2021 "Multispecies Justice: Theories, Challenges, and a Research Agenda for Environmental Politics." *Environmental Politics* 30, no. 1–2 (2021): 119–40. <https://doi.org/10/ghd4fd>. (Co-authored with Danielle Celermajer, David Schlosberg, Lauren Rickards, Makere Stewart-Harawira, Petra Tschakert, Blanche Verlie, and Christine Winter) (Shortlisted for the 2021 Best Article of the Year award in *Environmental Politics*.)
- 2021 "Multispecies Justice: Climate-Just Futures with, for and beyond Humans." *WIREs Climate Change* 12, no. 2 (2021): e699. <https://doi.org/10/ghq9vw>. (co-authored with Petra Tschakert, David Schlosberg, Danielle Celermajer, Lauren Rickards, Christine Winter, Makere Stewart-Harawira, and Blanche Verlie)
- 2019 "Bleak Dreams, Not Nightmares: Critical Dystopias and the Necessity of Melancholic Hope." *Constellations* 26, no. 4 (2019): 607–22. <https://doi.org/10/gft37p>.

- 2019 "Peace as a Minor, Grounded Utopia: On Prefigurative and Testimonial Pacifism." *Perspectives on Politics* 17, no. 4 (2019): 1003–18.
<https://doi.org/10.1017/S1537592719001166>.
- 2019 "Political Violence and the Imagination: An Introduction." *Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy* 22, no. 5 (2019): 497–503.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/13698230.2019.1565691>. (co-authored with Mihaela Mihai).
- 2018 "Unhinged Frames: Assessing Thought Experiments in Normative Political Theory." *British Journal of Political Science* 48, no. 4 (2018): 1119–41.
<https://doi.org/10.1017/S0007123416000259>.
- 2018 "Hope Abjuring Hope: On the Place of Utopia in Realist Political Theory." *Political Theory* 46, no. 5 (2018): 671–97.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/0090591717740324>.
- 2018 "Reconciliation through Estrangement." *The Review of Politics* 80, no. 4 (2018): 649–73. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0034670518000505>.
- 2016 "A Pragmatist Defence of the Ban on Torture: From Moral Absolutes to Constitutive Rules of Reasoning." *Political Studies* 64, no. 3 (2016): 765–81.
<https://doi.org/10.1111/1467-9248.12229>.
- 2014 "On Time in Just War Theory: From Chronos to Kairos." *Polity* 46, no. 4 (2014): 520–46. <https://doi.org/10.1057/pol.2014.20>.
- 2014 "Political Imagination and the Crime of Crimes: Coming to Terms with 'Genocide' and 'Genocide Blindness.'" *Contemporary Political Theory* 13, no. 4 (2014): 358–79. <https://doi.org/10.1057/cpt.2013.48>.
- 2014 "Neo-Grotian Predicaments: On Larry May's Theory of International Criminal Law." *Journal of International Political Theory* 10, no. 3 (2014): 345–60.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/1755088214539418>.
- 2012 "Just Pretending: Political Apologies for Historical Injustice and Vice's Tribute to Virtue." *Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy* 15, no. 3 (2012): 259–78. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13698230.2011.640810>.
- 2011 "Political Judgment beyond Paralysis and Heroism." *European Journal of Political Theory* 10, no. 2 (2011): 225–53.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/1474885110395479>. (Winner of the Gulbenkian award 2012)
- 2010 "How (not What) Shall We Think about Human Rights and Religious Arguments: Public Reasoning and Beyond." *e-cadernos CES*, no. 9 (2010): 115–133. <http://www.ces.uc.pt/e-cadernos/media/ecadernos9/6%20-%20Mathias%20Thaler.pdf>
- 2010 "The Illusion of Purity: Chantal Mouffe's Realist Critique of Cosmopolitanism." *Philosophy & Social Criticism* 36, no. 7 (2010): 785–800.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/0191453710372064>.
- 2009 "From Public Reason to Reasonable Accommodation: Negotiating the Place of Religion in the Public Sphere." *Diacritica. Revista do Centro de Estudos*

Humanísticos da Universidade de Minho 23, no. 2 (2009): 249–270.
<http://ceh.ilch.uminho.pt/publicacoes/diacritica23-2.htm>

Peer-Reviewed Book Chapters

- 2016 “Norms, Stories and Ideologies: What We Talk About When We Talk About Political Secularism.” In *Multireligious Society: Dealing with Religious Diversity in Theory and Practice*, edited by Francisco Colom González and Gianni D’Amato, 29–41. New York: Routledge, 2016.
- 2014 “Introduction.” In *On the Uses and Abuses of Political Apologies*, edited by Mihaela Mihai and Mathias Thaler, 1–9. Rhetoric, Politics and Society 1. Basingstoke/New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2014. (with Mihaela Mihai).
- 2012 “Deep Contextualism and Radical Criticism: The Argument for a Division of Labor in Contemporary Political Theory.” In *Facts, Values and Objectivity in Economics*, edited by José Maria Castro Caldas and Vítor Neves, 138–157. New York: Routledge, 2012.
- 2012 “Filosofia Política.” In *Filosofia: Uma Introdução Por Disciplinas*, edited by Pedro Galvão, 175–213. Extra Coleção 155. Lisbon: Edições 70, 2012. (with João Cardoso Rosas and Iñigo González)

Journal Articles and Book Chapters without Peer Review

- 2026 “For a Fearless, Stirring, and Loving Climate Pessimism.” *Current History* 125, no. 867 (2026): 35–37. <https://doi.org/10.1525/curh.2026.125.867.35>.
- 2017 “Democracy, Critique and the Ontological Turn.” *Contemporary Political Theory* 16, no. 4 (2017): 501–31. <https://doi.org/10.1057/s41296-017-0140-0>. (with Mihaela Mihai, Lois McNay, Oliver Marchart, Aletta Norval, Vassilios Paipais, Sergei Prozorov)
- 2017 “A Dialectical View of Prague.” *Philosophy & Social Criticism* 43, no. 3 (2017): 343–44. doi:10.1177/0191453716681108.
- 2012 “Zwei Begründungsmuster für interkulturelles Philosophieren.” In *Perspektiven interkulturellen Philosophierens: Beiträge zur Geschichte und Methodik von Polylogen*, edited by Franz Gmainer-Pranzl and Anke Graness, 38–44. Vienna: Facultas, 2012.
- 2011 “Was zeichnet ein politisches Fehlurteil aus? Überlegungen zum Verhältnis von Wahrheit und Politik.” In *Urteil und Fehlurteil*, edited by Sandra Lehmann and Sophie Loidolt, 269–282. Wien: Turia + Kant, 2011.
- 2011 “Comment on Wilfried Hinsch: Ideal Justice and Rational Dissent: A Critique of Amartya Sen’s *Idea of Justice*.” *Analyse & Kritik* 33, no. 2 (2011): 387–393.
- 2005 “Accounting for Humanitarian Intervention.” *IWM Junior Visiting Fellows’ Conferences* 18 (2005).
- 2004 “Human Rights, Cultural Relativism and Interculturality.” *Historische Sozialkunde. Geschichte – Fachdidaktik – Politische Bildung (Sondernummer: Human Rights)* 1 (2004): 5–12.
- 2004 “Menschenrechte, Kulturrelativismus und Interkulturalität.” *Menschenrechte im Kulturvergleich (IWK-Mitteilungen)* 59, no. 1-2 (2004): 3–11.

