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## General Information

Date of birth: 3 May 1971 ([Sikuati, Sabah, Malaysia](#))

Nationality: German

Marital status: Not married, no children

## Employment

<i>CVJM-Hochschule, Kassel</i> Professur für Internationale Soziale Arbeit, Director BA Program Human Development	2014–present
<i>CJD Arnold-Dannenmann-Akademie</i> Director of Studies, Christlich-Pädagogisches Institut	2012–2013
<i>Bohnen Kallmorgen &amp; Partner</i> Associate Partner, Political Consultancy Berlin	2011–2012
<i>Fordham University</i> Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science	2004–2011
<i>Temple University</i> Dean's Appointment (Visiting Professor)	2002–2004
<i>Indiana University</i> Associate Instructor	1999–2002
<i>Rennstich &amp; Oest</i> Partner, Advertisement & PR, Hamburg (Germany)	1991–1998

## Education

<i>Indiana University</i> , PhD Political Science	2003
<i>Indiana University</i> , ABD Political Science	2002
<i>Indiana University</i> , MA Political Science	2000
<i>Georg-August-Universität, Göttingen</i> , Dipl. Sozialwirt	1998

## Publications

### Books

Rennstich, Joachim K. 2008. *The Making of a Digital World: The Evolution of Technological Change and How It Shaped Our World*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan.

### Journal Articles

Rennstich, Joachim K. forthcoming. Editor. Special Issue "Creative Online Collaboration in Higher-Education Co-creation". *Education and Information Technologies*.

Rennstich, Joachim K. 2005. Chaos or ReOrder? The Future of Hegemony in a World-System in Upheaval. *Journal of World-Systems Research*, 11(2), 209–238. <http://dx.doi.org/10.5195/jwsr.2005.390>

Rennstich, Joachim K. 2002. The New Economy, the Leadership Long Cycle, and the Nineteenth K-Wave. *Review of International Political Economy*, 9(1), 150–182. <http://doi.org/10.1080/09692290110101135>

#### *Book Chapters (peer-reviewed)*

Rennstich, Joachim K. forthcoming. "Multilevel Governance as a Global Governance Challenge: Assumptions, Methods, Shortcomings and Future Directions." In *Oxford Encyclopedia of Empirical International Relations Theory*, ed. William R. Thompson. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Rennstich, Joachim K. forthcoming. "ePrüfungen." In *50 Prüfungsformate für die Hochschullehre. Kompetent Prüfungen gestalten*, eds. Julia Gerick, Angela Sommer, and Germa Zimmerman. Münster: Waxmann (UTB).

Rennstich, Joachim K. 2010. "World System in the Information Age." In *The International Studies Encyclopedia*, ed. Robert A. Denemark. Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell.

Rennstich, Joachim K. 2010. "Evolutionary Systems Theory." In *The International Studies Encyclopedia*, ed. Robert A. Denemark. Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell.

Rennstich, Joachim K. 2007. "Is Globalization Self-Organizing?" In *Globalization as Evolutionary Process: Modeling, Simulating, and Forecasting Global Change*, eds. George Modelski, Tesselino Devezas, and William R. Thompson. London: Routledge, 88–108.

Rennstich, Joachim K. 2005. "Three Steps in the Globalization of the International System: Global Networks from 1000 BCE to 2053 CE." In *Globalization and Global History*, eds. Barry K. Gills and William R. Thompson. London: Routledge, 203–231.

#### *Book Chapters*

Rennstich, Joachim K. forthcoming. "Globale Dimensionen der gegenwärtigen Migrationsbewegungen." In *Christliche Jugendarbeit in der Migrationsgesellschaft. Begegnungen mit kultureller und religiöser Vielfalt*. Beiträge zur missionarischen Jugendarbeit (BMJ). Neukirchen-Vluyn: Neukirchener.

Rennstich, Joachim K. 2017. "Islamismus als politisch-soziologisches Phänomen." In *Handbuch Islamismus und Schule*, eds. Jan Bruckermann and Karsten Jung. Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 11–29.

