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The two years covered by this report were full of events – so much so that we hardly noticed how fast they went by. In February 2003 Fritz W. Scharpf retired as director. He had joined the institute in 1986, shortly after it was founded, and had been one of its directors ever since. Just like Renate Mayntz, who retired in 1997, he continues to be present at the institute and remains a major contributor to its intellectual life and public reputation. For a period of two years, by and large coextensive with the time of this report, the institute had only one director, until the long-awaited arrival in March 2005 of Scharpf’s successor, the sociologist Jens Beckert.

There were many occasions in 2003 and 2004 which gave us an opportunity to celebrate our achievements. In November 2003 Fritz Scharpf was given an honorary doctoral degree from the Humboldt-Universität in Berlin. Half a year later the President of the Federal Republic awarded him the Great Cross of Merit, and in December 2004 Renate Mayntz and Fritz Scharpf were the first to receive the Bielefeld Science Prize, created in the memory of Niklas Luhmann. Also in 2004, Henrik Enderlein, who now has a Junior Professorship at the Freie Universität in Berlin, was awarded the Otto Hahn Medal of the Max Planck Society for his dissertation, supervised by Fritz Scharpf, on the consequences of European Monetary Union for the domestic policies of its member states. The Advisory Board, meeting for the first time in its new composition in September, 2003, gave Martin Höpner a newly created biennial prize for the best MPIfG Discussion Paper or Working Paper by a junior researcher. In November 2004 Anke Hassel was given the Prize of the Association of Friends and Former Associates of the MPIfG for the best publication in 2003 in a refereed journal. Kathleen Thelen from Northwestern University received the Max Planck Research Prize for International Cooperation and decided to use it to extend her joint work with the MPIfG. In early 2005 she
was appointed by the President of the Max Planck Society as an External Member of the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies, in which capacity she joins our other External Member, Colin Crouch.

Of course we did not just celebrate. A series of long-term research projects came to an end, among them Gerda Falkner’s study on “New Governance and Social Europe” and international cooperation projects on institutional change (directed by Kathleen Thelen and myself) and on the social and political foundations of the emergence and the success of regional economies in Europe (directed by Colin Crouch). Twelve books were published that originated at the institute, three of them in English. The many journal articles, book chapters, discussion papers and working papers that we produced I hesitate to count; I refer the reader to the respective section of this report. Four of our researchers (Jürgen Beyer, Anke Hassel, Bernhard Ebbinghaus, Lothar Krempel) received their Habilitation, their second degree under the German academic career system, and no less than eight dissertations were completed. Forty-four visiting researchers from countries as far away as Mongolia and Taiwan spent time at the MPIfG, among them six postdocs from Eastern and Central Europe and twelve graduate students from all over the world who used the institute as a basis for research on Germany and Europe.

Looking back it is my impression that in addition to our normal business – to conduct and support excellent research on the political-economic institutions of advanced Western societies – we have also become more visible to the public. Among other things, I am thinking of a public lecture series, organized by Philip Manow, on the supposed “Loss of the Nation-State,” and of two workshops with high-ranking practitioners on the development of collective bargaining and enterprise-level codetermination in Germany. Also, when the Volkswagen Foundation created a new program to fund a temporary transfer of young social scientists to positions in public administration, of the first five awards MPIfG researchers received no less than three, enabling them to work for up to a year in organizations as different as the ILO, the Polish Office of the Committee for European Integration and the German Ministry of Economics and Labor. Fritz Scharpf, almost as a matter of course, was appointed to the high-level government commission on the reform of German federalism, and a growing number of our researchers published their results in quality newspapers and magazines for a broader public. Within the Max Planck Society, I was elected in the summer of 2003 for three years as chair of the Human Sciences Section, which served not least to draw our attention to the many excellent opportunities for even closer cooperation with other Max Planck institutes. I also was honored to be invited to give the public lecture at the 2004 Annual Meeting of the Max Planck Society in Stuttgart, where I presented results from research at the institute on the “globalization” of societies, politics and the economy.

Wolfgang Streeck
Managing Director
The years 2003 and 2004 were a transitional period for the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies. They saw the completion of a number of research projects (for more on the development of the project portfolio and project publications, see the next section of the Report). In 2003, Anke Hassel completed her postdoctoral thesis on social pacts in Europe, *Negotiating Wage Restraint*, which will be published by Amsterdam University Press in 2006. In 2004, Jürgen Beyer followed suit with his postdoctoral thesis, *Auf neuen Pfaden: Institutionelle Vielfalt, anfällige Stabilität und grundlegender Wandel*. It will be published by Campus in 2006. The work explores the possibilities of new directions of policy in the face of path dependency, institutional varieties, weak stability and structural change. Wolfgang Streeck and Herbert Kitschelt jointly edited *Germany: Beyond the Stable State* (Frank Cass, 2004), which analyzes the unravelling of the German model since the upheavals of the early 1990s. Other projects completed in 2003 and 2004 focused on faltering union membership in Europe, the aggregation of business interests in the EU, lobbying in the US and the EU, and the impact of internationalization on business associations.


Theories and methods played an important role in several completed projects. Continuity and discontinuity in institutional change were examined in the volume *Beyond Continuity* edited by Wolfgang Streeck and Kathleen Thelen (Oxford University Press, 2005). Institutional complementarity was the focus of an international project by researchers at the MPIfG, CEPREMAP in Paris and the University of Warwick which culminated in an article by Martin Höpner in the *Socio-Economic Review* and a subsequent set of comments by prominent scholars. Lothar Krempel’s work on network visualization has gained wide recognition. He received his postdoctoral lectureship qualification (*Habilitation*) from the University of Duisburg-Essen in 2003. Researchers at the institute collaborated with him to create visual representations of their complex subject matter. His book based on his postdoctoral thesis, *Visualisierung komplexer Strukturen*, was published by Campus in 2005.
A New Research Group on Government

In 2003, Philip Manow was chosen to create a new research group on “Democratic Government and Economic Governance.” Including Steffen Ganghof and Simone Burkhart, and benefiting from the experience of retired director Fritz W. Scharpf, this group is examining how economic outcomes are affected by different types of state intervention. Themes investigated include taxation, the impact of party politics on European policy, theories of democracy and federalism reform.

Career Moves

Bernhard Ebbinghaus, researcher and postdoctoral fellow at the MPIfG from 1997 to 2004, became Professor of Macrosociology at the University of Mannheim in 2004. Since 2005, he has also been in charge of the section on “European Societies and Their Integration” at the Mannheimer Zentrum für Europäische Sozialforschung (MZES).

Gerda Falkner, who had a research professorship at the MPIfG from 1998 to 2003, has been Professor and Head of the Department of Political Science at the Institute for Advanced Studies (IHS) in Vienna since 2002.

Anke Hassel, who was a postdoctoral fellow and a research project leader during her nine years at the MPIfG from 1996 to 2004, spent her last MPIfG year on a special leave in Berlin. She worked at the Policy Planning Department of the German Federal Ministry of Economics and Labor in a position funded by the Volkswagen Foundation. Upon leaving the MPIfG in 2004, Hassel became Professor of Sociology at the University of Bielefeld. In 2005, she became Professor of Public Policy at the recently founded Hertie School of Government in Berlin.

Susanne K. Schmidt, who was a doctoral student, research fellow and postdoc at the MPIfG from 1990 to 2005, is now Professor of Political Science in the Faculty of Sociology at the University of Bielefeld.

Four doctoral students left the institute for research positions after completing their dissertations. Oliver Treib is assistant professor in the Department of Political Science at the Institute for Advanced Studies in Vienna. Miriam Hartlapp is a senior researcher in the unit for Labor Market Policy and Employment of the Social Science Research Centre Berlin (WZB), and Simone Leiber is head of the unit on social policy at the Institute of Economic and Social Research (WSI) of the Hans Böckler Foundation in Düsseldorf. Martin Heipertz is an economist in the Directorate General for International Relations at the European Central Bank in Frankfurt am Main. Two PhD graduates, Cornelia Woll and Armin Schäfer, have remained as postdoctoral fellows at the MPIfG.
Society of Friends and Former Associates of the MPIfG

The membership of the Society of Friends and Former Associates of the MPIfG, which was founded in 2002 to foster the exchange of ideas and contact between friends and former researchers of the MPIfG, now numbers 73 persons (November 2005). Its annual meetings are well attended, serving to bridge the gaps that continue to exist between research and practice. Panel discussions featuring Society members and MPIfG researchers are popular events at the institute. The society’s annual meeting is scheduled to coincide with the opening of the MPIfG Annual Art Exhibit, which provides a stimulating atmosphere.

Special Honors

Fritz W. Scharpf, director emeritus of the MPIfG, received the Great Cross of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany in honor of his decades of distinguished service as a political advisor to policymakers in state and federal governments in Germany.

Kathleen Thelen, Professor of Political Science at Northwestern University in Evanston and member of the Scientific Advisory Board of the MPIfG, was awarded the 125,000-euro Max Planck Research Award for International Cooperation in 2003. Funded by the Max Planck Society and the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, the award will enable the years of Thelen’s good collaboration with the MPIfG to be placed on a broader footing. The focus of her research is mechanisms of change in the political and economic institutions of societies that are subject to the pressures of globalization. Kathleen Thelen became the second External Scientific Member of the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies in 2005.

Cornelia Woll received the Seymour Martin Lipset Award 2005 for her dissertation on lobbying in transatlantic comparison. The award is conferred annually by the Society for Comparative Research at Princeton University for the best comparative doctorate written in English. Woll’s thesis entitled “The politics of trade preferences: business lobbying on service trade in the United States and the European Union” is the first European dissertation to receive the award. Cornelia Woll wrote her dissertation at the MPIfG and graduated simultaneously from the University of Cologne and the Institut d’Études Politiques (IEP) de Paris.
Henrik Enderlein, a doctoral student at the MPIfG from 1999 to 2001, was awarded the Otto Hahn Medal of the Max Planck Society for an excellent doctoral thesis in 2003. In his dissertation, Enderlein analyzed the impact of the European Economic and Monetary Union on domestic fiscal and wage-setting institutions in the member states.

Fritz W. Scharpf Retired

Family members, friends from academia and government, colleagues, researchers and staff members from the MPIfG came to honor Fritz W. Scharpf upon his retirement on February 12, 2003. The festivities at the Chocolate Museum, which included scholarly lectures, personal tributes, a reception overlooking the Rhine and the Cologne skyline and live a capella singing, made for a memorable occasion. Among the speakers were Fritz Schramma (Mayor of the City of Cologne), Hartmut Krebs (Deputy Minister of Education, Science and Research for North Rhine-Westphalia and Chair of the MPIfG Board of Trustees) and Rüdiger Wolfrum (Vice-President of the Max Planck Society). A high point of the evening was the presentation of the Festschrift to Professor Scharpf, *Die Reformierbarkeit der Demokratie: Innovationen und Blockaden*, edited by Wolfgang Streeck and Renate Mayntz. Since retiring, Fritz W. Scharpf has continued to contribute to the intellectual life of the institute. In 2003 and 2004, he served on the Commission on the Reform of the Federal Order.

New Director

After a two-year period during which Wolfgang Streeck directed the MPIfG alone, the institute was pleased to welcome the sociologist Jens Beckert in March 2005 as a new director. Beckert succeeded Fritz W. Scharpf, who retired as director in 2003.

In 2005, Beckert was awarded the Prize of the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences. The jurors described him as one of the most original and productive sociologists of his generation, nationally and internationally: “Already one of the leading scholars in the fast-changing field of economic sociology, Jens Beckert … belongs to a group of pioneering theorists who are rediscovering the most basic themes and questions of classical sociology. Their impact goes well beyond their own subdiscipline, affecting the social sciences as a whole. With his dissertation, Beckert began staking a claim for an innovative approach that crosses the borders between sociology and economics. In his postdoctoral thesis comparing inheritance law in France, Germany and the United States over the last two hundred years, he analyzed how the social and
political debates on this issue influenced the development of basic normative principles in modern societies and had a profound impact on their moral identity.”

Jens Beckert studied sociology and business administration at the New School for Social Research in New York, where he earned a degree in sociology (1991), and at the Free University of Berlin, where he received a Master’s degree in business (1993). In 1996 he earned a doctorate in sociology at the Free University of Berlin, where he also qualified for professorship in 2003 with his postdoctoral thesis on the sociology of inheritance law. From 2002 he was associate professor of sociology at International University Bremen, and then took up the offer of a professorship in sociology at the University of Göttingen in the fall of 2003. Jens Beckert was elected to the “Young Academy” of the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences in 2000. His postdoctoral thesis, *Unverdientes Vermögen: Soziologie des Erbrechts* (Campus 2004), will be published by Princeton University Press in 2007 as *Unearned Wealth: A Comparative Analysis of Inheritance Law*. Jens Beckert is on the editorial board of *Economic Sociology – The European Electronic Newsletter*. In 2005, he edited the *International Encyclopedia of Economic Sociology* with Milan Zaﬁrovski (Routledge).
Project Areas and Research Projects

The Research Program 1986–2005

The general theme of research at the institute is the conditions under which modern societies may be able to solve problems through collective action. The research program of the period from 1986 to 1995 focused on historically and internationally comparative studies of the interaction between political-administrative intervention and societal self-organization in selected sectors “close to the state” – namely in health care systems, organized research systems and large technical infrastructure systems, with a special emphasis on telecommunications. In the second program period from 1996 to 2005, the subjects of empirical research changed in response to the growing importance of market interaction and international competition even in sectors that were formerly protected and tightly controlled by the authority of the nation state. In telecommunications, for instance, privatization and deregulation have progressed widely. The same holds true for other sectors traditionally close to the state, such as air and rail transportation, road hauling, the electronic media and energy supply. Similarly, the influence of government policy on industrial research has declined. Looking back at the last decade, we find a growing importance of market coordination in almost all functional sectors. This can be attributed in part to changes in political ideologies and perceptions of reality. But it is also a response to actual constraints presented by European integration, economic globalization and international regime competition, which have tended to make “market-correcting” national systems of regulation appear to be liabilities for international competitiveness.