Special Journal Issues

- 2019 “Political Violence and the Imagination.” *Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy* 22, no. 5 (2019). Contributions from Maria-Alina Asavei, Alexandre Christoyannopoulos, Eliza Garnsey, Bronwyn Leebaw, Mihaela Mihai, Jade Schiff and Shari Stone-Mediatore.
- 2011 “Secularismos hoje.” *E-cadernos CES*, no. 13 (2011). (edited with Teresa Toldy).
- 2007 “Gerechter Krieg?” *polylog: Zeitschrift für interkulturelles Philosophieren*, no. 16 (2007). (edited with Hans Schelkshorn).
- 2006 “Menschenrechte zwischen Wirtschaft, Recht und Ethik.” *polylog: Zeitschrift für interkulturelles Philosophieren*, no. 14 (2006). (edited with Franz M. Wimmer).

Book Reviews

- 2024 Review of *Mobilizing Hope: Climate Change and Global Poverty* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2022), by Darrel Moellendorf. *Deutsche Zeitschrift für Philosophie* 72, no. 4 (2024): 622–32. <https://doi.org/10.1515/dzph-2024-0045>.
- 2023 Review of *Eco-Emancipation: An Earthly Politics of Freedom* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2023), by Sharon Krause. *Perspectives on Politics* 21, no. 4 (2023): 1454–55. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S1537592723002116>.
- 2022 Review of *Utopia in the Age of Survival: Between Myth and Politics* (Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2021), by S. D. Chrostowska. *The Review of Politics* 85, no. 1 (2023): 141–44. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0034670522000869>.
- 2020 Review of *Between Specters of War and Visions of Peace: Dialogic Political Theory and the Challenges of Politics* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2019), by Gerald M. Mara. *Perspectives on Politics* 18, no. 1 (2020): 253–55. <https://doi.org/10/ggkx3r>.
- 2020 Review of *Staged: Show Trials, Political Theater, and the Aesthetics of Judgment* (New York: Columbia University Press, 2018), by Minou Arjomand. *Contemporary Political Theory* 19, no. 2 (2020): 134–37. <https://doi.org/10/ggdxfh>.
- 2016 Review of *The Democratic Horizon: Hyperpluralism and the Renewal of Political Liberalism* (Cambridge/New York: Cambridge University Press, 2014), by Alessandro Ferrara. *Political Theory* 44, no. 3 (2016): 431–37. <https://doi.org/10/ggdxfg>.
- 2010 Review of *The Politics of Official Apologies* (Cambridge/New York: Cambridge University Press, 2014), by Melissa Nobles. *Revista Crítica de Ciências Sociais*, no. 88 (2010): 241–43.
- 2010 Review of *Religious America, Secular Europe? A Theme and Variation*, 2008 by Peter L. Berger, Grace Davie, and Effie Fokas, *Religion & Society: Advances in Research* 1, no. 1 (2010): 191–193.

- 2010 Review of *Secularism, Religion and Multicultural Citizenship*, 2009 by Geoffrey Brahm Levey and Tariq Modood (ed.), *Religion & Society: Advances in Research* 1, no. 1 (2010): 191–193.

Dictionary Entry

- 2012 “Crise.” *Dicionário das Crises e das Alternativas*. Coimbra: Almedina, 2012.

Working Paper

- 2013 “Norms, Stories, and Ideologies: What We Talk About When We Talk About Political Secularism”. *RECODE Working Paper Series. RECODE – Responding to Complex Diversity in Europe and Canada*, 2013.

Newspaper and Magazine Articles

- 2025 “Das Gute am Klimapessimismus.” *Der Standard*, August 9, 2025. <https://www.derstandard.at/story/3000000282701/das-gute-am-klimapessimismus>.
- 2022 “Visionen für einen kaputten Planeten.” *Das Tagebuch*, May 3, 2022. <https://tagebuch.at/2022/05/visionen-fuer-einen-kaputten-planeten/>.
- 2022 “Der Sinn von sozialem Träumen.” *Falter Heureka*, April 27, 2022. https://www.falter.at/heureka/20220427/der-sinn-von-sozialem-traeumen/_66f59f5b53.
- 2022 “Rescuing Utopianism in a Climate-Changed World.” *Los Angeles Review of Books*, April 24, 2022. <https://lareviewofbooks.org/article/rescuing-utopianism-in-a-climate-changed-world/>.
- 2022 “Wessen Zukunft? Welcher Planet?” *Die Presse*, March 25, 2022, <https://www.diepresse.com/6116987/wessen-zukunft-welcher-planet>.
- 2009 “Die Krise als Chance?” *Die Furche*, April 9, 2009: 13.
- 2010 “Ein eigener Säkularismus.” *Die Gazette*, 2010 (Fall): 40–44.

Translations [English to German]

- 2007 Walzer, Michael. “Die Debatte um humanitäre Interventionen.” *polylog: Zeitschrift für interkulturelles Philosophieren*, no. 16 (2007): 11–26.
- 2005 Barša, Pavel. “Krieg führen im Namen der Menschenrechte? Vierzehn Thesen über humanitäre Interventionen.” *polylog: Zeitschrift für interkulturelles Philosophieren*, no. 14 (2005): 7–25.
- 2000 Mouffe, Chantal. “Wittgenstein, Politische Theorie und Demokratie.” *polylog: Zeitschrift für interkulturelles Philosophieren*, no. 6 (2000): 53–61.

