

Conferences, workshops, panels

- 2025 (with T. Mentrup) International Workshop: *"In the Wake of Extractivism – Navigations of Knowledge, Un/Certainties, and Repair"*, final workshop of the research project: "Management of Loss. Politics of Life and Death in Minas Gerais (Brazil)". Department of Anthropology and African Studies, Mainz University (October 2025).
- 2025 (with O. Zenker) Workshop *"Commoning Solidarities beyond Differences? Values and their (de)grounding of Political Communities"*, Panel at the biennial conference of the German Association of Anthropologists, Munich (October 2025).
- 2024 (with G. Schabacher) Workshop *"Mobilities, Care, Urban Control. A conversation with Mimi Sheller"*, CRC "Studies on Human Differentiation" (December 2024) (part of the CRC "Human Differentiation").
- 2024 (with N. Padovani) Workshop *"Entre os afetos do cuidado e das fronteiras"*. Unicamp, Núcleo de Estudos de Gênero PAGU, Campinas, Brasilien (October 2024).
- 2024 (with O. Zenker) International Workshop *"The Politics of (Post-)Truth: Knowledge-Making in Fragmented Worlds of Mis/Trust"*, Department of Anthropology and African Studies, Mainz University (July 2024).
- 2024 (with C. Brković) *A reflexive turn in humanitarian studies? Rethinking the construction of migration, difference and race beyond mobilities*. Panel at the 21st IMISCOE Annual Conference, Lisbon (July 2024).
- 2024 (with E. Hernández & E. Reichl) *Rethinking the Volatility of Vulnerability against Categorical Constraints*. International workshop as part of the Collaborative Research Centre 1482 "Studies on Human Differentiation", JGU Mainz (June 2024). (part of the CRC "Human Differentiation").
- 2024 (with T. Mentrup) *"Só tirar poeira? Debater e repensar o conjunto de meio ambiente, saúde e condições de vida no cotidiano pós-rompimento em Brumadinho"*. Participatory workshop, Brumadinho, Minas Gerais, Brazil (February 2024), part of the research project: "Management of Loss. Politics of Life and Death in Minas Gerais (Brazil)".
- 2023 *Disentangling the multiplicity of crises: Im/mobilities and uncertainties beyond perceptions of emergency*. Third network meeting of DFG-funded network "Migration and im/mobilities in the Global South in pandemic times", MPI Göttingen (November 2023).
- 2023 (with O. Zenker) *The Politics of (Post-)Truth: Knowledge-Making in Fragmented Worlds of Mis/Trust*. Panel at the biennial conference of the German Association of Anthropologists, Munich (July 2023).
- 2022 (with A. Pedroso de Lima and M. Coelho) *Emotions and the powers of care. Sensing, judging, rejecting asymmetric encounters*. Panel at the EASA Biennial Conference, Belfast (July 2022).
- 2022 (with E. Steinhilper) *Navigating diverging temporalities in pro-migrant solidarity encounters*. Panel at the 19th imiscoe-conference, Oslo (online) (June 2022).
- 2022 (with F. Fay & K. N'Guessan) *Politics of good parenting: normativities, distinctions, interventions*. International workshop, University of Mainz (May 2022).
- 2022 (with A. Missbach) *DFG-Netzwerk Migration and im/mobilities in pandemic times*. kick-off meeting of research network, University of Mainz (April 2022).

- 2021 (with Nanneke Winters) *Along and out of the way. Place-making amidst Migrant Trajectories*. International workshop, University of Mainz (July 2021) (part of the research project: African Trajectories Across Central America)
- 2019 (with Martin Sökefeld) *Aushandlungen im Kontext globaler Mobilität*. Roundtable at the biannual conference of the German Association of Anthropologists. University of Konstanz (October 2019).
- 2019 (with Eva Riedke & Celine Molter) *Bureaucracies: Blueprints in Practice*. Symposium on the occasion of Thomas Bierschenk's retirement. University of Mainz (February 2019).
