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Academic Degrees

- 2009 Dr. phil. habil. (Habilitation) in Religious Studies (Religionswissenschaft),
Universität Bayreuth, Germany.
- 1999 Ph.D. in Indology, minors: History of Religions and Tibetology, Georg-August-
Universität Göttingen, Germany.
- 1994 M.A. in Indology, minors: History of Religions and Tibetology, Georg-August-
Universität Göttingen, Germany.

Employment

- 2010–present Associate Professor, Department of Asian Studies and Department of Religious
Studies, The University of Texas at Austin.
- 2004–2010 Assistant Professor, Department of Asian Studies, The University of Texas at
Austin. Since its inception in 2007 also member of the Department of Religious
Studies.
- 2000–2004 Assistant Professor (“Wissenschaftlicher Assistent”), Department of Religious
Studies, Universität Bayreuth, Germany.
- 1995–1999 Instructor (“Wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter”), Department of Religious Studies,
Universität Bayreuth, Germany.
- 1991–1994 Research Assistant, Department of Indology, Georg-August-Universität
Göttingen, Germany.

Languages

German, French, Sanskrit, Pāli, Classical Tibetan, Latin, Classical Greek.

Professional Membership

- 2004–present American Oriental Society
- 2002–present American Academy of Religion
- 2000–present International Association of Buddhist Studies
- 1999–present Deutsche Morgenländische Gesellschaft
- 1996–present Deutsche Vereinigung für Religionswissenschaft

1994–present Pali Text Society

Grants, Awards, Honors

- 2019–2021 Course Developer Award, Experiential Learning Initiative, UT.
- 2016–2018 Principal Investigator/faculty mentor for ACLS Postdoctoral Fellow Claire Maes, Robert H. N. Ho Family Foundation Program in Buddhist Studies.
- 2017 Faculty Research Assignment, College of Liberal Arts, UT (Fall 2017)
- 2012–2016 Principal Investigator (with Ute Hüsken, Oslo), 4-year Grant of the Norwegian Government for Exchange Collaboration between UT and the University of Oslo.
- 2014/15 Visiting Research Fellow at the Käte Hamburger Center, *Dynamics in the History of Religions between Asia and Europe*, Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Germany.
- 2011 Faculty Research Assignment, College of Liberal Arts, UT (Fall 2011).
- 2011 Visiting Professor, Department of Culture Studies and Oriental Languages, University of Oslo, Norway (May–June).
- 2010 William James Visiting Professor, Department of Religious Studies, Bayreuth University, Germany (June–July).
- 2008 University Co-operative Society Subvention Grant for book publication.
- 2008 Faculty Fellow, Humanities Institute at UT.
- 2006 Dean’s Fellow (Fall 2006).
- 2005/06 Fellow of the Marlene and Morton Meyerson Centennial Chair.
- 2002/03 Donald D. Harrington Faculty Fellow, UT.

Ongoing Editorial Activities

- 2013–present Co-Editor-in-chief of the peer-reviewed journal *Zeitschrift für Religionswissenschaft* [*Journal of Religious Studies*], 2 issues/year, published by Walter de Gruyter, Berlin; previously associate editor (2012–2013).
- 2011–present Founding co-editor of the book series *Critical Studies in Religion / Religionswissenschaft* (with Gregor Ahn, Jürgen Mohn, and Michael Stausberg), published by Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, Göttingen. 12 vols. published by Aug. 2019.
- 1998–present Co-founder of the Arbeitskreis Asiatische Religionsgeschichte [Workgroup History of Asian Religions; AKAR] in the German Association of Religious Studies (with Max Deeg and Christoph Kleine), and co-editor of multiple volumes of this group (see below, ‘Co-edited volumes’). 7 vols. published by Jan. 2019, the 8th is in preparation.

