

Prof. Dr. Reiner Keller: Curriculum Vitae

Reiner Keller's work & research interests include social science discourse research, sociology of knowledge and culture, qualitative methods, and analysis of contemporary societies. He has a longstanding experience in conducting and directing collaborative research projects. He was a member of the Munich Centre for Reflexive Modernization from 1999 to 2010 and became a professor in sociology in 2007 at Koblenz-Landau University. He moved to Augsburg University in 2011 as holder of the chair of sociology. With Angelika Pofnerl, he co-directed a comparative research on French and German history of sociological knowledge production since the 1960ies, funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG). Another recent DFG-funded three-years project on politics of knowledge in the field of hydraulic fracturing started in June 2017; a second DFG-funded research deals with politics of knowledge in regimes of prostitution in Germany. A third research granted by DFG and French ANR deals with discourse issues of energy transition. It started in April 2018. From 2014-2018 he was member of the executive committee of the German Sociological Association. Currently he is head of the Philosophisch-Sozialwissenschaftliche Fakultät of the University of Augsburg.

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Graduate and Postgraduate Studies

11/1988 *Diplom* (Sociology), University of Bamberg
06/1997 PhD, Technical University Munich (TUM)
06/2004 *Habilitation* (Venia Legendi: sociology), University of Augsburg (Germany)
Thesis: "The Sociology of Knowledge Approach to discourse (SKAD)"

Academic Career

1990 – 2000 Member of the *Münchner Projektgruppe für Sozialforschung e.V.* (Munich Social Research Centre). Associated in several research projects funded by the German Research Foundation and the EU (e.g., Ecological communication in Europe, directed by Prof. Klaus Eder). Postgraduate Bavarian Grant for Excellence, Technical University Munich

1997 – 2006 Associate Professor at the University of Augsburg
07/1999 – 09/2010 Associate in Project A2 "Transforming nature into society – and making society natural" in the German Science Foundation's Research Center (SFB) 536 "Reflexive Modernization" (director: U. Beck et al.)

04/2007 – 09/2011 Full Professor of Sociology at University of Koblenz-Landau, Landau Campus,
10/2011 – Present Chair of Sociology, University of Augsburg (Full Professorship)
09/2012 + 10/2013 Visiting Scholar, University of California San Francisco & Berkeley

Membership and academic activities:

Association Internationale des Sociologues de Langue Française AISLF, German Sociological Association; Member of the executive board (2015-2019), Member of the Council (2013-2015; 2019-ongoing), chair of the sociology of knowledge division (2011-2016); Co-director of the Jakob Fugger Center for Transnational Research (Augsburg University, 2016-2019); European Sociological Association (ESA); International Sociological Association ISA; Numerous workshops, conference invitations, keynotes and presentations in Germany, Austria, Belgium, Canada, China, Costa Rica, Denmark, France, Kazakhstan, Switzerland, United Kingdom, United States.

Selected Publications:

Numerous publications on discourse research, sociological theory, risk studies; articles and books in German, English, French, Portuguese, Spanish; co-editor of the Journal for Discourse Studies; editor of two book series on discourse research and co-editor of several handbooks on discourse theory and research.

Wissensoziologische Diskursanalyse. Grundlegung eines Forschungsprogramms. Wiesbaden 2005 [3rd ed. 2010]
[*The Sociology of Knowledge Approach to Discourse*. New York: Springer; to be published in 2022]

Michel Foucault. Konstanz: UVK 2008

Das Interpretative Paradigma. Wiesbaden 2012 [*The Interpretive Paradigm*], Prize winner best textbook in sociology 2013-2014, awarded by the German Sociological Association; Portuguese translation to be published in 2021

Doing Discourse Research. An Introduction for the Social Sciences. London: Sage 2013

- The Sociology of Knowledge Approach to Discourse: Investigating politics of knowledge and meaning making. London: Routledge (co-edited by R. Keller, A. Hornidge and W. Schünemann), London: Routledge, 2018
- Comparing Discourse Between Cultures. A Discursive Approach to Movement Knowledge. In: Baumgarten, B., Daphi, P., Ulrich, P. (eds.) (2014) Conceptualizing Culture in Social Movement Research. Hampshire: Palgrave, pp. 113-139 (with Peter Ullrich).
- Epistemic Cultures in Sociology Between Individual Inspiration and Legitimization by Procedure: Developments of Qualitative and Interpretive Re-search in German and French Sociology Since the 1960s [97 paragraphs]. Forum Qualitative Sozialforschung / Forum: Qualitative Social Research, 17(1), Art. 14, <http://dx.doi.org/10.17169/fqs-17.1.2419>, 2016 (with Angelika Pofel).
- Discourse analysis of environmental policy revisited: traditions, trends, perspectives, Journal of Environmental Policy & Planning, 2019, 21:5, 445-463, DOI: 10.1080/1523908X.2019.1660462 (with Sina Leipold, Peter H. Feindt, Georg Winkel)
- Has Critique Run Out of Steam? On Discourse Research as Critical Inquiry. Printversion. In: Qualitative Inquiry. Special Issue: Challenges for a New Critical Qualitative Inquiry. Guest Editor: Uwe Flick Volume 23, Issue 1, January 2017, pp. 58-68.
- “Comprendre ou bien la Mort! Reflexion sur une question de base de la recherche qualitative.” In : Recherches Qualitatives. 2011, Collection Hors série 10, pp. 17-29.
- El análisis del discurso basado en la sociología del conocimiento (ADSC). Un programa de investigación para el análisis de relaciones sociales y políticas de conocimiento. In: Forum Qualitative Sozialforschung 2010, Vol. 11, Nr. 3, Art. 5
- Du singulier au sens large: intégrer analyse de discours et théorisation ancrée. In: Recherches Qualitatives – Hors Série – numéro 14, 2013 – pp. 1-18
- Entering Discourses: A New Agenda for Qualitative Research and Sociology of Knowledge. In: Qualitative Sociology Review 2012, Vol. VIII Issue 2, pp. 46-55
- Narrative, discourse, and sociology of knowledge: Applying the Sociology of Knowledge Approach to Discourse (SKAD) for analyzing (counter-)narratives. In: Klarissa Lueg & Mari-anne Wolff Lundholt (eds.): Routledge Handbook of Counter-Narratives. London: Routledge, 2021, pp. 98-109.
- The Sociology of Knowledge Approach to Discourse. London: Sage, 2020 <http://methods.sagepub.com/foundations>; doi 10.4135.
- Discourse. In The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology Online, Second Edition. Edited by George Ritzer and Chris Rojek. 2019
- El análisis del discurso basado en la sociología del conocimiento. In: Benno Herzog/ Jorge Ruiz (Hrsg.) (2019): Análisis Sociológico del Discurso: Enfoques, métodos y procedimientos. Valencia: Publicacions de la Universitat de València, pp. 27-54.
- Michel Foucault: discourse, power/knowledge and the modern subject. In: Wodak, Ruth/Forchtner, Bernhard (Eds.): The Routledge Handbook of Language and Politics. London & New York 2018, pp. 67-81.

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Homepages:

Augsburg University: <http://www.uni-augsburg.de/keller>

SKAD: <http://kellersskad.blogspot.de>

Zeitschrift für Diskursforschung/Journal for Discourse Studies: www.uni-augsburg.de/zfd

Diskurswissenschaft: www.diskurswissenschaft.de