Other Publications

- 2021 “The Power of Utopia.” *IAI News*, November 5, 2021. <https://iai.tv/articles/the-power-of-utopia-auid-1968>.
- 2021 ““We Are Going to Have to Imagine Our Way out of This!”: Utopian Thinking and Acting in the Climate Emergency.” *Ideology Theory Practice* (blog), September 13, 2021. <http://www.ideology-theory->

- practice.org/1/post/2021/09/we-are-going-to-have-to-imagine-our-way-out-of-this-utopian-thinking-and-acting-in-the-climate-emergency.html.
- 2019 “Radicalizing the Critique of Just War Thinking.” *Humanity* (blog), August 21, 2019. <http://humanityjournal.org/blog/radicalizing-the-critique-of-just-war-thinking/>.
- 2018 “Picket Line Rules Miss the Point.” *OpenDemocracy* (blog), March 17, 2018. <https://www.opendemocracy.net/uk/mathias-thaler/picket-line-rules-miss-point>.
- 2018 “Dead Bodies (Do Not) Matter.” *Humanity* (blog), November 9, 2018. <http://humanityjournal.org/blog/dead-bodies-do-not-matter/>. (with Tobias Kelly and Nicola Perugini)

Scholarships, Grants and Awards

- 2025 Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study, Senior Fellowship. [housing and financial support]
- 2024 Swedish Collegium for Advanced Study, Senior Fellowship. [housing and financial support]
- 2024–2025 Collegium de Lyon, French Institutes for Advanced Studies Fellowship. [housing and financial support – declined]
- 2024–2025 Helsinki Collegium for Advanced Studies, Core Professorial Fellowship [financial support – declined]
- 2023–2026 AHRC Networking Grant, with Co-I Davina Cooper (KCL). [44,170 GBP]
- 2020 Leverhulme Research Fellowship. [49,176 GBP]
- 2019 SSSHARC International Fellowship, University of Sydney. [10,000 AUD]
- 2019 RIPPLE Annual Visiting Fellowship, KU Leuven. [5,000 EUR]
- 2013–2017 Marie Curie Career Integration Grant, Seventh Framework Programme of the European Commission. [100,000 EUR]
- 2014 Innovation Initiative Grant for the “Democracy Lab”, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Edinburgh. [1,500 GBP]
- 2013 Knowledge Exchange Grant for a podcast series, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Edinburgh. [3,500 GBP]
- 2012 Gulbenkian Award for the best paper published in an international journal in the past two years by a social scientist under the age of 40 (in all fields except Economics) from a Portuguese institution: “Political Judgment Beyond Paralysis and Heroism.” *European Journal of Political Theory* 10, no. 2 (2011): 225–253. [5,000 EUR]
- 2011 Nomination for the Rudolf Wildenmann Prize, European Consortium for Political Research, for an outstanding paper presented at the Joint Sessions (St. Gallen).
- 2011 Joint Sessions Grant for Professionals, European Consortium for Political Research. [600 EUR]

2010	Theodor Körner Preis, Theodor Körner Fonds (Austria). [1,500 EUR]
2010	Canada-Europe Award, International Council for Canadian Studies (ICCS). [10,000 CAD]
2009	Travel grant, Fundação Calouste Gulbenkian. [1,500 EUR]
2009	Travel grant, Österreichische Forschungsgemeinschaft. [1,500 EUR]
2008–2009	Max Weber-fellowship, European University Institute, Florence (declined). [38,000 EUR]
2006–2007	Postdoctoral fellowship, Austrian Ministry for Science, Education and Culture. [55,000 EUR]
2005	Research grant, Austrian Marshallplan Fund. [5,000 EUR]
2003–2005	PhD-scholarship, Austrian Academy of Sciences. [48,000 EUR]
2001–2002	Erasmus-scholarship for student exchange programmes. [7,000 EUR]
1998–1999	Scholarship for excellent studies, University of Vienna. [5,000 EUR]

Visiting Positions

2025	Senior Fellow, Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study, Amsterdam.
2024	Senior Fellow, Swedish Collegium for Advanced Study, Uppsala.
2019	Visiting Scholar, Sydney Social Sciences and Humanities Advanced Research Centre, University of Sydney.
2019	RIPPLE Visiting Scholar, KU Leuven.
2019	Sabbatical Fellow, Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities, University of Edinburgh.
2012	Visiting Scholar, Centre for Political Ideologies, University of Oxford.
2010	Visiting Scholar, Centre de Recherche en Ethique de l'Université de Montréal.
2005	Visiting Scholar, Institute of European Studies, UC Berkeley.
2004	Junior Visiting Fellow, Institute for Human Sciences, Vienna.

Editorial Board Membership

2025–	<i>Oxford Intersections: Climate Adaptation</i> .
2021–	Member of the editorial board of the <i>Journal of Pacifism and Nonviolence</i> (Brill).
2020–	Member of the editorial board of the book series <i>Theory Workshop: New Frontiers in Social and Political Theory</i> (Brill).
2008–2012	Member of the editorial board of <i>e-cadernos ces</i> .
1998–2012	Member of the editorial board of <i>polylog: Zeitschrift für interkulturelles Philosophieren</i> (web-version: http://www.polylog.org).

Research Projects

Principal Investigator

- 2023–2026 “Fail Again Fail Better? Recuperating Failure in Utopian Politics and Research”, with Co-I Davina Cooper (KCL); financed through the AHRC. [£44,170]
- 2021–2022 “Utopias in the Anthropocene: Ways of Imagining a Climate-Changed World”, financed through the Leverhulme Trust. [49,176 GBP]
- 2013–2017 “Judging Political Violence: Histories, Norms and Contestations”, financed through the Seventh Framework Programme of the European Community. [100,000 EUR]
- 2010–2011 “The Reasonable Accommodation of Minorities: Lessons from Canada”, financed through the International Council of Canadian Studies. [10,000 CAD]

Co-Investigator and Team Member

- 2015–2019 “Political Settlements Research Programme” (financed through the UK Department for International Development; PI: Christine Bell, University of Edinburgh). [4.5m GBP]

Languages

- German* native speaker.
- English* excellent in speaking, reading and writing.
- French* excellent in speaking and reading, advanced in writing.
- Portuguese* advanced in speaking and reading, basic in writing.

Teaching

Autumn Term 2025

- Undergraduate seminar “Utopia”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh
- Undergraduate lecture “Democracy and its Discontents”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh.

Spring Term 2024

- Undergraduate lecture “War and Justice”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Tom O’Shea).
- Undergraduate seminar “Populism: Pathology or Panacea?”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Luke March); nominated for best EUSA Overall Teacher Award.

Autumn Term 2023

- Undergraduate seminar “Utopia”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh; nominated for EUSA Best Course Award.
- MA seminar “Philosophy of Human Rights”, University of Applied Arts, Vienna.

Spring Term 2023

- Undergraduate lecture “War and Justice”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Tom O’Shea).

Autumn Term 2022

- Undergraduate lecture “Democracy and its Discontents”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh.
- MA seminar “Philosophy of Human Rights”, University of Applied Arts, Vienna.

