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PERSONAL DETAILS

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ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE

since Mar 2021, Head of Institute for Sustainability, Faculty of Business, UAS Wiener Neustadt, Austria | additional roles: Head of Committee for Internationalization (since Jun 2021), Member of the Kollegium (since Nov 2020)

Jan 2016 – Mar 2021, Teaching and Research Associate Post-Doc, Faculty of Business, UAS Wiener Neustadt, Austria

Sept 2016 – June 2021, Research Associate Post-Doc, Institute for Ecological Economics, WU Vienna University of Economics and Business, Austria

Mar 2013 – Dec 2013, Visiting Scholar, Center for European and Mediterranean Studies (CEMS) & Department for Food, Nutrition, and Public Health, New York University, USA

Feb 2010 – July 2015, Research Associate Pre-Doc, Institute for Ecological Economics, WU Vienna University of Economics and Business, Austria

Feb 2008 – Dec 2015, Teaching and Research Associate Pre-Doc, Department of Marketing and Sales, University of Applied Sciences Wiener Neustadt, Austria

EDUCATION

Oct 2009 – Dec 2015, Doctoral Program in Social and Economic Sciences, WU Vienna University of Economics and Business, Austria (with distinction)

Oct 2008 – Oct 2009, Doctoral Program in Social Sciences, Institute for Communication Sciences, University of Vienna, Austria

Sept 2003 – June 2007, Master's Program, Business Consultancy International, University of Applied Sciences Wiener Neustadt, Austria (with distinction)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Funded Projects:

High-dimensional statistical learning: New methods to inform economic and sustainability policies (2019 – 2021, Young Independent Researcher Group, funded by the Austrian Science Fund (FWF), principal investigator)

FoodClim: Reducing the contribution of food waste to Austria's GHG emissions (2016 – 2018, funded by the Austrian Climate Research Programme, project member)

Food Waste Fighters: A Qualitative Study on the Lived Experiences of Food Sharing Practitioners in Austria (2017 – 2018, WU Vienna small-scale project, principal investigator)

RESPONDER: Linking research and policy making for managing the contradictions of sustainable consumption and economic growth (2011 – 2014, EU-FP7 project, project member)

Green Neuroeconomics: Contributions from Neuroscience to understand environmentally significant behaviours (2010, funded by the Jubilee Fund of the Austrian National Bank, project member)

Journal Publications (peer-reviewed):

- Nikravech, Mariam, Valerie Kwan, Karin Dobernig, Angelika Wilhelm-Rechmann, and Nina Langen (2020): Limiting food waste via grassroots initiatives as a potential for climate change mitigation: a systematic review. *Environmental Research Letters*, Vol. 15 (12): 123008, DOI: 10.1088/1748-9326/aba2fe.
- Dobernig, Karin and Karin Schanes (2019): Domestic Spaces and Beyond: Consumer food waste in the context of shopping and storing routines. *International Journal of Consumer Studies*, 43, 480-489, DOI: 10.1111/ijcs.12527.
- Schanes, Karin, Karin Dobernig and Burcu Gözet (2018): Food Waste Matters - A Systematic Review of Household Food Waste Practices and Their Policy Implications. *Journal of Cleaner Production*, 182, 978-991, DOI: 10.1016/j.jclepro.2018.02.030.
- Mincyte, Diana and Karin Dobernig (2016): Rethinking Work and Distance in Alternative Agro-Food Economies: Urban Farming in the North American Metropolis. *Environment and Planning A*, 48(9), 1767-1786, DOI: 10.1177/0308518X16651444.
- Dobernig, Karin and Sigrid Stagl (2015): Growing a Lifestyle Movement? Exploring identity-work and lifestyle politics in urban food cultivation. *International Journal of Consumer Studies*, 39 (5), 452-458, DOI: 10.1111/ijcs.12222.
- Dobernig, Karin, Katharina Lobinger and Irmgard Wetzstein (2010): Covering Conflict: Differences in Visual and Verbal Coverage on the Gaza-Crisis 2009 in Four Weekly News Media. *Journal of Visual Literacy*, 29 (1), 88-105, DOI: 10.1080/23796529.2010.11674675.

Working Papers:

- Kwasny, Tatjana, Karin Dobernig and Petra Riefler: Towards Reduced Meat Consumption: A Systematic Literature Review of Intervention Effectiveness, 2001-2019 (under review).
- Dobernig, Karin, Barbara Hartl, and Sarah Marth (under review): The role of environmental concern and internal locus of control in pro-environmental behaviors: Findings of two representative surveys in Austria.
- Schanes, Karin, Karin Dobernig and Barbara Hartl (working paper): Sharing, not wasting - A study on motives and determinants of participation in food sharing initiatives.
- APCC (Austrian Panel of Climate Change) Report on Land Use, Land Management and Climate Change (Lead Author in Chapter on Measures and Interventions)
- Bird, Neil, Lorenza Canella, Karin Dobernig, Karin Schanes, Burcu Gözet, Jill Jäger, Johanna Pucker-Singer (working paper): Using kitchen diaries to estimate the amounts of household food waste and its implications for greenhouse gas emissions.