Real-world changes like these require a historically grounded definition of the questions guiding the institute’s second program period. While we continued to be interested in the problem-solving capacity of modern societies, we looked at it within the context of historical conditions which

- limit the effectiveness of merely national solutions,
- increase the importance of public and private transnational and supranational governance, and
increase the importance of interaction effects between national systems of governance.

Against this background, the research program emphasized three types of studies:

1. **International and intersectoral comparisons of the functioning of national systems of governance and their response to changed external conditions.** In internationally comparative studies, we tried to find out whether national systems that used to be different from one another are in the process of converging into a uniform (or, at least, more uniform) pattern, or whether exogenously induced change leads to new, but still nationally different (and in this sense "path dependent") institutional configurations. Are these configurations functional equivalents with no effect on international competitiveness? Or are they assets, or liabilities? Intersectoral comparisons focused on the differences between sectors exposed to international competition and sectors that continue to be “protected,” as well as on the interactions between these sectors. In each dimension we analyzed whether, how and to what extent different functions and structures of governance may be affected by external change. For example, one may hypothesize that today’s transformation of national regimes weakens primarily their redistributive and market-correcting capacities. There are also signs that more intense international competition has a particularly negative effect on the performance of sectoral self-organization. This might increase the relative importance of state regulation, albeit at a generally reduced level of intervention and within the limits drawn by international regime competition.

2. **The operation, performance and democratic legitimacy of transnational and supranational governance systems, with a special emphasis on the European Union.** Even though they are reducing national capacities to act, such systems are also supposed to perform governance functions the national level can no longer handle effectively. Here, too, we were able to build on work from our first program period. Problems of interest intermediation are of particular interest at this level. As long as the “democratic deficit” of transnational institutions impedes progress towards majority decision-making, the problem-solving capacity of such institutions will tend to be limited to matters on which a broad consensus can be reached among participating states. Moreover, nationally influential non-state actors – and the interests they represent – will differ greatly in their capacity to organize and act at the transnational level. What we can expect, therefore, is a characteristic selectivity of interest intermediation in transnational regimes that may differ greatly from the distribution of influence in national governance systems.

3. **The interplay between the institutions of multilevel governance systems.** There is no reason to think that functions which are affected by economic competition at the national level will necessarily be performed at the European or international level, and vice versa. Instead, there is a possibility of competence gaps or competence conflicts, or of the immobilism of interlevel “joint decision traps.” But it is also possible that a productive complementarity of competencies will develop that serves to increase the
overall problem-solving capacity of multilevel governance. Which of these possibilities will prevail may well depend on the instruments applied. One of our main theoretical concerns is to develop methods for analyzing the compatibility and incompatibility of different types of regulation.

The emergence of transnational multilevel policy-making affects not only states but also systems of self-regulation in (civil) society. Differences in the capacity of interest groups to organize and act on the transnational level have an impact on the bias of transnational governance systems – which, in turn, may affect the structure and operation of national systems. Generally, multilevel governance creates new opportunities for actors to choose among arenas and levels of action. Internationalization enables governments and nationally organized interest groups to use their influence on international decisions for domestic purposes. In allowing them to delegate to higher levels problems that they are unwilling or unable to solve, it also facilitates blame avoidance by shifting responsibility for difficult issues to international or supranational decision-makers.

The institute’s research program attempts to clarify the conditions shaping the complex intertwining of public and private domestic policy, foreign policy and international relations. Empirical and theoretical projects are to contribute to a better understanding of the consequences for the problem-solving capacity of modern societies, for the mediation of interests, and for democratic legitimacy.
Current Research Projects at the End of 2004

Industrial Relations and Welfare States
- Transformation of German Corporatism
- Exemptions of Work from Social Security Contributions
- “Hard to Serve” or Hardly Served?
- Institutionalized Corporatism
- Parties and Unions in Europe
- Trade Unions and the Welfare State
- Vocational Education and Training in Transition

Corporate Governance
- Comparative Advantages of Coordinated Capitalism
- Capital Disentanglement in Germany
- EU Company Law Harmonization
- Organized Capitalism in Germany

Organized Interests
- Lobbying in Transatlantic Comparison
- Europeanization of Organized Interests: Automobile and Retail

European Integration
- Implementing the Single European Market
- International Goals and National Decisions in Economic Policy Coordination
- The Making and Implications of the Stability and Growth Pact
- EU Migration and Asylum Regime
- Reform of European Pharmaceuticals Regulation 2001–2004

Globalization
- Development of International Tourism

Research Group on Democratic Government and Economic Governance
- Reforms in Public Financing
- Reform Gridlock in Bicameral Systems
- Opportunity Costs of Welfare State Reforms
- Joint Decision Trap

Science, Technology and Systems of Innovation
- Strategies of German Biotech Companies
- Interaction of Institutional and Technical Innovations
- Modern Communication Systems and Governability

Governance of Global Structures
- Transnational Organizations and Global Governance

Theories and Methods
- The Theoretical Potential of Macro-Social Analysis
- Institutional Complementarity
- Institutional Complementarities and Institutional Change
The Development of the Research Project Portfolio

The years 2003 and 2004 were a period when Fritz W. Scharpf was no longer a director while his successor had not yet arrived at the MPIfG. For the time of the interregnum Wolfgang Streeck took responsibility for the Institute's entire project portfolio, although the two research groups led by Raymund Werle and Philip Manow continued to operate more or less independently. (They therefore report separately.) A large number of major projects were concluded in the areas of Industrial Relations and Welfare States, Organized Interests, European Integration, and Theories and Methods, with some of the principal investigators subsequently leaving for major appointments at universities and other research institutes. This refers in particular to Bernhard Ebbinghaus, who moved to the University of Mannheim; Anke Hassel, who took up a post at the International University of Bremen; and Gerda Falkner, who was appointed as Head of the Political Science Department at the Institute for Advanced Studies (IHS) in Vienna. Two doctoral dissertations, by Armin Schäfer and Cornelia Woll, were submitted and graded summa cum laude. Their authors continue to work at the institute as postdoctoral researchers.

Major projects that came to an end during these two years include the three collective volumes edited by Wolfgang Streeck with Herbert Kitschelt, with Kathleen Thelen, and with Jürgen Grote, Volker Schneider and Jelle Visser, respectively. The volume with Kitschelt was a Special Issue of West European Politics on the calamities of the German political economy at the end of the 1990s. The collection edited with Kathleen Thelen concluded a collaborative research project on institutional change in modern welfare states undergoing liberalization, especially gradual but nevertheless transformative change. Finally, the volume with Grote, Schneider and Visser (which will come out at the end of 2005) brought to an end a long effort to develop a better understanding of the impact of internationalization on business interest associations in Europe, picking up where the Organization of Business Interests project initiated by Schmitter and Streeck in the 1980s ended. Equally important for the standing and the performance of the Institute were Anke Hassel’s work on national social and employment pacts, Berhard Ebbinghaus’s research on the membership crises of trade unions, Lothar Krempel’s successful effort to develop a methodology for visualizing complex social relationships, and a joint effort with a group at the CEPREMAP, led by Robert Boyer and Bruno Amable, to clarify the concept of complementarity – which culminated in a much-read publication in Socio-Economic Review.

Among the most visible achievements of 2003 and 2004 was the successful conclusion of the project directed by Gerda Falkner on “’New Governance’ and Social Europe,” which included the completion of three excellent dissertations, by Miriam
Hartlapp, Simone Leiber and Oliver Treib. The publications that have arisen from this research represent another significant contribution by the MPIfG to the study of European integration. Still, with the inevitable dissolution of Gerda Falkner’s research group, the foreseeable departure of Susanne Schmidt to a university professorship (which became reality in the fall of 2005) and, of course, the retirement of Fritz W. Scharpf it seemed an appropriate moment to scale down the Institute’s investment in European integration research and convert most of the resources that were devoted to this purpose in the past to new subjects on which the MPIfG still has to make its mark. European integration remains of interest and is currently studied in at least two projects. Unlike in the past, however, there is no longer a special cluster of European integration projects, and there will not be one in the foreseeable future. A similar decision was taken with regard to the study of organized interests, where the MPIfG has a tradition of state-of-the-art research and theory. Decisions like this are inevitable in a research institute as small as the MPIfG that wants to remain innovative and do novel and original research precisely in fields that are not yet fully mature and established.

Turning to the projects that were current at the end of 2004, a major theme was and continues to be the transformation of the postwar welfare state, especially the neo-corporatist state of (West) Germany. The reason why Germany has moved to the center of a great number of projects at the MPIfG is that it represents a key case of the organized or nonliberal variant of modern capitalism whose fate is likely to be indicative of the prospects of a socially embedded market economy today. Placing Germany in comparative perspective, research at the MPIfG applies both a functional complementarity approach and a slow institutional change approach, in an attempt to understand the relative significance of economic and political factors in the present process of disorganization, liberalization and, perhaps, reorganization of a major nonliberal political economy. As indicated at the last meeting of the Fachbeirat, research on political economy at the MPIfG increasingly adopts a historical-longitudinal approach, tracing developments over time in a deep exploration of core cases – without of course neglecting the important methods and findings of larger-N comparative work.

There were other subjects in the research portfolio of 2003–2004 whose growing significance for the MPIfG is not adequately reflected in our tabulations of completed and current research projects. One of them is Eastern Europe, whose emerging capitalist political economies were studied by a number of visitors. Their presence had and has a growing impact on the research interests and questions of researchers more oriented towards Western Europe and the United States. The same applies to East Asia which is increasingly represented among the visitors working and the themes studied at the institute. This builds in part on the successful Germany–Japan project undertaken jointly with Kozo Yamamura in previous years. From this extension of the geographical reach of our work we expect a substantial enrichment of institutionalist research on capitalist political economies.
Current work at the end of 2004 also focused on global governance and global social structures, especially with Renate Mayntz’s systematic stock-taking of German research on “globalization” and Lothar Krempel’s emerging project on international tourism. In the Theory and Methods section, work was devoted during 2003 and 2004 to clarifying the logic and the theoretical potential of macro-social analysis (Renate Mayntz) and to further explorations of the relationship between institutional complementarities and institutional change. The latter project is being pursued, together with Kathleen Thelen, by the entire research group led by Wolfgang Streeck. At the end of 2004 the group included Martin Höpner, Britta Rehder and Christine Trampusch. In the meantime they have been joined by Armin Schäfer and Cornelia Woll. The purpose of the joint effort is to pull together results from the various empirical projects underway, and reflect on them in more abstract, potentially generalizable terms.

Research Group on Democratic Government and Economic Governance

Projects in this research group, which is directed by Philip Manow, are located at the interface between comparative politics and comparative political economy. They analyze political decision-making processes and their economic effects. In addition to Philip Manow, the research group consists of one senior researcher, Steffen Ganghof, and two doctoral students, Simone Burkhart and Holger Döring. Director emeritus Fritz W. Scharpf joined the group with his project “(No) Escape from the Joint Decision Trap?” which analyzes the failed attempts by the “Joint Commission on the Modernization of the Federal Order” to reform German federalism. Scharpf was an expert on the commission.

Simone Burkhart’s dissertation on “Reform Gridlock and German Bicameralism,” which should be completed in fall of 2006, deals with the legislative consequences of divided government in the German political system. Using an impressive data set that contains every single legislative initiative introduced in German parliament from 1972 to 2002, Burkhart will be able to put the controversial debate about the gridlock potential of divided government in the German political system on a solid empirical foundation.

Having joined the research group in February of 2005, Holger Döring is in the early stages of his doctoral project. In his dissertation on “Decision Making in the European Union,” a study of the strategic interplay between the Council, Parliament and the Commission in European legislation, he is focusing particularly how the European legislative process is affected when there are different majorities in the Council and in the Parliament. Döring is currently compiling a large data set from
the European Legislative Observatory that will provide the basis for his empirical analysis of the legislative process in the European Union.

Döring’s work is part of a larger project on “Europe’s Party-Political Center of Gravity.” A first result of this project was a paper in 2004 by Philip Manow, Armin Schäfer and Hendrik Zorn that explored the party-political complexion of the Council since the Treaty of Rome and examined the consequences of changes in EU member-state government composition for European social policy. Subsequent papers will treat the second order election effect in European elections (Manow), discuss the legitimacy of regulatory delegation in the EU in the light of growing controversy over European integration (Schäfer) and analyze whether differences between national and European elections have led to systematic differences in the party-political complexion of Parliament and the Commission (Manow).

In 2002 Steffen Ganghof submitted his doctoral dissertation on income tax reform in seven industrialized countries to the University of Bremen. The dissertation was accepted in 2003 and published by Campus in 2004 as *Wer regiert in der Steuerpolitik?* A thoroughly updated and expanded English edition will be published in 2006 by Routledge. In 2003 and 2004, Steffen Ganghof focused on submitting and publishing several articles following up on his dissertation and began work on his new project “The Quality of Democracy – Retrieving True Majoritarian Democracy,” which aims to connect positive political theory, normative democratic theory and comparative typologies of democracy.

The group organized two major conferences at the institute. Ganghof and Manow organized “Theoretical Perspectives on German Politics” in 2003, which led to their jointly edited book, *Mechanismen der Politik*, in 2005 (Campus). In 2004, Philip Manow organized the first of two conferences on “Religion and the Western Welfare State” — the second is scheduled for May 2006. The results of the two conferences will be published in a volume edited jointly by Manow and Kees van Kersbergen of the Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam.

In 2003 and 2004, Philip Manow published several articles, book chapters and discussion papers on German politics, comparative politics, European integration, and social policy.

**Science, Technology and Systems of Innovation**

Responsibility for this group of projects is shared between the directors. Head of the research area, which was reconfigured in 2004, is Raymund Werle. In 2003 and 2004, the group’s research focused mainly on technical innovations. Theoretical work was aimed at spelling out more precisely how innovations are shaped by institutions, and at identifying the repercussions of technical innovations on institutions.

