

Dr. Jan Voosholz

Curriculum Vitae

As of: February 2026

Research Areas

- Areas of Specialisation
- Ontology and Metaphysics:** speculative and new realism, realism-antirealism debates, naturalism, causality, modality, philosophy of time, social ontology; classical modern, analytic, postanalytic, poststructuralist and feminist approaches
 - Philosophy of Science:** classical analytic, general philosophy of science, theories of causality and emergence, discourse-analytical, feminist and decolonial critiques of science, structural realism, history and philosophy of physics, philosophy of mathematics
 - Epistemology:** ancient, early modern and modern skepticism, naturalism, social epistemology, epistemic injustice and violence, testimony, expertise, logical positivism and empiricism, problem of induction, theories of truth, socio-cultural constitution of knowledge
- Areas of Competence
- Logic and Philosophy of Language:** formal argument reconstruction from natural languages, logicism, modal logic, temporal logic, Wittgenstein, theories of truth and meaning, modal and temporal discourse, paradoxes of describability, paraconsistency in logics and metaphysics
 - Philosophy of Technology:** philosophy of information technology, philosophy of artificial intelligence, second nature theories of technology, philosophical anthropology

Academic Positions and Employment

- Since 10/2021 Managing director of research (tenured) of the International Centre for Philosophy, University of Bonn
- Since 04/2020 Research associate (tenured since 10/2021) at the chair for epistemology, modern and contemporary philosophy of Prof. Dr. Markus Gabriel, Institute for Philosophy, University of Bonn
- 03/2020 Research associate and science manager at the Center for Science and Thought, Director
- 10/2017 Prof. Dr. Markus Gabriel, Institute for Philosophy, University of Bonn
- 10/2017 Research assistant at the chair for theoretical philosophy of Prof. Dr. Michael N. Forster
- 06/2017 and at the Center for Science and Thought, Institute for Philosophy, University of Bonn

Education

Dr. phil. in Philosophy

- 06/2025 University of Bonn, grade: *summa cum laude*
- Thesis Title Objective Realism and Correlationism. The Realism-Antirealism Debate in Philosophy of Science in Light of New Realism/Objektiver Realismus und Korrelationismus. Die Realismus-Antirealismus-Debatte der Wissenschaftsphilosophie im Lichte des Neuen Realismus (in German; grade of all reviews and defence *summa cum laude*)

Graduate Studies in Philosophy (Ph.D. / Dr. phil.)

11/2022 University of Bonn, grade: *summa cum laude*
06/2016

Supervisors Prof. Dr. Markus Gabriel (first supervisor, University of Bonn), Prof. Dr. Christoph Demmerling (second supervisor, University of Jena)

Master of Arts in Philosophy

03/2015 Free University Berlin, grade: sehr gut (highest possible grade)
04/2012

Master thesis Speculative Realism as a Challenge. Quentin Meillassoux's *After Finitude* as a Critique and Advancement of Western Philosophy (in German)

Supervisors Prof. Dr. Jan Slaby, Prof. Dr. Georg W. Bertram

Bachelor of Arts in History (major) and Philosophy (minor)

03/2012 Free University Berlin, grade: sehr gut (highest possible grade)
10/2008

Bachelor thesis Why Persecute Heretics? The Justification of the Fight against Heretics in *Summa Theologiae* of Thomas Aquinas and his Discussion of Augustine of Hippo's Arguments (in German)

Supervisors Prof. Dr. Stefan Esders, Prof. Dr. Matthias Thumser

Research Stays

03/2026 University of Sydney, Australia, Centre for Time, sponsored by the Argelander Postdoc
09/2025 Grant, University of Bonn (Excellence Strategy), supervised by Prof. Dr. Kristie Miller and Prof. Dr. Dean Rickles

05/2017 Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, France, sponsored by the Franco-German Uni-
03/2017 versity, supervised by Prof. Dr. Jocelyn Benoist

02/2015 Research and study semester, Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, India, supervised
10/2014 by Prof. Dr. P. R. Bhat and Prof. Dr. Siby K. George

Publications

Monograph

- [1] *Towards a New Scientific Realism* (Synthese Library, Vol. 518), Springer Nature, Cham 2025.

Editorials

- [2] *Special Issue: What remains of speculative realism?* (in German), *Deutsche Zeitschrift für Philosophie* YY.YY (2026) (in preparation).
- [3] *Markus Gabriel's New Realism* (Synthese Library, Vol. 492), Springer Nature, Cham 2024 (all chapters peer-reviewed by Synthese).
- [4] with Markus Gabriel: *Top-Down-Causation and Emergence* (Synthese Library, Vol. 439), Springer Nature, Cham 2021 (all chapters peer-reviewed by Synthese).

Research Articles and Book Chapters

- [5] first author, with Marlene Sieverdingbeck and Marie Charlotte Wolf: *Realismus/Realism* (in German, encyclopedia long-format article), in: Christoph Demmerling/Pirmin Stekeler-Weithofer/Cyrrill Mamin (eds.), *Sprachphilosophie*, (=Wörterbuch der Sprach- und Kommunikationswissenschaft, Vol. 15), De Gruyter, Berlin, New York 2025 (peer-reviewed).
- [6] *The Concepts of Nature and the Universe in Markus Gabriel's New Realism*, in: Jan Voosholz (Ed.), *Markus Gabriel's New Realism* (Synthese Library, Vol. 492), Springer Nature, Cham 2024, pp. 147–166 (peer-reviewed by Synthese).
- [7] first author, with Debora J. Eller and Marlene Sieverdingbeck: *Antirealismus/Antirealism* (in German, encyclopedia long-format article), in: Christoph Demmerling/Pirmin Stekeler-Weithofer/Cyrrill Mamin (eds.), *Sprachphilosophie*, (=Wörterbuch der Sprach- und Kommunikationswissenschaft, Vol. 15), De Gruyter, Berlin, New York 2024 (peer-reviewed).
- [8] *Top-Down Causation Without Levels*, in: Markus Gabriel/Jan Voosholz (Eds.), *Top-Down Causation and Emergence* (Synthese Library, Vol. 439), Springer Nature, Cham 2021, pp. 269–296 (peer-reviewed by Synthese).
- [9] *A Formal Ontological Game. Does Meillassoux's Speculative Realism Need A Correlation?*, in: Alexander Kanev (Ed.), *New Realism. Problems and Perspectives*, St. Kliment Ohridski University Press, Sofia 2019, pp. 225–234 (invited).
- [9a] *Un Juego Ontológico Formal. ¿Necesita Una Correlación El Realismo Especulativo de Meillassoux?*, in: *Estudios Filosóficos* 68.199 (2019), pp. 531–542 (invited).
- [9b] *Japanese translation of [8]*, Sebastian Kawanami-Breu, Masahiko Igashira, Yuriko Tanaka (Eds.), *Sonzairon no Furontia: Shizen -- Gijutsu -- Keijijōgaku* [Frontiers of Ontology: Nature, Technology, Metaphysics], Dokushojin, Kyoto 2025, pp. 245–258 (invited).

