

Books

Beyond the steppe hill. The making of the Sino-Russian border (1890-1990) [unpublished PhD thesis submitted at the University of Konstanz in August 2013] (507 pages)

Kolonialer Wettstreit. Russland, China, Japan und die Ostchinesische Eisenbahn [Colonial Competition: Russia, China, Japan and the Chinese Eastern Railway] (Globalgeschichte, vol. 4), Frankfurt: Campus 2008 (264 pages)

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Edited books and special issues of journals

Yellow perils, Honolulu: University of Hawai'i Press [with Franck Billé] (forthcoming in 2017)

China Without. Research on Twentieth Century Chinese History using Archives and Resources outside China, Taiwan, and Japan, special issue of *The PRC History Review* [with Arunabh Ghosh] (forthcoming in 2016)

Reframing Postwar Sovietization. Power, Conflict, and Accommodation, special issue of *Jahrbücher für Geschichte Osteuropas*, vol. 64, no. 3 (2016) [with Felix Ackermann]

Zeichen der Zeit. Europas Osten in Fernost [Signs of the times. Europe's East in Far East], special issue of *osteuropa*, vol. 65, no. 5-6 (2015) [with Andreas Renner, Manfred Sapper and Volker Weichsel]

Stille Revolutionen. Die Neuformierung der Welt seit 1989 [Silent revolutions. The world since 1989], Frankfurt: Campus 2013 [with Katharina Kucher and Gregor Thum]

“Unsere Insel.” Sowjetische Identitätsstiftung auf Sachalin nach 1945 [“Our Island.” Soviet identity-building on Sakhalin after 1945], Berlin: be.bra 2013

Borders in imperial times: Daily life and urban spaces in Northeast Asia, special issue of *Comparativ*, vol. 22, no. 5 (2012) [with Frank Grüner and Susanne Hohler]

Articles in peer-reviewed journals

“Kremlinology revisited. The nuances of reporting on China in Eastern block press” [with Max Trecker] (under review with *Cold War History*)

“Under the Red Star’s Faint Light. How Sakhalin Became Soviet” [with Helena Barop] (forthcoming with *Kritika* in 2017)

“Für Clan und Vaterland? Über den Wandel von Loyalitätsstrukturen in Chinatown San Francisco während der ersten Hälfte des 20. Jahrhunderts” (forthcoming with *Geschichte und Gesellschaft* in 2016)

“Diplomacy of shunters. The Sino-Soviet split seen from a provincial archive in Russia” (forthcoming with *The PRC History Review* in 2016)

“Introduction,” in: *Reframing Postwar Sovietization. Power, Conflict, and Accommodation*, special issue of *Jahrbücher für Geschichte Osteuropas*, vol. 64, no. 3 (2016), pp. 353-362 [with Felix Ackermann]

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“A very orderly friendship: The Sino-Soviet border under the alliance regime, 1950-1960,” in: *Eurasia Border Review*, vol. 3 (2012), special issue David Wolff (ed.): “China’s post-revolutionary borders, 1940s-1960s,” pp. 35-52

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“Mapping Manchuria Station. Crossing borders into the ‘yellow land’,” in: *Comparativ*, vol. 22, no. 5 (2012), pp. 87-105

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“Grenze im Fluss. China-Russland: Das historische Echo des chinesisch-russischen Territorialdisputs [Fluid border. China-Russia: Echoes from a territorial dispute],” in: *osteuropa*, vol. 65, no. 5-6 (2015), pp. 125-136

“Ebbe statt Sturmflut. Chinesen in Russlands Fernem Osten [Ebb rather than flood. Chinese in Russia’s Far East],” in: *osteuropa*, vol. 62, no. 3 (2012), pp. 21-40

“Auf in die Provinz! Recherchen in Russlands Regionalarchiven [Off to the provinces! Research in Russia’s regional archives],” in: *osteuropa*, vol. 59, no. 11 (2009), pp. 121-30

“Ausradiert und aufpoliert. Das architektonische Erbe des russischen Harbin [Obliterated and refurbished. Russian Harbin’s architectural heritage],” in: *osteuropa*, vol. 58, no. 3 (2008), pp. 65-83

“Stalins vergessene Opfer? Opferverbände in Litauen und (Ost-)Deutschland [Stalin’s forgotten victims? Victims’ associations in Lithuania and (East) Germany],” in: *osteuropa*, vol. 54, no. 8 (2004), pp. 86-96

