

# Curriculum Vitae

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### Education and Professional Experience

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2017- Associate Professor, Department of Government, University of Vienna

2014- Deputy Head of Department, Department of Government, University of Vienna

2014-2017 Assistant Professor (tenure track), Department of Government, University of Vienna

2010-2014 Post-doc Researcher, Project: AUTNES (Austrian National Election Study)

2010-2014 University Assistant, Department of Government, University of Vienna

2007–2010 Doctoral student at the Center for Doctoral Studies in Social and Behavioral Sciences (CDSS), University of Mannheim

2009–2010 Research Assistant at the Mannheim Centre for European Social Research, University of Mannheim

2008–2009 Research Assistant at the Political Science Chair III, University of Mannheim

2005–2007 Tutor (student assistant) for lectures on contemporary history and comparative politics

2003–2007 Political Science and Mathematics (*Staatsexamen*), University of Mannheim

## Book publications

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Meyer, Thomas M. (2013). *Constraints on Party Policy Change*. Colchester: ECPR Press.

## Peer-reviewed journal publications

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Meyer, Thomas M. and Markus Wagner (forthcoming). 'How voters perceive parties' left-right positions: the impact of parties' salience strategies.' *Party Politics*. DOI:

10.1177/1354068818806679

Ecker, Alejandro, and Thomas M. Meyer (forthcoming). 'Coalition bargaining duration in multiparty democracies.' *British Journal of Political Science*. DOI:

10.1017/S0007123417000539

Haselmayer, Martin, Thomas M. Meyer, and Markus Wagner (forthcoming). 'Fighting for attention: Media coverage of negative campaign messages.' *Party Politics*. DOI:

10.1177/1354068817724174

Meyer, Thomas M., Martin Haselmayer, and Markus Wagner (forthcoming). 'Who gets into the papers? Party campaign messages and the media.' *British Journal of Political Science*.

DOI:10.1017/S0007123417000400

Meyer, Thomas M., and Markus Wagner (forthcoming). 'It sounds like they are moving: understanding and modelling emphasis-based policy change.' *Political Science Research and Methods*. DOI:10.1017/psrm.2017.30

Enns-Jedenastik, Laurenz and Thomas M. Meyer (2018). 'The impact of party cues on manual coding of political texts.' *Political Science Research and Methods* 6(3): 625-633.

DOI: 10.1017/psrm.2017.29

Haselmayer, Martin, Markus Wagner, and Thomas M. Meyer (2017). 'Partisan bias in message selection: media gatekeeping of party press releases.' *Political Communication*

34(3): 367-384. DOI: 10.1080/10584609.2016.1265619

Markus Wagner, and Thomas M. Meyer (2017). 'The radical right as niche parties? The ideological landscape of party systems in Western Europe, 1980-2014.' *Political Studies*

65(1): 84-107. DOI: 10.1177/0032321716639065

Meyer, Thomas M., and Markus Wagner (2016). 'Issue engagement in election campaigns: the impact of electoral incentives and organizational constraints.' *Political Science Research and Methods* 4(3): 555-571. DOI: 10.1017/psrm.2015.40