Publications

MONOGRAPHS

- 2019 *Considering Comparison: A Method for Religious Studies*. New York: Oxford University Press.
 REVIEWED IN: *Temenos* 55.1 (2019): 162–164 (Sofia Sjö); *Reading Religion*, July 2019 (<http://readingreligion.org/books/considering-comparison>) (Massimo Rondolino); *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* 87.4 (2019): 1220–1224 (Timothy Knepper); *Journal of Religion in Europe* 12 (2019): 217–219 (Thomas Jurczyk); *Numen* 67.4 (2020): 422–425 (Philippe Bornet).
 REVIEW SYMPOSIUM on *Considering Comparison* and Bruce Lincoln's *Apples and Oranges* (2019) in *Method & Theory in the Study of Religion* (forthc.); participants: Craig Prentiss, Leslie Dorrough Smith, Mitsutoshi Horii, Seth Schermerhorn, Rachel Gordan, Robert Yelle, plus responses by the authors.
- 2015 *Buddhismus: Handbuch und kritische Einführung [Buddhism: Handbook and Critical Introduction]* 2nd, revised edition (see details below).
- 2011 *Buddhismus: Handbuch und kritische Einführung. [Buddhism: Handbook and Critical Introduction]* Co-author: Christoph Kleine. Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2011. 536 pp.
 REVIEWED IN: *IN* 2011/03 (Kurt Schnauthiel); *Theologische Literaturzeitung* 136.12 (2011): 1283–1285 (Perry Schmidt-Leukel); *Internationales Asienforum* 43.1–2 (2012): 134–136 (Helwig Schmidt-Glintzer); *Interkulturelle Theologie* 39.3 (2013): 268–270 (Ulrich Dehn); *Zeitschrift der Deutschen Morgenländischen Gesellschaft* 164.3 (2014): 863–867 (Petra Kieffer-Pülz); *Orientalistische Literaturzeitung* 112 (2017): 84–86 (Johannes Schneider)..
- 2009 *Der Askesediskurs in der Religionsgeschichte: Eine vergleichende Untersuchung brahmanischer und frühchristlicher Texte. [The Asceticism Discourse in the History of Religions: A Comparative Study of Brahmanical and Early Christian Texts.]* Studies in Oriental Religions, 57. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz, 2009. 283 pp.
 REVIEWED IN: *Anthropological Abstracts* 8 (2009): 29; *Religion* 40 (2010): 225–226 (Ingvild Sælid Gilhus); *Zeitschrift für Religionswissenschaft* 18.2 (2010): 237f. (Jens Schlieter).
- 2000 *Der Orden in der Lehre: Zur religiösen Deutung des Saṅgha im frühen Buddhismus. [The Order in the Doctrine: On the Religious Interpretation of the Saṅgha in Early Buddhism.]* Studies in Oriental Religions, 47. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz, 2000. 278 pp.
 REVIEWED IN: *Buddhist Studies Review* 18 (2001): 122–126 (Ann Heirman); *Theologische Literaturzeitung* 127 (2002): 266–269 (Martin Kraatz); *Indo-Iranian Journal* 47 (2004): 51–54 (Oskar von Hinüber).

SINGLE-EDITED VOLUMES

- 2018 *Methodical Aspects of Comparison*. Special issue of the journal *Religions*, vol. 9; http://www.mdpi.com/journal/religions/special_issues/methodical (March 14, 2018).

2006 *Asceticism and Its Critics: Historical Accounts and Comparative Perspectives*. American Academy of Religion, Cultural Criticism Series. New York: Oxford University Press, 2006. 258 pp.

REVIEWED IN: *Zeitschrift für Religionswissenschaft* 15 (2007): 233f. (Jürgen Horn); *The International Journal of Asian Studies* 5 (2008): 109–111 (Tullio Lobetti); *Numen: International Review for the History of Religions* 55 (2008): 474–478 (Philippe Bornet); *Bulletin d'Études Indiennes* 24–25 (2006–2007): 393–399. (Eugen Ciurtin, pt. 1); *Studia Asiatica* 11 (2010): 354–358 (Eugen Ciurtin, pt. 2).