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“Fears abroad. Reflections on the ‘yellow peril’ discourse in China,” in: Franck Billé, Sören Urbansky (eds.): *Yellow perils*, Honolulu: University of Hawai’i Press (peer-reviewed, forthcoming in 2017)

“Is it really all about Japan? The production of historical narratives in memorials in China’s Northeast”, in: Daqing Yang, Andreas Wirsching et. al. (eds.): *Authenticity and Victimhood*, Toronto: University of Toronto Press (peer-reviewed, forthcoming in 2017)

“Ein leerer Raum (nur) soweit das Auge reicht. Die Mandschurei in imperialen Raumvorstellungen [Empty Space (only) as far as the eye can see. Imperial concepts of space about Manchuria],” in: Ulrike Jureit (ed.): *Umkämpfte Räume. Raumbilder, Ordnungswille und Gewaltmobilisierung*, Göttingen: Wallstein 2016, pp. 217-238

“Der Kosake als Lehrer oder Exot? Fragen an einen Mandschukuo-Dokumentarfilm über die bäuerliche russische Diaspora am Grenzfluss Argun’ [The Cossack – A teacher or an exotic figure? Selected questions on a Manchukuo documentary about the rural Russian diaspora at the Argun border river],” in: Martin Aust, Julia Obertreis (eds.): *Osteuropäische Geschichte und Globalgeschichte*, Stuttgart: Steiner 2014, pp. 103-127

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“‘Vasily’ of China and his Russian friends. Smugglers and their transcultural identities,” in: Dan Ben-Canaan, Frank Grüner, Ines Prodöhl (eds.): *Entangled histories. The transcultural past of Northeast China*, New York: Springer 2014, pp. 15-33 (peer-reviewed)

Chinese Translation: “Zhongguo de Waxili yu ta de Eluosi pengyou. Zousizhe yu tamen de kuawenhua shenfen,” in: *Eluosi yanjiu*, no. 2 (2013), pp. 178-200

“Sakhalin – eto ne tol’ko Chekhov. Itogi studencheskoi ekskursii [Sakhalin is more than just Chekhov. Results of a student field trip],” in: *Vestnik Sakhalinskogo Muzeia*, no. 20 (2013), pp. 87-91 [with Igor Zaday]

“Einleitung [Introduction],” in: “*Unsere Insel.*” Sowjetische Identitätsstiftung auf Sachalin nach 1945, Berlin: be.bra 2013, pp. 9-32

“Ein Wartburg auf Sachalin [A Wartburg on Sakhalin],” in: *Stille Revolutionen. Die Neuformierung der Welt seit 1989*, Frankfurt: Campus 2013, pp. 71-79

“Die Welt formiert sich neu: Eine Einleitung [Reshaping of the world: An introduction]” in: *Stille Revolutionen. Die Neuformierung der Welt seit 1989*, Frankfurt: Campus 2013, pp. 13-16 [with Katharina Kucher and Gregor Thum]

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“Gaps in the fence. Negotiating grassroots relations in the Sino-Soviet borderlands (1983-1993),” in: Suchandana Chatterjee, Anita Segupta, Susmita Bhattacharya (eds.): *Eurasia twenty years after*, Delhi: Shipra 2012, pp. 445-463

“Grenzüberschreitungen und transkulturelle Prozesse im städtischen Raum. Der Fall der mandschurischen Stadt Harbin 1898-1949 [Border crossings and transcultural processes in urban spaces. The case of the Manchurian city of Harbin 1898-1949],” in: Arbeitsgemeinschaft Historischer Forschungseinrichtungen (ed.): *Jahrbuch der Historischen Forschung*, München: Oldenbourg 2008, pp. 91-101 [with Frank Grüner, Susanne Hohler and Yuan Xin]

“Breslau und die architektonische Moderne: Die Jahrhunderthalle“ / “Wrocław i modernizm w architekturze: Hala Ludowa [Modern architecture in Wrocław: The Centennial Hall],” in: Philipp Ther et al. (eds.): *Das Polnische Breslau als europäische Metropole. Erinnerung und*

Geschichtspolitik aus dem Blickwinkel der Oral History, Wrocław: ATUT 2005, pp. 208-44
[with Olga Tomicka and Bernd Vogenbeck]