- Ecker, Alejandro, Konstantin Glinitzer, and Thomas M. Meyer (2016). 'Corruption performance voting and the electoral context.' *European Political Science Review* 8(3): 333-354. DOI: 10.1017/S1755773915000053
- Meyer, Thomas M. and Daniel Strobl (2016). 'Voter perceptions of coalition policy positions in multiparty systems.' *Electoral Studies* 41(2): 80-91. DOI: 10.1016/j.electstud.2015.11.020.
- Ecker, Alejandro and Thomas M. Meyer (2015). 'The duration of government formation processes in Europe.' *Research & Politics*. 2(4). DOI: 10.1177/2053168015622796.
- Wagner, Markus and Thomas M. Meyer (2015). 'Negative issue ownership.' *West European Politics* 38(4): 797-816. DOI: 10.1080/01402382.2015.1039380
- Ecker, Alejandro, Thomas M. Meyer, and Wolfgang C. Müller (2015). 'The distribution of individual cabinet positions in coalition governments – A sequential approach.' *European Journal of Political Research* 54(4): 802-818. DOI: 10.1111/1475-6765.12108
- Meyer, Thomas M. and Bernhard Miller. (2015). 'The niche party concept and its measurement.' *Party Politics* 21(2): 259-271. DOI: 10.1177/1354068812472582.
- Wagner, Markus and Thomas M. Meyer (2014). 'Which issues do parties emphasise? Salience strategies and party organisation in multiparty systems.' *West European Politics* 37(5): 1019-1045. DOI: 10.1080/01402382.2014.911483
- Meyer, Thomas M. and Wolfgang C. Müller (2014). 'Testing theories of party competition – The Austrian case.' *Party Politics* 20(5): 802–813.
- Meyer, Thomas M. and Marcelo Jenny (2013). 'Measuring error for adjacent policy position estimates: Dealing with uncertainty using CMP data.' *Electoral Studies*. 32(1): 174-185.
- Meyer, Thomas M. and Wolfgang C. Müller (2013). 'The issue agenda, party competence and popularity: An empirical analysis of Austria 1989–2004.' *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties*. 23(4): 484-500.
- Meyer, Thomas M., and Markus Wagner (2013). 'Mainstream or niche? Vote-seeking incentives and the programmatic strategies of political parties.' *Comparative Political Studies*. 46(10): 1246-1272.
- Meyer, Thomas M. (2012). 'Dropping the unitary actor assumption: The impact of intra-party delegation on coalition governance.' *Journal of Theoretical Politics*. 24(4): 485–506.
- Müller, Wolfgang C., and Meyer, Thomas M. (2010). 'Meeting the Challenges of Representation and Accountability in Multi-party Governments.' *West European Politics*, 33(5): 1065-1092.

## Chapters in edited volumes / non peer-reviewed publications

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- Wagner, Markus, and Thomas M. Meyer (2018). ‘Decades Under the Influence: How Europe's Parties Have Been Shifting Right.’ *Foreign Affairs*, April 4, 2018.
- Giebler, Heiko, and Thomas M. Meyer (2016). ‘Links und rechts im Kontext: Die Einschätzung von Parteipositionen in Zeiten des Wandels’ *WZB Mitteilungen*, 154: 18-20.
- Kleinen-von Königslow, Katharina, Thomas M. Meyer, Ramona Vonbun, Markus Wagner, and Anna Katharina Winkler (2014). ‘Die Sachthemen im Wahlkampf’ in: Sylvia Kritzinger, Wolfgang C. Müller and Klaus Schönbach (eds.) *Die Nationalratswahl 2013. Wie Parteien, Medien und Wählerschaft zusammenwirken*. Wien: Böhlau: 39-65.
- Budge, Ian, Michael D. McDonald and Thomas M. Meyer (2013). ‘Validated Estimates versus Dodgy Adjustments’ in: Andrea Volkens, Judith Bara, Ian Budge, Michael McDonald and Hans-Dieter-Klingemann (eds.) *Mapping Policy Preferences from Texts: Statistical Solutions for Manifesto Analysts*. Oxford: Oxford University Press: 69-84.
- Budge, Ian and Thomas M. Meyer (2013). ‘The Best Tools to Tackle the Job’ in: Andrea Volkens, Judith Bara, Ian Budge, Michael McDonald and Hans-Dieter-Klingemann (eds.) *Mapping Policy Preferences from Texts: Statistical Solutions for Manifesto Analysts*. Oxford: Oxford University Press: 9-32.
- Budge, Ian and Thomas M. Meyer (2013). ‘Understanding and Validating the Left-Right Scale’ in: Andrea Volkens, Judith Bara, Ian Budge, Michael McDonald and Hans-Dieter-Klingemann (eds.) *Mapping Policy Preferences from Texts: Statistical Solutions for Manifesto Analysts*. Oxford: Oxford University Press: 85-106.
- Müller, Wolfgang C., and Meyer, Thomas M. (2010). ‘Mutual Veto? How Coalitions Work’, in Thomas König, George Tsebelis and Marc Debus (eds.) *Reform processes and policy change: Veto players and decision-making in modern democracies*. New York: Springer, 99-124.