In June 2003, Knut Lange, one of the new members of the research area, started a doctoral dissertation project entitled “German Biotech Companies and Their Innovative Ability in International Comparison: An Institutionalist Analysis.” Its aim
was to provide an explanation of the relative success of the German biotech industry, which came as a surprise to many observers who claimed that the German institutional conditions were unfavorable to radical innovations. Empirical work including interviews in Germany and Great Britain was conducted until May 2004. Data analysis and interpretation is based on different institutional theories of innovation and commercial competitiveness. The dissertation was completed in summer 2005.

Raymund Werle reviewed the institutionalist literature on technical innovations and technical development and published a critical essay on the three strands of theory in this area (socio-economic, national systems of innovation and political economy). He also did preparatory work for a research project which picks up where the theoretical conclusions of the literature review leave off. The project has the working title “New Technologies and the Protection of Intellectual Property.” Focusing on biotechnology and information technology, it will analyze the interactive dynamic between the changing rules of intellectual property protection and innovative technical developments.

In 2004, Werle started cooperating with Ulrich Dolata (University of Bremen), who is working on “The Impact of Technological Innovations on Actor Configurations and Patterns of Cooperation and Competition” in the internet and biotechnology sectors. To facilitate his collaboration with the MPIfG researchers, Dolata will be affiliated with the MPIfG from October 2005 to November 2007.

The internet continued to be another focus of Werle’s research. He analyzed recent developments of internet governance and the ongoing international controversy on the role of governments and intergovernmental organizations concerning the (US-dominated) ultimate control over the basic functions of the internet. He was also involved in a European working group (COST Action 14) on “Regulation and Control in the Information Age” which completed its work in 2003.

In the last quarter of 2004 Jürgen Feick became affiliated to the research area. His research focuses on the impact of modern information and communication technologies (ICT) on the political and administrative system. Feick has begun by reviewing the vast literature on observable or expected impacts of modern ICT, concentrating on three aspects of the political process: politics and political decision-making (input), intra- and interadministrative problem-handling, coordination and cooperation (throughput), and interactions between implementing authorities and intervention targets (implementation). In a more policy-oriented perspective, Feick asks whether the utilization of modern ICT might create new problems which may change regulatory or governance conditions for the political system. By separating inconclusive and speculative publications from conceptual and empirical studies, the literature review will be the basis for a decision to proceed either with a conceptual-theoretical project or an empirical one.

Before turning to the impact of ICT on the political system, Feick continued his studies of pharmaceuticals regulation and European integration. In spring 2003, he was a visiting scholar at the Centre for Analysis of Risk and Regulation of the London School of Economics where he collaborated with the LSE colleagues on issues of
regulatory politics and regulation. He presented results of his studies in an LSE seminar and at other conferences. The project is finished, and several articles have been published dealing with the Europeanization of pharmaceuticals regulation from different theoretical perspectives.

**Completed Projects 2003–2004**

**Completed Projects at a Glance**

**Industrial Relations and Welfare States**  
*Germany: Beyond the Stable State*  
*Social Pacts and National Wage Bargaining in Europe*  
*European Trade Unions under Pressure*  

**Organized Interests**  
*Lobbying in Transatlantic Comparison*  
*Business Associations in an Internationalized Economy*  
*Aggregation of Business Interests*  

**Regional Integration**  
*The Rise of East Asia*  

**Theories and Methods**  
*Continuity and Discontinuity*  
*Visualization of Social Structures*  
*Institutional Complementarity*  

**European Integration**  
*“New Governance” and Social Europe*  
*EC Social Policy Directives in Southern and Francophone Europe*  
*EC Social Policy Directives and Social Partners*  
*Policy Misfit and the Implementation of EC Social Policy Directives*  
*Implementing the Single European Market*  
*Managing Economic Interdependence*  
*Reform of European Pharmaceuticals Regulation 2001–2004*  
*The Making and Implications of the Stability and Growth Pact*  
*Past and Present of the Stability and Growth Pact*  

Research project “‘New Governance’ and Social Europe”: Miriam Hartlapp, Oliver Treib, Simone Leiber, Gerda Falkner
Industrial Relations and Welfare States


Selected publications

Further publications

European Trade Unions under Pressure: Institutional and Organizational Change. Bernhard Ebbinghaus

Selected publications

Further publication

Germany: Beyond the Stable State. Wolfgang Streeck with Herbert Kitschelt (Duke University, Durham)


Organized Interests

Aggregation of Business Interests in the European Union.
Andreas Broscheid


**Lobbying in Transatlantic Comparison: The US and the EU during the Service Sector Negotiations of the WTO.**

Cornelia Woll (Doctoral project)


**European Integration**

“New Governance” and Social Europe: Theory and Practice of Minimum Harmonization and Soft Law in the Multilevel System. Gerda Falkner with Miriam Hartlapp, Simone Leiber and Oliver Treib


Gerda Falkner

Selected Publication


Further Publications


How Is Compliance Assured by Enforcement Structures at the European and the National Level? The Implementation of EC Social Policy Directives in France, Belgium, Spain, Portugal and Greece. Miriam Hartlapp (Doctoral project) Main project: “New Governance” and Social Europe

Selected Publications


Further Publications


Selected Publications


Further Publications


In: Roland Czada, Reinhard Habilitationsschrift zur In: Patricia Bauer, Helmut Voelzkow Frankfurt a.M.: Campus, 57x116

Susanne K. Schmidt: Selected publications Recognition in Germany and France. Implementing the Single European Market via Mutual


Managing Economic Interdependence: The “Open Method of Coordination” in Comparison. Armin Schäfer (Doctoral project)

Selected publications


Further publications


Further publications


The Making and Implications of the EU’s Stability and Growth Pact: Eurozone’s Deficiencies from an Institutionalist Perspective. Martin Heipertz (Doctoral project)


Ruling Europe? The Past and Present of the European Stability and Growth Pact. Martin Heipertz and Amy Verdun (University of Victoria, Canada)


Regional Integration

The Rise of East Asia as a Process of Regional Integration. Patrick Ziltener


Theories and Methods

Institutional Complementarity and the Dynamics of Economic Systems. Wolfgang Streeck and Martin Höpner with Robert Boyer and Bruno Amable (CEPREMAP, Paris) and Colin Crouch (University of Warwick and MPIfG)


Visualization of Social Structures. Lothar Krempel

Selected publications


Further publications


Continuity and Discontinuity in Institutional Analysis. Wolfgang Streeck with Kathleen Thelen (Northwestern University)

Selected publications


Further publication
Grant-funded Projects

Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG) (German Research Foundation)

Consolidated Institutional Variety? The Comparative Advantages of Coordinated Capitalism in a Competitive International Environment
Jürgen Beyer
Grant | 2002–2004

Sixth Framework Program of the European Union
Two MPIfG researchers are part of the Integrated Project on New Modes of Governance (NEWGOV, <http://www.eu-newgov.org>), which is funded by the Sixth Framework Program of the European Union.

European State Aid Control after Enlargement: Domestic Impact in the New Member States and Repercussions on the European Level
Michael Blauberger (Doctoral project)
Grant | 2004–2007

Mutual Recognition in the Enlarged European Single Market: Domestic Impact in the New Member States and Repercussions on the European Level
Wendelmoet van den Nouland (Doctoral project)
Grant | 2004–2007

Volkswagen Foundation
The Volkswagen Foundation program “Welfare State Transformation – Bridging the Gap between Academia and Practice,” funded research/work stays for three researchers from the MPIfG for one year (2003/2004) in policy-making institutions.

The Reform Potential of the German Political System
Anke Hassel
Host: German Federal Ministry of Economics and Labor, Policy Planning Department
Grant | May 2003–May 2004

Social Policy Standards and EU Eastern Enlargement: Evaluating Effects of the European Social Acquis in Poland
Simone Leiber
Host: Office of the Committee for European Integration (OCEI), Economic and Social Analysis Department (DAS), Warsaw
Grant | November 2003–April 2004

ILO and EU – Two Mayor Players in the Transformation of National Social Policy: Working Apart or Together?
Miriam Hartlapp
Host: International Labour Organization, Geneva
Grant | October 2003–September 2004

German Federal Ministry of Economics and Labor, Berlin
Cooperation and Communication within the Institute

Exchanging Ideas and Results

Informing each other about current work is an established part of researchers’ activities at the institute. Monthly seminars are a popular forum for presenting projects in progress and introducing new visiting researchers and postdoctoral fellows. Half-day workshops, where completed projects and their implications for future MPIfG research are discussed, offer further opportunities for debate. The institute’s project clusters facilitate exchange of information and ideas between directors and researchers, and among researchers themselves. Supervision by the directors and several senior researchers helps doctoral candidates complete their theses in time. Doctoral candidates participate in a bi-weekly colloquium and report about their work in larger joint projects. A doctoral program with a curriculum is planned for 2005.

Various lecture series, international conferences and workshops prepared by groups of researchers at the institute are vital to the exchange of ideas between the institute and the scientific community. If a larger audience for a visiting researcher can be expected, a public lecture is scheduled. An electronic mailing list makes it easy to invite the local scientific community, students and friends of the institute. Researchers present their current projects to the administrative staff and student assistants twice a year, which is well received. In 2004, the library launched a centrally located section for recent articles and books by MPIfG researchers, making it easier for researchers to keep informed about what their colleagues are writing.

Researchers at all levels, including doctoral candidates, participate in a rigorous internal peer review of papers submitted for publication in the institute’s paper series. This is an important vehicle for mutual information and debate which enables
reviewers to develop their critical skills while authors gain from their colleagues’ experience and insights.

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In-house lunch meetings, the daily after-lunch espresso, spacious lunchrooms and kitchens, sunny terraces, nearby restaurants on Severinstrasse and the proximity of the guest apartments to the institute enhance personal contacts and help integrate visiting researchers and new colleagues. Each visiting researcher is assigned to a research staff member who shows him or her around the building and helps establish professional contacts inside and outside the institute. The newly established Society of Friends and Former Associates of the MPIfG provides a forum for networking among former MPIfG researchers who want to maintain their bond with the institute and current members of the research staff.

The directors of the MPIfG regard it as one of their most important and rewarding tasks to provide for a rich social and intellectual context at the institute, one within which independent and spontaneous discussion and cooperation among all members can flourish. Communication among researchers is no less essential for this than direct interaction between directors and research staff. The recruitment of staff and visitors, the selection of topics for internal seminars and workshops, the invitation of guest speakers and the organization of lecture series are all important instruments of cultivating collective and individual creativity and independent motivation to produce excellent work. It is only in an environment like this that the directors can avoid becoming restricted to research management and can remain actively involved in research themselves.

CooperationwithOtherResearchInstitutes

InternationalCooperation

In addition to the projects MPIfG researchers conduct jointly with colleagues around the world, the MPIfG as an institution cooperates closely with a number of research institutes working in similar fields, among them the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies at the European University Institute (EUI) in Florence, the Center for European Studies at Harvard University, the Centre Européen at the Institut d’Études Politiques
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in Paris, CEPREMAP (Centre pour la Recherche Économique et ses Applications) in Paris, and AIAS (Amsterdam Institute for Advanced Labour Studies) in Amsterdam.

Local Cooperation

Researchers from the MPIfG meet twice a year, once in Bonn and once in Cologne, with their counterparts from the Max Planck Institute for Research on Collective Goods in Bonn for an afternoon of project presentations and discussion. Directed by a lawyer and an economist, the institute in Bonn takes an interdisciplinary perspective, seeking to integrate law, economics, and political sciences in its analysis of collective goods.

Joint Paper Archive for Studies on European Integration

The MPIfG also contributes to a joint publications archive for research in the field of European integration, ERPA – the European Research Papers Archive (http://eiop.or.at/erpa/). Administered by the Austrian Academy of Sciences in Vienna, ERPA provides a common access point for the online paper series of the participating institutions, so that researchers in the field of European integration studies can search them quickly. To guarantee high standards, ERPA only includes high-quality series:

- Working Papers, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies and Law Department, European University Institute, Florence
- MPIfG Discussion Papers and MPIfG Working Papers, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies (MPIfG), Cologne
- Jean Monnet Working Papers, European Union Jean Monnet Chair, New York University Law School, New York City
- European Integration online Papers (EIoP), European Communities Studies Association Austria (ECSA), Vienna
- Working papers, ARENA Centre for European Studies, Oslo
- Working Papers, Mannheim Centre for European Social Research (MZES), Mannheim
- One Europe or Several? Working Papers, Economic and Social Research Council Programme of the UK, based at Sussex European Institute, Brighton
- Queen's Papers on Europeanisation, School of Politics, International Studies and Philosophy, Queen's University, Belfast
- The Constitutionalism Web-Papers (ConWEB), Queen's University, Belfast, and McGill University, Montreal
Projects Conducted in Cooperation with Researchers Outside the MPIfG

Project Area
Industrial Relations and Welfare States

Vocational Education and Training in Transition
Kathleen Thelen (Northwestern University and MPIfG)

Germany: Beyond the Stable State*
Wolfgang Streeck with Herbert Kitschelt
(Duke University, Durham)

Project Area
Organized Interests

Business Associations in an Internationalized Economy*
Wolfgang Streeck with Volker Schneider, Jürgen Grote
(University of Konstanz) and Jelle Visser (University of Amsterdam)

Project Area
European Integration

Interest Representation and Influence in the Reform of European Pharmaceuticals Regulation 2001–2004*
Jürgen Feick and Andreas Broscheid (University of North Carolina, Pembroke)

Ruling Europe? The Past and Present of the European Stability and Growth Pact*
Martin Heipertz and Amy Verdun (University of Victoria, Canada)

Research Group on Democratic Government and Economic Governance

The Opportunity Costs of Welfare State Reforms
Philip Manow and Thomas Plümper (University of Konstanz)

Project Area
Theories and Methods

Institutional Complementarities and Institutional Change
Wolfgang Streeck and Kathleen Thelen (Northwestern University and MPIfG), with Martin Höpner, Britta Rehder and Christine Trampusch

Institutional Complementarity and the Dynamics of Economic Systems*
Wolfgang Streeck and Martin Höpner with Robert Boyer and Bruno Amable (CEPREMAP, Paris) and Colin Crouch (University of Warwick and MPIfG)

