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CURRENT FOCUS

Social Ontology, Philosophy of Institutions, Social Engagement Studies

EXPERTISE

Philosophy & Sociology of Law, Social Philosophy & Social Ontology, Kant and German Idealism

COMPETENCE

Early Phenomenology, Social Epistemology, Philosophy of Anthropology, NS-Philosophy of Law

EDITOR

Peer-review Journal *Philosophy and Society* (Editor-in-chief from Vol. XXIV [2013] to Vol. XXX [2020])

[I have turned a national (local) journal, with articles in Serbian, into an international journal, publishing articles in English and German. Under my editing, the journal has been accepted and indexed in Scopus and WoS (Esci) Databases]

<https://journal.instifdt.bg.ac.rs>

Founder & Honour Editor of the new academic journal *Critique: Journal for Philosophy and Social Theory*

<https://kritika.instifdt.bg.ac.rs>

LANGUAGES

Serbian (native), German (sehr gut), English (fluent)

EDUCATION

- 2005–2011 PhD in Philosophy, Vienna University
With Honours (*summa cum laude*)
Thesis: *Freiheit und internationales Recht: Die Geschichtlichkeit der Rechtsphilosophie Hegels*
Supervisor: Hans-Dieter Klein
- [NB: 2006–2008 Paternity leave
2008–2010 Job at the Patent Office, Belgrade, Serbia]
- 2002–2004 Postgraduate Studies in Philosophy, University of Belgrade
- 1996–2002 Diploma Studies in Philosophy, University of Belgrade

PROJECTS

- 2016–2019 HEAD OF THE PROJECT *Reflecting Engagement: The Contribution of Humanities and Social Sciences*.
Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory, University of Belgrade & The Center for Advanced Studies –
Southeast Europe, University of Rijeka, Croatia
- 2013–2014 Member of the Project *Biopolitical Aspects of Institutional Action*, University of Darmstadt & University
of Belgrade
- 2011–2020 Member of the Project *Politics of Social Memory and National Identity: Regional and European Context*,
University of Belgrade

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2016–2019 HEAD OF THE PROJECT *Reflecting Engagement: The Contribution of Humanities and Social Sciences* at the
Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory, University of Belgrade
- 2019– SENIOR RESEARCH FELLOW at the Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory, University of Belgrade
- 2016–2017 RESEARCH FELLOW at the Institute for Philosophy, University of Vienna
Project: *Constitutive Justice – A Social Ontological Approach* (Supervisor: Hans Bernhard Schmid)
- 2015–2016 RESEARCH FELLOW at the Department of Philosophy, Bogazici University, Istanbul
Project: *The Meaning of Law Within Plural Legal Orders* (Supervisor: Kenneth R. Westphal)
- 2017–(perm.) ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR at the Educons University, Novi Sad, Serbia
- 2015–2016 ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR at the University of Singidunum, Belgrade, Serbia
- 2014–2018 RESEARCH FELLOW at the Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory, University of Belgrade
- 2012 POSTDOCTORAL FELLOW at the Forschungszentrum für Klassische Deutsche Philosophie, Ruhr
University Bochum, Germany
- 1.12.2011–2013 RESEARCH ASSOCIATE at the Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory, University of Belgrade

AWARDS / GRANTS / FELLOWSHIPS

2016–2019	Grant for the Project <i>Reflecting Engagement: The Contribution of Humanities and Social Sciences</i> funded by Provincial Secretariat for Science and Technological Development of the Autonomous Province of Vojvodina, Republic of Serbia [ranked 2nd out of 249 submitted projects] (ca. € 30,000)
2016–2017	Research Scholarship, Austrian Agency for International Mobility and Cooperation in Education, Science and Research (OeAD), University of Vienna (€ 12,000)
2015–2016	Research Scholarship, Turkey State Scholarship, Bogazici University (ca. € 12,000)
2013	Translation Grant from Austrian Literature Society (Österreichische Gesellschaft für Literatur) (€ 1,800)
2013	Member of the Project <i>Biopolitical Aspects of Institutional Action</i> , funded by DAAD Special Program “Academic Reconstruction of Southeast Europe” (University of TU Darmstadt)
2012	Postdoctoral Research Scholarship, Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic Serbia; 6 months (€ 8,500)
2011	Conferral of doctorate “with honours” (<i>summa cum laude</i>) at the University of Vienna
2006	Financial support for PhD Candidates, Österreichischen HochschülerInnenschaft, Austria (€ 850)
2002–2004	Postgraduate Scholarship, Ministry of Education of the Republic Serbia (ca. € 7,500)