Research Articles and Book Chapters, unpublished

- [10] second author, with Marie Charlotte Wolf: *Mansplaining as an Exercise of Identity Power and Other Forms of Epistemic Hijacking*, *Hypatia* (under review).
- [11] *Eternalism, Determinism and Genuine Possibilities*, in preparation for *Noûs* for 2026.
- [12] first author, with Markus Gabriel: *20 Jahre spekulativer Realismus: Effektivität und Ineffektivität einer philosophischen Rebellion in der aktuellen theoretischen Philosophie* (in German), in: *Deutsche Zeitschrift für Philosophie*, Schwerpunkt: Was bleibt vom spekulativen Realismus?, YY.YY (2026) (invited, in preparation).

White Papers

- [13] with Armin Cremers, Alex Englander, Markus Gabriel, Dirk Hecker, Michael Mock, Maximilian Poretschkin, Julia Rosenzweig, Frauke Rostalski, Joachim Sicking, Julia Volmer, Angelika Voss, Stefan Wrobel, *Vertrauenswürdiger Einsatz von Künstlicher Intelligenz. Handlungsfelder aus philosophischer, ethischer, rechtlicher und technologischer Sicht als Grundlage für eine Zertifizierung von Künstlicher Intelligenz* (white paper), Publikationen des Fraunhofer Instituts für Intelligente Analyse- und Informationssysteme, https://www.iais.fraunhofer.de/content/dam/iais/KINRW/Whitepaper_KI-Zertifizierung.pdf, St. Augustin 2019.

- [13a] with Armin Cremers, Alex Englander, Markus Gabriel, Dirk Hecker, Michael Mock, Maximilian Poretschkin, Julia Rosenzweig, Frauke Rostalski, Joachim Sicking, Julia Volmer, Angelika Voss, Stefan Wrobel, *Trustworthy Use of Artificial Intelligence. Priorities from a Philosophical, Ethical, Legal, and Technological Viewpoint as a Basis for Certification of Artificial Intelligence* (white paper), Publikationen des Fraunhofer Instituts für Intelligente Analyse- und Informationssysteme, https://www.iaais.fraunhofer.de/content/dam/iaais/KINRW/whitepaper_Thrustworthy_AI.pdf, St. Augustin 2020.

Encyclopedia Short-Format Articles

- [14–19] Encyclopedia short-format articles (in German) to be published in: Christoph Demmerling/Pirmin Stekeler-Weithofer/Cyrrill Mamin (Eds.), *Sprachphilosophie*, (=Wörterbuch der Sprach- und Kommunikationswissenschaft, Vol. 15), De Gruyter, Berlin, New York 2026 (peer-reviewed, in preparation for 2026):
- [14] first author, with Alex Englander *Intentionaler Realismus/Intentional Realism*;
 - [15–17] single author, *Zustandsbeschreibung/State-Description; Hypothese/Hypothesis; empirische Hypothese/Empirical Hypothesis*;
 - [18–19] second author, with Marlene Sieverdingbeck *Unterbestimmtheit/Underdetermination; Erklärungslücke/Explanatory Gap*.
- [20] first author, with Marie Charlotte Wolf *Wissenschaftlicher Realismus/Scientific Realism* (in German), in: Christoph Demmerling/Pirmin Stekeler-Weithofer/Cyrrill Mamin (Eds.), *Sprachphilosophie*, (=Wörterbuch der Sprach- und Kommunikationswissenschaft, Vol. 15), De Gruyter, Berlin, New York 2025 (peer-reviewed)
- [21] first author, with Debora J. Eller *Operationalismus/Operationalism* (in German), in: Christoph Demmerling/Pirmin Stekeler-Weithofer/Cyrrill Mamin (Eds.), *Sprachphilosophie*, (=Wörterbuch der Sprach- und Kommunikationswissenschaft, Vol. 15), De Gruyter, Berlin, New York 2024 (peer-reviewed)
- [22] second author, with Marlene Sieverdingbeck *Inkommensurabilität/Incommensurability* (in German), in: Christoph Demmerling/Pirmin Stekeler-Weithofer/Cyrrill Mamin (Eds.), *Sprachphilosophie*, (=Wörterbuch der Sprach- und Kommunikationswissenschaft, Vol. 15), De Gruyter, Berlin, New York 2024 (peer-reviewed).
- [23] second author, with Christiane Schäfer *Konjektur/Conjecture* (in German), in: Christoph Demmerling/Pirmin Stekeler-Weithofer/Cyrrill Mamin (Eds.), *Sprachphilosophie*, (=Wörterbuch der Sprach- und Kommunikationswissenschaft, Vol. 15), De Gruyter, Berlin, New York 2024 (peer-reviewed)
- [24–29] Encyclopedia short-format articles (in German) published in: Christoph Demmerling/Pirmin Stekeler-Weithofer/Cyrrill Mamin (Eds.), *Sprachphilosophie*, (=Wörterbuch der Sprach- und Kommunikationswissenschaft, Vol. 15), De Gruyter, Berlin, New York 2017 (peer-reviewed): *Falsifikation/Falsification; Fallibilismus/Fallibilism; Verifikation/Verification; Infallibilismus/Infallibilism; Induktion/Induction; Induktionsproblem/Problem of Induction*.