Spring Term 2021

- Postgraduate seminar “Introduction to Democratic Theory”, Politics and International Relations, Pompeu Fabra University, Barcelona.
- MA seminar “Philosophy of Human Rights”, University of Applied Arts, Vienna.
- Undergraduate lecture “Political Thinkers – Michel Foucault”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Mihaela Mihai).

Autumn Term 2020

- Undergraduate lecture “Democracy and its Discontents”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Mathias Thaler); nominated for best EUSA Overall Teacher Award.

Spring Term 2020

- Undergraduate lecture “Democracy and its Discontents”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Mathias Thaler).
- Undergraduate lecture “War and Justice”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Paul Raekstad).
- Postgraduate seminar “Contemporary Political Theory”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Mihaela Mihai).

Autumn Term 2018

- Undergraduate lecture “Populism: Pathology or Panacea?”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Luke March); nominated for best EUSA Overall Teacher Award.
- Undergraduate lecture “War and Justice”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Kieran Oberman); nominated for EUSA Best Course Award.
- MA seminar “Philosophy of Human Rights”, Faculty of Law, University of Vienna.

Spring Term 2018

- Postgraduate seminar “War and Morality” Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Mathias Thaler).
- Undergraduate lecture “War and Justice”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Kieran Oberman).

Autumn Term 2017

- Undergraduate lecture “Democracy and its Discontents”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Mathias Thaler).
- MA seminar “Philosophy of Human Rights”, Faculty of Law, University of Vienna.

Spring Term 2017

- Postgraduate seminar “War and Morality” Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Mathias Thaler).
- Undergraduate lecture “War and Justice”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Kieran Oberman).

Autumn Term 2016

- Undergraduate lecture “Democracy and its Discontents”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Mathias Thaler); nominated for EUSA Best Course Award.
- Undergraduate lecture “Democracy in Divided Societies”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Wilfried Swenden).
- MA seminar “Philosophy of Human Rights”, Faculty of Law, University of Vienna (MA convener: Manfred Nowak).

Spring Term 2016

- Postgraduate seminar “War and Morality” Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Mathias Thaler); nominated for EUSA Best Course and Best Overall Teacher Awards.

Autumn Term 2015

- Undergraduate lecture “Democracy and its Discontents”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Mathias Thaler); nominated for EUSA Best Course and Best Overall Teacher Awards.
- MA seminar “Philosophy of Human Rights”, Faculty of Law, University of Vienna (MA convener: Manfred Nowak).

Spring Term 2015

- Undergraduate lecture “War and Justice”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Mathias Thaler).
- Postgraduate seminar “War and Morality” Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Elizabeth Cripps).

Autumn Term 2014

- MA lecture “Democracy and its Discontents”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Mathias Thaler); nominated for EUSA Best Course and Best Overall Teacher Awards.
- MA seminar “Philosophy of Human Rights”, Faculty of Law, University of Vienna (MA convener: Manfred Nowak).

Spring Term 2014

- Undergraduate lecture “War and Justice”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Andrea Birdsall).
- Postgraduate seminar “War and Morality” Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Mathias Thaler).

Autumn Term 2013

- Postgraduate seminar “Global Environment, Politics and Society”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Elizabeth Bomberg).
- Undergraduate seminar “Philosophy of Human Rights”, Faculty of Law, University of Vienna (MA convener: Manfred Nowak).

Teaching Before Arrival at Edinburgh

- 2009–2012: lecturer in the PhD stream “Democracy in the 21st Century”, Faculdade de Economia, Universidade de Coimbra.
- 2008–2012: lecturer in the MA stream “Roads to Democracy”, Faculdade de Economia, Universidade de Coimbra.
- Autumn Term 2012: lecture and seminar “War and Justice”, Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh (course convener: Elizabeth Cripps).
- Spring Term 2012: seminar “The Contested Morality of Public Reason”, Department of Philosophy, University of Vienna.
- Autumn Term 2011: Graduate seminar “Theories of Democracy”, Faculdade de Economia, Universidade de Coimbra.
- Spring Term 2011: lecture course (together with Mihaela Mihai) “Toleration: Past and Present of a Contested Virtue”, Department of Philosophy, University of Vienna.
- Spring Term 2010: lecture course “Being a Citizen of the World: A Historical and Conceptual Introduction to Cosmopolitanism”, Department of Philosophy, University of Vienna.
- Spring Term 2010: seminar “Wieviel Religion verträgt die Demokratie? Aktuelle Debatten in der politischen Philosophie”, Department of Philosophy, University of Klagenfurt.
- Spring Term 2009: seminar “Faces of Justice: Liberalism and its Critics”, Department of Philosophy, University of Vienna.
- Spring Term 2009: seminar “Facetten der Gerechtigkeit”, Department of Philosophy, University of Klagenfurt.
- Spring Term 2006: teaching assistant for the class “Introduction to 20th Century Philosophy II”, University of Vienna (Prof. Franz Martin Wimmer).
- Autumn Term 2005: teaching assistant for the class “Introduction to 20th Century Philosophy I”, University of Vienna (Prof. Franz Martin Wimmer).

Examiner Duties

2019–2023 Politics and International Relations, Queen Mary, University of London: External Examiner.

Supervision

Postgraduate (PhD)

In Progress

- Grace Garland (PhD, University of Edinburgh, 2020–).

Completed

- Louis Fletcher (PhD, University of Edinburgh, 2015–2020).
- Gisli Vogler (PhD, University of Edinburgh, 2016–2019).
- Alec Ross (PhD, University of Edinburgh, 2017–2021).
- Lukas Slothuus (PhD, University of Edinburgh, 2015–2022).
- Max Rozenburg (PhD, University of Edinburgh, 2018–2024).
- Camilo Ardila Arévalo (PhD, University of Edinburgh, 2018–2024).
- Talia Shoval (PhD, University of Edinburgh, 2019–2025).

Postgraduate (MSc)

Supervised more than 30 dissertations.

Undergraduate (BA and MA)

Supervised more than 45 dissertations.

Administrative and Management Activities

2015–2025	University of Edinburgh: member of the Steering Committee of the University's Centre for Security Research (CESER).
2017– 2024	University of Edinburgh: member of the Steering Committee of the University's Centre for the Study of Modern and Contemporary History.
2020–2023	School of Social and Political Sciences, University of Edinburgh: Co-Director of Research.
2020–2021	Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh: Research Convenor.
2018–2020	Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh: Member of the Strategy Committee.
2018–2020	Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh: Member of the Teaching Committee.
2016–2019	Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh: Programme Director of the MSc degree in International Political Theory.
2015–2016	Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh: member of the PhD scholarship committee.