Continuity and Discontinuity in Institutional Analysis*
Wolfgang Streeck with Kathleen Thelen
(Northwestern University and MPIfG)

*completed in 2003–2004

Visiting Researchers

Gergana Atanasova
Industrial relations and processes of integration in the EU
European Studies Department
University of Sofia, Bulgaria
2002/08–2003/07

Sabina Avdagic
Shaping the paths to labor weakness in post-communist Central Europe: The interplay of political strategies and institutional structures
Political Science Department
Central European University, Budapest, Hungary
2003/05–2004/08
Tolga Bolukbasi  
Monetary integration and the political economy of welfare state adaption in Europe  
Department of Sociology  
McGill University, Montreal, Canada  
2003/07–2003/08

Andreas Broscheid  
Interest representation and influence in the reform of European pharmaceuticals regulation  
Department of Political Science and Public Administration  
University of North Carolina–Pembroke, USA  
2004/06–2004/07

John W. Cioffi  
Corporate governance in Germany  
Department of Political Science  
University of California–Berkeley, USA  
2003/07

Virginia Doellgast  
Business associations and employment practices in call center regions: A comparative study of the US and Germany  
School of Industrial and Labor Relations  
Cornell University, Ithaca, USA  
2003/11–2004/07

Verena Eggert  
The influence of changes in the system of corporate governance in Germany on selected aspects of human resource management  
Department of Industrial Relations and Personnel Management  
London School of Economics, UK  
2003/12–2004/06

Bai Gao  
The constitutional order of the state and economic governance: The convergence toward the associational order of the economy in the United States, Germany, and Japan from 1930–1945  
Department of Sociology  
Duke University, Durham, USA  
2004/06–2004/07

Peter Gourevitch  
Comparative forms of corporate governance regulation  
Department of Political Science  
University of California–San Diego, USA  
2003/07

Michel Goyer  
Corporate governance in France and Germany  
Warwick Business School, Industrial Relations and Organisational Behaviour Group  
University of Warwick, UK  
2004/07–2004/08

Silvana Greco  
Comparative analysis of career opportunities and limitations for part-time workers in Italy and Germany  
Dipartimento di Studi Sociali e Politici Università degli Studi di Milano, Italy  
2003/09–2003/11

Ian Greer  
Social partnership and union strategy in comparative perspective: United States and Germany  
School of Industrial and Labor Relations  
Cornell University, Ithaca, USA  
2003/11–2004/07

Alexandra Hennessy  
Domestic sources of conflicting German and British preferences regarding EU legislation on the governance of pension funds across borders  
Department of Political Science  
Boston University, USA  
2004/06

Rogers Hollingsworth  
An historical and cross-national study of the role of institutions and organizations in shaping major scientific discoveries  
Departments of History and Sociology  
University of Wisconsin–Madison, USA  
2004/03–2004/05

Kerstin Jacobsson  
The Open Method of Coordination in general and the European Employment Strategy  
Stockholm Center for Organizational Research  
Stockholm University, Sweden  
2003/10

Jani Kaarlejärvi  
The role of Germany and its national interests in the formation of the Stability Pact  
Political Economy Research Centre  
University of Sheffield, UK  
2004/04–2004/07
Margitta Mätzke
_The development of self-government in German social insurance systems since 1945 and its influence on social policy_
Department of Political Science
Northwestern University–Chicago, USA
2002/12–2003/01

Sandra Mitchell
_Instructor, MPIfG Summer School 2004 on the “Philosophy of Science”_
Department of History and Philosophy of Science
University of Pittsburgh, USA
2004/06

Eli Moen
_Globalization and small countries: The case of Finland and Norway_
Department of Culture Studies
University of Oslo, Norway
2002/07–2003/02

Abraham Newman
_The politics of personal information markets in the United States and Europe_
University of California–Berkeley, USA
2002/09–2003/06

Simona Piattoni
_The influence of European integration on clientelism and patronage_
Department of Sociology and Social Research
Università degli Studi di Trento, Italy
2004/06–2004/07

Roswitha Pioch
_Migration as a problem of transnational social policy_
Fachbereich Politikwissenschaft
Universität Duisburg–Essen – Standort Essen, Germany
2002/12–2004/02

Thomas Plümper
_The opportunity costs of welfare reform_
Fachbereich Politik und Verwaltung, Lehrstuhl für internationale Politik
Universität Konstanz, Germany
2003/07–2003/08

Philippe Pochet
_European Monetary Union and social policies: Europeanization, change and institutions_
Observatoire social européen, Brussels, Belgium
2004/02–2004/04
Luana Miruna Pop  
*Policy developments in transition: Institutional processes and structures in Central and Eastern European countries*  
Department of Sociology  
University of Bucharest, Romania  
2004/09–2005/02

Sigrid Quack  
*Cross-societal diffusion during German industrialization: The role of the “international” in the emergence of “German” capitalism*  
Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin für Sozialforschung, Germany  
2004/09–2004/10

Nils F. Ringe  
*The development of policy preferences in legislative politics*  
Department of Political Science  
University of Pittsburgh, USA  
2004/10–2005/03

Ulrich Sedelmeier  
*The impact of the European Union on public policies in the accession countries of Central Europe (book project)*  
International Relations and European Studies  
Central European University, Budapest, Hungary  
2004/01–2004/08

Arndt Sorge  
*Internationalization and provincialization: Organizational change in different social contexts*  
Faculty of Management and Organisation  
University of Groningen, Netherlands  
2002/09–2003/08

Peter Swenson  
*Capital, labor and medicine (book project)*  
Department of Political Science  
Yale University, New Haven, USA  

Ingeborg Tömmel  
*Political decisionmaking in the EU (book project)*  
Fachbereich Sozialwissenschaften  
Universität Osnabrück, Germany  
2003/02–2003/04

Aurora Trif  
*The transformation of industrial relations in Eastern Europe: From a planned economy to a market economy*  
Business, Computing and Information Management Department  
London South Bank University, UK  
2004/06–2005/06

Lkhanaajave Tsedendamba  
*Creation of a development plan for Mongolia; research on the current debate in Germany on developmental aid*  
Mongolian Development Research Center, Ulanbaatar, Mongolia  
2004/08–2004/10

Amy Verdun  
*European monetary and economic integration*  
Department of Political Science, European Studies Program  
University of Victoria, Canada  
2003/01–2003/07 and 2003/12

Jelle Visser  
*Business associations in an internationalized economy*  
Department of Sociology and Anthropology, and Amsterdam Institute for Advanced Labour Studies (AIAS)  
University of Amsterdam, Netherlands  
2003/08

Michal Wenzel  
*Europeanization of social dialogue and its implications for Poland’s accession to the European Union*  
Public Opinion Research Center (CBOS), Warsaw, Poland  
2003/02–2003/09

Joshua David Whitford  
*The implications of productive decentralization for regional industrial policy: Comparing the Midwestern United States, Piedmont and Emilia-Romagna in Italy and Baden-Württemberg in Germany*  
Department of Sociology  
University of Wisconsin–Madison, USA  
2003/09–2004/07
Outside Leaves of Absence for Research and Study

Sabina Avdagic
Research, Varieties of labor politics in postcommunism, Jean Monnet Fellowship, European University Institute, Florence, September 2004–June 2005

Jürgen Feick

Steffen Ganghof

Miriam Hartlapp

Anke Hassel

Martin Heipertz
Research, Development and implementation of EU Stability and Growth Pact, Sciences Po, Centre d’Études et de Recherches Internationales, Paris, 12 April–20 June 2004

Martin Höpner
Research, The politics of corporate governance, Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies, Harvard University, Cambridge, 15 August 2002–30 May 2003

Imke Kruse
Research, Directorates General for External Relations and for Justice and Home Affairs, European Commission, Brussels, September–November 2003 (2 weeks altogether)

Simone Leiber

Renate Mayntz
Research, Literature on international terrorism, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Berlin, 18–22 May 2003
Research, Globalization and global governance, Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies at Harvard University, Cambridge, 10 October–17 December 2004

Christine Trampusch
Research, Collective bargaining in the Netherlands, Amsterdam Institute for Advanced Labour Studies (AIAS), Amsterdam, 28 June–2 July 2004

Michal Wenzel
Research, Participation of East European unionists in the European Trade Union Confederation, European Trade Union Confederation, Brussels, June 2003

Raymund Werle
Research, Internet governance, Centre for Analysis of Risk and Regulation (CARR), London School of Economics and Political Science, London, October 2003
Research, Institutional analysis of technical innovation, Institute for Advanced Studies on Science, Technology and Society (IAS-STS), Inter-University Research Centre for Technology, Work and Culture (IFZ), Graz, May 2004

Joshua David Whitford
Research, Fiat Auto crisis and regional industrial policy in Piedmont, University of Turin, 5–12 December 2003

Cornelia Woll
Research, U.S. Lobbying on Telecommunication and Air Transport Services, American Institute for Contemporary German Studies, Johns Hopkins University; BMW Center for German and European Studies, Georgetown University, Washington, DC, March–July 2003
At the end of 2004 the doctoral program of the institute included eleven students. These were two less than at the end of 2002, which was due to the retirement of Fritz W. Scharpf and the vacancy of his position. Of the 16 students in the program during 2003 and 2004, Wolfgang Streeck was principal advisor to ten, and of the eleven students that remained he advised eight (two students worked with Susanne Schmidt, one with Philip Manow). Doctoral students at the MPIfG are expected to complete their dissertations within three years, in accordance with the contract policy of the Max Planck Society. By 2004, the average time from entering the program until submission of the thesis, for all students in the program since 1992, was exactly 36 months, with three out of 24 students not completing. Beginning in the summer of 2005, the MPIfG doctoral program is being reorganized into an International Max Planck Research School (IMPRS).

Since 2001, doctoral students at the MPIfG are first given one-year contracts, to be followed by a second contract extending over two years. In their first year students are expected to produce a research paper that develops the theme of their dissertation or forms a part of the latter. The second, two-year contract is awarded on the basis of this paper. From early on, students are assigned to a main adviser who is usually one of the directors or a senior MPIfG researcher. In addition, two other senior researchers, not necessarily from the institute, are asked to serve on a three-person dissertation committee which accompanies the student’s work closely until its completion. Among other things, the committee, in consultation with the student, determines what kind of first-year research paper a student is expected to submit.

Five students completed their theses and graduated in 2003 and 2004. Miriam Hartlapp and Simone Leiber completed their work in the project led by Gerda
Falkner on the impact of European social policy directives at the level of the member states. Three other students finished their doctoral work on political economy issues. Martin Heipertz finished a thesis on the making and the implications of the Stability and Growth Pact. Armin Schäfer completed his work on the management of economic interdependence in the EU, and Cornelia Woll received a French-German binational doctorate for her work on lobbying in transatlantic comparison. In 2003 Henrik Enderlein was awarded the Otto Hahn Medal of the Max Planck Society for an excellent doctoral thesis. The same award went to Armin Schäfer the following year.

Of the doctoral students still working on their projects at the end of 2004, three are looking at the economic challenges that individuals face as internationalization increases. Imke Kruse, who went on to complete her thesis in 2005, looked at the EU migration and asylum regime, Sigrun Kahl is examining cultures of poverty policy by looking at welfare-to-work policies for the least employable in Europe and the United States, and Till Müller-Schoell studied how different social security regimes exempt particular kinds of work from social security contributions. In addition, Jörg Teuber is working on the Europeanization of organized interests in the automobile and retail sectors, drawing on a database he has developed at the MPIfG over the last several years. Saskia Freye, who is looking at the changing forms of solidarity among business leaders in Germany, will add to the insights of MPIfG research on the disintegrating “Germany Inc.”

Two other dissertations investigate the governance of the economy. Simone Burkhart, a member of Philip Manow’s research group “Democratic Government and Economic Governance,” is examining how the interplay between cooperative federalism and antagonistic inter-party rivalry leads to reform gridlock in Germany’s bicameral system. Myung-Joon Park is looking at tripartism in the Republic of Korea and how it relates to the country’s democratization process in the 1990s, drawing comparisons with the Netherlands and Spain. European integration is the focus of three other projects. Helen Callaghan is studying EU company law harmonization. Michael Blauberger and Wendelmoet van den Nouland’s projects, supervised by senior MPIfG researcher Susanne K. Schmidt, are funded by the European Union in the context of an international research effort on “New Modes of Governance.” They study, respectively, the domestic impact of European state aid control on the new member states, and the impact of mutual recognition in the enlarged European Single Market, in particular the curtailment of national sovereignty in regulating goods and services. Knut Lange, finally, has meanwhile finished his analysis of the strategies of German biotech companies, which contributed to the “varieties of capitalism” debate.

With a few exceptions, the doctoral students in the program were funded by the MPIfG. Exceptions are Michael Blauberger and Wendelmoet van den Nouland, who are sponsored by the “New Modes of Governance” project (NEWGOV) of the EU. Myung Joon-Park receives a fellowship from the Friedrich Ebert Foundation.
As pointed out in the past, the MPIfG is not a degree-confering institution. Most doctoral students apply to the MPIfG on their own or respond to public advertisements. As the MPIfG cannot award degrees, its doctoral students have to find a faculty member at a university who is willing to sponsor their dissertation. This makes it necessary to agree on the substance and method of a dissertation with a candidate’s official Doktorvater (or Doktormutter). No major problems have, however, arisen from this. Wolfgang Streeck has for a number of years now been an honorary member of the Faculty of Economics and Social Science of the University of Cologne, which gives him the right to sponsor doctoral degrees. Increasingly this has resulted in the MPIfG’s doctoral students receiving their degrees from the University of Cologne.

Doctoral students at the MPIfG are fully integrated in the intellectual life of the institute. The small size of the MPIfG ensures that they are involved in all ongoing activities, including informal discussions, internal seminars and guest lectures. Still, because of their consuming involvement in their thesis research, and being removed from a diverse university environment, students may tend to overspecialize at an early stage their career. Gaps in their university training cannot be remedied just by being integrated into a research-intensive context such as the MPIfG. For this reason, the institute organizes obligatory internal training courses for its doctoral students.