Introductions

- [30] *Introduction*, in: Jan Voosholz (Ed.), *Markus Gabriel's New Realism* (Synthese Library, Vol. 492), Springer Nature, Cham 2024, pp. 1–10.
- [31] with Markus Gabriel, *Introduction*, in: Markus Gabriel/Jan Voosholz (Eds.), *Top-Down-Causation and Emergence* (Synthese Library, Vol. 439), Springer Nature, Cham 2021, pp. v–xiv.

Talks and Presentations (selection)

- 14/10/2025 *Causal Necessity and Time*, Workshop *Time, Causation and the Future*, 14. Oct. 2025, University of Sydney, Australia
- 13/10/2025 *The Double Stalemate within Contemporary Scientific Realism and the Need for a New Ontology of Nature*, Centre for Time Research Group, University of Sydney, Australia
- 12/09/2025 *Responses to Markus Gabriel, Jens Pier and Jens Rometsch*, Workshop *Book Launch: Towards a New Scientific Realism*, 12. Sep. 2025, University of Bonn, Germany
- 03/07/2025 *The Plurality of Nature, the Singularity of the Planet and the Hybridity of Our Environment*, Conference *Environment, Earth, World, Nature*, 3.–4. Jul. 2025, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, France
- 28/02/2025 *Information Technology and Human Second Nature*, Conference *Philosophy and Ethics of Artificial Intelligence*, 2. Feb. 2025, Jawaharlal Nehru University New Delhi, India
- 24/09/2024 in German: *New Paths in a Classical Debate: The Double Stalemate between Semi-realism, Ontic Structural Realism and Perspectival Realism in Philosophy of Science* (selected for the section philosophy of the natural and life sciences), XXVI. *German Congress of Philosophy*, 22.–26. Sep. 2024, University of Münster, Germany
- 27/08/2024 *Toiling with Tech: Discussing Shifts in Work, Labour and Technology* with Takahiro Nakajima, Christiane Schäfer and Yuki Tanaka, Conference *Toiling with Tech*, 27. Aug. 2024, University of Tokyo, Japan
- 24/06/2024 *Tales of Data, Money, and Power: Strategies for Putting New Realisms into Action*, Conference *Webfare – From Data Warfare to Data Well-Being*, 24.–25. Jun. 2024, The New Institute, Hamburg, Germany
- 25/03/2024 *The Manifold Role of Models in Scientific Reasoning*, Conference *The Reality and Fictionality of Scientific Modelling: From Physics to Self-Models*, 25.–26. Mar. 2024, University of Bonn, Germany
- 30/10/2023 *Technology as First and Second Nature*, Conference *Foundations of a Technosophy*, 30.-31. Oct. 2023, University of Turin, Italy
- 19/07/2023 *Workshop: Meta-Ethics*, International Summer School *Valuing Plurality, Decolonising Socio-ecological Futures*, 17.–22. Jul. 2023, University of Bonn, Germany
- 12/05/2023 in German: *Brandom's Two Levels of Normativity: Interpreting Wittgenstein and an Objection by McDowell*, Conference *Brandom, Inferentialism and Expressivism*, 12. May 2023, University of Kyoto, Japan
- 06/05/2023 *Realist and Pluralist Concepts of Nature*, International Symposium *Kantian Philosophy, Nature and New Realism*, 5./6. May 2023, Waseda University, Japan
- 19/01/2023 in German: *Nature and the Concept of Nature in New Realism*, *Kolloquium zur Gegenwartsphilosophie von PD Dr. Jens Rometsch*, Winter 2022/2023, University of Bonn, Germany
- 11/04/2022 *The External, the Natural and the Physical World: Reconceptualising Nature as a Project for New Realisms*, Conference *Realism as a Philosophical Response to the Challenges of our Time – Does the World exist?*, 11.–12. Apr. 2022, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, France
- 03/02/2022 in German: *Simone de Beauvoir on the Problems of Subject Constitution*, *Kolloquium zur französischen Philosophie: Subjectivity and Embodiment*, Winter 2021/2022, University of Bonn, Germany

- 12/11/2021 *The Need for a New Realism in Philosophy of Science*, Kolloquium zur Gegenwartsphilosophie von Prof. Dr. Markus Gabriel, Winter 2021/2022, University of Bonn, Germany
- 07/07/2021 in German: *Realist and Antirealist Variants of Correslationism in the Philosophy of Science*, Kolloquium zur Gegenwartsphilosophie von Prof. Dr. Markus Gabriel, Summer 2021, Univeristy of Bonn, Germany
- 11/02/2020 *How to Regulate Artificial Intelligence*, Internal CST-CFI-Workshop (with the Leverhulme Center for the Future of Intelligence, University of Cambridge), 11.–12. Feb. 2020, University of Bonn, Germany
- 30/09/2019 in German: *New Realism in 21st Century European Philosophy. An Introductory Comparison*, Conference XXXVI. Romanistentag, 29. Sep.–2. Oct. 2019, University of Kassel, Germany
- 21/06/2019 *Certification of Ethical AI: Use Cases from Augmented Intelligence*, Conference *Kinds of Intelligence 2: Machine Minds*, 19.–21. Jun. 2019, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom
- 06/06/2019 *On Second Nature and the Use of Technology*, Conference *Nature, Technology, Metaphysics. An Encounter between German and Japanese Philosophy*, 6.–7. Jun. 2019, University of Bonn, Germany
- 16/05/2019 in German: *Certified AI: Perspectives from Computer Science and Philosophy* with Daniel Trabold, Conference *5th Fraunhofer Big Data Alliance*, 16. May 2019, Brühl, Germany
- 08/01/2019 in German: *Blank Spaces in Meillassoux's Philosophy: Subject, Knowledge, Science*, Kolloquium zur französischen Philosophie: *Transcendental Thinking*, Winter 2018/2019, University of Bonn, Germany
- 29/05/2018 in German: *The Myth of the Given and its Critique in Romano and Benoist* with Sergio Genovesi, Kolloquium zur französischen Philosophie: *Gift, Given and Givenness*, Summer 2018, University of Bonn, Germany
- 10/04/2018 in German: *The Gift, the Given and Givenness* with Sergio Genovesi, Kolloquium zur französischen Philosophie: *Gift, Given and Givenness*, Summer 2018, University of Bonn, Germany
- 04/12/2017 in German: *Hasard et Contigence: The Difference between Contingency and Randomness in Meillassoux*, Kolloquium zur französischen Philosophie: *Possibility, Impossibility and Necessity*, Winter 2017/2018, University of Bonn, Germany
- 23/10/2017 in German: *Introduction to the Question of the Modalities in Contemporary French Philosophy* with Sergio Genovesi, Kolloquium zur französischen Philosophie: *Possibility, Impossibility and Necessity*, Winter 2017/2018, University of Bonn, Germany
- 27/05/2017 *A Blind Spot? The Question Regarding the Right Correlation in Meillassoux's Speculative Realism*, Conference *Humboldt-Kolleg: New Realism / Der Neue Realismus*, 26.–28. May 2017, St. Kliment Ohridski University, Sofia, Bulgaria
- 24/01/2017 in German: *Correlationism and Naturalism as the Main Adversaries of New Realism*, Kolloquium zur Gegenwartsphilosophie von Prof. Dr. Markus Gabriel, Winter 2016/2017, University of Bonn, Germany
- 25/09/2016 in German: *Correlationism and Antirealism: On the Relation of Two Concepts*, Conference *The New Faces of Realism. Metaphysics, Phenomenology, and Speculative Realism*, 24.–26. Nov. 2016, University of Wuppertal, Germany