CO-EDITED VOLUMES

2019 *Religionsbegegnung in der asiatischen Religionsgeschichte: Kritische Reflexionen über ein etabliertes Konzept* [Religious Encounter in the History of Asian Religions: Critical Reflections about an Established Concept]. Ed. Max Deeg, Oliver Freiberger, Christoph Kleine. Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht. 296pp.

2013 *Alternative Voices: A Plurality Approach for Religious Studies. Essays in Honor of Ulrich Berner*. Ed. Afe Adogame, Magnus Ehtler, Oliver Freiberger. Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht. 347pp.

REVIEWED IN: *Numen* 65 (2018): 319–331 (Bjørn Ola Tafjord).

2013 *Religion in Asien? Studien zur Anwendbarkeit des Religionsbegriffs* [Religion in Asia? Studies on the Applicability of the Concept 'Religion'] Ed. Peter Schalk, Max Deeg, Oliver Freiberger, Christoph Kleine, and Astrid van Nahl. Uppsala: Uppsala University Press. 425pp. Online: <http://urn.kb.se/resolve?urn=urn:nbn:se:uu:diva-193468>

2011 *Kanonisierung und Kanonbildung in der asiatischen Religionsgeschichte*. [Canonization and Canon Formation in Asian Religious History.] Ed. Max Deeg, Oliver Freiberger, Christoph Kleine. Vienna: Austrian Academy of Sciences Press. 535 pp.

2010 *Geschichten und Geschichte: Historiographie und Hagiographie in der asiatischen Religionsgeschichte*. [Stories and History: Historiography and Hagiography in Asian Religious History.] Ed. Peter Schalk, Max Deeg, Oliver Freiberger, Christoph Kleine, Astrid van Nahl. Uppsala: Uppsala University Press, 2010. 593 pp. Online: <http://urn.kb.se/resolve?urn=urn:nbn:se:uu:diva-121402>

2005 *Im Dickicht der Gebote: Studien zur Dialektik von Norm und Praxis in der Buddhismusgeschichte Asiens*. [In the Thicket of Precepts: Studies on the Dialectics of Norm and Practice in the History of Buddhism in Asia.] Ed. Peter Schalk, Max Deeg, Oliver Freiberger, Christoph Kleine, Astrid van Nahl. Acta Universitatis Upsaliensis. Historia Religionum 26. Uppsala: Uppsala University Press, 2005. 529 pp.

2003 *Religion im Spiegelkabinett: Asiatische Religionsgeschichte im Spannungsfeld zwischen Orientalismus und Okzidentalismus*. [Religion in the Hall of Mirrors: Asian Religious History between Orientalism and Occidentalism.] Ed. Peter Schalk,

Max Deeg, Oliver Freiberger, Christoph Kleine. *Acta Universitatis Upsaliensis. Historia Religionum* 22. Uppsala: Uppsala University Press, 2003. 410 pp.

REVIEWED IN: *Zeitschrift für Religionswissenschaft* 12 (2004): 231f. (Peter J. Bräunlein); *Chakra: Tidskrift för Indiska Religioner* 1 (2004): 132–135 (Jürgen Offermanns); *Marburg Journal of Religion* 10 (2005) (Katja Triplett).

- 2001 *Zwischen Säkularismus und Hierokratie: Studien zum Verhältnis von Religion und Staat in Süd- und Ostasien. [Between Secularism and Hierocracy: Studies on the Relation of Religion and State in South and East Asia.]* Ed. Peter Schalk, Max Deeg, Oliver Freiberger, Christoph Kleine. *Acta Universitatis Upsaliensis. Historia Religionum* 17. Uppsala: Uppsala University Press, 2001. 251 pp.
REVIEWED IN: *Spirita Online* 2002 (Karl-Heinz Golzio).