- 2019 (with T. Bierschenk, H. Cabot, B. Kalir) *Localizing the Study of the State and Bureaucracy*. International workshop. (January, University of Amsterdam).
- 2018 (with Bela Feldman Bianco) *Migration, displacements and dispossession: ethnographic perspectives into the dynamics of domination, violence and social mobilizations*. 18th IUAES world congress, Florianópolis (July 2018).
- 2018 (with H. Brown, Durham) *Care in Crisis. Ethnographic Perspectives on Humanitarianism*. International conference, financed through the Thyssen Foundation and the Zentrum für Interkulturelle Studien (ZIS), University of Mainz (February 2018).
- 2017 (with A. Lems) *Refugeeism, displacement and new types of sociabilities. Anthropological perspectives on current trends*. Panel at the DGV-Conference, Berlin (September 2017).
- 2017 (with N. Kleist) *Deportation as friction*. Panel at the second Transmobilities & Development Conference "Frictions in a mobile world", Radboud University, Nijmegen (June 2017).
- 2017 (with N. Winters) *Locating migrant trajectories: Experiences of displacement, emplacement, and migration industries*. Panel at the second Transmobilities & Development Conference, Radboud University, Nijmegen, the Netherlands (June 2017).
- 2016 (with N. Glick Schiller and A. Çağlar) *Political Subjectivities in the Face of Displacement: Claiming rights, belonging, and social citizenship*. Panel at the 14th EASA Biennial Conference, Milan, Italy (July 2016).
- 2014 (with J. Eckert) *Tracing Eligibilities: Moralities, Performances, Practices*. Panel at the 13th EASA Biennial Conference, Tallinn, Estland (August 2014).
- 2014 (with A. Scherr) *Doing Deportation - Moral und Kontingenz in der Abschiebep Praxis*. Conference FreiNeM (Freiburger Netzwerk der Migrationsforschung) / Studienhaus Wiesneck Termin: Haus Wiesneck (bei Freiburg) (July 2014).
- 2013 (with M. Pelican) *Mobility within and to the Global South. Alternative histories, labour policies, and citizenship regimes*. International conference, carried out at University of Cologne, funded by EASA as well as the Global South Studies Centre, University of Cologne (December 2013).
- 2013 (with I. Kummels) *Ästhetik oder Ethik? Herausforderungen ethnographischer Annäherungen an ‚Blackness‘ zwischen Markt und Politik*. Panel at the DGV-Conference, Mainz (October 2013).
- 2013 (with M. Pelican) *New Topographies of African Migration: Education, Entrepreneurship and Trade from Africa towards East and West*. Workshop at the 5th European Conference on African Studies (ECAS), Lisbon (June 2013).

- 2012 (with E. Alber): *Rethinking Care: Anthropological Perspectives on the Life Course and 'Kin Work' in trans-local entanglements*. International conference at the international research centre „Work and the Human Life Cycle in Global History“ (re:work), Humboldt-University to Berlin (December 2012).
- 2012 (with Ch. Achermann & I. Hasselberg) *Deportation, Justice, Anxieties*. Panel at the 12th Biennial EASA Conference in Nanterre, France (September 2012).
- 2011 (with I. Kummels) *Afro-Indigenous Cultural Heritage. Current debates on Origins, Multiculturalism and Consumerism in Latin-America*. Workshop at the Lateinamerika-Institut of Free University of Berlin, funded by the Thyssen Foundation (December 2011).
- 2011 (with M. Pelican): *Intersections of mobility, law and social relations*. Panel at the annual conference of the American Anthropological Association (AAA) in Montreal, Canada (November 2011).
- 2011 (with I. Kummels): *Kulturerbe, Konsumstile und Diaspora in Afrolateinamerika*. Workshop of the section ‚Afro-America‘ at the DGV-Conference in Vienna (September 2011).
- 2011 (with B. Nieswand): *Mobilität, Gesellschaft, Kultur. Ethnologie der Migration im deutschsprachigen Raum*. Workshop at the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity. Göttingen (June 2011).