- 07/06/2016 in German: *On the Concept of Correlationism*, Kolloquium von Prof. Dr. Christoph Demmerling, Summer 2016, University of Jena, Germany
- 18/02/2015 *Ancestrality and Correlationism. A Short Introduction to Two Basic Concepts of Quentin Meillassoux's Speculative Realism*, invited Guest Workshop at Department for Humanities and Social Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, India
- 12/05/2014 in German: *Quentin Meillassoux's After Finitude as a Critique and Advancement of Western Philosophy*, Prof. Dr. Jan Slabys philosophischem Kolloquium, Summer 2014, Free University Berlin, Germany

Review Activities

- Since 2022 Journal for the History and Philosophy of Science
- Since 2023 Reality and Hermeneutics. Bonn Studies in the New Humanities, Mohr Siebeck (Book Series)
- Since 2025 Synthese

Awards, Memberships and Fellowships

- 07/2025 Nominated for the Teaching Award of the University of Bonn by the student body of the Institute of Philosophy for the academic year 2024/2025
- Since 03/2025 Member of the Center for Science and Thought, University of Bonn
- 12/2024 Argelander Mobility Grant of the University of Bonn, for the research project *Time and Modality* at the University of Sydney, Centre for Time in the term 2025/2026
- 07/2022 Teaching Award of the University of Bonn, on recommendation of the Faculty of Arts and nomination of the student body of the Institute of Philosophy for the academic year 2021/2022
- 07/2021 Nominated for the Teaching Award of the University of Bonn by the student body of the Institute of Philosophy for the academic year 2020/2021
- 07/2020 Nominated for the Teaching Award of the University of Bonn by the student body of the Institute of Philosophy for the academic year 2019/2020
- 02/2025 Associate member of the Center for Science and Thought, University of Bonn
- 04/2020
- 02/2017 Fellowship of the Franco-German University for a research stay at the Université Paris 1

Teaching Experience at the University of Bonn (in German)

- Summer '25 Anthropological Foundations in the Philosophy of Information Technology, M.A. seminar
- Summer '25 Ludwig Wittgenstein: *Philosophical Investigations*, B.A. seminar
- Winter '24/'25 Theories of Modal Realism and Modal Anti-Realism in Ontology and Metaphysics, M.A. seminar
- Winter '24/'25 Ontological, Epistemological, and Meta-Ethical Foundations of the Debate about Sexual Consent, B.A. seminar
- Summer '24 Realism-Antirealism Debates in Epistemology, Philosophy of Language, Ontology and Metaphysics, B.A. seminar
- Summer '24 Distorted Sources of Knowledge? Descriptions, Reports, Testimony, Authorities and Epistemic Violence, B.A. seminar

- Winter '23/'24 Naturalism in Question I: Debating the Ontology and Epistemology of Sciences, M.A. seminar
- Winter '23/'24 Introduction to the Philosophy of Judith Butler, B.A. seminar
- Summer '23 Introduction to Philosophy of the Time from McTaggart to the Present, M.A. seminar
- Summer '23 The Epistemologies of Logical Empiricism, B.A. seminar
- Winter '22/'23 Kierkegaard's *Sickness unto Death*, B.A. seminar
- Winter '22/'23 Introduction to Feminist Epistemology, Philosophy of Science and Social Ontology, B.A. seminar
- Summer '22 (with Alex Englander) Wittgenstein: *Philosophical Investigations*, B.A. seminar
- Summer '22 Structuralism, Nominalism and Platonism in Philosophy of Mathematics, B.A. seminar
- Winter '21/'22 (with Alex Englander) Simone de Beauvoir: *The Second Sex*, B.A. seminar
- Winter '21/'22 Underdetermination and Historical Arguments: Foundational Problems of Scientific Realism, M.A. and B.A. seminar
- Summer '21 Penelope Maddy: *Second Philosophy*, B.A. seminar
- Summer '21 Steven French: *The Structure of the World*, B.A. seminar
- Winter '20/'21 Amie Thomasson's *Ontology Made Easy*, B.A. seminar
- Winter '20/'21 Sally Haslanger's *Resisting Reality*, B.A. seminar
- Summer '20 Introduction to Feminist Metaphysics, Epistemology and Philosophy of Science, B.A. seminar
- Summer '20 The Realism-Antirealism Debate in Theoretical Philosophy, B.A. seminar
- Winter '19/'20 Theories of Causality in Contemporary Ontology and Philosophy of Science, B.A. seminar
- Summer '19 Quentin Meillassoux's *After Finitude*, B.A. seminar
- Summer '19 The Problem of Induction, B.A. seminar
- Winter '18/'19 Bas van Fraassen's *The Scientific Image*, B.A. seminar
- Summer '18 The Realism-Antirealism Debate in Epistemology, B.A. seminar
- Winter '17/'18 Tutorial: Introduction to Epistemology, lecture by Markus Gabriel, B.A. tutorial