2015	University of Edinburgh: member of hiring committees for five positions at the Law School, within the Political Settlements project.
2014–2018	University of Edinburgh: Deputy Director (Communications) of the University's Global Justice Academy.
2013–2014	University of Edinburgh: convener of the Political Theory Research Group.
2010–2012	Centro de Estudos Sociais, Universidade de Coimbra: co-coordinator of the academic observatory POLICREDOS (Politics of Cultural and Religious Diversity in Southern Europe).
2009–2012	Centro de Estudos Sociais, Universidade de Coimbra: vice-president of the General Assembly of Researchers.

Organizer Activities

- 9/8-9/9/2025, King's College London, organizer (with Davina Cooper and Ruth Houghton) of a workshop on utopia and failure.
- 9/10-9/11/2024, University of Newcastle, organizer (with Davina Cooper and Ruth Houghton) of a workshop on utopia and failure.
- 4/23-4/24/2024, University of Edinburgh, organizer (with Davina Cooper and Ruth Houghton) of a workshop on utopia and failure.
- 4/19-4/22/2022: Main organizer and local host of the ECPR Joint Sessions 2022 at the University of Edinburgh.
- 3/17-3/18/2022: University of Edinburgh, organizer (with Davina Cooper) of a workshop series on utopia and failure.
- 5/30-6/1/2019, University of Edinburgh, organizer (with Fabian Hilfrich, Juliet Kaarbo and Louis Fletcher) of a conference entitled "Peace among the Ruins", with, amongst others, Duncan Bell (Cambridge), Patricia Owens (Sussex) and Erez Manela (Harvard).
- 5/11/2018, University of Edinburgh, organizer (with Toby Kelly and Nicola Perugini) of a workshop entitled "Politics in the Face of Death", with, amongst other, Banu Bargu (UC Santa Cruz) and Achille Mbembe (Witwatersrand).
- 11/18–11/19/2016, University of Edinburgh and University of St Andrews: organizer (with Mihaela Mihai and Vassilios Paipais) of a workshop and panel entitled "Political Ontology, Critique and Democratic Politics", with (amongst others) Aletta Norval (Essex), Lois McNay (Oxford), Oliver Marchart (Vienna) and Sergei Prozorov (Helsinki).
- 4/24–4/28/2016, Scuola Normale Superiore, Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna and the University of Pisa: organizer (with Mihaela Mihai) of a workshop entitled "Imagining Political Violence", during the ECPR Joint Sessions 2016.
- 6/24–6/26/2015, University of Edinburgh: organizer (with Niall Whelehan) of the Summer School "Political Violence: Perspectives from Law, History and Political Theory" with Christine Bell (Edinburgh), Donald Bloxham (Edinburgh), Elizabeth Frazer (Oxford), John Horne (Dublin), Kimberly Hutchings (London) and Manfred Nowak (Vienna).

- 11/27/2014, University of Edinburgh (UK): co-organizer (with five of my undergraduate students) of a panel on teaching and democracy, with (amongst other) David Held (Durham).
- 9/3-6/2014, University of Glasgow (UK): organizer (with Thomas Fossen) of a panel on pragmatist approaches in contemporary political theory, with Matthew Festenstein (York), Robert Talisse (Vanderbilt) and Eva Erman (Uppsala), during the ECPR General Conference.
- 6/20/2014, University of Edinburgh (UK): organizer of a workshop on “Spectating and Acting” with Jeffrey Green (Philadelphia), Carol Gould (New York), Mihaela Mihai (York) and Andrew Schaap (Exeter).
- 9/6/2013, Science Po Bordeaux (France): organizer (with Mihaela Mihai) of a panel on political judgment with Claudio Corradetti (Oslo), Alessandro Ferrara (Rome) and Linda Zerilli (Chicago), during the ECPR General Conference.
- 5/2–5/3/2013, University of Edinburgh (UK): organizer of two talks by Judith Lichtenberg (Washington, D.C.) and David Luban (Washington, D.C.).
- 2011–2012, Centro de Estudos Sociais, Universidade de Coimbra (Portugal): organizer of a regular introductory course to the data bank management tool “Zotero”.
- 2008–2012, Centro de Estudos Sociais, Universidade de Coimbra (Portugal): organizer of the monthly “Tuesday Seminar” series.
- 7/4–7/6/2012, Centro de Estudos Sociais, Lisbon (Portugal): organizer (together with Teresa Toldy) of the Summer School “Secularism, Gender and Democracy” with Veit Bader (Amsterdam), Rajeev Bhargava (New Delhi) and Chia Longman (Ghent).
- 1/23–1/26/2012, Centro de Estudos Sociais, Universidade de Coimbra (Portugal): organizer (together with Mihaela Mihai and Giuseppe Ballacci) of the “Semana da Filosofia Política” with Alessandro Ferrara (Rome) and Serdar Tekin (Izmir).
- 1/11/2012, Centro de Estudos Sociais, Universidade de Coimbra (Portugal): organizer of a workshop on academic publishing strategies.
- 1/5/2012, Fundação Calouste Gulbenkian, Lisbon (Portugal): organizer of a talk by Tariq Ramadan (Paris/Oxford) on “Challenges Facing European Muslims Today”.
- 8/26/2011, Reykjavik (Iceland): organizer (together with Mihaela Mihai) of a panel on the relationship between democracy and memory, during the ECPR General Conference.
- 6/3–6/5/2011, Centro de Estudos Sociais, Universidade de Coimbra (Portugal): scientific coordinator of the international conference “Challenging Citizenship” with, amongst others, James Tully (Victoria), Simone Chambers (Toronto), Rainer Bauböck (Florence) and Rajeev Bhargava (New Delhi).
- 4/26/2011, CES-Lisboa, Lisbon (Portugal): organizer (together with João Rodrigues) of a one-day workshop on: “As possibilidades da democracia económica” (On the potential of economic democracy) with Axel Gosseries (Louvain).
- 2/19/2011, Universidade de São Paulo (Brazil): organizer (together with Mihaela Mihai) of a panel on political apologies during the first IPSA-ECPR joint conference

- 11/19/2010–11/20/2010, Centro de Estudos Sociais, Universidade de Coimbra (Portugal): organizer of the advanced training course “Secularism: Theory and Practice in Dialogue”.
- 11/19/2010, Mosteiro de Santa Clara-a-Velha, Coimbra (Portugal): organizer of a roundtable with Fernando Catroga (Faculdade de Letras da Universidade de Coimbra); other participants: Abdoolkarim Vakil, Teresa Toldy and Silas Oliveira.
- 10/4/2010–6/12/2010, organizer of the weekly film series “Fé?” at the Teatro da Cerca de Sao Bernardo, Coimbra (Portugal).
- 9/17/2007, one-day workshop for the Pedagogical Institute Vienna; title: “Die Entstehung der Menschenrechte: Eine genealogische Betrachtung” (The Evolution of Human Rights: A Genealogical Survey).
- 6/16/2004, one-day workshop for the summer school of ATTAC (Austria); title: “Braucht die Politik überhaupt Moral? Zum prekären Verhältnis zwischen Politik und Moral am Beispiel von NGOs” (Does Politics Need Morality?).
- 12/3–12/4/2004, Co-organization of the international conference “Human Rights between Economy, Law and Ethics” in Vienna.