- 2009 (with B. Nieswand): *The Next Generation? „Jüngere“ Sozialanthropologie der Migration im deutschsprachigen Raum*. Network meeting at the Workshop at the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity (November / December 2009).
- 2009 (with L. Rossbach de Olmos): *Afroatlantische Allianzen. Transnationale Einsprüche und Aneignungen in Geschichte und Gegenwart*. Workshop in the context of the section ‚Afro-America‘ at the DGV-Conference in Frankfurt/M. (October 2009).
- 2008 (with G. Sprenger): *Relations that Money can Buy. Negotiating Mutualities and Asymmetries in local and translocal social fields*. Panel at the 10th EASA Biennial Conference, Ljubljana, Slovenia (August 2008).
- 2007 (with L. Rossbach de Olmos): *Empirie und Theorie in der Afroamerikaforschung: Reflexion und Standortbestimmung am Anfang des 21. Jahrhunderts*. Workshop in the section ‚Afro-America‘ at the DGV-Conference in Halle (October 2007).
- 2006 (with B. Schnepel): *Islands of Doom, Islands of Bliss: revisiting maritime places of conquest and exploitation*. Panel at the 9th EASA Biennial Conference, Bristol, UK (September 2006).
- 2006 (together with S. Lemke, American Studies, University of Freiburg): *Symposium für Studierende: Der Black Atlantic aus literaturwissenschaftlicher und ethnologischer Perspektive* (July 2006).
- 2005 (with L. Rossbach de Olmos): *Afroamerika(ner) im Widerstreit: Konflikte, Katastrophen, Kriminalität*. Workshop of the section ‚Afro-America‘ at the DGV-Conference in Halle (October 2005).
- 2001 coordinator for the conception, the preparation, the chairing and the documentation of the national follow-up conference of the Stockholm UN-world congress on „Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children and Youth“. Cooperation between the German Youth

Institute (DJI), Munich and the German Ministry for Family, Elderly, Women and Youth (BMFSFJ), Berlin (March 2001).

Lectures & presentations

- 2025 *Along the twilights of care. Continuities of technomoral politics in São Paulo's pro-migrant activism.* ISA International Guest Lecture at the Austrian Academie of Sciences – Institute for Social Anthropology. Vienna (March 2025).
- 2024 *Rethinking the Crux of Selective Solidarities in Pro-migrant Activism in São Paulo's Squats.* Paper presented at the international workshop: Selective Solidarities in Times of Multiple Crisis. Research Group “Boundaries of Helping under Conditions of Multiple Crises”, Goethe University Frankfurt (November 2024).
- 2024 *Ruinen der Zukunft? Zeitliche Dimensionen von Extraktivismus und Reparatur in Brumadinho (Brasilien),* Vortrag mit T. Mentrup, Institutskolloquium, Institut für Ethnologie und Afrikastudien, JGU Mainz (November 2024).
- 2024 *Pelas penumbras do cuidado. Continuidades da política tecnomoral no ativismo pró-migrante em São Paulo.* Presentation at the Department of Anthropology at the Universidade Estadual do Rio do Janeiro (UERJ) (October 2024).
- 2024 *Human Differentiation in Contact Zones of Support. Researching Vernacular Humanitarianism as a Sorting Machine by Other Means.* **Keynote** at the international conference „Vernacular Humanitarianism in a Global Perspective“ International Conference Mnarani, Kilifi, Kenya (September 2024).
- 2024 *Vulnerability as a Boundary Object.* Paper presented at the conference of the CRC “Human Differentiation”, JGU Mainz (July 2024).
- 2024 (with Elena Reichl) *Kill your Darlings! Navigating Asymmetric Power Constellations and Feminist Frictions in Brazilian Structures of Support.* Paper presented at the International Workshop “The Politics of (Post-)Truth: Knowledge-Making in Fragmented Worlds of Mis/Trust” (July 2024).