ARTICLES IN JOURNALS

- 2018 “Elements of a Comparative Methodology in the Study of Religion.” In: *Methodical Aspects of Comparison*, ed. Oliver Freiberger. Special issue of *Religions* 9 (2018): 1–14; http://www.mdpi.com/journal/religions/special_issues/methodical (March 14, 2018).
- 2018 “Freedom for the Tertium: On Conditions and Provisions for Comparison in the Study of Religion.” *History of Religions* 57.3: 288–305.
- 2015 “Askese als Begriff: Substanzielle, funktionale und diskursive Perspektiven” [Asceticism as a Concept: Substantive, Functional, and Discursive Perspectives]. *Berliner Theologische Zeitschrift* 32.1 (2015): 11–33.
- 2013 “Die deutsche Religionswissenschaft im transnationalen Fachdiskurs” [German Studies of Religion in the Transnational Disciplinary Discourse]. *Zeitschrift für Religionswissenschaft* 21.1 (2013): 1–28.
- 2010 “Locating the Ascetic’s Habitat: Toward a Micro-Comparison of Religious Discourses.” *History of Religions* 50.2 (2010): 162–192.
- 2009 “Negative Campaigning: Polemics against Brahmins in a Buddhist Sutta.” *Religions of South Asia* 3.1 (2009): 61–76.
- 2009 “The Disciplines of Buddhist Studies: Notes on Religious Commitment as Boundary-Marker.” *Journal of the International Association of Buddhist Studies* 30 (2007) [2009]: 299–318.
- 2008 “Prestige als Plage: Vergleichende Untersuchungen zu einem asketischen Dilemma.” [Prestige as Worriment: Comparative Studies of an Ascetic Dilemma.] *Zeitschrift für Religionswissenschaft* 16 (2008): 83–103.
- 2004 “The Buddhist Canon and the Canon of Buddhist Studies.” *Journal of the International Association of Buddhist Studies* 27 (2004): 261–283.
- 2003 “Religion in Mirrors: Orientalism, Occidentalism, and Asian Religions.” *Journal of Global Buddhism* 4 (2003): 9–17 (online: <http://www.globalbuddhism.org>).
- 2001 “Salvation for the Laity? Soteriological Concepts in Early and Modern Theravāda Buddhism.” *Studia Asiatica* (Bukarest) 2 (2001): 29–38.

- 2001 “The Meeting of Traditions: Inter-Buddhist and Inter-Religious Relations in the West.” *Journal of Global Buddhism* 2 (2001): 59–71 (online: <http://www.globalbuddhism.org>).
- 2000 “Profiling the Sangha: Institutional and Non-Institutional Tendencies in Early Buddhist Teachings.” *Marburg Journal of Religion* 5 (2000): 1–12 (online: <http://web.uni-marburg.de/religionswissenschaft/journal/mjr/freiberger.html>).
- 1998 “The Ideal Sacrifice: Patterns of Reinterpreting Brahmin Sacrifice in Early Buddhism.” *Bulletin d'Études Indiennes* 16 (1998): 39–49.
- 1996 “Zur Interpretation der Brahmaṇḍa-Strafe im buddhistischen Ordensrecht.” [On the Interpretation of the *brahmaṇḍa* Penalty in Buddhist Monastic Law.] *Zeitschrift der Deutschen Morgenländischen Gesellschaft* 146 (1996): 456–491.
- 1996 “Zum Vergleich zwischen buddhistischem und christlichem Ordenswesen.” [On the Comparison of Buddhist and Christian Monasticism.] *Zeitschrift für Religionswissenschaft* 4 (1996): 83–104.