Talks

- 4/29/2025, Universität Frankfurt (Germany): “Acting Otherwise in the Face of Ecological Collapse” [invited].
- 3/31/2025, Utrecht (Netherlands): “No Other Planet: Utopian Visions for a Climate-Changed World” (book talk) [invited].
- 3/11/2025, Nijmegen (Netherlands): “Transition or Interregnum” [invited]:
- 1/29/2025, Universität Heidelberg (Germany), “Estrangement on a Strange Planet” [invited keynote]
- 12/9/2024, University of Ghent (Belgium): “Estrangement, Speculative Fiction and Politics” [invited].
- 11/21/2024, University of Stockholm (Sweden): “Repetition in Action” [invited].
- 11/14/2024, University of Hamburg (Germany): panel on utopia and failure [invited].
- 11/7/2024, University of Uppsala (Sweden): “Repetition in Action” [invited].
- 10/13/2024, Barcelona (Spain): “Apocalyptic Imagination”, during the annual Biennial de Pensament [invited].
- 10/8/2024, University of Uppsala (Sweden): “Climate Dystopias” [invited]
- 6/26/2024, University of Nottingham (UK): “Interregnum or Transition? Two Ways of Thinking about the Current Conjuncture”. [invited]
- 5/24/2024, University of Vienna (Austria): “No Other Planet: Utopian Visions for a Climate-Changed World” (book talk). [invited]
- 4/15/2024, TU Delft (Netherlands): “No Other Planet: Utopian Visions for a Climate-Changed World” (book talk). [invited]
- 2/12/2024, Institut Jean Nicod, ENS, Paris (France): “No Other Planet: Utopian Visions for a Climate-Changed World” (book talk). [invited]

- 2/9/2024, Institut Jean Nicod, ENS, Paris (France): “Eco-miserabilism and Radical Hope”. [invited]
- 7/4-7/2023, Cluj (Romania), “No Other Planet: Utopian Visions for a Climate-Changed World” (book talk). [refereed]
- 6/22/2023, Glasgow (UK), “On the multiple purposes of social dreaming in the Anthropocene”, during the annual BISA conference. [refereed]
- 6/15-17/2023, Universidade do Minho, Braga (Portugal): Keynote panel on political theory today. [invited]
- 4/24/2023, University of California, Irvine (USA): “No Other Planet: Utopian Visions for a Climate-Changed World” (book talk). [invited]
- 4/21/2023, University of California, Los Angeles (USA): “No Other Planet: Utopian Visions for a Climate-Changed World” (book talk). [invited]
- 12/1/2022, University of Durham (UK): “No Other Planet: Utopian Visions for a Climate-Changed World” (book talk). [invited]
- 3/25/2022, Indian Institute of Technology, Indore (India): “Commemorating Ecological Loss in the Age of Omnicide”. [invited]
- 11/25/21, Pompeu Fabra University (Spain): “Warning through Extrapolation”. [invited]
- 5/29/2020, University of Minho, Braga (Portugal): “Utopias in the Anthropocene”. [invited]
- 5/12/2020, University of Bath (UK): “Rethinking Political Violence”. [invited]
- 2/14/2020, University of Leeds (UK): “Rethinking Political Violence”. [invited]
- 6/12/2019, University of Sydney (Australia): “Hope and Fear in the Anthropocene”. [invited]
- 4/4/2019, KU Leuven (Belgium): “Peace as a Minor, Grounded Utopia”. [invited]
- 1/29/2019, University of York (UK): “Bleak Dreams, not Nightmares: Critical Dystopias and the Necessity of Melancholic Hope”. [invited]
- 1/17/2019, University of Oxford (UK): “Bleak Dreams, not Nightmares: Critical Dystopias and the Necessity of Melancholic Hope”. [invited]
- 11/8/2018, University of Cambridge (UK): “Peace as a Minor, Grounded Utopia”. [invited]
- 11/8/2018, University of East Anglia (UK): “Peace as a Minor, Grounded Utopia”. [invited]
- 10/19-21/2018, University of Leiden (Netherlands): “Bleak Dreams, not Nightmares: Critical Dystopias and the Necessity of Melancholic Hope”, during a workshop organized by Herman Siemens. [invited]
- 10/12/2018, Vienna (Austria), talk on the concept of “freedom” during the exhibition opening at Belvedere gallery. [invited]
- 9/1/2018, Boston (USA): “Reconciliation through Estrangement”, during the APSA General Conference. [refereed]

- 9/6-9/2017, University of Oslo (Norway), “Reconciliation through Estrangement”. during the ECPR General Conference. [refereed]
- 6/21-23/2017, Monash University Prato (Italy): “Reconciliation through Estrangement”. [invited]
- 6/9/2017, University of Vienna (Austria): “Peace as a Minor, Grounded Utopia”. [invited]
- 5/18/2017, Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague (Czech Republic): “Hope Abjuring Hope: On the Place of Utopia in Realist Political Theory”, during the Critical Theory conference “Philosophy and Social Sciences”.
- 4/12/2016, Strathclyde University (UK): “Peace as a Minor, Grounded Utopia”, during the PSA General Conference. [refereed]
- 12/7/2016, University of Edinburgh (UK): “Hope Abjuring Hope: On the Place of Utopia in Realist Political Theory”, organized by the Political Theory Research Group, University of Edinburgh.
- 11/19/2016, University of St Andrews (UK): “Hope Abjuring Hope: On the Place of Utopia in realist Political Theory”, during the workshop “What Is to Be Done? Political Ontology, Critique and Democratic Politics”.
- 6/9-6/10/2016, Durham University (UK): “Political Theory and its Audience: Reflections on a Contentious Relationship”, during the “Political Responsibility” workshop. [invited]
- 5/20/2016, Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague (Czech Republic): “Unhinged Frames: Assessing Thought Experiments in Normative Political Theory”, during the Critical Theory conference “Philosophy and Social Sciences”.
- 1/22/2016, University of Cambridge (UK): “Imagining Violence”, invited talk organized by the Department of German. [invited]
- 9/3-9/6/2015, San Francisco (USA): “Unhinged Frames: When Hypotheticals About Torture Go Wrong”, during the APSA General Conference. [refereed]
- 7/2/2015, University of Edinburgh (UK): “Unhinged Frames: When Hypotheticals About Torture Go Wrong”, during the Ethics of War workshop organized by the Just World Institute.
- 3/30/2015, Sheffield (UK): “Unhinged Frames: When Hypotheticals About Torture Go Wrong”, during the PSA General Conference. [refereed]
- 1/28/2015, University of Edinburgh (UK): “Unhinged Frames: When Hypotheticals About Torture Go Wrong”, organized by the Political Theory Research Group, University of Edinburgh.
- 9/4/2014, University of Glasgow (UK): “A Pragmatist Defence of the Ban on Torture”, during the ECPR General Conference. [refereed]
- 6/24/2014, University of Westminster (UK): “Discursus Interruptus: Revisiting James Tully’s Democratic Conception of Public Philosophy”. [invited]
- 6/12/2014, University of Copenhagen (Denmark): “A Pragmatist Defence of the Ban on Torture”. [invited]