- 2024 *Lost in Translation. Vulnerability as a Boundary Object.* Paper presented at the workshop Rethinking the Volatility of Vulnerability against Categorical Constraints, JGU Mainz. (June 2024).
- 2024 (with Elena Hernández) *The Frictious Legacies of Invisibilized presences in Black Lisbon.* Paper presented at the workshop “Mobilities and Movements: Analyzing and Theorizing Legacies”, University of Neuchâtel (May 2024).
- 2023 *Care and reunification in a Cape Verdean family – changing articulations of kin and legal ties.* Paper presented at the Research Institute for Languages and Cultures of Asia and Africa (ILCAA), Tokyo University of Foreign Studies (TUFS) (17 October).
- 2023 *Re- and decentering migration in studies of human categorization.* Workshop convened by Heike Drotbohm and Franziska Reiffen during the Summer School “Telling people apart: Sorting, grouping and distinguishing”, organized by the CRC 1482 “Studies in human differentiation” at JGU Mainz (June 2023).
- 2022 *Im Zwielficht der Normierung solidarisch-aktivistischer Netzwerke in São Paulo, Brasilien.* Institutskolloquium München (December 2022).

- 2022 *Rethinking divergent utopias. Consensus, accountability, and voice in Brazil's squats.* Workshop: "Common(ing) Struggles". St Gallen (May 2022).
- 2020 *Steuern, stützen, stören. Zur affektiven Evaluation von Kategorisierungen in humanitären Bürokratien.* Presentation at the conference "Humandifferenzierung. Disziplinäre Perspektiven und empirische Sondierungen", JGU Mainz / online.
- 2020 Discussant at the panel *Contexts and experiences of precariousness: discourses, practices and emotions* at the 16th EASA-Conference, Lisbon / online (July 2020).
- 2019 (mit Nanneke Winters) *Emerging categories: the production of forced mobility and immobility in Brazil and Central America.* Presentation at the DGSKA conference, University of Konstanz (October 2019).
- 2019 *Future as a method for studying aging in transnational social fields.* **Keynote** at the conference "Caregiving of the elderly and dependent people: Promoting Gender Equality and Social Justice". Universitat Rovira I Virgili, Tarragona, Spain (September 2019).
- 2019 *Abandoned Futures. Exploring contradictory perceptions and politics of displacement in São Paulo's squats.* Presentation at the conference "Deexceptionalizing Displacement? Precarity and Mobility in a Neoliberal World", University of Pittsburgh, USA (August 2019)
- 2019 *Abandoned Futures: Exploring contradictory perceptions and politics of displacement in São Paulo's squats.* Lunch Lecture at the Department of Anthropology, University of California, UCLA, Los Angeles (August 2019).
- 2019 *Friend and Foe alike: Studying the ambivalence of 'o jeitinho' in Brazil's humanitarian bureaucracies.* Presentation at the workshop "Localizing the study of the state and bureaucracy", University of Amsterdam (January 2019).
- 2018 *Transnational Belonging Contested. Comparing the Normativity of Return in the Context of Retirement Migration and Deportation.* Presentation at the conference "Conflicts over Cross-Border Migration, Classifications and Belonging: Conceptual, Normative and Epistemological Challenges", organized by Anna Amelina, Miriam Friz Trzeciak, Jana Schäfer, University of Cottbus, Schloss Lübbenau (June 2018).
- 2018 *Aushandlungen von Verwandtschaft und Zugehörigkeit im Kontext einer Familienzusammenführung.* Lecture series Heidelberg: "Familie und Gesellschaftliche Umbrüche" (February 2018)
- 2017 *"I feel embraced and rejected at the same time." Comparing contradictory politics of migratory belonging in São Paulo's humanitarianism and housing movements.* Presentation at the colloquium of the Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology, University of Hamburg (June 2017).
- 2017 *The family as the new battlefield of migration. Epistemological and methodological considerations from an anthropological perspective.* Presentation at the European summer school for the anthropology of development and social dynamics, University of Mainz (May 2017).