Organisation of Academic Events

- 22/09– Autumn School *The Social Ontology of AI*, organised with Markus Gabriel, Yasuo Deguchi, Maiko Tsuji, and Alex Englander, Institute for Philosophy and the New Humanities, Kyoto Institute for Philosophy, Kyoto University and University of Bonn
- 01/09– Autumn School *Iconoclasm in the Age of AI*, organised with Markus Gabriel, Zed Adams, Paul Kottman, and Alex Englander, Institute for Philosophy and the New Humanities, New School for Social Research (New York) and University of Bonn
- 05/09/2025
- 17/07/2025 Lecture 13th *Ernst Robert Curtius Lecture of Excellence "Humanities and Social Sciences 2.0: A User Guide"* by Wiebke Denecke, organised with Nick Dreikausen, Markus Gabriel, Marlene Sieverdingbeck, Victor Weisbrod and Marie Charlotte Wolf, University of Bonn
- 20–21/06/2025 Conference 3. *Studentische Konferenz: Auf den Punkt! Philosophieren mit explizierten Begriffen (=3rd Edition of: To the Point! Philosophising with Explicated Terms)*, organised with Nick Dreikausen, Timon Meisner, Marlene Sieverdingbeck, Victor Weisbrod and Marie Charlotte Wolf, University of Bonn

- 28/02/2025 Conference *Philosophy and Ethics of Artificial Intelligence*, organised with Christiane Schäfer and Prashant Kumar, Jawaharlal Nehru University New Delhi and University of Bonn
- 07–11/01/2025 Conference *The 2025 Winter Institute, Tokyo: Techne and Human Sciences in the 21st Century*, organised with Markus Gabriel, Takahiro Nakajima, Paul Pickering and Xudong Zhang, New York University, Australian National University, University of Tokyo and University of Bonn
- 22–23/11/2024 Conference 2. *Studentische Konferenz: Auf den Punkt! Philosophieren mit explizierten Begriffen* (=2nd Edition of: *To the Point! Philosophising with Explicated Terms*), organised with Nick Dreikausen, Marlene Sieverdingbeck and Marie Charlotte Wolf, University of Bonn
- 30/09–04/10/2024 Autumn School *Limits of Intelligence: Meaning and Value*, organised with Markus Gabriel and Alex Englander, Institute for Philosophy and the New Humanities, New School for Social Research (New York) and University of Bonn
- 27/08/2024 Conference *Toiling wit Tech*, organised with Takahiro Nakajima, Christiane Schäfer and Yuki Tanaka; Moderator of the Panel *Industry and Academia*, University of Tokyo and University of Bonn
- 22/05/2024 Workshop *Objectivity in the Humanities*, organised with Markus Gabriel, Debora J. Eller, Philip Freytag and Marlene Sieverdingbeck, University of Bonn
- 25–26/03/2024 Conference *The Reality and Fictionality of Scientific Modelling: From Physics to Self-Models*, organised with Charlotte Gauvry and Marie Charlotte Wolf, University of Bonn
- 25/01/2024 Lecture *A Supposedly Fun Thing We Should Never Do Again: The Utter Hopelessness of Secondary Quality Theories*, by Zed Adams, organised with Jens Rometsch and Alex Englander, University of Bonn
- 19/12/2023 Workshop *Reading Political Thought as Poetry and Poetry as Political Thought* by Nigel Smith, organised with Debora J. Eller, Markus Gabriel, Marlene Sieverdingbeck and Marie Charlotte Wolf, University of Bonn
- 18/12/2023 Lecture 12th *Ernst Robert Curtius Lecture of Excellence “Is Poetry Political Thought”* by Nigel Smith, organised with Debora J. Eller, Markus Gabriel, Marlene Sieverdingbeck and Marie Charlotte Wolf, University of Bonn
- 07–09/11/2023 Conference *The 2023 Winter Institute: The Universal in Crisis*, organised with Markus Gabriel, Takahiro Nakajima, Paul Pickering and Xudong Zhang, New York University, Australian National University, University of Tokyo and University of Bonn
- 27/10/2023 Film Screening *Cyber Everything*, by Shimon Dotan and Netaya Anbar, organised with Christiane Schäfer, Marlene Sieverdingbeck and Marie Charlotte Wolf, University of Bonn
- 11–15/09/2023 Autumn School *Artifact-dependent Minds, Mind-dependent Artifacts*, organised with Markus Gabriel and Alex Englander, Institute for Philosophy and the New Humanities, New School for Social Research (New York) and University of Bonn
- 17–22/07/2023 International Summer School *Valuing Plurality, Decolonising Socio-ecological Futures*, organised with Caesar Atuire, Christiane Woopen and Nicolas Knecht, University of Bonn
- 09–10/06/2023 Conference *Auf den Punkt! Philosophieren mit explizierten Begriffen* (=To the Point! *Philosophising with Explicated Terms*), organised with Debora J. Eller, Jonas El-Schallah, Marlene Sieverdingbeck, Inga Triebel and Marie Charlotte Wolf, University of Bonn