In 2003 and 2004, Wolfgang Streeck and Philip Manow continued a bi-weekly colloquium that has been held for the Institute’s doctoral students since 1999. University students can attend and receive credits for their participation. Each doctoral student presents his or her research project, which is then discussed by the participants and the directors. Other MPIfG courses aim to expand the reading experience of doctoral candidates beyond their immediate research needs. Two Summer Schools, also open to University of Cologne students, were held in 2003 and 2004:

___ Summer School 2003: **German Sociology – Perspectives for the Study of Societies.**

The history of German sociology from the classics of the nineteenth century to the present was the focus of a twelve-lecture series by Uwe Schimank of FernUniversität Hagen. Theories, approaches and models most prominent in research at the MPIfG provided the basis for the selection of the works discussed.

___ Summer School 2004: **Philosophy of Social Science.** Sandra Mitchell from the Department of History and Philosophy of Science at the University of Pittsburgh explored such issues as the existence of laws explaining social phenomena, and explanatory methods and causalities found in the social sciences. Six lectures were complemented by six sessions of workshops and individual consultations.

In addition, from March to August 2004 the MPIfG organized a workshop on Scholarly Writing in English. Native German speakers learned to improve the style and structure of their English-language manuscripts. The course was taught by Marisa Cid, Ed.D., who is specialized in teaching English to non-native academics.

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Doctoral Candidates 2003–2004

Michael Blauberger
European State Aid Control after Enlargement

Simone Burkhart
Reform Gridlock in Bicameral Systems

Helen Callaghan
EU Company Law Harmonization

Saskia Freye
Business Leaders in Organized Capitalism

Miriam Hartlapp

Martin Heipertz

Sigrun Kahl
Cultures of Poverty Policy

Imke Kruse
EU Migration and Asylum Regime

Knut Lange
Strategies of German Biotech Companies

Simone Leiber

Till Müller-Schoell
Exemptions of Work from Social Security Contributions

Myung-Joon Park
Chances and Limits of Democratic Corporatism in South Korea

Armin Schäfer
Managing Economic Interdependence (dissertation completed in 2004)

Jörg Teuber
Europeanization of Organized Interests: Automobile and Retail

Wendelmoet van den Nouland
Mutual Recognition after EU Enlargement

Cornelia Woll
Lobbying in Transatlantic Comparison (dissertation completed in 2004)
Doctoral and Postdoctoral Degrees

Doctoral Degrees

Steffen Ganghof
Dr. rer. pol., 5 March 2003
Universität Bremen
Dissertation “Parties, Power and Progressivity: On the Political Economy of Income Taxation in Open States”

Miriam Hartlapp
Dr. rer. pol., 11 December 2003
Universität Osnabrück, Fachbereich Sozialwissenschaften

Antje Kurdelbusch
Dr. rer. soc., 23 January 2003
Ruhr-Universität Bochum
Dissertation “Variable Vergütung in deutschen Großunternehmen: Entgeltsysteme zwischen Flexibilisierung und Flächentarifvertrag”
Published online in 2002 by Ruhr-Universität Bochum library: <http://www-hrs.uh.ruhr-uni-bochum.de/nta/html/HSS/Diss/KurdelbuschAntje>

Simone Leiber
Dr. rer. pol., 21 January 2004
Universität Heidelberg, Wirtschafts- und Sozialwissenschaftliche Fakultät

Armin Schäfer
Dr. rer. pol., 27 September 2004
Universität Bremen, Sozialwissenschaftliche Fakultät

Martin Schludi
Dr. phil., 21 February 2003
Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
Dissertation “The Reform of Bismarckian Pension Systems: A Comparison of Pension Politics in Austria, France, Germany, Italy and Sweden”
Published: The Reform of Bismarckian Pension Systems: A Comparison of Pension Politics in Austria, France, Germany, Italy and Sweden. Amsterdam University Press, Amsterdam 2005, 312.
**Postdoctoral Degrees (Habilitations)**

**Jürgen Beyer**  
Venia legendi in sociology, 25 October 2004  
Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Philosophische Fakultät III  

**Bernhard Ebbinghaus**  
Venia legendi in sociology, July 2003  
Universität zu Köln, Wirtschafts- und Sozialwissenschaftliche Fakultät  
Forthcoming: *The Reform of Early Retirement in Europe, Japan and the USA*. Oxford University Press, Oxford 2006

**Anke Hassel**  
Venia legendi in sociology, 22 October 2003  
Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Sozialwissenschaftliche Fakultät  

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Teaching

Sabina Avdagic
Summer School Course: The Politics of Market
Making and Industrial Relations in Europe, CEU Summer University (SUN) Central European University, Budapest, 30 June–11 July 2003

Jürgen Beyer

Bernhard Ebbinghaus
Proseminar: Soziologie des Sozialstaats in Europa, Seminar für Soziologie, Universität zu Köln, Summer 2003
Courses at Institut für Soziologie, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, Winter 2003/2004:
Vorlesung and Proseminar: Einführung in den internationalen Vergleich von Gegenwartsgesellschaften
Proseminar: Die Logik und Dynamik kollektiven Handelns: Theorie und Praxis sozialer Bewegungen
Hauptseminar: Aufbau und Umbau des Sozialstaats in Europa
Hauptseminar: Comparative Sociology: Methods and Strategies
Hauptseminar: Comparative Historical Sociology
Courses at Institut für Soziologie, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, Spring 2004:
Vorlesung: Grundzüge II: Makrosoziologie
Proseminar: Einführung in die Organisationssoziologie
Hauptseminar: Citizenship: Social and Political Rights
Hauptseminar: Sozialpartnerschaft und sozialer Dialog in Europa

Gerda Falkner
Research Seminar: The EU and its (present and future) Member States, College of Europe, Bruges, Belgium, Summer and Winter 2003 (two weeks altogether)
Forschungsseminar: Politikwissenschaft, Institut für Höhere Studien, Vienna, Summer and Winter 2003 (one week altogether)

Steffen Ganghof
Proseminar: Einführung in die vergleichende Analyse politischer Institutionen, Institut für Politikwissenschaft, Universität zu Köln, Summer 2003

Lothar Krempel

Philip Manow
Hauptseminar: Akteurzentrierte Regierungslehre, Seminar für politische Wissenschaften, Universität zu Köln, Spring 2004

Britta Rehder

Management-Schulung: *Betriebliche Sozialpartnerschaft*, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Personalführung e.V., Düsseldorf, 27 April 2004

**Susanne K. Schmidt**

Proseminar: *Einführung in das politische System der Bundesrepublik Deutschland*, Seminar für Politische Wissenschaft, Universität zu Köln, Summer 2003

Proseminar: *Einführung in den politischen Systemvergleich: Die Bundesrepublik Deutschland und die USA*, Institut für Politikwissenschaft, Universität zu Köln, Spring 2004

Acting professor: Chair for European Studies, Institut für Politikwissenschaft, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, Winter 2005

Courses at Institut für Politikwissenschaft, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, Winter 2004/2005:
- Vorlesung: *Die Europäische Union: Institutionen und historische Entwicklung*
- Proseminar: *Die nationale Dimension der EU*
- Hauptseminar: *Policy-Making in der erweiterten Europäischen Union*
- Hauptseminar: *Eine neue Union? Erweiterungsprozess und Verfassungsgebung*

**Wolfgang Streeck**


Hauptseminar: *Organisationssoziologie*, Universität zu Köln, Spring 2003

Summer University Course: *The Politics of Market Making and Industrial Relations in Europe*, Central European University, Budapest, 10–11 July 2003

Hauptseminar: *Organisationssoziologie*, Universität zu Köln, Spring 2004

Hauptseminar: *Grundlagen der Wirtschaftssoziologie*, Universität zu Köln, Winter 2004/2005

**Christine Trampusch**

Courses at Institut für Sozialpolitik, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, Winter 2003/2004:
- Hauptseminar: *Sozialpartnerschaft und Korporatismus in westeuropäischen Wohlfahrtsstaaten*
- Hauptseminar: *Methoden vergleichender Untersuchungen*, Graduiertenkolleg "Die Zukunft des Europäischen Sozialmodells"
- Hauptseminar: *"A Tale of Three Countries": Die Entstehung des deutschen, britischen und niederländischen Wohlfahrtsstaates im Vergleich*, Institut für Sozialpolitik, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, Spring 2004

**Oliver Treib**


Proseminar: *Politikgestaltung und -Implementation in der Europäischen Union, Wirtschafts- und Sozialwissenschaftliche Fakultät, Universität zu Köln, Summer 2003*
MPIfG Publication Series

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Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies, Cologne, 2003–2004, ISSN 0944-2073


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Publications

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04/2: Scharpf, F.W.: Der deutsche Föderalismus – reformbedürftig und reformierbar?


04/5: Schäfer, A.: A New Form of Governance? Comparing the Open Method of Coordination to Multilateral Surveillance by the IMF and the OECD.

04/6: Scharpf, F.W.: Legitimationskonzepte jenseits des Nationalstaats.

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MPIfG Conferences

Major Conferences and Workshops

International Conference, 27–28 June 2003
Theoretische Perspektiven auf das deutsche Regierungssystem. Organizers: Philip Manow and Steffen Ganghof. Host: MPIfG

This was the first major conference organized by the Research Group “Democratic Government and Economic Governance,” which was established in 2002 and is directed by Philip Manow. The edited volume based on the conference analyzes various aspects of how Germany is governed, such as the mechanisms of German politics, the determinants of voting discipline within parliamentary party groups in crossnational comparison, the relevance of institutions to coalition loyalty; the power of the governing party as an agenda-setter, party competition in the bicameral system, the role of the constitutional court in legislation, the bounded rationality of delegation and intervention on the part of the federal administration, and the monitoring role of the Länder governments vis-à-vis the ministerial bureaucracy.


Workshop, 4 March 2003
Tarifautonomie, Arbeitsfrieden und betriebliche Gestaltungsfreiheit. Organizers: Wolfgang Streeck and Britta Rehder (MPIfG), Arbeitgeberverband Gesamtmetall (employers’ association for the metal and electrical industry), Cologne. Host: MPIfG

Perspectives for a reform of the collective bargaining system in Germany were discussed at this workshop addressing autonomy in collective bargaining, industrial peace and companies’ freedom to make local wage agreements. Wolfgang Streeck spoke about the German system of industrial relations (focusing on the primacy of the collective wage agreement and the demand to extend company-level flexibility), and Britta Rehder spoke about local and central wage agreements, and new practices at the company level. During the following panel discussion, executives from Gesamtmetall talked about their experiences with company employment pacts, and about how such pacts are affected by collective wage agreements and the “favorability principle” (which stipulates that the individual worker can, as a union member, deviate from the negotiated union wage contract if this is favorable for him or her).
International Conference, 18–19 July 2003
The Politics of Corporate Governance. Organizers: Martin Höpner, Wolfgang Streeck. Host: MPIfG

The national institutions of corporate governance are changing rapidly, orienting themselves increasingly toward shareholder interests. While this can generally be observed in all Western industrial countries, the speed and the focus of change varies from one country to the next. Germany, for example, seized quickly on the principle of “one share, one vote,” but fought to tone down the European Takeover Directive. Discussions at the conference focused on how political variables – such as institutions of consociational democracy, the party-political constitution of governments, corporatism, and industrial relations – can actually contribute to our understanding of these national differences.

Workshop, 23 April 2004
Die Zukunft der Unternehmensmitbestimmung. Organizer: Martin Höpner. Host: MPIfG

The future of the codetermined supervisory board in Germany was the subject of this workshop. Employee relations directors and representatives of employers’ associations, the German Trade Union Federation (DGB) and the Hans Böckler Foundation exchanged ideas with social scientists, economists and legal experts. The success of company codetermination was a focus of discussion, as was the need to reform the system, for example, by promoting the internationalization of supervisory boards.

Workshop, 30 April–1 May 2004
Religion and the Western Welfare State. Organizers: Kees van Kersbergen (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Department of Political Science) and Philip Manow (MPIfG). Host: MPIfG

A fresh assessment of the impact of religion on modern welfare development was the focus of this workshop. Comparative welfare-state literature today often sees religion’s impact on social protection systems as being limited to the effects the Catholic Church’s social teachings have had within Catholic unions and Christian Democratic parties. Taking Sweden, Norway, Italy, the Netherlands, Germany, Belgium and France as cases in point, the participants discussed a wider range of issues such as: the key role of state/church conflicts in the development of education policy, family policy and poor relief programs; the fundamental differences between Lutheran, Calvinist and Catholic social doctrines and their influence on the timing of major social protection programs introduced in different countries; and the role of religious cleavage in European welfare states based on its impact on the formation of national party systems. A follow-up conference will be held in spring 2006.

Workshop, 17–18 June 2004
The End of Labor Politics? Organizers: Sabina Avdagic, Britta Rehder, Christine Trampusch. Host: MPIfG

This workshop examined the changing nature of the relationship between unions and social democratic parties. Originally exemplifying the joint struggle for the political and social interests of the working class, the special ties between unions and social democrats used to be facilitated through political exchange. But since the 1970s, this relationship has been subject to increasing strains, as structural economic changes and interest heterogeneity have undermined the very foundations of the traditional working class. The workshop explored the reasons and mechanisms behind these changes and discussed how they affect the prospects of labor politics.