- 2017 *Migration, Abschiebung und die Moral der Rückkehr nach Kap Verde.* Presentation at the ,Night of the Profs', Stadttheater Mainz (May 2017).

- 2017 *Die Krise humanitärer Bürokratien in Brasilien und die Rolle der Ethnologie*. Presentation at the colloquium of the Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology, University of Marburg (May 2017).
- 2017 *Undoing Families. Rethinking Kinship, Care, and new Inequalities in the context of forced return migration*. **Keynote** at the conference “Navigating the Boundaries of Kinship and Politics” at the Center for Interdisciplinary Research (ZiF), University of Bielefeld (May 2017).
- 2017 *Überlegungen zur Humandifferenzierung in humanitären Abläufen*. Presentation at the Research Group (Un-)Doing Differences, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz (February 2017)
- 2017 *Was wiegt ein Mensch? Die Krise humanitärer Bürokratien in Brasilien und die Rolle der Ethnologie*. Antrittsvorlesung at the Department of Anthropology and African Studies (ifeas), University of Mainz (February 2017).
- 2017 *Chancen und Risiken humanitärer Bürokratien in Brasilien*. Presentation at the international conference „Ein Kontinent in Bewegung. Flucht und Migration in den Amerikas“, Hofgeismar (27-29 January 2017).
- 2016 *Exploring contradictory politics of displacement: São Paulo’s humanitarianism and occupy movements*. Lecture at the New School for Social Research, New York City (20 September 2016).
- 2016 *Gendered spaces of differences: institutionalised protection and struggles for rights among mobile populations in Brazil*. Talk at the conference “Revisiting Borders and Boundaries: Gendered Politics and Experiences of Migrant Inclusion and Exclusion”, Neuchâtel (4 November 2016).
- 2016 *Trajectories of re-emplacement and re-possession among displaced people in São Paulo, Brazil*. Talk at the EASA conference 2016, panel: “Political Subjectivities in the Face of Displacement: Claiming rights, belonging, and social citizenship”, organized by Nina Glick Schiller and Heike Drotbohm (August 2016).
- 2016 Discussant at the panel: “Cross-cutting care and care across cuts: dimensions of care in contexts of crisis and social change”, organized by Rosie Read and Antonia de Lima, EASA 2016 (August 2016).
- 2016 *Abschiebung als unvorbereitete Rückkehr. Für ein Zusammendenken von Migration und Entwicklungszusammenarbeit*. Impulse speech at the roundtable “Abschiebung bewegt Menschen” of the series “Foyer Forschung”, University of Konstanz (April 2016).
- 2015 *From marriage to adoption. A Cape Verdean reflection on kin categories, care, and migration law*. Talk at the IMISCOE conference 2015, panel: family migration & citizenship (June 2015).
- 2015 *Who cares? Work, Care, Household, and the Family*. Talk at the conference „6-years Re:Work“, Berlin (June 2015).
- 2015 *From marriage to adoption. A Cape Verdean reflection on kin categories, international travel, and migration law*. Talk at the conference “Migration as a Family Matter. Perspectives from inside and outside of the Law”. Free University of Amsterdam (March 2015).

- 2015 Discussant at the conference „Labor in a Single Shot“, in honor of Harun Farocki, Haus der Kulturen der Welt, Berlin (February 2015).
- 2015 *Familie als zentrale Berechtigungskategorie der Migration*. Lecture at the first National Symposium on Childhood and Family Sciences, HAW Hamburg (February 2015).
- 2015 *Normas e Práticas de Elegibilidade em Contextos Humanitários*. Lecture at the Centro de referencia para refugiados, Caritas São Paulo (September 2015).
- 2015 *A experiência haitiana num contexto humanitário*. Lecture at the Ambulatório Transcultural, Instituto de Psiquiatria – IPq, Faculdade Medicina, São Paulo (September 2015).
- 2014 *Verschiebungen der Sorge zwischen Familien, sozialen Netzwerken und Institutionen in Krisenzeiten. Eine transatlantische Perspektive*. Presentation at the colloquium of the Department of Anthropology and African Studies, University of Mainz (December 2014).