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- Forthcoming “J. Z. Smith on Comparison: Insights and Appropriations.” In: *Remembering J. Z. Smith: A Career and Its Consequence*. Ed. Russell T. McCutcheon and Emily Crews. Equinox.
- 2019 “*Gṛhastha* in the Śramaṇic Discourse: A Lexical Survey of House Residents in Early Pāli Texts.” In: *Gṛhastha: The Householder in Ancient Indian Religious Culture*. Ed. Patrick Olivelle. New York: Oxford University Press, 2019. 58–74.
- 2019 “Der Buddha als Avatāra: Zur Analyse von Grenzen zwischen Religionen” [The Buddha as Avatāra: On the Analysis of Boundaries between Religions]. In: *Religionsbegegnung in der asiatischen Religionsgeschichte: Kritische Reflexionen über ein etabliertes Konzept*. Ed. Max Deeg, Oliver Freiberger, Christoph Kleine. Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht. 55–73.
- 2018 “Zu Hause beim Saṅgha: Bezeichnungen für Nicht-Asketen in frühen Pālitexten” [At Home by the Saṅgha: Terms for Non-Ascetics in Early Pāli Texts]. In: *Saddharmāmṛtam: Festschrift für Jens-Uwe Hartmann zum 65. Geburtstag*. Ed. Oliver von Criegen, Gudrun Melzer, and Johannes Schneider. Wien: Arbeitskreis für tibetische und buddhistische Studien, 2018. 127–137.
- 2016 “Modes of Comparison: Towards Creating a Methodological Framework for Comparative Studies.” In: *Interreligious Comparisons in Religious Studies and Theology: Comparison Revisited*. Ed. Perry Schmidt-Leukel and Andreas Nehring. London: Bloomsbury, 2016. 53–71.
- 2015 “Asceticism.” In: *Vocabulary for the Study of Religion*. Ed. Robert Segal and Kocku von Stuckrad. Vol. 1. Leiden: Brill, 2015, 126–129.
- 2013 “Introduction” (with Afe Adogame and Magnus Echtler). In: *Alternative Voices: A Plurality Approach for Religious Studies. Essays in Honor of Ulrich Berner*. Ed. Afe Adogame, Magnus Echtler, Oliver Freiberger. Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht. 9–17.

- 2013 “Religionen und Religion in der Konstruktion des frühen Buddhismus” [Religions and Religion in the Construction of Early Buddhism] in: *Religion in Asien? Studien zur Anwendbarkeit des Religionsbegriffs*. Ed. Peter Schalk, Max Deeg, Oliver Freiberger, Christoph Kleine, and Astrid van Nahl. Uppsala: Uppsala University Press. 15–41. Online: <http://uu.diva-portal.org/smash/get/diva2:602914/FULLTEXT03>
- 2011 “Der Vergleich als Methode und konstitutiver Ansatz der Religionswissenschaft.” [Comparison as Method and Constitutive Approach in the Study of Religion.] In *Religionen erforschen: Kulturwissenschaftliche Methoden in der Religionswissenschaft*. Ed. Stefan Kurth and Karsten Lehmann. Wiesbaden: VS Verlag, 2011. 199–218.
- 2011 “Was ist das Kanonische am Pāli-Kanon?” [What Makes the Pāli Canon Canonical?] In *Kanonisierung und Kanonbildung in der asiatischen Religionsgeschichte*. Ed. Max Deeg, Oliver Freiberger, Christoph Kleine. Vienna: Austrian Academy of Sciences Press, 2011. 209–232.
- 2011 “How the Buddha Dealt with Non-Buddhists.” In *Religion and Identity in South Asia and Beyond: Essays in Honor of Patrick Olivelle*. Ed. Steven E. Lindquist. London: Anthem Press, 2011. 185–195.
- 2010 “Die Gründung des Saṅgha in buddhistischer Historiographie und Hagiographie.” [The Foundation of the Saṅgha in Buddhist Historiography and Hagiography.] In *Geschichten und Geschichte: Historiographie und Hagiographie in der asiatischen Religionsgeschichte*. Ed. Peter Schalk, Max Deeg, Oliver Freiberger, Christoph Kleine, Astrid van Nahl. Uppsala: Uppsala University Press, 2010. 329–356. Online: <http://urn.kb.se/resolve?urn=urn:nbn:se:uu:diva-121402>
- 2006 “Akademische Kanonisierung? Zur Erstellung von Anthologien buddhistischer Texte.” [Academic Canonization? On the Compilation of Anthologies of Buddhist Texts.] In *Jaina-Itihāsa-Ratna: Studies in Honour of Gustav Roth on the Occasion of his 90th Birthday*. Ed. Ute Hüsken, Petra Kieffer-Pülz, Anne Peters. Swisttal-Odendorf: Indica et Tibetica Verlag, 2006. 193–207.
- 2006 “Introduction: The Criticism of Asceticism in Comparative Perspective.” In *Asceticism and Its Critics: Historical Accounts and Comparative Perspectives*. Ed. Oliver Freiberger. New York: Oxford University Press, 2006. 3–21.
- 2006 “Early Buddhism, Asceticism, and the Politics of the Middle Way.” In *Asceticism and Its Critics: Historical Accounts and Comparative Perspectives*. Ed. Oliver Freiberger. New York: Oxford University Press, 2006. 235–258.
- 2005 “‘Ein Vinaya für Hausbewohner’? Norm und Praxis der Laienanhänger im frühen Buddhismus.” [‘A Vinaya for Householders’? Norm and Practice of Lay Adherents in Early Buddhism.] In *Im Dickicht der Gebote: Studien zur Dialektik von Norm und Praxis in der Buddhismusgeschichte Asiens*. Editor-in-chief: Peter Schalk; Co-editors: Max Deeg, Oliver Freiberger, Christoph Kleine, Astrid van Nahl. Acta Universitatis Upsaliensis, Historia Religionum, 26. Uppsala: Uppsala University Press, 2005. 225–252.