Work in progress

Die Schatten der Imperien. Menschen und Orte Nordostasiens [*The shadows of empires. People and places in Northeast Asia*] (book manuscript in preparation)

“Grenzen und Grenzgänger. Über die Metamorphose von Grenzonen im 19. und 20. Jahrhundert [Borders and border crossers. The changing face of borderlands in the 19th and 20th centuries]” (article manuscript in preparation)

“Forschungen zur sino-russischen Beziehungsgeschichte. Ein Literaturbericht [Research on Sino-Soviet relations. A literature review]” (article manuscript in preparation)

Book reviews

Berliner China-Hefte, *H-Soz-u-Kult*, *Inner Asia*, *Jahrbücher für Geschichte Osteuropas*, *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, *Periplus* and *osteuropa*

Conference reports

Helpless Imperialists. Imperial failure, radicalization, and violence. 14.-16.1.2010, FRIAS, Freiburg, in: *H-Soz-u-Kult* 2010

Global challenge and regional response. Early 20th century Northeast China and Harbin: Their social, cultural, economic and political encounters with the world. 17.-20.6.2009, Harbin, China, in: *H-Soz-u-Kult* 2009; *GHI Washington Bulletin* 2009, no. 45, pp. 108-113 [with Susanne Hohler]

Selected newspaper articles

“Die Grenze der Blumenmädchen,” in: *die tageszeitung*, 27.01.2016

“Das chinesische Phantom,” in: *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, 17.10.2015

“Der alte Mann und das Museum,” in: *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, 8.9.2015

“Ich, der Spion,” in: *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, 20.5.2015

“Auf dem Dampfross in die Mandschurei,” in: *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, 11.7.2014

“Das Staatsgebiet wird abgegrenzt,” in: *Welt-Sichten*, 2014, no. 5, pp. 12-17

“Kein himmlischer Frieden,” in: *ZEIT Geschichte*, 2012, no. 1, pp. 50-51

“Der Blick hinaus aufs Meer,” in: *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, 3.10.2011

“Die Chiffre 9/18,” in: *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, 16.9.2011

“Am Amur, wie ein Fisch im Wasser,” in: *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, 18.4.2011 (shortlisted for n-ost Reportagepreis 2012)

“Imperiale Konkurrenz,” in: *Damals*, 2011, no. 1, pp. 26-30

“Auf nach Asien,” in: *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, 20.8.2010

“Peking und Moskau proben den Krieg,” in: *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, 3.3.2009

- “Schnapsbrenner, Klempner, Lebenskünstler,” in: *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, 2.3.2009
- “Bonjour Tristesse,” in: *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, 3.11.2008 (shortlisted for n-ost Reportagepreis 2008)
- “Die Harmonie der zwei Klassen,” in: *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, 25.3.2008
- “Der lebende Buddha,” in: *Freitag*, 19.1.2008, *Jüdische Zeitung*, 1.2008
- “Jenseits des Steppenhügels,” in: *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, 26.10.2007
- “Stadt im Umbruch,” in: *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, 20.10.2007
- “Der Traum der Zelter vom Beton,” in: *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, 21.7.2007
- “Die lange Reise der Händlerin Surderdene,” in: *Frankfurter Rundschau*, 26.4.2007, *Der Tagesspiegel*, 13.6.2007
- “Aufbruch: Wie ein Deutscher in China eine Stadt baut,” in: *ZEIT Campus*, 4.2007
- “Tante Frosja lebt nicht mehr,” in: *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, 18.4.2007
- “Langer Marsch. Die Olympischen Spiele 2008,” in: *Freitag*, 24.11.2006
- “Eine Stadt des Intellekts,” in: *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, 20.2.2006
- “Verbrecherische Versuche am Menschen,” in: *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, 14.1.2006
- “Eine Stadt der Sieger,” in: *Freitag*, 13.1.2006
- “Gerüche der Straße,” in: *die tageszeitung*, 12.11.2005, *Der Tagesspiegel*, 31.1.2006
- “Spontan geduldet,” in: *Freitag*, 22.4.2005
- “Täter und andere Opfer,” in: *Datum*, 4.2005
- “Ein berstender Modellbaukasten,” in: *Freitag*, 18.2.2005
- “Humboldt in Russland,” in: *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, 22.11.2004
- “Strandgut auf Ziegenwerder,” in: *die tageszeitung*, 21.4.2004
- “Stellenweise Aprilschlamm,” in: *Freitag*, 25.4.2003