- 2014 *Gender, Family, and Migration Law. Combining transnational and multicultural perspectives*. Keynote at the Gender Studies Programme (Conférence Universitaire de Suisse Occidentale (CUSO) (December 2014).
- 2014 *Von transnationaler Ehe zur Adoption: Die Familie als zentrale Berechtigungskategorie der Migration*. Presentation at the colloquium of the Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology, University of Luzern (November).
- 2014 *Deportation as a comparative lens for examining the moral grounds of transnational migration*. Presentation at the Workshop „Emerging Transnational Scholarship Workshop“, NIAS, Wassenaar (October).
- 2014 *The Enigma of Accelerated Aging in Spheres of Reduced Mobility*. Presentation at the conference „Identity and Accelerated Change“ of the programme „An Overheated World“, Oslo (October 2014).
- 2014 *It's never enough. Rethinking Cape Verdean food parcels in the light of the 'moral economy'*. Presentation in the Panel „Food Parcels. Intimate Connections in Transnational Migration“. EASA 2014, Tallinn (August 2014).
- 2014 *Die sozialen Folgen einer moralisierten Wahrnehmung von Migration durch Abschiebungen*. Presentation at the conference „Doing Deportation. Moral und Kontingenz in der Abschiebepaxis“, Haus Wiesneck bei Freiburg (July 2014).
- 2014 *Gender und Familie im Kontext von Abschiebungen*. Presentation at the conference „Doing Deportation. Moral und Kontingenz in der Abschiebepaxis“, Haus Wiesneck bei Freiburg (July 2014).
- 2014 *Claiming Care against the fear of abandonment. Ethics of elderly care as a relational coproduction between institutions and families in times of crisis*. Presentation at the conference „Beyond the Global Care Chain. Boundaries, Institutions and Ethics of Care“. MPI Halle (July 2014).
- 2014 Invited Discussant at the conference *Doing Politics – Making Kinship Back towards a future. Anthropology of Social Organisation and Belonging*. Berlin (February 2014).
- 2014 *Konkurrenz und Komplementarität von Freundschaft und Verwandtschaft in grenzüberschreitend gelebten Beziehungsnetzwerken*. Talk at the colloquium of the PhD research group (Graduiertenkolleg 1288) „Friends, Patrons, Clients. Practice and

- semantics of friendship and patronage in historical, anthropological and cross-cultural perspectives” University of Freiburg (January 2014).
- 2013 *Atlantische Perspektiven auf Arbeitsmigration, Generationenbeziehungen und die Bürde der Sorge*. Talk at the colloquium of Desigualdades.net, Free University of Berlin (S. Costa) (December 2013).
- 2013 *Contested Citizenship. Deportation and readjustments of belonging in transnational social fields*. Invited lecture at the Conference “Dinámicas de inclusión y exclusión en America Latina – Perspectivas y prácticas de etnicidad, ciudadanía y pertenencia”, Guadalajara, Mexico (September 2013).
- 2013 *Sharing care, reciprocities and inequalities across national borders: Rethinking „stratified reproduction“ in the context of transnational households*. Presentation at the International Conference of Labour and Social History (Linz, Österreich): Global History of Domestic Workers and Caregivers (September 2013).
- 2013 *Extracting hope from papers. Subjectivities of migration law and ‘relational immobility’ in Cape Verdean transnational fields*. Presentation at the panel “New geographies of hope and despair” at the Conference of the International Union of anthropological and ethnological sciences (IUAES), Manchester (August 2013).
- 2013 *Temporal strategies of schooling and foster care in transnational families. Perspectives from Cape Verde*. Presentation at the conference “Transnational families: Multi-sited, mixed-method and comparative research approaches”. Maastricht, the Netherlands (March 2013).
- 2013 *Es ist nie genug. Betrachtungen transnationaler Sorgepraxen als moralische Ökonomien*. Presentation at the colloquium of the History and Sociology Department, University of Konstanz (January 2013).