- 2005 “Resurrection from the Dead? The Brāhmaṇical Rite of Renunciation and Its Irreversibility.” In *Words and Deeds: Hindu and Buddhist Rituals in South Asia*. Ed. Jörg Gengnagel, Ute Hüsken, Srilata Raman. Ethno-Indology: Heidelberg Series on South Asian Ritual, 1. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz, 2005. 235–256.
- 2003 “Religion und Globalisierung im Lichte von Orientalismus und Okzidentalismus.” [Religion and Globalization in the Light of Orientalism and Occidentalism.] In *Religion im Spiegelkabinett: Asiatische Religionsgeschichte im Spannungsfeld zwischen Orientalismus und Okzidentalismus*. Editor-in-chief: Peter Schalk; Co-editors: Max Deeg, Oliver Freiberger, Christoph Kleine. Acta Universitatis Upsaliensis, Historia Religionum, 22. Uppsala: Uppsala University Press, 2003. 63–89.
- 2001 “Die Bedeutung des Ordens für den Weg zur Erlösung in frühen buddhistischen Texten.” [The Meaning of the Monastic Order for the Path to Liberation in Early Buddhist Texts.] In *Akten des 27. Deutschen Orientalistentages (Bonn, 28.9.–2.10.1998) – Norm und Abweichung*. Ed. Stefan Wild, Hartmut Schild. Würzburg: Ergon, 2001. 181–191.
- 2001 “Staatsreligion, Reichsreligion oder Nationalreligion? Überlegungen zur Terminologie.” [State Religion, Imperial Religion, or National Religion? Reflections on Terminology.] In *Zwischen Säkularismus und Hierokratie: Studien zum Verhältnis von Religion und Staat in Süd- und Ostasien*. Editor-in-chief: Peter Schalk; Co-editors: Max Deeg, Oliver Freiberger, Christoph Kleine. Acta Universitatis Upsaliensis, Historia Religionum, 17. Uppsala: Uppsala University Press, 2001. 19–36.
- 2000 “Ist Wertung Theologie? Beobachtungen zur Unterscheidung von Religionswissenschaft und Theologie.” [Is Making Value Judgments Theology? Observations on Distinguishing Religious Studies and Theology.] In *Die Identität der Religionswissenschaft: Beiträge zum Verständnis einer unbekannteren Disziplin*. Ed. Gebhard Löhr. Frankfurt/M. et al.: Peter Lang, 2000. 97–121.
- 1997 “Zur Verwendungsweise der Bezeichnung *paribbājaka* im Pāli-Kanon.” [On the Use of the Term *paribbājaka* in the Pāli Canon.] In *Untersuchungen zur buddhistischen Literatur II: Gustav Roth zum 80. Geburtstag gewidmet*. Ed. Heinz Bechert, Sven Bretfeld, Petra Kieffer-Pülz. Sanskrit-Wörterbuch der buddhistischen Texte aus den Turfan-Funden, Beiheft 8. Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 1997. 121–130.
- 1997 “Anmerkungen zur Begriffsbildung in der Buddhismusforschung.” [Notes on the Formation of Terms in Buddhist Studies.] In *Bauddhavidyāsudhākaraḥ: Studies in Honour of Heinz Bechert on the Occasion of His 65th Birthday*. Ed. Petra Kieffer-Pülz, Jens-Uwe Hartmann. Indica et Tibetica 30. Swisttal-Odendorf: I&T, 1997. 137–152.