- 5/23/2014, Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague (Czech Republic): “A Pragmatist Defence of the Ban on Torture”, during the Critical Theory conference “Philosophy and Social Sciences”.
- 4/11/2014, University of Southampton (UK): Presentation of the JUDGEPOL project, organized by the Political Thought Specialist Group of the Political Studies Association.
- 2/26/2014, University of Edinburgh: “A Pragmatist Defence of the Ban on Torture”, organized by the Political Theory Research Group, University of Edinburgh.
- 11/12/2013, University of York (UK): “On Time in Just War Theory”. [invited]
- 6/9/2013, Science Po Bordeaux (France): “On Time in Just War Theory”, during the ECPR General Conference. [refereed]
- 7/12/2013, University of St. Andrews (UK): “Law in Larry May”. [invited]
- 24/6/2013, University of Stirling (UK): “Political Imagination and the Crimes of Crimes”, during the Annual Conference of the Association for Legal and Social Philosophy. [refereed]
- 5/23/2013, Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague (Czech Republic): “Political Imagination and the Crime of Crimes”, during the Critical Theory conference “Philosophy and Social Sciences”.
- 13/3/2013, University of York (UK): “Flexible Banister? Hannah Arendt and the Pragmatist Ethos” [invited]
- 6/3/2013, University of Edinburgh (UK): “On Time in Just War Theory: From Chronos to Kairos”, organized by the Political Theory Research Group, University of Edinburgh.
- 2/28/2013, University of Edinburgh (UK): “Violence”, during the “Adventure Lunch”-workshop series at the School of Social and Political Sciences, University of Edinburgh.
- 5/29/2012, Galeria Santa Clara, Coimbra (Portugal): “Hannah Arendt”, during the public lecture series “Vidas e Vozes”. [invited]
- 5/4/2012, Universidade do Minho (Portugal): “Political Imagination and the Crime of Crimes: Coming to Terms with ‘Genocide’”, during the 3rd Meeting on Ethics and Political Philosophy.
- 4/12/2012, University of Newport (UK): “Political Imagination and the Crime of Crimes: Coming to Terms with ‘Genocide’”, during the conference Ideals and Reality in Social Ethics. [refereed]
- 3/27/2012, Centre for the Study of Democracy, University of Westminster (UK): “Historical Injustice and the Politics of Apology”. [invited]
- 3/1/2012, University of Oxford (UK): “Just Pretending: Political Apologies for Historical Injustice and Vice’s Tribute to Virtue”. [invited]
- 10/21/2011, Université de Neuchâtel (Switzerland): participation in the workshop “The Public Management of Religion: From State Building to New Forms of Minorities’ Mobilization”, organized by the ESF research networking programme RECODE – Responding to Complex Diversity in Europe and Canada. [invited]

- 8/26/2011, Reykjavik (Iceland): “Can Political Apologies be Sincere?”, during the ECPR General Conference. [refereed]
- 8/17/2011, Universidade do Porto (Portugal): “Resisting Definitional Denial: The Tragic Uses of ‘Genocide’”, during the 3rd Global International Studies Conference. [refereed]
- 6/15/2011, Universidade Fernando Pessoa, Porto (Portugal): “Resisting Definitional Denial: The Tragic Uses of ‘Genocide’”, during the international conference “Construir a Paz”.
- 5/9/2011, Universidade Nova de Lisboa (Portugal): “Can Borders be Justified? Two Normative Approaches to Migration and Cosmopolitanism”. [invited]
- 4/12-17/2011, Universität St. Gallen (Switzerland): participation in the ECPR Joint Sessions; workshop “Sincerity in Ethics, Politics and International Relations”. [refereed]
- 2/19/2011, Universidade de São Paulo (Brazil): “Just Pretending: Political Apologies for Historical Injustice and Vice’s Tribute to Virtue”, during the first IPSA-ECPR joint conference. [refereed]
- 12/10/2010, Centro de Investigação Interdisciplinar em Direitos Humanos, Universidade do Minho (Portugal): “The Right to Just Membership: Human Rights, Migration and Cosmopolitanism”. [invited]
- 9/30/2010, Faculdade de Letras, Universidade do Porto (Portugal): “Two Conceptions of Secularism: A Normative Proposal for Complex Realities”, during the international conference “Religions and Migrations”. [refereed]
- 3/19/2010, Centro de Estudos Sociais, Universidade de Coimbra (Portugal): “Deep Contextualism and Radical Criticism: The Argument for a Division of Labor”.
- 2/11/2010, Centre de Recherche en Ethique de l’Université de Montréal (Canada): “On the Relationship between Realism, Normativity and Critique: Some Thoughts about Raymond Geuss’s Political Philosophy”. [invited]
- 10/22/2009, Texas A&M University, College Station (USA): “From Public Reason to Reasonable Accommodation”, during the 2009 Association for Political Theory Conference. [refereed]
- 10/20/2009, Arizona State University, Phoenix (USA): “Political Judgment beyond Paralysis and Heroism”. [invited]
- 9/5/2009, Toronto (Canada): “Political Judgment beyond Paralysis and Heroism”, during the 2009 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (APSA). [refereed]
- 6/27/2009, Centro de Estudos Sociais, Universidade de Coimbra (Portugal): “Secularism in Europe: Conceptions and Realities”.
- 6/19/2009, Centro de Estudos Humanísticos (CEHUM), Universidade do Minho (Portugal): “From Public Reason to Reasonable Accommodation”, during the first “Meeting on Ethics and Political Philosophy”.
- 4/24/2009, Centro de Estudos Humanísticos (CEHUM), Universidade do Minho (Portugal): “Political Judgment and Distant Suffering”. [invited]