## Work in Progress / Under Review

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- ‘Changing the meaning of left and right: Supply- and demand-side effects on the mapping of party policy positions’ (with Heiko Giebler & Markus Wagner, under review)
- ‘Fairness and portfolio allocation in multiparty governments’ (with Alejandro Ecker, under review)

- ‘Who should govern? Election outcomes and voter perceptions of legitimate prime ministers’ (mit Markus Wagner)
- ‘The architecture of coalition governance’ (with Alejandro Ecker & Wolfgang C. Müller)
- ‘Dividing the executive pie: The politics of portfolio design in European democracies’ (mit Ulrich Sieberer)
- ‘Coalition governance and cabinet duration: how multiparty governments escape their bargaining environment’ (with Alejandro Ecker & Wolfgang C. Müller)
- ‘The number of candidates and party electoral support in proportional representation electoral systems’ (with Teresa Haudum & Marcelo Jenny)

## Conferences & Invited Talks

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12/2018	‘COALITIONPOLICY Kick-Off’ Workshop, Humboldt University Berlin (paper giver)
9/2018	DVPW Congress, Frankfurt/Main (paper giver)
6/2018	EPSA Annual Conference, Vienna (paper giver)
5/2018	‘European elections and political restructuring’ Workshop, WZB Berlin (paper giver)
3/2018	‘Austria after the 2017 elections - First results of the Austrian National Election Study’, Sciences Po Bordeaux (Talk)
1/2018	‘Fairness and portfolio allocation in multiparty governments’, University of Bamberg (Talk)
10/2017	Workshop on Party Competition, University of Aarhus (Presenter)
9/2017	10-Year GESS Anniversary Symposium, University of Mannheim (Talk)
7/2017	Workshop ‘New Developments in Spatial Models of Party Competition’, University of Konstanz (paper giver, discussant)
6/2017	EPSA Annual Conference, Milan (paper giver, chair)
5/2017	‘Coalition bargaining duration in multiparty democracies’, Humboldt University Berlin (Talk)
5/2017	‘Who gets into the papers? Party campaign messages and the media’, University of Greifswald (Talk)
4/2017	The MPSA Annual Conference, Chicago (paper giver)
12/2016	‘The Responsible Party Model in Times of Dealignment’ Workshop, KU Leuven (paper giver)

9/2016 'Party Competition and the Challenges of Post-Industrial Societies' Workshop, Humboldt University Berlin (paper giver, discussant)

6/2016 EPSA Annual Conference, Brussels (paper giver, chair)

5/2016 'Who gets into the papers? Party campaign messages and the media', University of Mannheim (Talk)

3/2016 'The Politics of Portfolio Design', University of Vienna (co-organizer)

1/2016 'Coalition bargaining duration in multiparty democracies', WZB Berlin (Talk)

12/2015 'Dynamics in party communication: political actors and the general public in-between elections' workshop, University of Vienna (co-organizer)

11/2015 Austrian Political Science Association (ÖGPW) Conference 2015, Salzburg (paper giver)

6/2015 EPSA Annual Conference, Vienna (paper giver, discussant)

6/2015 Manifesto Project User Conference 2015, WZB Berlin (discussant, paper giver)

4/2015 The MPSA Annual Conference, Chicago (discussant, paper giver)

11/2014 'How parties move?', University of Konstanz (Talk)

9/2014 Elections, Public Opinion and Parties (EPOP) Annual Conference, University of Edinburgh (paper giver)

6/2014 EPSA Annual Conference, Edinburgh (paper giver, discussant)

5/2014 'MARPOR Conference: Mapping Policy Preferences from Texts', Berlin (paper giver)

4/2014 The MPSA Annual Conference, Chicago (panel chair, discussant, paper giver)

9/2013 ECPR General Conference, Bordeaux (paper giver)