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- “Fasten/Fastentage I. Religionsgeschichtlich.” Vol. 3. 2000. 40.

English translation: “Fasting I. History of Religions.” In *Religion Past and Present: Encyclopedia of Theology and Religion* [RPP]. Vol. 5. Leiden: Brill, 2009. 59f.

- “Kloster I: Religionsgeschichtlich.” Vol. 4. 2001. 1450.
English translation: “Monasteries I. Comparative Religion.” RPP. Vol. 8. 2010. 480.
- “Laien I: Religionsgeschichtlich.” Vol. 5. 2002. 17–18.
English translation: “Laity I. Religious Studies.” RPP. Vol. 7. 2010. 287.
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- 2012 Johannes Bronkhorst. *Buddhism in the Shadow of Brahmanism*. Leiden: Brill, 2011. *Journal of Asian Studies* 71.1 (2012): 281–283.
- 2011 Eugène Burnouf. *Introduction to the History of Indian Buddhism*. Transl. Katia Buffetrille and Donald S. Lopez Jr. Chicago: The University of Chicago Press, 2010. *Religious Studies Review* 37.4 (2011): 304.
- 2011 *The Spread of Buddhism*. Ed. Ann Heirman and Stephan Peter Bumbacher. Leiden: Brill, 2007. *Religious Studies Review* 37.1 (2011): 79.
- 2009 Franz Winter. *Das frühchristliche Mönchtum und der Buddhismus*. Frankfurt am Main: Peter Lang, 2008. *Journal of the American Oriental Society* 129 (2009): 721–723.
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- 1999 Detlef Kantowsky. *Buddhisten in Indien heute. Beschreibungen, Bilder und Dokumente*. Forschungsprojekt “Buddhistischer Modernismus,” Forschungsberichte 16. Konstanz: Universität Konstanz 1999. *Journal of Buddhist Ethics* 6 (1999): 185–188.
- 1997 *Forschungsprojekt “Buddhistischer Modernismus”*: Forschungsberichte. Ed. Detlef Kantowsky. Konstanz: Universität Konstanz, 1990–1996 (cont.). *Journal of Buddhist Ethics* 4 (1997): 170–174.

Professional and Administrative Service

SERVICE IN NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- 2018–present Co-chair, Comparative Studies in Religion Unit, American Academy of Religion (with Ivette Vargas-O’Bryan); since 2016 also creator and webmaster of the unit’s listserv, *CompRel*.
- 2016–2019 Member, International Connections Committee, American Academy of Religion.
- 2015–2017 Member, Steering Committee of the Comparative Studies in Religion Unit, American Academy of Religion.
- 2015 Reviewer for panel and paper proposals on South Asia for the 21st World Congress of the International Association for the History of Religions (IAHR), Erfurt, Germany, Aug. 23–29, 2015.
- 2011–13 Member, Awards for Excellence in the Study of Religion Book Award Juries, Historical Studies Jury, American Academy of Religion.
- 2008–2010 Co-chair of the section “Methodological Problems of Religious Studies” (with Jeppe Sinding Jensen) in the program area “The Academic Study of Religion as a Discipline,” 20th World Congress of the International Association for the History of Religions (IAHR), Toronto, Canada, Aug. 15–21, 2010.
- 2003–05 Member, Congress Academic Programme Committee, 19th World Congress of the International Association for the History of Religions (IAHR), Tokyo, 2005.