PUBLICATIONS

I. MONOGRAPHS

5. *Collective Intentionality. Introduction to Social Ontology*. [in Serbian; in preparation]
4. *Politicizing Philosophical Anthropology 1927–1940*. [in Serbian; in preparation]
3. *Hegel and National Socialism*. Novi Sad: Akademska knjiga [in Serbian; forthcoming]
2. *Souveränität und Gewalt. Hegel über Freiheit, Krieg und Philosophie*. Saarbrücken: Südwestdeutscher Verlag 2014 (ISBN 978-3-8381-3854-1)
1. *Hegel's International Law. Historicity of the Spirit and the Boundaries of Law*. Belgrade: Albatros plus 2013 (ISBN 978-86-6081-131-0) [in Serbian]

II. EDITED BOOKS

2. *Phänomenologische Ontologie des Sozialen*. Edited by Holger Zaborowski, Rastko Jovanov, Željko Radinković. Belgrad: IFDT 2015 (ISBN 978-86-82417-87-3)
1. *Politiken des Lebens. Technik, Moral und Recht als institutionelle Gestalten der menschlichen Lebensform*. Edited by Jan Müller, Rastko Jovanov, Željko Radinković. Belgrad: IFDT 2015 (ISBN 978-86-82417-91-0)

III. EDITED JOURNAL SPECIAL ISSUES

2. *Book Symposium on Kenneth R. Westphal's How Hume and Kant Reconstruct Natural Law*, Philosophy and Society,

30 (2) 2019

1. *Collective Responsibility and Pre-Reflective Self-Awareness. Seminar with Dan Zahavi and Hans Bernhard Schmid.* *Philosophy and Society* 28 (4) 2017

IV. JOURNAL ARTICLES & BOOK CHAPTERS

29. Heideggers Schwarze Hefte im Kontext. *Philosophy and Society* 32 (4) 2021 [forthcoming]
28. (with Željko Radinković) "...ein Denkmal des neuen Deutschlands." Der frühe Gehlen über Staat und Philosophie. In: Christine Magerski (Ed.) *Die Macht der Institution. Zum Staatsverständnis Arnold Gehlens.* Reihe *Staatsverständnisse*, Baden-Baden: Nomos 2021
27. Negative Emotionen und Kultur. Schwerpunkt "Kultur im Zeichen Des Anderen". *Philosophy and Society* 31 (4) 2020: 588–599
26. Shared Empathy and Self-Testimony. *Synthesis Philosophica* 35 (2) 2020
25. Hostile Emotions and the Problem of Their Collectivity. *Theoria* 63 (4) 2020: 53–62 [in Serbian]
24. (with Marija Velinov) Constitutive Justice and Human Rights. *Philosophy and Society* 30 (4) 2019: 478–492
23. Zwischen Philosophie und Staat: Hegels Dialektik der Freiheitsinstitutionalisierung. *Philosophy and Society* 29 (4) 2018: 553–564
22. (with Željko Radinković) Brief aus Serbien. *Deutsche Zeitschrift für Philosophie* 65 (5) 2017: 934–948
21. Recht und Wirklichkeit: Rechtserneuerung im Nationalsozialismus. In: Werner Konitzer, David Palme (Eds.) »Arbeit«, »Volk«, »Gemeinschaft«. *Ethik und Ethiken im Nationalsozialismus. Jahrbuch zur Geschichte und Wirkung des Holocaust.* Frankfurt a.M., New York: Campus Verlag 2016: 151–171
20. Heideggers Metapolitics. *Zbornik Matice Srpske za društvene nauke* 155-156, 2016: 229–244 [in Serbian]
19. Solidarität und Gruppenidentität. In: H. Zaborowski, R. Jovanov, Ž. Radinković (Eds.) *Phänomenologische Ontologie des Sozialen*, Belgrad: IFDT 2015: 116–136
18. Mimesis, Gesetz, Kampf. Ein Beitrag zur Sozialontologie. *Philosophy and Society* 26 (4) 2015: 917–933
17. What does Sublation of Moral Consciousness Mean for the Philosophical Practice? On Institutional Dimension of Therapy in Hegel's Philosophy. In: Lydia Amir et. al. (Eds.) *Practicing Philosophy.* Cambridge Scholars Publishing 2015: 262–276
16. Das Leben als Dokument. Die Genealogie des registrierten Lebens als biopolitische Institution. In: J. Müller, R. Jovanov, Ž. Radinković (Eds.) *Politiken des Lebens. Technik, Moral und Recht als institutionelle Gestalten der menschlichen Lebensform.* Belgrad: IFDT 2015: 9–55
15. Heidegger on the Frontline: Metapolitics, Gathering, Education. *Filozofski vestnik* 36 (3) 2015: 187–204
14. The Right of the Crime: The Genuine Forfeit and the Biopolitical Transformation of the Law. In: A. Petrović, M. Knežević (Eds.) *Politics, Identity, Tradition.* Kosovska Mitrovica: Faculty of Philosophy 2015: 159–167 [in Serbian]
13. Philosophy and War: Hegel's Therapeutic Movement of Spirit. *Philosophy and Society* 25 (4) 2014
12. Geoethische Neuorientierung des Menschen beim späten Kant. *Prolegomena* 13 (1) 2014: 45–58
11. Zwingherr. Fichte's Political Theology. In: D. Basta (ed.) *Fichte's Idealism of Freedom.* Belgrade: Dosije 2014: 59–68 [in Serbian]
10. (with W. Keck) Technik, Gelassenheit und πόλεμος. *Philosophy and Society* 24 (4) 2013: 283–295
9. Hegel and the Sacrifice of Philosophy: The Dialectic of Aesthetics and Politics. *Philosophy and Society* 24 (1) 2013:

177–198 [in Serbian]

8. (with P. Bojanić) Revolutions, Imaginative Geography, Geoethics. In: A. Birešev, G. Pudar, A. Bošković (Eds.) *Nature, Ethics, Politics (pre)Occupations and (pre)Orientations*. Belgrade: Službeni glasnik 2012 [in Serbian]
7. (with P. Bojanić) Kant's Theory of the Earth. *Theoria* 55 (1) 2012: 19–29 [in Serbian]
6. Kants Revolutionary Ecopolitics *in sensu cosmico*: Purposiveness of Nature and Spaces of Possible History. *Philosophy and Society* 23 (1) 2012: 71–85 [in Serbian]
5. The Rest of the Negativity and 'One Fortunate Outcome': The Appearing Dialectics of the Sovereign States. *Philosophy and Society* 21 (3) 2011: 267–290 [in Serbian]
4. The Judicial Rehabilitation of the Philosopher M. Mladenovic. *Hereticus* 8 (2) 2010 [in Serbian]
3. Mathematics and Nature. In: *Milankovic in His and Our Time*. Academy of Sciences and Arts, Republic of Srpska 2010 [in Serbian]
2. Idealism and Negativity of Sovereignty in Hegel's Philosophy of Right. *Luča* 24 (3–4) 2010: 259–270 [in Serbian]
1. The Philosophical Background of Milankovic's Science. In: *In Memory of Milutin Milankovic*. Association of University Professors and Scientists of Serbia, Belgrade 2009 [in Serbian]

V. CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS / BOOK OF ABSTRACTS

5. *Shared Commitment in Crisis. Social Ontology, Engagement, and Politics*. International Scientific Conference, 28–29 September 2018. R. Jovanov (Ed.). Belgrade: Colorgrafx
4. *Identität – Annäherungen an eine Ontologie des Sozialen*. Internationale Konferenz, 20–22 November 2014, Belgrad. P. Bojanić, R. Jovanov, Ž. Radinković (Eds.). Belgrade: Colorgrafx
3. *Rosenzweig for Beginners: A Very Short Introduction into the "Star of Redemption"*. International Scientific Conference, 4–5 June 2012, Belgrade. P. Bojanić, Ž. Radinković, R. Jovanov (Eds.). Belgrade: Colorgrafx
2. *Trust and Transparency – Towards the New Europe*. International Scientific Conference, 5–6 October 2012, Belgrade. R. Jovanov, Ž. Radinković, P. Bojanić (Eds.). Belgrade: Colorgrafx
1. *Das Gestell – Technik, Wissenschaft und die soziale Welt. Neue Perspektiven auf Heideggers Spätphilosophie*. Internationale Konferenz, 3–4 Mai 2012, Belgrad. P. Bojanić, Ž. Radinković, R. Jovanov (Eds.). Belgrade: Colorgrafx

VI. BOOK REVIEWS (ONLY IN ENGLISH & GERMAN)

2. *Kant-Studien* 107 (2) 2016 – Zdravko Kučinar, *Arthur Liebert: Život i dela / Leben und Werke / Life and Works* (Beograd: Dosijs, 2015)
1. *The Phenomenological Review* 2/2016 – (with Ana Miljević) Christian Krijnen, *The Very Idea of Organization. Social Ontology Today: Kantian and Hegelian Reconsiderations* (Leiden/Boston: Brill, 2015)