- 2012 *Die Crux der kulturellen Fixierung. Indigene, Quilombolas und die Manöver der Fürsprache einer angewandten Ethnologie in Brasilien*. ‘Defence’ of the Habilitation, Philosophical Faculty, University of Freiburg (3 December 2012).
- 2012 *Celebrating Asymmetries. Creole stratification and the regrounding of home in Cape Verdean migrant return visits*. Invited lecture at the Instituto de Filosofia e Ciências Humanas der Universidade Estadual de Campinas (Unicamp), Brasilien (20 September 2012).
- 2012 *Ruptured Returns. Reinventions of mobility and transnational connectedness among deported migrants in Cape Verde*. Invited Lecture at the Departamento de Antropologia der Universidade de Brasília (UnB), Brasilien (12 September 2012).
- 2012 *Claiming care against the fear of abandonment. Needs and obligations of elderly care in Cape Verde*. Presentation at the workshop „Care in times of crises: between welfare-state and interpersonal relationships“ (EASA Conference in Nanterre, France (September 2012)).
- 2012 *‘It’s never enough.’ Rethinking transnational care relations in the light of the ‚moral economy‘*. Presentation at the final conference „Work and the human life cycle in global history“, academic year 2011/2012, Humboldt University to Berlin (July 2012).
- 2012 *Konversionen und Kreuzungen. Spirituelle und familiäre Loyalitäten in transnationalen Feldern Haitis*. Presentation at the serial lecture „Religion und Gender in Transnationalen

- Kontexten“, organized by the Lateinamerika-Institut at Free University of Berlin (February 2012).
- 2011 *Creoles in Ruins. Gender, class and claims of transnational belonging among deportees in Cape Verde*. Université de Neuchâtel, lecture series de la maison d'analyse des processus sociaux (MAPS) (October 2011).
- 2011 *Impossible Friends: Moral reasoning about changing ties in the context of transnational contingencies*. Presentation at the panel “Friendship, Morality, and Experience.” Conference of the American Anthropological Association (AAA) in Montreal, Canada (November 2011).
- 2011 *State border control, forced return migration and its social implications in Cape Verde*. 5th conference of the African Borderlands Research Network ABORNE, “Crossing African Borders: Migration and Mobility”, Lisbon (September 2011).
- 2011 *„Relationale Immobilität“: Forschen über transnationale Subjektivität und ‚verworfenen Mitgliedschaften‘ jenseits des methodologischen Transnationalismus*. Presentation at the workshop „Ethnologien der Migration“ at the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity (June 2011).
- 2011 *Concepts of Creolisation in Anthropology: The Case of Trinidad*. Workshop at the Faculty of Humanities and Education, University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, Trinidad & Tobago (March 2011).
- 2011 *Begrenzungen geteilter Sorge. Arrangements zwischen den Geschlechtern und Generationen in kapverdischen transnationalen Familien*. Symposium of the Freiburger Gender Studies: „Migration, Mobilität, Geschlecht“ (February 2011).
- 2010 *Familie transnational - Ideale Vorstellung, moralische Erzählung und affirmatives Handeln in Kap Verde*. Presentation at the conference „Familienkonstellationen aus interkultureller Perspektive“, University of Freiburg, Deutsches Seminar – Neuere Deutsche Literatur (October 2010).
- 2010 *"It's like belonging to a place that has never been yours." Forced return migration and perceptions of involuntary immobility*. Presentation at the Conference: IDee: Migrations – Interdisciplinary Perspectives, Vienna (July 2010).
- 2010 *Moral Economies in Capeverdean transnational social fields*. Presentation at the colloquium of the Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology, University of Luzern (April 2010).
- 2010 Invited chair of the conference „Selective affinities, friendship and obligations in the investigations in sociology and political science: fieldwork in a comparative perspective in Europe“, University of Freiburg (28 April 2010).