7/2013 'Coalition governance in Central Eastern Europe' workshop (presentation of chapter drafts), Vienna (discussant)

12/2012 'Coalition governance in Central Eastern Europe' workshop (presentation of first results), Vienna (discussant)

7/2012 'New Developments in Modeling Party Competition' workshop, Social Science Research Center Berlin (WZB), Berlin (paper giver)

6/2012 EPSA Annual Conference, Berlin (panel chair, discussant, paper giver)

6/2012 MARPOR Core Group Meeting, Social Science Research Center Berlin (WZB), Berlin (paper giver)

6/2012	‘Coalition governance in Central Eastern Europe’ workshop (data collection project meeting), Stockholm (participant)
4/2012	The MPSA Annual Conference, Chicago (discussant, paper giver)
1/2012	MARPOR Core Group Meeting, Social Science Research Center Berlin (WZB), Berlin (paper giver)
9/2011	Inaugural project meeting on ‘Coalition governance in Central Eastern Europe’, Budapest (participant)
9/2011	MARPOR Core Group Meeting, Social Science Research Center Berlin (WZB), Berlin (paper giver)
8/2011	ECPR General Conference, Reykjavik (panel chair, paper giver)
5/2011	MARPOR Core Group Meeting, Social Science Research Center Berlin (WZB), Berlin (paper giver)
3/2011	The MPSA Annual Conference, Chicago (paper giver)
9/2010	Elections, Public Opinion and Parties (EPOP) Annual Conference, University of Essex (paper giver)
5/2010	REPCONG Workshop on ‘Policy Representation in Europe’, University of Mannheim (discussant)
10/2009	Comparative Subconstituency Representation Workshop, University of Essex (paper giver)
5/2009	The George Tsebelis-Conference: ‘Reform processes and policy change: How do veto players determine decision-making in modern democracies’, University of Mannheim (paper giver)
2/2009	Annual European Graduate Conference on Political Parties, University of Birmingham (paper giver)
8/2008	2 <sup>nd</sup> ECPR Graduate Conference, UAB Barcelona (paper giver)
4/2008	Connex Workshop on Accountability, EUI Florence (paper giver)

## Media & Blogs

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5/2018	‘Was bringt das „Reißverschlussystem den Frauen?‘; <a href="#">VieCER-Blog</a>
1/2018	‘Merkel Takes Step Toward New Government for Germany’; <i>New York Times</i>
11/2017	‘Jamaika gescheitert: Deutschland vor Neuwahlen?’; Radio interview with Ö1 Journal <i>Panorama</i>
10/2017	‘Rakouská vláda má být proevropská‘, Horizont ČT24
10/2017	‘Události’, Česká televize

10/2017	‘Aféra týden před rakouskými volbami’, Horizont ČT24
9/2017	‘Beachtet uns!’, <i>Die Zeit</i> (Florian Gasser)
8/2017	‘Warum heuer gewählt wird (und nicht 2018)’, <i>uni:view</i>
12/2016	‘Van der Bellen, un “petit réfugié” devenu rempart contre l’extrême droite en Autriche’, <i>Le Monde</i>
12/2016	‘Autriche : Norbert Hofer, figure de proue de la “révolution conservatrice” en Europe’, <i>Le Monde</i>
12/2016	‘Présidentielle en Autriche : l’extrême droite invite Dieu dans la campagne’, <i>Le Monde</i>
12/2016	‘Elections in Austria: traditional parties don’t play a role anymore’; TV interview with <i>Het Journaal</i>
5/2016	‘Why voters do not (always) punish government parties for corruption’; <a href="#">Democratic Audit</a>
5/2016	‘En Autriche, la fin d’une ère pour les partis traditionnels’, <i>Le Monde</i>
4/2016	‘Why Austria’s Far-Right Freedom Party Is On the Rise Again’, Interview with World Politics Review
2/2016	‘Réfugiés : l’Autriche se désolidarise de l’Allemagne’, <i>Le Monde</i>
8/2015	‘The media’s gatekeeping function means that party press coverage often reproduces and reinforces existing power structures’; <a href="#">Democratic Audit</a>
9/2013	Report on Austrian Elections, <i>France Culture Journal de 9h</i>
9/2013	‘En Autriche, la droite et les sociaux-démocrates devraient rester au pouvoir’, <i>L’Express</i>
9/2013	‘Autriche : il s’en est fallu de FPÖ’, <i>Libération</i>