VII. TRANSLATIONS (into Serbian)

5. Helmuth Plessner, *Macht und menschliche Natur* (1931) [with Željko Radinković]
4. Arnold Gehlen, *Staat und Philosophie* (1935) [with Željko Radinković]
3. Karl Larenz, *Rechts- und Staatsphilosophie der Gegenwart* (1935) [with Željko Radinković and Markus

Manojlović]

2. Julius Binder, *Der deutsche Volksstaat* (1934) [with Željko Radinković and Markus Manojlović]
1. [with Petar Bojanić, in: *Theoria* 55 (1) 2012] Immanuel Kant, *Die Frage, ob die Erde veralte, physikalisch erwogen*. In: *Kants Gesammelte Schriften*, Bd. I, Akademie-Ausgabe, Berlin 1902.

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

I. CONFERENCES / WORKSHOPS ORGANISED

8. International Conference *Shared Commitment in Crisis. Social Ontology, Engagement, and Politics*. University of Belgrade 2018
[participants among others: Raimo Tuomela, Hans Bernhard Schmid, Francesco Guala, Katja Crone, Sophie Loidolt, David Schweikard, Magali Bessone...]
7. Two Workshops *Collective Responsibility and Pre-Reflective Self-Awareness. Seminars with H. B. Schmid & D. Zahavi*, University of Belgrade 2017
6. International Conference *Transition Without Justice?* University of Belgrade & University of Novi Sad 2016
5. International Conference *Identität – Annäherungen an eine Ontologie des Sozialen*. Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory, University of Beograd 2014.
4. Workshop *Hegel-Forschung in Bochum heute*. Goethe-Institut, Belgrade and University of Belgrade (Lectures by Birgit Sandkaulen and Walter Jaeschke) 2013.
3. International Conference *Erörterung grundlegender Fragen zum Verhältnis von Biopolitik und Institutionen*. Institute for Philosophy, Darmstadt University, Germany & Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory, University of Belgrade 2013.
2. International Conference *Ontology and Politics of Institutions*, University of Belgrade 2012
1. International Conference *Das Gestell – Technik, Wissenschaft und die soziale Welt*. Philosophisch-Theologische Hochschule Vallendar & Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory and 2012.

II. INVITED LECTURES & REFEREED CONFERENCE PAPERS

10. *Social Ontology and Collective Engagement*. Conference *Social Ontology meets Social Sciences*, Hungarian Academy of Sciences 2018 [participants among others: J. Searle, R. Tuomela, B. Epstein...]
9. Plural Subjects and We-Mode Accounts. *Social Ontology Symposium*, University of Rijeka 2017 [postponed]
8. *Commitment ≠ Action. Contribution to the methodology of engagement studies*. Invited lecture at the University of Banja Luka, Bosnia & Herzegovina
7. *Constitutive Justice: An Argument*. Colloquium on joint action & social ontology (JACSON), University of Vienna 2016.
6. *Gerechtigkeit und Versammlung*. Conference *L'Europa e l'idea della giustizia. Crisi e sfida della globalizzazione*, Università degli Studi G. d'Annunzio di Chieti-Pescara 2015.
5. *Sittlichkeit und Recht: Die nationalsozialistische Umkehrung der Hegelschen Philosophie bei J. Binder und K. Larenz*. Conference *NS-Moral: Vorläufige Bilanz*, Fritz-Bauer-Institut, Frankfurt a.M 2015.

4. *Hegel on the Therapeutic Dimensions of State and Philosophy*. 12th International Conference on Philosophical Practice, Belgrade 2014.
3. *Der Verbrecher. Biopolitik zwischen Liebe und Gewalt*. Workshop *Bioethik, Recht und Technik*, Technische Universität Darmstadt 2013.
2. *Die fürstliche Gewalt und das Aufscheinen der Philosophie: Die Grenzen des Rechts in der Rechtsphilosophie Hegels*. Invited lecture at Ruhr-Universität Bochum 2012.
1. *Teleologie der Erde: Die Grenzen der Vernunftwesen und die menschliche Orientierung in der Welt*. Conference *Zweck und Zweckmäßigkeit – Teleologie nach Kants Kritik*, Forschungsnetzwerk Transzendentalphilosophie / Deutscher Idealismus, Technische Universität Berlin 2012.