Invited papers and selected public presentations

- “On Modern Chinese History using Russian Archives and Resources,” Roundtable at the Annual Conference of the Association for Asian Studies, Seattle, 02.04.2016
- “Rossiisko-kitaiskaia granitsa. Iстория формирования и современное состояние,” Public lecture at the Far Eastern Federal University Vladivostok, 25.03.2016
- “Smugglers and train conductors. The rise and fall of different careers in the Sino-Soviet borderland,” InterAsia Connections Conference “Alternative Asias: Currents, Crossings, Connection” at Yale University, 26.02.2016
- “The Chinese are coming. Exploring the longest border in the world,” Panel discussion, Frankfurt Book Fair, 18.10.2015
- “Faces of Fear. The ‘yellow peril’ syndrome in the American West and Russian Far East,” ICCEES World Congress, Makuhari (Japan), 6.8.2015
- “‘The border is under lock and key.’ Material and ritualistic reaffirmations of the Manchurian-Soviet border during times of conflict,” Slavic-Eurasian Research Center 2015

Summer Symposium “Russia and Global History,” Hokkaido University, Sapporo (Japan), 31.7.2011

“Népszabadság, Neues Deutschland, Trybuna Ludu. The nuances of reporting on China in Eastern block press,” Conference “Beyond the Kremlin’s Reach? Eastern Europe and China in the Cold War Era – Transfers and Entanglements” at the University of Leipzig, 01.07.2015

“Schauplätze einer globalen Phobie: Die ‘gelbe Gefahr’ in Sibirien und Kalifornien,” Colloquia of Russian and Asian Studies (Andreas Renner) and East European History (Martin Schulze Wessel), Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich, 23.6.2015

“Fears abroad. Reflections on the ‘Yellow Peril’ discourse in China,” Annual Conference of the Association for Asian Studies, Chicago, 29.3.2015

“Millions in Millionka. A history of the Chinese in Vladivostok,” Conference “Emergent Trends on the China-Russia Border” at the University of Cambridge, 17.3.2015

“Distant brothers. Engineering Sino-Soviet friendship in the borderlands,” International workshop “Sino-Russian Cross-border Dynamics in the Post-Soviet Era. New Conceptualizations, New Thinking, New Evaluation,” East China Normal University, Shanghai, 25.7.2014

“New trends in Slavic and Eurasian Studies in Asia and Europe,” Round table presentation, 6th East Asian Conference on Slavic Eurasian Studies, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, Seoul, 27.6.2014

“Land of Opportunities. Die Mandschurei in imperialen Raumvorstellungen,” Public lectures, Centre for Area Studies, University of Leipzig, 7.5.2014, Institute of Oriental and Asian Studies, University of Bonn, 20.5.2014,

“Ein leerer Raum (nur) soweit das Auge reicht. Imperiale Raumvorstellungen über die Mandschurei,” Conference “Leerer Raum. Raumbilder, Ordnungswille und Gewaltmobilisierung,” Hamburg Institute for Social Research, 14.2.2014

“Where pragmatism prevailed over ideology: Sovietization on Sakhalin,” 4th Vilnius Symposium on late Soviet and Postsoviet Issues, 6.12.2013

“How the Iron Horse conquered Manchuria: Russian and Japanese Railway Imperialism and Chinese Responses,” Public lecture, Center of Oriental Studies, Vilnius University, 5.12.2013

“Railways and borders. The Transbaikal and Chinese Eastern Railways and the Sino-Russian border,” Presentation at the Mongolia & Inner Asia Studies Unit at the University of Cambridge, 7.6.2013

“Jenseits des Steppenhügels. Politische, ökonomische und kulturelle Grenzwerdungsprozesse am Beispiel der sino-russischen Grenze,” Colloquium of Professor Jürgen Osterhammel, University of Konstanz, 4.12.2012

“Tokhtogo’s mission impossible. Secret diplomacy in the Sino-Russian borderlands at the eve of revolution,” 44th Annual ASEES Convention, New Orleans, 17.11.2012

“Unsichtbarer Freund, unsichtbarer Feind. Kontakte im sino-sowjetischen Grenzland nach 1949,” Presentation at the Centre of Asia Studies University of University of Leipzig, 17.7.2012

