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CURRICULUM VITAE

STUDIES

1990-2003 Ruhr-University of Bochum, Department of History / Institute of Philosophy
Bochum, Germany

Doctorate Magna cum laude. History (Dr. phil.); Chance and Contingency in the Theory of
History. With two Studies in the Theory and Practice of Social History, 2003

Master's With Honors. History / Philosophy (M.A.); Chance as a Category in the Theory of
History, 1996

EXPERIENCE

ACTIVITIES AS HISTORIAN AND PHILOSOPHER

2008-2012 Scientific consultant for the ProCredit Holding AG (Frankfurt am Main, Germany). In
this context teaching history, philosophy and communication at the Regional Academy
in Managua (Nicaragua) and Bogotá (Colombia), member of the management team of
the academy

2007-2008 Scientific collaboration on the publication „The Day when Germany was born. The
History of the Battle of the Teutoburg Forest” (Hamburg, Agency for History and
Media)

2006 Investigation of statistical sources for the European Science Foundation Project: “The
Writing of National Histories in Europe”, in collaboration with Prof. Lluís Roura,
University Autònoma of Barcelona, scholar of the ESF

2003-2004 Investigation of the sources for the project “History of the WDR 1959-2003” (Hamburg,
Agency for History and Media)

2001-2003 Investigation and multimedia conceptions for pilot projects in Philosophy (Distance
University Hagen, Department of Philosophy): CD-Rom “Introduction to the Studies of
Philosophy” and CD-Rom “A Philosophy of Networked Communication”

ACTIVITIES AS LANGUAGE TEACHER AND TRANSLATOR

- 2007 Translation from Spanish into German: “Scientific dictionary of gastronomy” by Ferran Adrià
- 2004-2007 Centro Humboldt, Intercultural Communication, Barcelona: German classes for industrial clients (SEAT) and individual language training

LANGUAGES

German	Native speaker
English	Good command of speaking and writing skill
Spanish	Good command of speaking and writing skill
Latin	Latinum

LECTURES / PUBLICATIONS

SELECTION OF LECTURES

- 2011 *Chance in history and histories*, Panel Discussion in Honor of John Cage’s 100th Birthday , Academy of Fine Arts, Berlin, Germany
- 2010 *Contingency: The impossibility of calculating change*, Lecture at the Annual Seminar, Dynamics and Change“, Bielefeld Graduate School in History and Sociology, University of Bielefeld, Germany
- 2007 *Experience and consciousness of contingency: a historical approach*, Conference of Political Science “Politics under conditions of social contingency”, University of Hamburg, Germany
- 2005 *The thorn of the historical event – remnants of reality in the science of history*, Interdisciplinary Colloquium, University of Zürich, Switzerland
- 2003 *Towards the actuality of Theodor W. Adorno*, Panel Discussion, Public Library Gütersloh, Germany

SELECTION OF PUBLICATIONS

- 2012 *Contingency: The impossibility of calculating change*, in: Politics and Contingency, edited by K. Toens und U. Willems, Wiesbaden
- 2007 *How to get rid of history to gain time – preliminary reflections on a theory of historical times*, in: History of Law 11
- 2007 *A Bengal tiger as vegetarian. Towards a criticism of anti-speciesism and veganism*, in: “To melt the stony heart of eternity”. Articles on a critical theory for the liberation of the animals, edited by S. Witt-Stahl, Aschaffenburg
- 2005 *Chance and contingency in the theory of history. With two studies in the theory and practice of social history*, edited by the Max-Planck-Institute for European History of Laws, Frankfurt/Main

- 2005 *Article "Chance III". Modern Times. Philosophy and History* (with A. Niessen), in: *Historical Dictionary of Philosophy*, edited by J. Ritter, Basel
- 2003 *Marginalia to Adorno* (with Th. Bedorf / J. Maaßen / T. Skrandies), Münster
- 2002 *The day starts with a language sore. Poems and poetical variations*, Essen
- 2001 *Lies in history. About lies and falsifications of the past* (with T. Bendikowski and D. Sawicki), Münster