Rennstich, Joachim K., & Rennstich, Karl W. 2017. "Korruption im Spiegel der Weltreligionen: Entwicklungspolitische Bedeutung eines moralisch-theologischen Urproblems." In *Antikorruption und Leadership*, eds. Stefan Jung, Stefan Friedrichs, and André Armbruster. Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht.

Rennstich, Joachim K. 2005. "The Future of Hegemony and Global System Leadership." In *The Future of World Society*, eds. Mark Herkenrath, Claudia König, Hanno Scholtz, and Thomas Volken. Zurich: Intelligent, 53–79.

Rennstich, Joachim K. 2005. "Podcasting." In *Handbuch E-Learning. Expertenwissen aus Wissenschaft und Praxis. Strategien - Instrumente - Fallstudien*, eds. Andreas Hohenstein and Karl Wilbers. Köln: Fachverlag Deutscher Wirtschaftsdienst, 2002ff (wird laufend ergänzt).

Rennstich, Joachim K. 2004. "The Phoenix-Cycle: Global Leadership Transition in a Long-Wave Perspective." In *Hegemony, Globalization and Antisystemic Movements*, ed. Thomas E. Reifer. Boulder, CO: Paradigm, 35–53.

Rennstich, Joachim K. 2003. "The Future of Great Power Rivalries." In *Emerging Issues in the 21st Century World-System: New Theoretical Directions for the 21st Century World-System*, ed. Wilma A. Dunaway. Westport, CT: Praeger, 143–161.

#### *Conference Presentations (recent)*

Rennstich, Joachim K. 2017. "Multilevel Global Governance: Assumptions, Methods, Shortcomings and Future Directions." Paper presented at 58th Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, Baltimore, MD, February 22–25.

Rennstich, Joachim K. 2017. "Nomads of the Land and Sea: Stateless Challengers and the Evolution of Global Governance." Paper presented at 58th Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, Baltimore, MD, February 22–25.

Rennstich, Joachim K. 2016. People on the move: Globale Migrationsbewegungen, lokale Auswirkungen. Talk presented at the 9. Studientag Gesellschaftstransformation, MBS, Evangeliumshalle Marburg, Marburg, March 12.

Rennstich, Joachim K. 2016. Creative online collaboration: caveats and learnings. Presented at the Think CROSS - Change MEDIA 2016 Conference, Hochschule Magdeburg-Stendal, 19–20 Feb.

Rennstich, Joachim K. 2014. A Global Online Program? Learnings from the Establishment and Implementation of an Online-based Blended Learning Bachelor Program. Conference Presentation presented at the 18th World Council, World YMCA, Estes Park, CO, June 29–July 5.

#### *Workshops*

Global School in Empirical Research Methods (GSERM).  
Network Analysis; Bayesian Data Analysis. St. Gallen, June 13–24. 2016

GESIS 2nd Computational Social Science Winter Symposium (CSSWS15),  
Cologne, December 2–3. 2015

### **Grants, Honors & Awards**

#### *Research Grants*

Research Grant Erasmus+ Project “OnCreate” (2014–1-DE01-KA203–000706).  
Cooperation project for innovation and the exchange of good practices. Research Consortium Partner. EUR 41,928.00 (grant funding sum: EUR 447,508.00) 2014–2017

Fordham Faculty Fellowship (Research Semester Fall 2007) 2007

Deans’ Initiative for Development of Service Learning  
Courses, Fordham University 2007

Fordham Faculty Research Grant / Fordham Faculty Challenge Grant 2006

#### *Honors and Awards*

Nomination for Helen Dwight Reid Award, awarded annually by the American Political Science Association for the best dissertation in the field of international relations, law, and politics 2005

Katherine C. Greenough Dissertation Award for the best dissertation completed in the Political Science Department, Indiana University, in the 2003 calendar year 2004

Nomination for the Virginia M. Walsh Dissertation Award, granted by the Science, Technology and Environmental Politics Section of the American Political Science Association for the best dissertation in science, technology and environmental politics completed in 2002 or 2003 2004

John P. Lovell Award (Outstanding Graduate Student in International Relations), Indiana U. Full-year dissertation fellowship, Indiana University 2002