“‘Vasily’ of China and his Russian friends. Smugglers and their transcultural Identities,” 15th Berlin Roundtables on Transnationality, Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin für Sozialforschung, 30.3.2012

“Scharmützel im Steppenland. Die Militarisierung der fernöstlichen Grenzen der UdSSR (ca. 1929-1945),” Colloquium of East European History (Jörg Baberowski), Humboldt University of Berlin, 14.12.2011

“Epidemics and state borders: Quarantine and plague prevention in the Sino-Russian borderlands,” 43rd Annual ASEEES Convention, Washington DC, 18.11.2011

“Hinter Schloss und Riegel? Die Militarisierung des sowjetisch-chinesischen Grenzlands in den 1920er-1940er Jahren,” Colloquium of East European History (Frithjof Benjamin Schenk), University of Basel (Switzerland), 5.10.2011

“Waijiao zhi wai. Ruhe xiezuo Zhong Su bianjing de difang shi [Diplomacy and beyond. Writing a local history of the Sino-Soviet border],” Research Center for Chinese Borderland History and Geography, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing, 17.08.2011

“Grassroots diplomacy. Negotiating bilateral relations in the Sino-Soviet borderlands in the 1980s,” Second GCOE-SRC Summer School “Eurasia Border Review. From Northeast Asia to Middle East,” Slavic Research Center, Hokkaido University (Japan), 5.8.2011

“Flüchtig mit 740 Schafen und 53 Kamelen. Nomadismus an der sino-russischen Steppengrenze zu Beginn des 20. Jahrhunderts,” Colloquium, Forschungsstelle Osteuropa, University of Bremen, 12.7.2011

“A very orderly friendship. The Sino-Soviet border under the alliance regime, 1950-1960,” Summer International Symposium “Alliances and borders in the making and unmaking of regional powers,” Slavic Research Center, Hokkaido University (Japan), 7.7.2011

“Steppennomadismus und imperiale Obrigkeit: Die sinorussische Grenze Anfang des 20. Jahrhunderts,” Colloquium of East European History (Klaus Gestwa), Eberhard Karls University of Tübingen, 30.5.2011

“Der betrunkene Kosake. Schmuggel im sino-russischen Grenzland (ca. 1860-1930),” Conference “Russland und die Sowjetunion global,” Centre for Area Studies, University of Leipzig, 14.5.2011

“Flucht aufs andere Ufer. Kosaken im russisch-chinesischen Grenzgebiet,” Annual Conference of the Verband der Osteuropahistoriker/innen “Osteuropäische Geschichte und Globalgeschichte,” Herder Institute, Marburg, 24.2.2011

“Negotiating new relations in the border settlements of Zabaikalsk and Manzhouli (1985-1995),” International conference “Twenty years after. 1991 in retrospect,” Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies, Kolkata (India), 17.2.2011

“Jenseits des Steppenhügels. Überlegungen zu einer regionalen Geschichte der sino-russischen Grenze,” Colloquium of East European History (Martin Schulze Wessel), Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich, 31.1.2011

“Mapping Manchuria Station. Source reading and border crossing into the ‘yellow land’,” Conference: Daily life and urban spaces in Northeast Asian border towns, 1900 to 1950, University of Heidelberg, 25.11.2010

“Beyond the steppe hill. The making of the Sino-Russian border,” ICCEES World Congress, Stockholm, 29.7.2010

“Zoll und Schmuggel. Die russisch-chinesische Grenze zu Beginn des 20. Jahrhunderts,” Colloquium of East European History (Dietmar Neutatz), University of Freiburg, 1.6.2010

“Wo verläuft die Grenze? Schmuggel im sino-russischen Grenzland zu Beginn des 20. Jahrhunderts,” Colloquium, School of History, University of Bielefeld, 25.5.2010

“Is there a border? Smugglers and their protonational and transcultural identities,” Conference: Global challenge and regional response. Early 20th century Northeast China and Harbin. Their social, cultural, economic and political encounters with the world, Heilongjiang University Harbin (China), 18.6.2009

“Sino-Soviet split: a local perspective“, Conference: The crisis of socialist modernity. The Soviet Union, China and Yugoslavia in the 1970s, FRIAS Freiburg, 21.3.2009

“Von frontier zu border. Lokale Aspekte der Entstehung der sino-sowjetischen Grenze,” Colloquium of Sinology, University of Heidelberg, 31.10.2008