Contributions to Edited Volumes:

- Spash, Clive L. and Karin Dobernig (2017) Theories of (Un)sustainable consumption. In: Spash, Clive L. (Ed.) *Routledge Handbook of Ecological Economics: Nature and Society*. Routledge: Abingdon, UK.
- Dobernig, Karin, Esther Veen and Peter OSTERVEER (2016) Growing Urban Food as an Emerging Social Practice. In: Spaargaren, G., D. Weenink and M. Lamers (Eds.) *Practice Theory and Research: Exploring the dynamics of social life*. Routledge: Abingdon, UK.

Other Publications:

- Foster, Gillian, Karin Dobernig, Katarzyna Gruszka, Karin Schanes, Liesbeth De Schutter (2018): Sustainable Consumption and Production. In: Lutter, Stephan, Fred Luks and Sigrid Stagl (Eds.) *Towards a Socio-Ecological Transformation of the Economy*. Background Report for Growth in Transition, Vienna, pp. 60-74.
- Schanes, Karin, Karin Dobernig and Burcu Gözet (2016): Climate Change & Consumption – An Inseparable Couple? *Kurswechsel*, Issue 3/2016.
- Sedlacko, Michal, Robert-Andre Martinuzzi and Karin Dobernig (2014): A Systems Thinking View on Cloud Computing and Energy Consumption. In Proceedings of the 2014 conference ICT for Sustainability, Eds. Mattias Höjer, Patricia Lago, Josefin Wang, 95-102. Amsterdam: Atlantis Press.

- Dobernig, Karin, Gerd Scholl, Tanja Brumbauer and Magnus Grubbe (2012): *Green ICT for Sustainable Consumption?* Background Paper, 2nd Multinational Knowledge Brokerage Event on Green ICT, Vienna.
- Dobernig, Karin, Gerd Scholl and Magnus Grubbe (2012): *Green ICT for Growth and Sustainability?* Background Paper, 1st Multinational Knowledge Brokerage Event on Green ICT, Vienna.
- Pirgmaier, Elke, Karin Dobernig, Christine Polzin, Gerd Scholl and Michal Sedlacko (2011): *Background Paper 1st European Dialogue on Sustainable Consumption and Economic Growth*. Berlin.
- Cent, Joanna, Karin Dobernig and Ricky Lawton (2011): *Knowledge Brokerage in the Science-Policy Interface: An institutional perspective*. In: Movik, Synne and Arild Vatn (Eds.): *Proceedings of the Thor Heyerdahl Summer School in Environmental Governance: Institutions for Sustainable Development*, Vol. 1., Norwegian University of Life Sciences, 1-14.
- Stagl, Sigrid, Thomas Brudermann and Karin Dobernig (2010): *Environmentally significant behaviours: Insights from Neuroscience*. Project report, Department of Socioeconomics, Vienna University of Economics and Business.
- Dobernig, Karin, Katharina Lobinger and Irmgard Wetzstein (2009): *Who's in the picture about war? A content analysis of reports on the Gaza-Crisis 2009 in four news media*. In: Xiao, Yingcai, Tomaz Amon, and Piet Kommers (Eds.): *Proceedings of the IADIS International Conference Computer Graphics, Visualization, Computer Vision and Image Processing 2009*. IADIS Press, 177-183.

Reviewer for Academic Journals & Funding Institutions:

European Science Foundation | Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Ireland | International Journal of Consumer Studies | Environmental Innovation and Societal Transitions | Journal of Cleaner Production | Global Environmental Change | Journal of Rural Studies | Sustainability: Science, Practice and Policy

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS (LAST 3 YEARS)

Presentations:

- Kwasny, Tatjana, Karin Dobernig and Petra Riefler (2021): *A Systematic Literature Review of Intervention Effectiveness*. European Roundtable of Sustainable Consumption and Production (ERSCP), Technical University Graz, Austria.
- Hartl, Barbara, Karin Dobernig and Tatjana Kwasny (2021): *Consumers in the Circular Economy: Exploring Consumers' Evaluation of Materials and Waste*. European Roundtable of Sustainable Consumption and Production (ERSCP), Technical University Graz, Austria.
- Kwasny, Tatjana and Karin Dobernig (2021): *Fostering Climate-Friendly Diets: A Systematic Literature Review on Interventions to Reduce Meat Consumption*, FH Forschungsforum, UAS Vienna, Austria.
- Dobernig, Karin, Barbara Hartl and Sarah Marth (2020): *Country of Green: Findings of a representative survey on pro-environmental behaviors in Austria*, Sustainable Consumption Research & Action Initiative (SCORAI) International Conference, Boston, USA.
- Dobernig, Karin, Karin Schanes and Barbara Hartl (2019): *Sharing, not wasting: A study on motives of participation in food sharing initiatives*, European Roundtable of Sustainable Consumption and Production, UPC Barcelona, Spain.
- Dobernig, Karin, Karin Schanes and Barbara Hartl (2019): *Motives for Food Sharing: A quantitative study in Germany, Austria, and Switzerland*. 6th International Workshop on the Sharing Economy, Utrecht University, Netherlands.
- Dobernig, Karin, Karin Schanes and Barbara Hartl (2018): *Collective Action Around Food Waste: Investigating the determinants and characteristics of participation in food sharing initiatives*, Critical food studies workshop, September 2018, Wageningen University, Netherlands.
- Dobernig, Karin, and Karin Schanes (2018): *Domestic spaces and beyond: Consumer food waste in the context of shopping and storing routines*, Sustainable Consumption and Production Initiative (SCORAI), Copenhagen Business School, Denmark.
- Schanes, Karin and Karin Dobernig (2018): *FoodClim: Reducing the contribution of food waste to Austria's GHG emissions*, 19. Österreichischer Klimatag, University of Salzburg, Austria.

Moderation:

National Bologna-Day 2020: Institutional Strategies for Teaching and Learning, University of Applied Sciences Wiener Neustadt, October 2020, Wiener Neustadt, Austria

FHK Symposium 2019: Talking About Generations, University of Applied Sciences Salzburg, May 2019, Salzburg, Austria.

National Bologna-Day 2018: Recognition of Prior Learning, University of Applied Sciences Burgenland, March 2018, Eisenstadt, Austria.

Talking Digital, Open Lecture Series, University of Applied Sciences Wiener Neustadt, since April 2018, Austria.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE (SELECTION)

Sustainable Consumption, Organic Business & Marketing (Master), UAS Wiener Neustadt (in German)

Qualitative Marketing Research, Business Consultancy International (Master), UAS Wiener Neustadt (in English)

Consumer Insights, Business Consultancy International (Master), UAS Wiener Neustadt (in English)

Applied Socioeconomic Theories and Methods, Socio-Economics (Master), WU Vienna (in German)

Environment and Economy, Business, Economics and Social Sciences (Bachelor), WU Vienna (in German)

Academic Skills, Business Consultancy International (Bachelor), UAS Wiener Neustadt (in English)

International Week: Sustainability and Responsibility in the 21st Century (Module on Climate Change Politics, Module on Food Waste), Berlin School of Economics and Law (Teaching Mobility, in English)

Consumer Behaviour, Marketing Management (Master), EDC Paris Business School (Teaching Mobility, in English)

AWARDS AND GRANTS (SELECTION)

Ars Docendi Austrian State Award for Excellent Teaching, Austrian Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research (2019)

Innovative Teaching Award, WU Vienna University of Economics and Business (2018)

Marietta-Blau Research Grant of the Austrian Agency for International Cooperation in Education and Research, Austrian Federal Ministry of Science and Research (2012)

ADDITIONAL ENGAGEMENTS

since June 2020, Member of the Advisory Group Erasmus+ Higher Education

since March 2019, Member of the Austrian Expert Group on the European Higher Education Area & Member of the Austrian National Bologna Follow-Up Group

Nov 2019 – Jun 2021, Member of the Working Committee on Didactics, UAS Wiener Neustadt, Austria

Mar 2015 – Jun 2021, Bologna-Coordinator, UAS Wiener Neustadt, Austria

since June 2019, Member of the Austrian Research Network on Sustainable Consumption (Konsum Neu Denken)

since March 2019, Member of the Future Earth Knowledge-Action Network on Systems of Sustainable Consumption and Production, Working Group on Social Change

Sept 2018 – Nov 2020, Representative of UAS Wiener Neustadt in the initiative "Growth in Transition", Austrian Federal Ministry of Sustainability and Tourism

Mar 2020 – Jun 2021, Mentor, FrauWL – Mentoring-Program for Female Economics Students, WU Vienna University of Economics and Business

since June 2012, Advisory Board Member, oikos Vienna, International Student Organization for Sustainable Economics and Management

Feb 2011 – Feb 2013, Lernbuddy, Caritas Refugee Home Karwanhaus, Vienna