Indiana University Department of Political Science, Associate Instructor of the Year Award for 2000, for recognition of teaching excellence and commitment to students 2001

## Teaching

### *Courses Taught (full listing)*

**Methods** Quantitative Research Methods; Qualitative Research Methods; Academic Writing; Knowledge Management, Quality Management and Assessment; Project Management  
**IR/Comparative** Introduction to International Relations (IR); Theories of IR; Global Governance; Politics of the European Union (EU)  
**IPE/Policy** Globalization; International Political Economy; Understanding the Global Economy; Developmental Studies; Climate Change; Social Economics; Entrepreneurship Development  
**Security** War and Peace; Security Studies; International Law; Human Rights  
**Other** Intellectual History; Intercultural Philosophy; Inter-religious Dialogue

### *Service Learning*

Service-learning courses (including development of new courses)	2004–2011
Service-learning supervision of students (add-on to courses)	2007–2011

### *Innovative Teaching Methods*

Development of blended learning/online learning-based new pedagogical tools (incl. use of smart boards, mind-mapping, screencasts, podcasting, interactive modules, etc.)	2009–present
Interdisciplinary integration of courses, including outside presentations, case development, and academic student conference	2008–present
iStudyCases: Production of multimedia segments with focus on specific issues for use in IR courses; conduct of video interviews during summer of 2006	2006–2011
Redevelopment of courses based on Competency Assessment in Distributed Education (CADE) principles	2006–present
Film series–War and Peace (screening and discussions)	2005–2010
Development of learning modules based on online learning platforms (e.g., Blackboard, Moodle), extensive use of wide range of available tools within online learning platforms in all courses	2003–present

## Service to the Profession

### *Professional Memberships*

International Coalition of YMCA Universities; International Studies Association (ISA), member of IPE section; American Political Science Association (APSA), member of International History and Politics section

### *Professional Activity*

IITZ-Beirat, Internationale Technische Zusammenarbeit im Studiengang Interdisziplinäre Ingenieurwissenschaft, Hochschule RheinMain University of Applied Sciences Wiesbaden Rüsselsheim	2015–present
German Representative, International Coalition of YMCA Universities	2014–present
Founding Member, Board, Center for International Policy Studies (CIPS)	2009–2011

ISA IPE-section newsletter-editor, member of IPE-section board	2008–2011
ISA IPE-section project coordinator “Digital Speakers”	2006–2007
Chair, World Historical Systems (WHS) ISA IPE-subsection	2005–2011
Reviewer for book manuscripts, journal submissions	2004–present
Consulting for Fordham IT (teaching and research technologies)	2004–2011
Editor of Fordham Department of Political Science homepage	2004–2008
Vice-Chair, World Historical Systems (WHS) ISA IPE-subsection	2003–2005
Founder and co-director (with William R. Thompson), Center for the Study of Long-term Change in World History, and editor of longtermchange.org	2001–2008

### *Community*

Strategic Program Review and Evaluation, Partnership CVJM Baden and YMCA Kenya (May–Sep)	2015
Strategic Program Review and Evaluation, International Programs, YMCA Germany (Jun–Oct)	2015
Program evaluation, YMCA Germany participation at “World YMCA Change Agents Program”	2014
Project evaluation of Signs of Hope (YMCA Germany) Project “Children in Crisis (CIC) Programme” with YMCA Bangalore, India	2014
President, German-Ev. Lutheran Church of St. Paul, New York, NY	2005–2011
Participation in university and community group organized panels and round-table discussions	2001–present

### **Skills**

**Languages** German (native); English (near-native)

**Methodology** Advanced statistical analysis (R, Stata, Excel), basic modeling and simulation (NetLogo), basic social-network analysis (R)

**Media** Highly advanced podcasting production skills, multiple consultation engagements, advanced media production skills for educational use

**Presentation** Highly advanced media/multimedia production and presentation skills

**IT** Highly advanced IT skills (software/hardware, cloud-computing), advanced web-design skills, LaTeX, BibTeX, Markdown

### **References**

Available upon request.