Workshop "Die Zukunft der Unternehmensmitbestimmung": Horst Neumann (Audi AG) and Klaus Bräunig (Bundesverband der Deutschen Industrie, BDI)
Other Workshops and Meetings

Workshops, 26–27 September 2003 and 26–27 March 2004
Complementarity and Innovation. Organizers: Wolfgang Streeck, Martin Höpner (MPIfG) and Robert Boyer (CEPREMAP-ENS). Hosts: CEPREMAP-ENS, Paris (first meeting); MPIfG (second meeting)

Workshop, 11 December 2003
Die organisatorische Dimension des modernen Terrorismus. Organizers: Renate Mayntz (MPIfG) and Herfried Münkler (Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin) Host: Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin


Workshops, 16 December 2003, 20 April 2004 and 14 September 2004
Analysis of research funded under the Volkswagen Foundation’s special program “Global Structures and Governance.” Organizers: Renate Mayntz (MPIfG) and Volkswagen Foundation. Host: MPIfG


Meeting, 3–4 December 2004
Die politische Ökonomie der Europäischen Wirtschafts- und Währungsunion. Tagung der Sektion Politik und Ökonomie der Deutschen Vereinigung für Politische Wissenschaft (DVPW). Organizers: Philip Manow (MPIfG), Susanne Lütz (FernUniversität Hagen) and Christoph Scherrer (Universität Kassel). Host: MPIfG

Conference, 16–17 January 2004
Solidarität jenseits des Nationalstaats. Organizers: Jens Beckert (Universität Göttingen), Martin Kohli (Freie Universität Berlin), Julia Eckert (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle) and Wolfgang Streeck (MPIfG). Host: Die Junge Akademie an der Berlin-Brandenburgischen Akademie der Wissenschaften und der Deutsche Akademie der Naturforscher Leopoldina


Lectures and Conference Participation

From 2003 to 2004, MPIfG researchers gave 129 lectures at universities, research institutes, academies, foundations, firms, banks, research organizations, government offices and think tanks. They spoke at meetings of political parties, trade unions, employer associations and professional associations. They were well represented at major national and international conferences in political science, socio-economics, sociology, European studies, German studies and the sociology of science. The issues addressed reflect the range of interests of the institute’s researchers, such as the EU
constitution, a citizen-oriented federal system of government, corporate governance, institutional change, the political regulation of new social risks, the globalization of technology policy, social inequality and cultural differences, the future of centralized collective bargaining, the transformation of the European financial system, and the implications of a wider Europe.

MPIfG lecturers went to 31 German cities and 20 German universities. They gave lectures in 13 European countries, and at five leading universities in the United States. Four lectures were given in Asia, two at the Korean Labour Institute, one at the Shanghai Institute for Advanced Studies, and one at Waseda University in Tokyo. About one quarter of all lectures were given by PhD students. MPIfG researchers also participated in many conferences and workshops, 45 of which were held in Germany and 18 abroad.

Guest Lectures at the MPIfG

Lecture Series: Beyond the Nation? Die Nation – diesseits und jenseits

Alois Hahn  
Folgen und Funktionen von Nationen  
Universität Trier, Germany  
03/11/27

Bernhard Giesen  
Vom Triumph zum Trauma: Die nationale Idee  
Universität Konstanz, Germany  
03/12/11

Friedrich Wilhelm Graf  
Die Nation: Von Gott erfunden?  
Universität München, Germany  
04/01/22

Andreas Dörner  
Sind politische Einheitsrepräsentationen heute noch national definiert?  
Technische Universität Dresden, Germany  
04/02/26

Emilio Gentile  
Nationalism as a Political Religion: Dead or Still Alive?  
Università degli studi di Roma, La Sapienza, Rome, Italy  
04/03/18

Further Guest Lectures

Petra Ahrweiler  
Unternehmen und Unternehmensnetzwerke in der Biotechnologie, Deutschland und Großbritannien  
Universität Hamburg, Germany  
04/02/25

Klaus Armingeon  
Die OECD und die Entwicklung nationaler Wohlfahrtsstaaten, 1970–2000  
Universität Bern, Switzerland  
03/02/11
Sabina Avdagic
Power, Interactions and Institutional Change: Shaping Industrial Relations in Postcommunism
Central European University, Budapest, Hungary
04/05/27

Lucio Baccaro
The Downside of Deliberative Public Administration
International Institute for Labour Studies, Geneva, Switzerland
04/09/23

Heinrich Best
Die Professionalisierung der Politik
Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, Germany
04/11/08

Tim Büthe
Taking Temporality Seriously: Modeling History and the Use of Narratives as Evidence
Columbia University, New York, USA
03/03/20

Bernhard Casey
London School of Economics, UK
03/01/23

John W. Cioffi
Restructuring “Germany Inc.”: The Politics of Company and Takeover Law Reform in Germany and the European Union
University of California–Berkeley, USA
03/07/08

Thomas Ertman
Staatsbildungsprozesse in Europa in vergleichender Perspektive
Harvard University, Cambridge, USA
03/03/22

Maurizio Ferrera
Boundaries of Welfare: European Integration and the New Spatial Politics of Solidarity
Università degli studi di Milano, Italy
04/12/02

Peter Gourevitch
The Role of Politics in Corporate Governance: Institutions and Preferences in Competing Coalitions
Harvard University, Cambridge, USA
03/07/16

J. Rogers Hollingsworth
The Tension between Integration and Diversity in the Making of Major Discoveries
University of Wisconsin–Madison, USA
04/04/22

Stephan Leibfried
Germany’s Poverty and Plenty: The Many Worlds of “Competence Distribution” in the EC and the OECD Zentrum für Sozialpolitik, Universität Bremen, Germany
03/01/20

Kerstin Jacobsson
Stockholm Center for Organizational Research (SCORE), Stockholm University, Sweden
03/10/30

Peter Katzenstein
Same War – Different Views: Germany, Japan and the War on Terrorism
Cornell University, Ithaca, USA
03/05/20

Lane Kenworthy
Explaining Comparative Trends in Income Inequality in the 1980s and 1990s
Emory University, Atlanta, USA
03/02/25

Gary Marks
European Integration and Political Conflict
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA
03/02/18

Steffen Mau
The Moral Economy of Welfare States
Universität Bremen, Germany
04/03/01

Philip Pochet
EMU and Social Policy: Impact at National and European Level
Observatoire social européen, Brussels, Belgium
04/02/12

Luana Pop
Retro-institutionalization: An Institutional Approach to Non-linear Social Processes in Transition Countries
University of Bucharest, Romania
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Sigrid Quack
Cross-societal Diffusion during German Industrialization: The Role of the “International” in the Emergence of “German” Capitalism
Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin für Sozialforschung, Germany 04/09/16

Ulrich Sedelmeier
The Europeanization of Central and Eastern Europe: Analyzing the Impact of the European Union on Candidate Countries
Central European University, Budapest, Hungary 04/01/26

Monika Sie Dhian Ho
Modes of Governance in Justice and Home Affairs for an Enlarged EU
Scientific Council for Government Policy, The Hague, Netherlands 03/03/10

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Theoretische Instrumente zur Analyse von Gesellschaftlichkeit und Wandel in Wirtschaftsinstitutionen
Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, Netherlands 03/06/16

Yves Tiberghien
Global Investors, Legislative Institutions, and the Mediating State: Insights from Corporate Reforms in France
University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada 03/11/24

Francisco Torres
On the Democratic Quality and Effectiveness of Governance in the European Union
Universidade Católica Portuguesa, Lisbon, Portugal 03/02/03

Aurora Trif
Power and Strategic Choices in the Transformation of Industrial Relations: The Case of Eastern Europe
London South Bank University, UK 04/09/02

Lkhanaajave Tsedendamba
Perspektiven der Entwicklung in der Mongolei
Mongolian Development Research Center, Ulanbaatar, Mongolia 04/10/14

Amy Verdun, Martin Heipertz
The Past and Present of the Stability and Growth Pact: Understanding Its Background and Its Political Objectives
University of Victoria, Canada and MPIfG 03/04/29

Michal Wenzel
Europeanization or Americanization of Industrial Relations? EU Enlargement as a Factor in the Development of Social Dialogue in Poland
Public Opinion Research Center (CBOS), Warsaw, Poland 03/09/22

Joshua David Whitford
Network Production, Contradiction and Institutions in the (American) New Old Economy
Columbia University, New York, USA 04/04/08
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Gesellschaft für Programmforshung
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**Learned Societies**
Academia Europaea
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**Fritz W. Scharpf**
Commission on the Reform of the Federal Order (Kommission von Bundestag und Bundesrat zur “Modernisierung der bundesstaatlichen Ordnung”) 2003–2004
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Steering Committee, Robert Schuman Centre, European University Institute, Florence
Research Council, European University Institute, Florence
Advisory Board, Hans-Böckler-Stiftung project “Institutionen, Wirtschaftswachstum, und Beschäftigung in der EWU – Institutionelle Bedingungen für die Koordination der Finanzpolitik einerseits sowie der Lohnpolitik andererseits”
International Advisory Board, Europäisches Zentrum für Staatswissenschaft und Staatspraxis, Berlin
Advisory Board, Graduate School of Social Sciences, Bremen
Board of Trustees, Herrie School of Governance
Board of Trustees, Institüt für Europäische Verfassungswissenschaften, FernUniversität Hagen
Ethics Council, City of Cologne
Honorary Member, Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE)

Editorial Boards
European Law Journal
Journal of Common Market Studies
Journal of European Public Policy
International Organization
Internationale Politik
Rivista italiana di politiche pubbliche
“Themes in European Governance,” Cambridge University Press

Learned Societies
Corresponding Fellow, British Academy
Honorary Foreign Member, American Academy of Arts and Sciences

Susanne K. Schmidt
Editorial Boards
European Union Politics
Journal of European Public Policy

Wolfgang Streeck
Advisory Board, Institute of Governance, Queens University, Belfast
Board of Trustees and Advisory Board, Hans-Böckler-Stiftung, Düsseldorf
Scientific Advisory Committee, Centre Saint-Gobain pour la Recherche en Économie
Chair, Advisory Committee, Deutsches Institut für Japanstudien, Tokyo
Executive Board, Society for Comparative Research
Executive Council, Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics
Council, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Soziologie
Honorary President, Association for the Study of German Politics

Scientific Advisory Board, Institute for Advanced Studies, Vienna
Chair, Human Sciences Section, Max Planck Society (2003–2006)

Editorial Boards
European Journal of Industrial Relations
European Sociological Review
Industrielle Beziehungen
Kölner Zeitschrift für Soziologie
Stato e Mercato
Work, Employment and Society
Comparative European Politics
Socio-Economic Review

Learned Societies
Berlin-Brandenburgische Akademie der Wissenschaften
Academia Europaea

Christine Trampusch
Representative of the MPIfG researchers in the Human Sciences Section of the Max Planck Society
Advisory Board, Hans-Böckler-Stiftung project “Flexibilisierung und soziale Sicherheit – Eine empirische Untersuchung von Einstellungen zu Flexicurity-Maßnahmen”
Sektion “Politische Ökonomie,” Deutsche Vereinigung für Politische Wissenschaft

Raymund Werle
Executive Committee, Sektion Wissenschafts- und Technikforschung, Deutscher Gesellschaft für Soziologie
Executive Committee, Arbeitskreis Politik und Technik, Deutsche Vereinigung für Politische Wissenschaft
European-American Consortium “Tracking the Digital Transformation”
Working Group 5 “Regulation and Control,” COST (Co-operation in the Field of Scientific and Technical Research)
Action 14 “Government and Democracy in the Information Age”
Chairman, Coordination Committee of the Research Network “Sociology of Science and Technology” (SSTNET) of the European Sociological Association

Editorial Boards
Science Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal for Science and Technology Studies (associate editor)
Zeitschrift für Rechtsoziologie
Prizes and Honors

**Henrik Enderlein**
25 June 2004
Otto Hahn Medal 2003 for his dissertation on the impact of monetary union on policies in the EU member states. The medal is awarded for outstanding scholarly achievements by young researchers under the age of thirty. Henrik Enderlein was a doctoral student at the MPIfG until 2001.

**Anke Hassel**
13 November 2004

**Martin Höpner**
12 September 2003

**Renate Mayntz and Fritz W. Scharpf**
4 December 2004
Bielefeld Science Award. Mayntz and Scharpf received the award from the Sparkasse Bielefeld Foundation for their outstanding contribution toward understanding the self-organization and governance of complex societies.

**Fritz W. Scharpf**
27 November 2003
Honorary doctorate from Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin.
1 June 2004
Great Cross of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany.

**Kathleen Thelen**
26 November 2003
Max Planck Research Award for International Cooperation from the Max Planck Society and the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation. Kathleen Thelen, professor of political science at Northwestern University in Evanston, USA, has been an external scientific member of the MPIfG since 2005. The projects financed by the award are being conducted in cooperation with the MPIfG.

Public Relations

Public relations at the MPIfG serve to promote the visibility of the institute’s work in the scientific community and to establish contact with people and institutions in the general public. The institute focuses on providing high-quality information for the general public and the wider scientific community to complement the scholarly articles and books its researchers publish for a worldwide circle of readers. Brochures
about the institute and its publications, e-mail newsletters about publications and a news column on the website serve this purpose, as do the development and maintenance of contacts with journalists, the institute’s Board of Trustees (Kuratorium) and the recently founded Society of Friends and Former Associates of the MPIfG.

Informing the Public about the MPIfG

The MPIfG had book stands at the meetings of the European Consortium for Political Research, the German Association for Political Science (2003 in Marburg and Mainz) and the German Sociological Association (2004 in Munich). MPIfG researchers publish in the politics and business sections of news magazines and national newspapers. The public television station Phoenix broadcasts interviews and panel discussions with MPIfG researchers as do Deutschlandfunk, the national public radio station, and other large radio stations.

A brochure in German and a flyer in English introduce the MPIfG to the general public and the scientific community. The MPIfG Report in English documents the institute’s work every two years. The MPIfG Jahrbuch, written in German for a wide audience and featuring selected current projects, was first published for the years 2003–2004. On its website the institute offers a subscription to its e-mail newsletter, “Recent Publications,” which reports about new titles in its publication series. It also uses press releases and e-mail news flashes to inform about recent research. In fall of 2004 the new Cologne Science Portal (Kölner Wissenschaftsportal) presented the MPIfG and other research institutions in Cologne to the general public. The website was initiated by the “Wissenschaftsrunde,” a roundtable of representatives from all of Cologne’s research institutions and the Cologne Chamber of Commerce and Industry which promotes networking between business and science. These media enable the MPIfG to provide a wide range of target groups with information tailored to their interests.