III. OTHER PRESENTED PAPERS

7. *Engagement and Social Acts*. University of Belgrade 2019
6. *Esprit de Corps and Collective Engagement*. Conference *Shared Commitment in Crisis. Social Ontology, Engagement, and Politics*. University of Belgrade 2018
5. *Heidegger's Metapolitics. Justified Crimes of the Closed Community*. University of Belgrade 2015.
4. *Solidarität, Gesetz, Pflicht. Über die drei Formen der kollektiven Identität*. Conference *Identität – Annäherungen an eine Ontologie des Sozialen*, University of Belgrade 2014.
3. *Krieg, Politik, (Bio-) Macht: Verhältnis und Strategie*. Conference *Erörterung grundlegender Fragen zum Verhältnis von Biopolitik und Institutionen*. University of Belgrade 2013.
2. *Kant's revolutionary Ecopolitics*. University of Belgrade 2012.
1. *Gelassenheit und Polemos*. Conference *Das Gestell – Technik, Wissenschaft und die soziale Welt. Neue Perspektiven auf Heideggers Spätphilosophie*. University of Belgrade 2012.

IV. COMMENTARIES AT SEMINARS

Commentaries on lectures by:

Alex Honneth, Dan Zahavi, Otfried Höffe, Raymond Geuss, Hans Bernhard Schmid, Jean-Luc Marion, Lea Ypi, Kenneth R. Westphal, Jean-François Kervegan, Tamar Meisels, Margaret Moore, Burkhard Liebsch, Wolfgang Streeck, Reinhard Mehring, Wolfgang Merkel, Helen Frowe, Mladen Dolar, Luca Illetterati, Luigi Caranti, Ádám Takács, Holger Zaborowski etc.

TEACHING

Academy of Classical Painting, Educons University, Novi Sad, Serbia

Ph.D. Course *Philosophy of Art*

Ph.D. Course *Aesthetics and Politics*

Ph.D. Course *Body and Visual Art in the Philosophical Art Theories*

Faculty for Communications, Singidunum University, Belgrade, Serbia

MA. Course *Law & Society*

MA. Course *Theories of Sovereignty*

MA. Course *Political Theories & Ideologies – Fascism & Nationalism*

Co-Supervisor of PhD students A. Matković (University of Ljubljana, Slovenia); S. Šljukić (University of Belgrade)

SERVICE TO PROFESSION / DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

Initiator and member of the *Research Group for Social Ontology & Practical Philosophy*, University of Belgrade [2015–]

Member of the *Departmental Committee* of the Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory, University of Belgrade [2014–2018]

Member of the *International Advisory Board*, *Journal Philosophy & Society* [2021–]

Expert for evaluating the democracy in Serbia at the Varieties of Democracy (V-Dem) Institute, University of Gothenburg, Sweden [2016–]

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Hegel's Society of Serbia (President 2013–2020)

Austrian Society of Philosophy

Member of European Network for the Philosophy of the Social Sciences (ENPOSS)

Member of JACSON (joint action & social ontology) colloquium at the University of Vienna

Junges Forum Rechtsphilosophie (JFR), Frankfurt a.M.

ECPR (European Consortium for Political Research) Standing Group on Human Rights and Transitional Justice

ECPR Standing Group on Kantian Political Thought

ECPR Standing Group on Political Concepts

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

2019–2020 As my home institute is oriented towards scientific collaboration with regional and European academic institutions, for which it has been recognized internationally (cf. <http://www.institfdt.bg.ac.rs/en/>), the current autocratic and nationalist ruling regime in Serbia attempted to close it down. Along with my colleagues, I initiated the collection of signatures of over four hundred world renowned intellectuals in a Call for Solidarity paper (cf. <https://ifdt.community>). N. Chomsky, J. Butler, and F. Fukuyama wrote directly to the president of Serbia, and voiced their support on social networks. Further, we published interviews with R. Bernstein and E. Fassin in the few free media in Serbia. The pressure and social engagement were successful: my home institute was kept open and we avoided a political appointee becoming our director. The list of signatories can be found at the following web page: <https://ifdt.community/call-for-solidarity/>

Feb. 10, 2016 *A Subject in a Time of Sovereignty and Institutional Crisis*. Bosnian Television Broadcast RTRS.tv (<https://plus.rtrs.tv/tekst.php?c=4&pismo=lat&id=2975>)

2019– Member of MASA (Network of Academic Solidarity and Engagement): engagement for defence of academic freedom; activities toward a better and transparent state scientific policy

CO-ORGANIZER AND/OR MODERATOR OF SCIENTIFIC & CIVIL PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

2016–2017 *Remembering the Holocaust* (a series of events: conference; symposium; exhibition; round tables for students and primary school pupils); *The Heritage of Yugoslav Antifascism and its Revision*, roundtable discussion within *Towards the New (Anti)fascism; Democratic Transition in Spain and Serbia: Experiences and Parallels*