## Teaching

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*Classes taught at the University of Vienna (Grades: 1 = best; 5 = worst)*

Winter 2018	‘Coalition governments’ (MA level) (Evaluation grade: NA)
Winter 2018	‘Quantitative Data Analysis II’ (Lecture & Seminar, BA level) (Evaluation grade: NA)
Winter 2018	‘Basics of Political Science’ (MA level; lecture series) (Evaluation grade: NA)
Summer 2018	‘Coalition governments’ (MA level) (Evaluation grade: 1.5)
Summer 2018	‘Methods of Political Science’ (MA level; with Sanja Hajdinjak)



	(Evaluation grade: 1.0)
Summer 2018	‘Individual preferences and collective decision-making’ (in English) (BA level)
	(Evaluation grade: 1.3)
Winter 2017	‘Bachelor seminar’ (BA level)
	(Evaluation grade: 1.2)
Winter 2017	‘Political Competition’ (BA level)
	(Evaluation grade: 1.6)
Summer 2017	‘Bachelor seminar’ (BA level)
	(Evaluation grade: 1.4)
Summer 2017	‘Individual preferences and collective decision-making’ (in English) (BA level)
	(Evaluation grade: 1.5)
Winter 2016	‘Comparative Politics’ (Lecture, BA level)
	(Evaluation grade: 1.8)
Winter 2016	‘Basics of Political Science’ (MA level; lecture series)
	(Evaluation grade: 2.2)
Summer 2016	‘Comparative Politics’ (Lecture, BA level)
	(Evaluation grade: 1.6)
Summer 2016	‘Bachelor seminar’ (BA level)
	(Evaluation grade: 1.4)
Winter 2015	‘Comparative Analysis of Politics’ (BA level)
	(Evaluation grade: 1.5)
Winter 2015	‘Individual preferences and collective decision-making’ (in English) (BA level)
	(Evaluation grade: 1.9)
Summer 2015	‘Comparative analysis of democratic systems’ (BA level)
	(Evaluation grade: 1.4)
Summer 2015	‘Methods of Political Science’ (MA level; with Alejandro Ecker)
	(Evaluation grade: 2.0)
Winter 2014	‘Comparative Analysis of Politics’
	(Evaluation grade: 2.1)
Summer 2014	‘Methods of Political Science’ (MA level; with Alejandro Ecker)
	(Evaluation grade: 1.3)
Winter 2013	‘Elections and Voters’ (BA level)
	(Evaluation grade: 1.1)

Summer 2013	‘Methods of Political Science’ (MA level; with Alejandro Ecker) (Evaluation grade: 2.1)
Winter 2012	‘Coalition governments in Austria and Western Europe’ (MA level) (Evaluation grade: 1.4)
Summer 2012	‘Parties and party competition in Western Europe’ (BA level) (Evaluation grade: 1.3)
Winter 2011	‘Rational Choice Theory’ (BA level) (Evaluation grade: 1.4)

*Classes taught at the University of Mannheim (Grades: 1 = best; 6 = worst)*

Fall 2008	‘Comparative Perspectives on the Political System of the German Federal Republic’ (BA level) (Evaluation grade: 1.4)
Spring 2007	‘Introduction to Comparative Politics’ (teaching assistant) (Evaluation grade: 1.7)
Fall 2006	‘German Constitutional and Party History’ (teaching assistant) (Evaluation grade: 1.2)
Fall 2005	‘German Constitutional and Party History’ (teaching assistant) (Evaluation grade: 1.4)