MPIfG Website

The institute’s website is its most important means of communication with the scientific community around the world and with the general public. It is also vital to the flow of information within the institute, as is the intranet, which was relaunched and expanded in 2003. The news section on the public site enables everyone to keep up regularly with developments at the institute.

Since the MPIfG website was established in 1996, the number of visitors has continually increased. At present there is an average of about 2,900 queries per day. By the end of 2000 about half of the website visitors came from Germany, the rest mostly from other European countries and the United States. In the following years, the share of visitors from the USA increased. Today, 34 percent come from the United
The Institute in the Scientific Community

States and 29 percent from Germany, while the rest comes from the United Kingdom, other European countries, Japan and Canada. Visitors are based in universities and research institutes, government and policy-making institutions, and the national print media.

Long-term Relations with Friends of the Institute

Building long-term relationships with representatives from business, government and the media is valuable to the institute. This is especially reflected in the contacts with the Board of Trustees, which is invited each summer to the institute for a presentation of current projects. Maintaining contact with friends and former associates of the institute is also vital. This has become easier since The Society of Friends and Former Associates of the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies was founded in 2002. The Society promotes social research at the institute in a number of ways. It organizes events at which members reflect on experiences inside and outside the academic world and talk about the results of their research. It also provides financial support through a journal prize and stipends for young researchers, and by helping the institute pay for improvements in the work environment, the library and public relations.
Dialog with Decisionmakers

The transfer of knowledge from the institute’s researchers to decisionmakers in government, business, interest associations and the society at large is expedited by the lectures, workshops and discussion forums in which the researchers participate, and by their presence on various boards and committees involved in policymaking.

Prof. Fritz W. Scharpf was appointed to the Commission of Bundestag and Bundesrat on the Modernization of the Federal System, as an expert on legislative competencies and participation rights. The purpose of the joint commission of the upper and lower houses of the German parliament, which was set up in October 2003, was to suggest ways of improving the governance and decisionmaking capacities of the German federal government and the Länder. It examined the distribution of legislative competencies between federal and Länder governments, the responsibilities and participation rights of the Länder in the federal legislative process, and the financial relations between the federal government and the Länder.

In 2003 and 2004, MPIfG researchers took part in a new Volkswagen Foundation program to bridge the gap between theory and practice. The aim of the initiative is to lower the barriers between the career patterns of academics and those of practitioners in the early years of their careers, in favor of “interface biographies.” Miriam Hartlapp spent one year at the International Labour Office in Geneva in the ILO “Safe-Work” program, where she worked on a project on how ILO and EU strategies for occupational safety can be better coordinated. Anke Hassel had a one-year work assignment at the Policy Analysis Department of the Federal Ministry of Economics and Labor. She supported the management and planning activities of the ministry, which was preparing to implement labor reforms, building on her knowledge of reform processes in other European countries. While on assignment for six months at the Office of the Committee for European Integration in Warsaw, Simone Leiber examined the extent to which social policy reforms were already taking effect in Poland as it prepared to join the EU as well as the obstacles which may have been standing in the way of such reforms.

In spring of 2004, a group of experts invited by Wolfgang Streeck and Martin Höpner met at the MPIfG to discuss the future of worker participation on supervisory boards in Germany. Employee relations directors and representatives of employers’ associations, the German Trade Union Federation (DGB) and the Hans Böckler Foundation exchanged ideas with social scientists, economists and legal scholars.

In March 2003, the MPIfG held a workshop in collaboration with the Gesamtmetall employers’ association on “Free Collective Bargaining, Industrial Peace and Local Wage Agreements.” Perspectives for a reform of the German collective bargaining system were discussed.
Current MPIfG research results were the subject of a “Max Planck Forum” moderated by journalist Roger de Weck in Berlin in December 2003. The public panel discussion looked at various sides of the question “All Power to the Market?” which is also the title of an MPIfG book, Alle Macht dem Markt (Campus 2003). Wolfgang Streeck, Jürgen Kromphardt from the Faculty of Economic Theory at Technische Universität Berlin and Norbert Roseneck from Kienbaum Executive Consultants discussed how German industry and Germany’s labor relations system cope with the challenges of globalized markets. The event was hosted by the Berlin office of the state of North Rhine-Westphalia.

At a conference on “The Role of Scientific Advice in Modern Democracies” held in March 2003 in Heidelberg by the German academies of science, Renate Mayntz gave a talk on the organization of policy advice.

Public Relations for Specific Target Groups

MPIfG researchers are often invited to give lectures at schools. The MPIfG in turn invites groups of upper-class students from college-track German high schools to spend a day at the institute. Since 2002, the MPIfG has also had a high-school internship program which targets two types of students. Tenth- and eleventh-graders spend two weeks at the institute getting a practical look at social science careers. Before going to university, graduates spend one or two months at the institute to find out whether a career in sociology or political science would be right for them. Altogether, some two to four students come for internships per year.

The MPIfG’s annual art exhibit is an occasion for the institute to open its doors to neighbors, friends and the general public. In 2003 and 2004, the institute hosted Christoph Inderwiesen and Chris Durham, artists who live and work in Cologne and Düsseldorf, respectively. Christoph Inderwiesen’s work on the 2003 exhibit involved a stay at the institute and a site investigation over several weeks’ time during which he collected material from and about the MPIfG. His sources included the institute’s fixtures, furniture and office equipment, the room set-ups, light conditions, sounds and noises as well as encounters and conversations with the institute’s staff. The 2004 exhibit “City Crossings” featured a collection of “portraits” of ten European cities photographed by Chris Durham. The shots are the result of ten one-day walks through the cities.
Research Staff

**Jürgen Beyer**
Research fellow (Dr. phil., Sociology, 1997, Universität Trier; habil., Sociology, 2004, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin): Economic sociology; sociology of organizations; comparative political economy; transition research

**Michael Blauberger**
Doctoral fellow (MA, Political Science, 2004, Universität München): European integration and Europeanization; eastern enlargement of the EU; theories of international politics

**Andreas Broscheid**
Post-doctoral fellow (PhD, Political Science, 2000, State University of New York at Stony Brook): Political system of the USA (role of the courts in the institutional framework of government, regulation within the states); interaction of institutions of the EU; formation and role of interest organizations in the EU; quantitative methods and positive theory (game theory)

**Simone Burkhart**
Doctoral fellow (Diplom, Public Policy and Management, 2003, Universität Konstanz): Federalism; political economy; European integration

**Helen Callaghan**
Doctoral fellow (MSc, Mathematical Methods in the Social Sciences, 2002, Northwestern University–Evanston): Comparative political economy; corporate governance; varieties of capitalism; European integration

**Colin Crouch**
External scientific member (Dr. phil., Sociology, 1975, Nuffield College, Oxford University; Professor, University of Warwick): Structure of European societies, with special reference to labor market, gender and family issues; economic sociology and neo-institutional analysis

**Bernhard Ebbinghaus**
Senior research fellow (PhD, Political and Social Sciences, 1993, European University Institute, Florence; habil., Sociology, 2003, Universität zu Köln): European labor relations and organized interests; European social policy and welfare-state regimes; comparative methods and multi-level analysis

**Gerda Falkner**
Senior research fellow (Dr. phil., Political Science, 1992, Universität of Vienna; habil., Political Science, 1997, University of Vienna): European integration; Europeanisation in the EU member states; social policy

**Jürgen Feick**
Senior research fellow (Dr. phil., Political Science, 1978, Universität Stuttgart): Policy research (national, comparative and European); European integration; political and administrative culture; impact of modern technology on governability and governing capacity
Saskia Freye  
Doctoral fellow (Diplom, Economics, 2003, Universität zu Köln): Economic sociology; varieties of capitalism; research on elites

Steffen Ganghof  
Research fellow (Dr. rer. pol., Political Science, 2003, Universität Bremen): German politics; comparative politics; political economy and policy analysis; normative and empirical theories of democracy; philosophy and methodology of the social sciences

Miriam Hartlapp  
Research fellow (Dr. rer. pol., Political Science, 2003, Universität Osnabrück): social policy; employment policy; multi-level governance; implementation and compliance research; institutional theory; European integration

Anke Hassel  
Senior research fellow (Dr. rer. soc., Sociology, 1998, Ruhr-Universität Bochum; habil., Sociology, 2003, Ruhr-Universität Bochum): industrial relations; voluntary organizations; economic sociology; comparative politics; German politics

Martin Heipertz  
Doctoral fellow (MA, European Economy, 2001, College of Europe, Bruges): European Economic and Monetary Union; political economy; game theory; negotiation theory; integration theory

Martin Höpner  
Research fellow (Dr. phil., Political Science, 2002, FernUniversität Hagen): Varieties of capitalism; political economy; comparative policy research; industrial relations; corporate governance

Sigrun Kahl  
Doctoral fellow (MA, History, 2002, Humboldt Universität zu Berlin): Comparative welfare states; comparative labor market and social policy; religion and the history of poor relief and the welfare state; comparing public debates on social policy

Lothar Krempel  
Senior research fellow (Dr. sc. pol., Political Science, 1984, Universität Duisburg; habil., Sociology, focusing on empirical social research, 2003, Universität Duisburg-Essen): Network analysis; dynamic modelling; interaction of organizations; visualization of social structures

Imke Kruse  
Doctoral fellow (MA, Political Science, 2002 Universität Potsdam): comparative politics; comparative institutional studies; international relations; European integration; international migration

Knut Lange  
Doctoral fellow (Diplom, Social Sciences, 1999, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin): Organizational theory; comparative sociology; industrial sociology

Jürgen Lautwein  
Administrative director (State Examination for Teachers, Social Sciences, 1981, Universität zu Köln): Research management; research policy; organizational development

Simone Leiber  
Research fellow (Dr. rer. pol, Political Science, 2004, Universität Heidelberg): European integration; social policy; interest groups; policy implementation; EU eastern enlargement

Renate Mayntz  
Director emerita and founding director (Dr. phil., Sociology, 1953, Freie Universität Berlin; habil., Sociology, 1957, Freie Universität Berlin): Theories of society/social systems; political institutions, policy development and implementation; development of science and of technology, relationship between science and politics; transnational structures and “global” governance

Till Müller-Schoell  
Doctoral fellow (MA, Political Science, 2001, Universität Bonn): Welfare state; employment policy; industrial relations

Philip Manow  
Senior research fellow (Dr. rer. pol., Political Science, 1994, Freie Universität Berlin; habil., Political Science, 2002, Universität Konstanz): Comparative studies of the welfare state; political economy; patronage and political corruption; politics and religion; the nation-state
Myung-Joon Park
Doctoral fellow (MA, Sociology, 1996, Seoul National University): Corporatism and democracy; industrial relations; political economy; institutional theory

Britta Rehder
Research fellow (Dr. phil., Political Science, 2002, Humboldt-Universität Berlin): Labor relations; political economy; politics and law; institutional change

Armin Schäfer
Postdoctoral fellow (Dr. rer. pol., Political Science, 2004, Universität Bremen): Political economy of European integration; coordination of economic policy-making; sectoral specialization and national competitiveness, historical institutionalism

Fritz W. Scharpf
Director emeritus (Dr. jur., Law, 1964, Universität Freiburg; Full Professor, Political Science, 1968, Universität Konstanz): Organization problems and decision processes in government; multi-level governance in Germany; political economy of inflation and unemployment in Western Europe; federalism and European integration; applications of game theory; comparative political economy of welfare states

Susanne K. Schmidt
Senior research fellow (Dr. phil., Political Science, 1998, Universität Hamburg; habil., Political Science, 2005, FernUniversität Hagen): European integration; global governance; institutionalist theories; comparative politics

Wolfgang Streeck
Director (Dr. phil., Sociology, 1979, Universität Frankfurt; habil., Sociology, 1986, Universität Bielefeld): Comparative political economy; comparative industrial relations; European integration

Jörg Teuber
Doctoral fellow (MA, Political Science, 2000, Universität Siegen): Comparative political economy; organized interests; European integration

Christine Trampusch
Research fellow (Dr. disc. pol., Social Sciences, 2000, Universität Göttingen): Comparative political economy; theories of institutional change; corporatism; methods in comparative research

Oliver Treib
Post-doctoral fellow (Dr. rer. pol., Political Science, 2002, Universität zu Köln): Multi-level governance in the European Union; implementation of EU policies; EU social policy; party politics and European integration; game theory

Wendelmoet van den Nouland
Doctoral fellow (MA, Public Administration, 2004, Leiden University): Europeanization; European law; comparative politics; institutionalism

Raymund Werle
Senior research fellow (Dr. phil., Political Science, 1977, Universität Mannheim): Interaction of technological and institutional innovations

Cornelia Woll
Postdoctoral fellow (Dr. rer. pol., Political Science, 2004, Universität zu Köln and Institut d’Études Politiques, Paris): International political economy; interest representation in the US and the EU; trade policy; European integration

Patrick Ziltener
Post-doctoral fellow (Dr. phil., Sociology, 1997, Universität Zürich): Globalization; regional integration – theory and empirical research; international political economy; state theory; regulation theory; world-systems theory
Management and Budget

Management

The institute uses management methods that enable it to stay at the forefront of international social research. Committees ensure that the service units – the administration, the computer department, the editorial and public relations unit, the library and the secretaries – stay in close touch with the researchers and their projects, and that the flow of information between research and service staff remains uninterrupted.

Functional Committees

The directors, researchers, service staff and student assistants are all represented on the functional committees of the institute. The committees are chaired by researchers. Meetings are scheduled as needed.

The Library Committee, which includes researchers, library staff and other staff members, discusses which journals and databases should be subscribed or cancelled, and supports the library staff in adapting its classification system to research developments at the institute. The Computer Committee includes representatives from all research and service groups to ensure broad input and discussion on IT innovations. The Publications Committee is a forum in which researchers, the directors and the publication group discuss the institute’s publication policy and publication management. In addition, the committee chair organizes the internal and external peer review of the institute’s book series (published by Campus Verlag) and its Discussion Paper and Working Papers series. The Website Committee takes a critical look at how the MPIfG presents itself on the internet, how the website can facilitate the dissemination and exchange of information about the institute’s research, and how the site can be used to enhance inhouse communication. Members of the service staff are in touch with their counterparts at MPG headquarters, other Max Planck institutes,
and social research institutes in Germany and abroad. They are also in contact with research institutes and university departments in the Rhine region. Communication in these networks keeps growing and helps ensure that the support staff can continue to provide the MPIfG researchers with professional service.