- 09/06/2023 Lecture *Mercator-Lecture “Webfare: Digital Equity”* by Maurizio Ferraris, organised with Christiane Schäfer, University of Bonn
- 15/05/2023 Lecture *Mercator-Lecture “AI-Ethics: A Deflationary yet Cautionary View”* by Jocelyn Maclure, organised with Christiane Schäfer, University of Bonn
- 26–28/04/2023 Conference *Many Worlds of AI: Intercultural Approaches to the Ethics of Artificial Intelligence*, organised by Christiane Schäfer, Tomasz Hollanek et al.; Chair for Panel *Many Stories of AI*, University of Bonn and University of Cambridge
- 25/10/2022 Conference *Desirable Futures. Interdisciplinary Perspectives*, organised with Aimee van Wynsberghe and Christiane Woopen, University of Bonn
- 26–30/09/2022 Autumn School *AI—The Art of Interpretation*, organised with Markus Gabriel, Zed Adams and Alex Englander, Institute for Philosophy and the New Humanities, New School for Social Research (New York) and University of Bonn
- 23/09/2022 Conference *Desirable Digitalisation: AI for Just and Sustainable Futures—Project Kick-Off Conference*, organised with Christiane Schäfer, University of Bonn
- 23–27/05/2022 Workshop Series *Workshops on Personhood, and the Ethics of Human Rights, Climate Change and Sustainable AI across Borders*, Chair for Panel on Sustainable AI, University of Ghana
- 17–20/05/2022 Conference *Superdeterminism and Retrocausality*, organised with Sabine Hossenfelder (Frankfurt Institute for Advanced Studies), Tim Palmer (University of Oxford), Huw Price (University of Bonn, University of Cambridge), Laura Michler, Marlene Sieverdingbeck, Debora J. Eller, University of Bonn
- 25–29/10/2021 Autumn School *Objectivity in the Humanities*, organised with Markus Gabriel, Paul Kottman and Alex Englander, Institute for Philosophy and the New Humanities, New School for Social Research (New York) and University of Bonn
- 06–14/05/2021 Conference *Reality and Fiction in Philosophy and Literature*, organised with Tobias Keiling, University of Bonn
- 19–23/10/2020 Digital Autumn School *Artificial Intelligence and the Human*, organised with Markus Gabriel, Zed Adams and Alex Englander, Institute for Philosophy and the New Humanities, New School for Social Research (New York) and University of Bonn
- 17/02/2020 Conference *The Ontology of Digital Capital*, organised with Markus Gabriel and Sergio Genovesi, University of Bonn
- 11–12/02/2020 Internal *CST-CFI Workshop* (with the Leverhulme Center for the Future of Intelligence, University of Cambridge), University of Bonn
- 23/08/2019 Conference *Digitale Chancen von KI – Anwendungen Mitgestalten (=Digital Opportunities of AI – Co-Designing Applications)*, with the team of Fraunhofer IAIS, Markus Gabriel and the Ministry for Economic Affairs, Innovation, Digitalisation and Energy NRW, Bonn
- 24/06/2019 Workshop *Top Down Causation and the Brain* by George Ellis, organised with Markus Gabriel and Marin Geier, University of Bonn
- 17/06/2019 Workshop *Everything and Nothing* by Graham Priest and Markus Gabriel, organised with Marin Geier, University of Bonn
- 06–07/06/2019 Conference *Nature, Technology, Metaphysics. An Encounter between German and Japanese Philosophy*, organised with Markus Gabriel and Alex Englander, University of Bonn
- 21/05/2019 Workshop *Logos* by Raymond Tallis, University of Bonn

- 20/05/2019 Lecture *Neuromythology* by Raymond Tallis, University of Bonn
- 10/05/2019 Vorlesung 10th Ernst Robert Curtius Lecture of Excellence “Consciousness and its place in nature” by Giulio Tononi, organised with Markus Gabriel, University of Bonn
- 01–02/10/2018 Conference *The Future of (Artificial) Intelligence*, University of Bonn
- 09–20/07/2018 Summer School *The Issue of Naturalism in Classical German Philosophy: 8th International Summer School in German Philosophy* by Michael N. Forster and Markus Gabriel, organised with Simon Waskow, University of Bonn
- 19/06/2018 Workshop *Data for the People* by Andreas Weigend, University of Bonn
- 04–05/06/2018 Conference *How Can Physics Underlie the Mind: Top-Down Causation in the Human Context. A Conference with George Ellis*, organised with Markus Gabriel, University of Bonn
- 01/06/2018 Conference *The Quantum Revolution in Philosophy. A Conference with Richard Healey*, organised with Markus Gabriel and Ulf-G. Meißner, University of Bonn
- 06/2018 Workshop Series *Objectivity and Frege* by Charles Travis, organised with Markus Gabriel, Marin Geier and Alex Englander, University of Bonn
- 14/05/2018 Lecture *Consciousness as a Biological Phenomenon* by John Searle, University of Bonn
- 06/2018 Kolloquium zur französischen Philosophie: *Gabe und Gegebenheit (=Colloquium on French Philosophy: Gift, Given and Givenness)*, organised with Sergio Genovesi, University of Bonn
- 04/2018
- 24/01/2018 Workshop *Possibility, Impossibility and Necessity* by Claude Romano and Anna Longo, organised with Sergio Genovesi, University of Bonn
- 20/11/2017 Workshop *Perception* by Umrao Sethi and Peter Epstein, organised with Markus Gabriel, University of Bonn
- 09/11/2017 Lecture 9th Ernst Robert Curtius-Lecture of Excellence “Everything and Nothing” by Graham Priest, organised with Markus Gabriel, University of Bonn
- 02/2018 Kolloquium zur französischen Philosophie: *Möglichkeit, Unmöglichkeit und Notwendigkeit (=Colloquium on French Philosophy: Possibility, Impossibility and Necessity)*, organised with Sergio Genovesi, University of Bonn
- 10/2017
- 02–06/10/2017 9th Bethe Center Workshop “Computational Science and Reality”, organised for Markus Gabriel, Tom Luu, Ulf-G. Meißner and Carsten Urbach, Physikzentrum Bad Honnef
- 10/07/2017 Workshop *Ontology and Skepticism* by Otávio Bueno and Markus Gabriel, University of Bonn
- 29/06/2017 Conference *Science, Metaphysics and Skepticism* organised with Markus Gabriel, University of Bonn