## Supervision

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- Anita Bodlos, Ph.D. candidate (co-supervisor)
- Martin Haselmayer, Ph.D. candidate (co-supervisor)
- Daniel Strobl, Ph.D. candidate (co-supervisor)
- MA (co-)supervision, University of Vienna (ongoing)
- BA supervision, University of Vienna (ongoing)

## Additional Training

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1/2010	Analysis of Pooled Cross-Section Time-Series Data
9/2009	19 <sup>th</sup> ECPR Summer School on ‘Political Parties and European Democracy’, European University Institute, Florence
6/2009	EITM Europe 2009 Summer Institute, Mannheim
1/2008	Applied Regression Analysis using Stata

## Awards & Research Visits

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2/2018 – 3/2018	Guest Professor at the Sciences Po Bordeaux
8/2016 – 9/2016	Visiting Researcher, Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin (WZB)
1/2015	Travel grant awarded by the Austrian Research Association (ÖFG) (€500)
5/2011	Shortlisted for the Jean Blondel PhD Prize awarded by the ECPR.
9/2010	Travel grant awarded by the Hardship Fund for the EPOP conference, University of Essex (£305)
9/2009	Co-recipient of the <i>Party Politics</i> prize for the best research paper presented at the ECPR Standing Group's Political Parties and European Democracy summer school in Florence (£250)
7/2009 – 8/2009	Scholarship for the research visit at the Institute for Social and Economic Research (ISER), University of Essex (funded by the European Centre for Analysis in the Social Sciences)
9/2007 – 7/2008	PhD Grant, Graduate School of Economic and Social Sciences, University of Mannheim

## Co-authorship and Cooperation for Research Funds

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- Applicant: Research project ‘The Politics of Portfolio Design’ (in progress)
- Co-author: ‘The Supply Side: Party Records, Party Positions, and Candidates’ (PI: Wolfgang C. Müller). FWF-funded research project in the NFN ‘Austrian National Election Study (AUTNES)’ (S109)
- Co-author: Coalition governance in Central Eastern Europe (PI: Wolfgang C. Müller). FWF-funded stand-alone project (grant number: 25490)
- Steering board member: ‘Manifesto Research on Political Representation (MARPOR)’ (PI: Andrea Volkens). Long-term funding grant from the German Social Science Fund (DFG) (since 2012)

## Referee: Journals & Publishers

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- American Journal of Political Science
- American Political Science Review
- British Journal of Political Science
- Comparative European Politics

- Comparative Political Studies
- Electoral Studies
- European Journal of Political Research
- European Political Science Review
- European Union Politics
- Government and Opposition
- International Journal of Public Opinion Research
- Italian Political Science Review
- Journal of Elections, Public Opinion, and Parties
- Journal of Politics
- Journal of European Public Policy
- Journal of European Integration
- Journal of Public Policy
- Local Government Studies
- Nomos
- Österreichische Zeitschrift für Politikwissenschaft (ÖZP)
- Party Politics
- Political Behavior
- Political Communication
- Political Research Quarterly
- Political Science Research and Methods
- Political Studies
- Political Studies Review
- Research and Politics
- Representation
- Scandinavian Political Studies
- West European Politics

## **Referee: Funding Agencies**

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- Austrian Political Science Association (ÖGPW)
- Czech Science Foundation
- German Science Foundation (DFG)
- Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)

## **Memberships**

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- Deutsche Vereinigung für Politikwissenschaft (DVPW)
  - European Political Science Association (EPSA)
  - Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)
  - Österreichische Gesellschaft für Politikwissenschaft (ÖGPW)
  - European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR):
    - Standing Group for Comparative Political Institutions
    - Standing Group for Political Representation
    - Standing Group for Political Parties
    - Standing Group for Central and East European Politics
    - Research Network for Political Communication

## **Collaboration Partners**

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- Ian Budge (University of Essex)
  - Alejandro Ecker (MZES, University of Mannheim)
  - Heiko Giebler (Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin)
  - Michael McDonald (Binghamton University)
  - Wolfgang C. Müller (University of Vienna)
  - Ulrich Sieberer (University of Bamberg)
  - Andrea Volkens (Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin)
  - Markus Wagner (University of Vienna)
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