- 11/28/2008, Universidade de Coimbra (Portugal): “Postsecular Justifications for Human Rights: The Case for a Discursive and Dynamic Modus Vivendi”, during the conference “Challenges to Human Rights and Global Justice”.
- 9/16/2008, Centro de Estudos Sociais, Universidade de Coimbra (Portugal): “Political Judgment beyond Paralysis and Heroism: Deliberation, Decision, and the Crisis in Darfur”.
- 2/19/2008, Institute of European Studies and International Relations, Comenius University Bratislava (Slovakia): “Chantal Mouffe’s Realist Critique of Cosmopolitanism”. [invited]
- 5/3/2007, McGill University (Montreal): “The Illusion of Purity: Revisiting the Realist Critique of Cosmopolitanism”. [refereed]
- 4/2/2007, Centre for Ethics, University of Toronto: “Who is Afraid of Moralization? Normativity, Critique and the Ear of the Prince”.
- 3/13/2007, Trinity College, University of Toronto: “Can We be Critical Without Moralizing?” (“Trinity One”-lecture). [invited]
- 2/3/2006, Department of Social Sciences, Roskilde University (Denmark): “Towards a Political Semantics of ‘Moralization’” (in the framework of the 3rd International Conference of the Danish Network on Political Theory: “Normative Implications of the Conceptual Turn”). [refereed]
- 12/9/2004, Institute for Human Sciences (Vienna): “Clashing Claims, from Baghdad to Belgrade: Humanitarian Intervention between Law, Morals and Politics”.
- 11/16/2004, Depot (Vienna): “Antworten auf den Kulturrelativismus”.
- 9/23/2004, Institute for Human Sciences (Vienna): “Justifying, Founding and Instituting. Towards an Archaeology of Moral Arguments in the Political Realm”.
- 5/14/2004, Institut für Höhere Studien (Vienna): “Machiavelli und Kant” (in the framework of the international conference “New Impulses for Political Science in Austria”). [refereed]
- 11/17/2003, Institut für Wissenschaft und Kunst (Vienna): “Human Rights, Cultural Relativism and Interculturality”.
- 5/16/2000, Institut für Wissenschaft und Kunst (Vienna): “Integration and Interculturality”.

Radio/Podcast Interviews

- 12/10/2013, interviewer for the *Global Conversation* podcast series with Duncan Green (Oxford) as interview partner;
<https://itunes.apple.com/gb/itunes-u/the-global-conversation/id840202331?mt=10>
- 12/3/2013, interviewer for the *Global Conversation* podcast series with Louise Chappell (Sidney) as interview partner;
<https://itunes.apple.com/gb/itunes-u/the-global-conversation/id840202331?mt=10>
- 4/5/2012, interviewer for the *CES Podcast Series* with Alessandro Ferrara (Rome) as interview partner;
<http://saladeimprensa.ces.uc.pt/canalces/index.php?accao=canalces&id=5440>.

- 1/25/2011, interviewer for the *CES Podcast Series* with Axel Gosseries (Louvain) as interview partner;
<http://saladeimprensa.ces.uc.pt/canalces/index.php?accao=canalces&id=3331>.
- 7/12/2010, interviewer for the *CES Podcast Series* with Boaventura de Sousa Santos (Coimbra) as interview partner;
<http://saladeimprensa.ces.uc.pt/canalces/index.php?accao=canalces&id=2331>.
- 5/17/2009, interview partner for the radio show *Philosophische Brocken* (Radio Orange): "Moralische Politik oder Politische Moral?" (Moral Politics or Political Morality?); <http://audiothek.philo.at>.
- 7/14/2004, interview partner for the radio show *Philosophische Brocken* (Radio Orange): "Menschenrechte zwischen Universalismus und Relativismus" (Human Rights between Universalism and Relativism); <http://audiothek.philo.at>.

Manuscript Refereeing (Journals)

- *American Journal of Political Science*.
- *American Political Science Review*.
- *British Journal of Politics and International Relations*.
- *Constellations*.
- *Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy*.
- *Development and Change*.
- *e-cadernos CES*.
- *Environment and Planning E: Nature and Space*.
- *Environmental Politics*.
- *Ethical Perspectives*.
- *European Journal of Political Theory*.
- *International Journal of Human Rights*.
- *International Journal of Transitional Justice*.
- *Journal of International Political Theory*.
- *Journal of Human Rights*.
- *Österreichische Zeitschrift für Politikwissenschaft*.
- *Perspectives on Politics*.
- *Poetics*.
- *Political Studies*.
- *Political Theory*.
- *Polity*.
- *polylog*.
- *Relações Internacionais*.
- *Res Publica*.
- *Review of International Studies*.

- *Review of Politics.*
- *Revista Crítica de Ciências Sociais.*
- *Sociological Review.*
- *Time & Society.*
- *Utopian Studies.*

Refereeing for Publishing Houses (Books)

- Brill.
- Cambridge University Press.
- Edinburgh University Press.
- Macmillan.
- Oxford University Press.
- MIT Press.
- Palgrave.
- Polity Press.
- Routledge.
- Springer.

Refereeing for Funding Agencies

- Australian Research Council.
- Economic and Social Research Council (UK) – member of the Peer Review College.
- EURIAS Fellowship Programme.
- European Research Council (Consolidator Grants).
- Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique, Belgium.
- Fonds Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek, Vlaanderen (Research Foundation Flanders).
- French Institutes for Advanced Study.
- Leverhulme Trust.
- Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions, European Commission.
- The Northern Ireland and North East (NINE) Doctoral Training Partnership.

Assessment of Research Centres

- Mid-term review of the Käte Hamburger Center for Apocalyptic and Post-Apocalyptic Studies (CAPAS) at Heidelberg University (Germany), 2024.

Tenure and Promotion Reviews

- Durham University (UK), 2025.
- University of Indiana, Urbana Champaign (USA), 2023.
- Monash University (Australia), 2024.

External Hiring Panel Member

- University of Braga (Portugal), 2025.

Prize Judging

- 2024 Judge of the Philip Leverhulme Prize in Politics and International Relations (Leverhulme Trust, UK).
- 2019 Judge of the Ernest Barker Prize for the best dissertation in Political Theory (Political Studies Association, UK).

Professional Memberships

- Fellow of the Higher Education Academy (UK).
- Member of the Association for Legal and Social Philosophy (UK).
- Member of the American Political Science Association (USA).
- Member of the Association for Political Theory (USA).
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