Services to the Profession, Board Activities and Professional Memberships

- Since 06/2025 Member of the Master and Bachelor of Arts Teaching and Study Accreditation Working Group of the Institute of Philosophy, University of Bonn
- Since 06/2024 Managing editor for the book series *Technosophy*, transcript publishing
- Since 06/2024 Elected Member of the Steering Committee of TRA 4 – Individuals, Institutions and Societies, University of Bonn

- Since 04/2024 Elected liaison lecturer (Vertrauensdozent) at the Institute for Philosophy, University of Bonn
- 04/2023–06/2024 Member of the Steering Committee of TRA 4 – Individuals, Institutions and Societies, University of Bonn, for the academic staff
- 04/2022–03/2026 Substitute Member of the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Arts, University of Bonn, for the academic staff
- 05/2021–09/2021 Member of the Diversity and Equity Working Group of the Board of the Institute of Philosophy, University of Bonn
- Since 05/2019 Member of TRA 4 – Individuals, Institutions and Societies, University of Bonn
- 10/2018–09/2021 Member of the Board of the Institute of Philosophy, University of Bonn, as annually re-elected representative of the academic staff
- Since 2017 Member of the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Philosophie (German Society for Philosophy)
- Since 2017 Member of the Gesellschaft für Analytische Philosophie (Society for Analytic Philosophy)

Grants

Principle Investigator or Responsible for the Application

- 2025–2026 Argelander Mobility Grant: Time and Modality (University of Sydney, Centre for Time and Department for Philosophy), PI, funded by the University of Bonn, total 32.100€
- 2024 International Scientific Conference: Fictional Modelling and Self-Modelling. From Philosophy of Science to Philosophy of Mind (Bonn, IZPH), PI, with Charlotte Gauvry, funded by the German Research Foundation, total 2.750€
- 2023 Bonn Global Cooperation Fund, University of Bonn, funding for a research stay and event funds (University of Tokyo, Waseda University, University of Kyoto, Japan), PI, with Dr. Alex Englander, total 7.100€
- 2022–2027 Desirable Digitalisation. Rethinking AI for Just and Sustainable Futures, with Prof. Dr. Markus Gabriel (Bonn, CST), Prof. Dr. Aimee van Wynsberghe (Bonn, Institute for Science and Ethics), Dr. Stephen Cave and Dr. Kanta Dihal (Leverhulme Centre for the Future of Intelligence, University of Cambridge), funded by Stiftung Mercator (Mercator Foundation), 3.800.000€
- 2021–2026 Certified.AI, sub-project 5.1 Philosophy as project leader, with Prof. Dr. Markus Gabriel as director of the CST, funded by Spitzencluster.NRW, approx. 790.000€ for the CST, total approx. 10.200.000€
- 2020 Digital Autumn School *Artificial Intelligence and the Human* funded by the TRA 4 – Individuals, Institutions and Societies, total 9.100€
- 2020 Grant for a research visit to Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan, funded by the International Office, University of Bonn, canceled due to the Corona pandemic, total 9.000€
- 2017 Fellowship from the Franco-German University for a research stay at the Université Paris 1 Pantéon-Sorbonne, total approx. 1.200€

Centrally Involved in Acquiring Grants

- 2021–2026 Alexander von Humboldt Professorship in Applied Ethics of Artificial Intelligence for Prof. Dr. Aimee van Wynsberghe, nominated by Prof. Dr. Markus Gabriel, substantial elaboration of the proposal in the function of the Science Manager of the CST, total approx. 3.500.000€

- 2020–2025 Udo-Keller-Stiftung Forum Humanum Grant for the *Institute for Philosophy and the New Humanities* (New School for Social Research-/University of Bonn), in total approx. 390.000€
- 2020–2024 Thomas-und-Ulla-Kolbeck-Stiftung, Grant for a Postdoctoral Position in the Ethics of Artificial Intelligence, total approx. 200.000€
- 2020–2026 Excellence Strategy of the University of Bonn, co-organisation of the local review and defence, total approx. 12.900.000€

Supervised theses (B.A. and M.A.)

As first supervisor at the University of Bonn

- 2025 Sonia Elisabeth Jones *Grenzen und Möglichkeiten der weiblichen Subjektwerdung in der freiwilligen Prostitution zwischen Simone de Beauvoir und Luce Irigaray* (=Limits and possibilities of female subjectification in voluntary prostitution between Simone de Beauvoir and Luce Irigaray), BA thesis, nominated for the Gender Studies Prize 2025
- 2025 Antonina Krystina Irina Eichner *Welche Rolle spielt die Wahrnehmung bezüglich der Erkenntnisgewinnung? Ein Vergleich von John Lockes und David Humes empirischer Wahrnehmungsauffassung* (=What role does perception play in the acquisition of knowledge? A comparison of John Locke's and David Hume's empirical views on perception), BA thesis
- 2025 Karla Dietz *Selbstobjektifizierendes Verhalten aus existenzialistischer Perspektive. Sartre'sche Unaufrichtigkeit in Simone de Beauvoirs 'Das andere Geschlecht'* (=Self-objectifying behaviour from an existentialist perspective. Sartrean insincerity in Simone de Beauvoir's 'The Second Sex'), BA thesis
- 2024 Marlene Sieverdingbeck *Kritische Perspektiven auf Consent Theorien. Eine intersektionale Analyse liberal- und radikalfeministischer Ansätze zu sexuellem Consent* (=Critical Perspectives on Consent Theories. An Intersectional Analysis of Liberal and Radical Feminist Approaches to Sexual Consent), BA thesis, awarded the Gender Studies Prize 2024, 1st place, of the Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn
- 2024 Nick Felix Dreikausen *Deflationismus in der zeitgenössischen Metaontologie. Eine Debattekonstruktion* (=Deflationism in contemporary metaontology. A reconstruction of the debate), BA thesis
- 2024 Tamara Kosmala *Die Rolle von Vertrauen im Kontext epistemischer Ungerechtigkeit* (=The role of trust in the context of epistemic injustice), BA thesis
- 2024 Beverley Ann Hilgers *Wahrheit und Erkenntnis bei Richard Rorty. Sind die Relativismuskorwürfe gegen Rortys Neopragmatismus gerechtfertigt?* (=Truth and knowledge in Richard Rorty. Are the accusations of relativism levelled at Rorty's neo-pragmatism justified?), BA thesis
- 2023 Joline Kretschmer *Sexualität als Machtinstrument. Zwischen Dominanz und Resistenz* (=Sexuality as an Instrument of Power. Between Dominance and Resistance), MA thesis, now published as *Sexualität als Machtinstrument. Selbstwirksamkeit zwischen Dominanz und Resistenz*, transcript, Bielefeld 2025
- 2022 Luis Nussbauer *Quentin Meillassoux' Argument des korrelationellen Zirkels* (=Quentin Meillassoux's Argument of the Correlationist Circle), BA thesis