- 2009 *Asymmetrien der Gleichzeitigkeit. Zur Bedeutung struktureller Differenz in transnationalen Familien*. Vortrag im Rahmen des Workshops “Simultaneous incorporation revisited: Erfolgreiche Aneignung und leidvolle Brüche im transnationalen Raum“, in the context of the AG Migration at the DGV-Conference in Frankfurt / Main (October 2009).
- 2009 Invited chair of the conference „Friends, Patrons, Followers“. Final conference of the PhD research group *Freunde, Gönner, Getreue*, University of Freiburg (23-25 July 09).

- 2009 *Negotiating proximities, desires and distances. Remittances and the meaning of an eventual return in Cape Verde.* Presentation at the European Conference on African Studies (ECAS), in Leipzig, Germany. Panel: "Transnational African Migrations, Inequalities and Remittances" (June 2009)
- 2009 *Unmögliche Freunde. Transformationen sozialer Verbindlichkeiten zwischen Kap Verde und seiner Diaspora.* Presentation at the colloquium of the PhD research group *Freunde, Gönner, Getreue*, University of Freiburg (26 January 2009).
- 2009 *Unmögliche Freunde. Transformationen sozialer Verbindlichkeiten zwischen Kap Verde und seiner Diaspora.* Presentation at the anthropology colloquium, University of Bayreuth (20 January 2009).
- 2008 Invited discussant at the Conference *Margins and Alliances, The Upper Guinea Coast and the making of the Atlantic*, organized by Max Planck Institute of Social Anthropology (Halle) and Institute of Social Sciences, Lisbon (17-21 December 2008).
- 2008 *Vom Umgang mit 'Lüge' und 'Zurückweisung' in der ethnologischen Feldforschung.* Workshop on 'methods', Institute of Sociology, University of Freiburg (November 2008).
- 2008 *Redefining "Strong Ties": Transnational motherhood, migration policies and life's contingencies from a Cape Verdean perspective.* Presentation at the workshop "Transnational Parenthood and Children-left-behind", Oslo (November 2008).
- 2008 *Inflexible citizenship. Fractured incorporations and notions of 'justice' related to Cape Verdean forced return migration.* Presentation at the conference 'Rethinking Citizenship', MPI (Halle) (12-14 November 2008).
- 2008 *"It's like belonging to a place that has never been yours." Forced return migration and perceptions of involuntary immobility.* Invited lecture at the younger scholars' plenary session. 10th EASA Biennial Conference: Ljubljana, Slovenia (August 2008).
- 2008 *Verstehen in der Ethnologie: Schreiben gegen die Patina des Vertrautseins.* Presentation at the conference "Verstehen", Department of Sociology, University of Freiburg (February 2008).
- 2008 *How to maintain long-distance proximities? Negotiating reciprocity, inequality and disconnection in transnational Capeverdean families.* Presentation at the conference "Families, constructions of foreignness and migration in 20th century western Europe". Leuven University, Belgium (15-16 May 2008).
- 2008 *„We give them what they want.“ Weiße Puppen, schwarze Magie und Parodien des Fremden im Vodou der haitianischen Diaspora.* Presentation at the Graduiertenkolloquium, Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology, FU Berlin (January 2008).
- 2008 *Frauenforschung, Feminismus und Gender in der Ethnologie.* Lecture in the lecture series 'Gender Studies', University of Freiburg (January 2008).
- 2007 *Die Macht der Grenzen im Inneren des Lokalen: Zur Bedeutung von Immobilität, Transnationalismus und Deportation in Kap Verde.* Presentation at the workshop „Offene Gemeinschaften und geschlossene Grenzen: Die Grenze als Herausforderung an die Ethnologie“ at the DGV-Conference in Halle (October 2007).
- 2007 *Ogou and his lonely heroes: Narrations of masculinities, counter-histories and powerlessness between Haiti and Canada.* Presentation at the conference „Travelling

- Spirits. Migrants, Markets, and Moralities“, Humboldt-University to Berlin (16-18 September 2007).
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