Managerial Committees

The managerial committees at the institute, which are chaired by the managing director, meet regularly. Every two weeks, the heads of the service units meet with the managing director to discuss decisions that need to be made. Once a month, this group is expanded to include representatives of the researchers — the chairs of the functional committees. This Management Committee also has a planning session in December where the service units’ goals for the coming year are agreed upon and the previous year’s developments are discussed.
Research Meeting

There are many informal opportunities for researchers to meet and exchange ideas at the institute (for more on research management, see the sections “Cooperation and Communication within the Institute” and “Doctoral Candidates”). In accordance with the bylaws of the institute, there is also a Research Meeting twice a year. Chaired by the managing director, this meeting brings together the directors and the research staff members to discuss how the project areas are developing and what the institute should concentrate on in the future.

Works Council

In accordance with German labor law, the MPIfG has a works council. Elected every four years, the works council represents the interests of employees vis-à-vis the employer. It has an advisory role when new positions are to be filled, cooperates with the administrative director and the managing director in setting works rules (such as how to manage flex-time) and helps individual employees as needed. The works council meets regularly with the managing director and holds a works meeting, which all MPIfG employees are invited to attend, two or three times per year. The MPIfG works council sends a delegate to the central works council of the Max Planck Society.

Support for Visiting Researchers

The institute has improved its support for visiting researchers. Close cooperation between the visitors’ liaison, the administration and prospective visitors ensures that the stays are carefully prepared, and any issues still open when a visitor arrives can be easily dealt with. Visiting researchers receive detailed information about the institute and the city of Cologne long before their arrival at the MPIfG, and the institute helps them find accommodations. Immediately upon arrival, they can start working. This procedure is very well received by the institute’s visiting researchers.

Open Channels of Communication

Improved communication at the institute reduces the amount of time the directors need to devote to management. The service units and the researchers each know what the other group is doing. The plans for administrative projects are discussed in the appropriate forums. Members of the service units and the research staff have a high degree of autonomy in organizing their work environment, so that the directors only have to get involved at critical phases of the decision-making process.
Service Units

Administration
Jürgen Lautwein (administrative director)
Anne Baumanns*
Renate Blödorn*
Manuela Schmitz*
Petra Zimmermann*

Central Services
Ernst Braun
Gabriele Breunig*

Secretaries
Christina Glasmacher*
Petra Küchenmeister*
Karin Spiegel*

Library
Susanne Hilbring* (coordination)
Elke Bürger
Melanie Klaas*
Cora Molloy*

Computing Services
Bruno Egger (coordination)
Gunar Barg
Markus Burtscheidt
Manuel Schüren
Susanne Schwarz-Esser*

Editorial and Public Relations Unit
Christel Schommertz (coordination)
Astrid Dünkelmann*
Cynthia Lehmann*
Thomas Pott

Trainees
Maria Bayrakcioglu (office communication specialist)
Fabian Nöldgen (information systems specialist)

Student Assistants
18 part-time student assistants support the researchers and service units of the institute

Vocational Training
In Germany, firms and offices participate in a "dual system" of vocational education. High-school age students who do not plan to go to college can qualify for a variety of occupations in three-year programs of on-the-job training accompanied by instruction at a vocational school. Since 1999, the MPIfG has participated in the dual system. It now trains certified office communication specialists and information systems specialists. In the future, the institute will have two IT trainees and one administrative trainee on a regular basis. Three MPIfG staff members are officially qualified to instruct trainees at the institute. The head of the computer group is a member of the Examination Board of the Cologne Chamber of Commerce.

MPIfG trainees in 2004: Mike Liebsch, Christiane Schüßler, Fabian Nöldgen, Manuela Schmitz
The MPIfG has some 31 permanently funded positions, 14 of which are for researchers. Other researchers at the institute are funded by grants from foundations, the German government and the European Union and by doctoral and postdoctoral fellowships. The institute also hosts visiting researchers from Germany and abroad, whose stays last from one month to two years. Projects conducted jointly with scholars from other countries and with other institutions have increased in number and importance.

The staffs of the administration, the computer department, the editorial and public relations unit, the library and the secretariats are the infrastructural backbone of the institute. They provide continual support for the research staff and visiting researchers and contribute to the technical and organizational development of the institute. Three young trainees, one in administration and two in IT, are also part of the support staff.

The institute encourages its employees to improve their professional skills by taking part in continuing education programs, including in-house seminars. Two female employees represent the interests of women at the institute. Student assistants provide support for researchers and staff members.

The Max Planck Society (MPG) uses SAP, a commercial bookkeeping system, which provides a budgeting procedure that facilitates financial flexibility for the institutes. This flexibility is welcomed by the institutes as they increase efficiency and fine-tune their project planning in the face of decreasing funding from the Max Planck Society. Recently, additional modules such as cost and activity accounting and e-procurement have enhanced the SAP package.

Since 2002 the MPG has been using SAP’s personnel administration program, SAP Human Resources (SAP HR). Members of the MPIfG administrative staff continue to cooperate with their counterparts at other MPIs and with the administrative headquarters of the Max Planck Society in Munich to customize SAP HR to meet
the needs of Max Planck institutes. In 2005, they will focus on implementing major changes in the German public-sector payscale.

The administration provides information and advice on project funding opportunities and project management for the researchers. Its expertise is especially helpful in the management of projects in the EU Framework Program.

Library

The library supports the institute’s research by providing researchers and staff with media and information and helping them find sources located outside the institute. Library services include purchasing, classifying and lending monographs and periodicals, providing an online catalog, processing interlibrary loans, excerpting tables of contents of selected journals, providing research tools in print and online, assisting users in finding specialized databases, and conducting online searches upon request.

The Collection

The library’s collection, which has grown to 46,000 items, emphasizes basic social science literature and project-specific holdings. Its data pool contains 200,000 items, as large numbers of articles from edited volumes and journals are cataloged. The institute borrows some 2,500 titles a year from the Cologne University Library or via interlibrary loan. Subscriptions to 220 printed scholarly journals and to German, English and French newspapers enable the researchers and staff to keep up with what’s happening in their own fields and in the world of international politics and business. Thanks to agreements between the Max Planck Society and publishing companies, employees now also have direct online access to 5,000 additional journals. In 2003 and 2004, there continued to be a special emphasis on completing the institute’s collection of classics in sociology and political thought.

Online Catalog

The library’s online catalog can be accessed directly via the internet by employees and by anyone visiting the MPIfG website. In collaboration with several other Max Planck libraries, the library software system Aleph500 has been adapted to suit the institute’s needs. Library data is stored on a joint server at a Max Planck computer center. The joint use of a centrally administered server provides an optimal basis for the library’s information management.
Online Information Services

The library provides many online information services, such as databases located on the internet, on the institute’s CD-ROM server. The databases include a wide range of bibliographies, newspaper archives, online journals, business, law and organization directories and statistical services. All the databases are available to MPIfG users in the virtual library on the institute’s website, along with a carefully edited selection of research links to other websites.

Computing Services

The computer group provides a modern computer infrastructure for the staff and researchers at the MPIfG. This includes planning and implementing an up-to-date communications infrastructure, installing efficient network printers, personal computers and workstations, and providing a software package tailored to the needs of the users. The group also offers advice and support on computer-related subjects ranging from how to use remote-access services to designing, programming and implementing solutions for classifying and processing complex data.

The Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies has a homogeneous Windows 2003 server environment that provides a variety of services to the PCs via Fast Ethernet, including personal and group file accounts which are centrally stored in accordance with the German laws on data protection and confidentiality, information services, database services and client/server-based communication services such as computerized fax, e-mail and a connection to the internet.

In 2003 and 2004, members of the computer group made a variety of improvements in the institute’s computing infrastructure. By migrating the existing Windows 2000 network to Windows 2003, they established a tightly coupled server platform for additional collaborative services. A core component for these services is the newly installed Microsoft Exchange Server that provides public folders for workgroup collaboration and comfortable access to a unified messaging system. A new database framework makes it much easier to update the institute’s homepage and intranet. In 2004, the institute’s first computer systems apprentice successfully completed his three-year training. The members of the group will continue their commitment to this long-term training program.
Editorial and Public Relations Unit

The MPIfG Publication Series

The main task of the editorial and public relations unit is to produce the institute's publications: the MPIfG Books, MPIfG Discussion Papers (DPs), and MPIfG Working Papers (WPs). The unit's staff does editing, copy-editing and typesetting for all three series, manages the print production and distribution of DPs, and posts the online WPs on the MPIfG website. It also assists researchers in putting together their own publications by copy-editing and proofreading in German and English, doing German-English and English-German translations, typesetting books and papers, putting publications online, and helping monitor book production. The staff produces promotional material about the institute's publication series, including brochures, flyers, online advertising and an e-mail newsletter.

Documenting Research

By compiling reports to the Max Planck Society (Yearbook, Guide to the MPIs), the MPIfG Scientific Advisory Board (evaluation report) and to the public (MPIfG Report and MPIfG Jahrbuch), the group documents the research at the institute. It gathers, organizes and archives the data and designs and produces the reports.

Presenting the MPIfG to Different Audiences

As public support for research has become increasingly crucial for Max Planck Institutes, the unit develops and produces printed and online information material about the institute, which includes an image brochure and research reports for target groups outside the scientific community. It informs the media about selected publications and completed projects and represents the MPIfG at major social science conferences. It designs and maintains the MPIfG website, plans and organizes public relations events at the institute, and helps researchers and directors prepare conferences and events. The unit is also in charge of internal public relations, organizing in-house project presentations for student assistants and administrative staff and coordinating the development of the MPIfG intranet for employees and visiting researchers.

The Editorial and Public Relations Unit prepared posters about the doctoral students’ work for the meeting of the Scientific Advisory Board in 2003.

The MPIfG Jahrbuch, published for the first time for the years 2003-2004, is aimed at a wider German audience.
Facts and Figures

Expenditure of the MPIfG in 2004 by type (in percent)

The Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies (MPIfG) is an institute of the Max Planck Society for the Advancement of the Sciences e.V. (MPS), an independent, non-profit organization that is largely publicly funded. In 2004, the Max Planck Society had a budget of EUR 1.33 billion. Receiving about 84 percent of its funding from the German federal government and the states, the MPS raises the remaining 16 percent from membership dues, donations, and the Society’s own earnings. By acquiring external project funding, the MPS is able to match about twelve percent of its public funding with funds from federal and state ministries, federal and EU research-funding organizations and private foundations.

Development of total expenditure of the MPIfG 1998–2004 (in thousand EUR)
Each of the 80 Max Planck institutes is provided with an annual budget from the Max Planck Society. In both 2003 and 2004, the MPIfG received EUR 2.9 million in institutional funding from the MPS. The institute’s budget covers personnel and operating costs, special funding for young German scientists and research cooperation with other countries.

The MPIfG has some 31 permanently funded positions, 14 of which are for researchers. Other researchers at the institute are funded by grants from foundations, the German government and the European Union, and by doctoral and postdoctoral fellowships. At the end of 2004, 34 researchers were working at the institute. The institute also hosts visiting researchers from Germany and abroad, whose stays last from one month to two years. In 2003–2004, the institute hosted 43 visiting researchers from 15 countries.
Directions
The MPIfG is located in the Südstadt, south of Central Cologne. How to find us:

By public transport
*From the airport:* From Cologne/Bonn Airport train station, take the local train (S 13 or Regionalexpress) to Cologne Central Station (Köln Hauptbahnhof). From there, you can take the subway (see below).
From Düsseldorf Airport, take a local train (S-Bahn) to Düsseldorf Central Station (Düsseldorf Hauptbahnhof). From there, take a train to Cologne Central Station (Köln Hauptbahnhof).

*From Cologne Central Station:* At Cologne Central Station (Köln Hauptbahnhof), follow the signs marked U/Dom/City and go down to the subway (U-Bahn). Buy a City-Ticket 1b. Follow the signs marked Neumarkt. Take Line 16. Get out at the sixth stop, Urempforte. Cross the tracks and Sachsenring to your left. Walk along Ulrichgasse for about 5 minutes, until you reach the MPIfG at the corner of Paulstrasse and Ulrichgasse.

By taxi
Ask the driver to take you to the corner of Paulstrasse and Ulrichgasse in the Südstadt; this is important since there is more than one Paulstrasse and more than one Max Planck Institute in Cologne.
The MPIfG

The Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies (MPIfG) in Cologne was founded in 1985 under the directorship of Prof. Renate Mayntz, who was joined a year later by Prof. Fritz W. Scharpf. It is one of the smaller institutes of the Max Planck Society, which maintains 80 institutes devoted to basic research in the natural sciences and the humanities.

Today the directors of the institute are Prof. Wolfgang Streeck and Prof. Jens Beckert. Some forty researchers, including research staff, doctoral students, scholarship recipients and visiting researchers, work together at the MPIfG in teams that often include researchers from other countries.

Research Aims

The MPIfG’s research aims to develop an empirically based theory of the social and political foundations of modern economies. It primarily investigates the interrelation between economic and social action. Using an institutional approach, it examines how markets and business organizations develop from the historical-institutional, political and cultural framework in which they are embedded and how institutional contexts change over time.

International Cooperation

The MPIfG considers international cooperation to be the most promising organizational form of comparative research. Every year, a number of visiting researchers working within the area of the institute’s interest make valuable contributions to its research program. The MPIfG also cooperates closely with several research institutes abroad, including the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies at the European University Institute in Florence, the Center for European Studies at Harvard University, the Centre Européen at the Institut d’Études Politiques in Paris, CEPREMAP (Centre pour la Recherche Economique et ses Applications) in Paris and AIAS (Amsterdam Institute for Advanced Labour Studies) in Amsterdam.