- 2022 Maria Butscheidt *Prostitution im existenzialistischen Kontext. Simone de Beauvoirs Überlegungen zur Situation von Frauen in der Prostitution (=Prostitution in the Context of Existentialism. Simone de Beauvoir's Reflections on the Situation of Women in Prostitution)*, BA thesis
- 2022 Caroline Jüngermann *Geschlechtskonstruktion durch Performativität. Eine kritische Analyse Judith Butlers Subjektkonzeption (=Construction of Gender through Performativity. A Critical Analysis of Judith Butler's Conception of the Subject)*, BA thesis
- 2022 Marina Krambrich *Das Spiel der Philosophie. Eine empirische Untersuchung geschlechtsspezifischer Narrative von der akademischen Philosophie unter Studierenden in Bonn (=The Philosophy Game. An Empirical Investigation of Gender-Specific Narratives of Academic Philosophy among Students in Bonn, interdisciplinary BA thesis (supervised with Dr. Moritz von Stetten, Sociology), awarded the Gender Studies Prize 2022, 3rd place, of the Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn*
- 2021 Johanna Tobies *Der Konflikt zwischen Strukturalismus und Objektplatonismus in der Philosophie der Mathematik: Eine kritische Betrachtung des Lösungsansatzes von Mark Balaguer (=The Conflict between Structuralism and Object-Platonism in the Philosophy of Mathematics: A Critical Consideration of Mark Balaguer's Approach)*, BA thesis
- 2021 Pia Wiesner *Sex Work Is Work!? Prostitution und Amateurpornographie im Spannungsverhältnis zwischen Konsens und Monetarisierung (=Sex Work Is Work!? Prostitution and Amateur Pornography in Tension between Consent and Monetisation)*, BA thesis
- 2021 Laurin Tirpitz *Context Matters. How the Categories "Dominant Context" and "Resistant Context" Help Theorizing Gender*, BA thesis
- 2021 Laura Michler *Structural Realism as an Alternative to Standard Scientific Realism: Epistemic Structural Realism vs. Ontic Structural Realism*, BA thesis
- 2021 Joline Kretschmer *Gender as Deeply Diverse. How to Dissolve the Gender Category Dilemma*, BA thesis, awarded the Gender Studies Prize 2022, 1st place, of the Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn
- 2020 Julia Stockhausen *Die reine Vergangenheit in den Zeitphilosophien von Bergson und Deleuze (=The Pure Past in Bergson's and Deleuze's Philosophies of Time)*, BA thesis
- 2020 Leonie Buning *Was bedeutet es für Simone de Beauvoir, Frau zu sein? Versuch einer anti-essentialistischen Analyse von Das Andere Geschlecht. Sitte und Sexus der Frau, sowie eine Einordnung ihrer Position in die feministische Debatte um Essentialismus und Konstruktivismus (=What Does It Mean for Simone de Beauvoir to Be a Woman? An Attempted Anti-Essentialist Analysis of "The Second Sex", as well as a Classification of Her Position in the Feminist Debate on Essentialism and Constructivism)*, BA thesis

As second supervisor at the University of Bonn

- 2025 Laura Karpowski *Digitales Bewusstsein und die Illusion von Autonomie – Eine erkenntnistheoretische Untersuchung zum Mind Upload am Beispiel der Serie Upload (=Digital Consciousness and the Illusion of Autonomy – An Epistemological Investigation of Mind Upload Using the Example of the Series Upload)*
- 2025 Tristan Bela Schemann *Heidegger und das Silicon Valley – Eine Fallstudie (=Heidegger and Silicon Valley – A Case Study)*, BA thesis
- 2024 Julius Friedrich Dahm *Ist Wissen wie Versprechen? Eine Untersuchung des Wissensbegriffs bei J. L. Austin (=Is Knowledge like a Promise? An Investigation of the Concept of Knowledge in J. L. Austin)*, BA thesis

- 2023 Nina Fleck Valls *Bewusstsein der Zeit: Eine philosophisch-physikalische Auseinandersetzung über die Konstituierung von absoluter und relativer Zeitwahrnehmung (=Consciousness of Time: A Philosophical-Physical Debate on the Constitution of Absolute and Relative Time Perception)*, BA thesis
- 2023 Leo Maximilian Schüler *Postmoderne Subjektkonstitution in Christian Krachts Faserland. Was Lacan uns über Faserland verraten kann (=Postmodern Subject Constitution in Christian Kracht's Faserland. What Lacan can tell us about Faserland?)*, interdisciplinary BA thesis (supervised with Prof. Dr. Kerstin Stüssel, German Studies, Comparative Literature and Cultural Studies)
- 2021 Pauline Marie Luise Killmann *Wissen und Rechtfertigung. Eine Analyse des Gettier-Problems (=Knowledge and Justification. An Analysis of the Gettier Problem)*, BA thesis
- 2021 Robert Raffel *Adornos Verhältnis zur Sozialontologie (=Adorno's Relationship to Social Ontology)*, BA thesis
- 2018 Alexander Schubert *Nach der Endlichkeit? Eine kritische Darstellung von Quentin Meillassoux (=After Finitude? A Critical Account of Quentin Meillassoux)*, BA thesis

Language skills

German	Native language
English	Fluent
Spanish	Basic knowledge
French	Basic knowledge