
Review 2009/2010 – A Report on Fellowships and Events

During the academic year 2009/2010 the Institute for Advanced Studies on Science, Technology and Society (IAS-STs) in Graz was again a place for numerous scholars to undertake their research – mainly dissertations, habilitations and post-doc research – in an interdisciplinary atmosphere, and for a lot of events, dedicated to defend and discuss results with colleagues or to present them to the public.

Research Fellows and Visiting Scholars in 2009/2010

Out of about 50 applicants the Scientific Advisory Board of IAS-STs choose the following scholars in a meeting on 31 March 2009. They were appointed Research Fellows (partly with grants provided by the IAS-STs (including Manfred Heindler grants), by the Austrian Ernst Mach Programme, or grants provided by the Fellows' home countries) by the Director of IAS-STs Prof Arno Bammé (Klagenfurt University, Department of Science and Technology Studies). Members of the Board are Prof Elisabeth List as representative of the Karl-Franzens-University Graz, Prof Franz Stelzer as representative of Graz University of Technology and Prof Harald Rohrer as representative of the IFZ – Inter-University Research Centre for Technology, Work and Culture, which is the Graz unit of the Department of Science and Technology Studies, Klagenfurt University. Prof Arno Bammé chairs the Board.

- (1) Gloria Adduci, Italia:
Governing agrobiotechnology in developing countries: The case of South East Asia
- (2) Gülsevım Eysel, Turkey:
Comparison of people living in Ankara and Graz towards biotechnological products and services applied in medicine

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- (3) Anne-Sophie Godfroy-Genin, France:
International comparisons in science studies: What and why do we compare?
- (4) Christian Gross, Austria:
Diffusion and adoption of solar thermal applications in Graz
- (5) Ute Kalender, Germany:
Beyond androcentric gene-determinism? Notions of gender in epigenetic knowledge
- (6) Anne Maassen, United Kingdom:
Exploring the methodological potential of a 'network analysis' approach to the study of renewable energy uptake
- (7) Christian Gross, Austria:
Diffusion and adoption of solar thermal applications in Graz
- (8) David Mercer, Australia:
Norms and irony in the biosciences: Ameliorating critique in synthetic biology
- (9) Sarolta Nemeth, Hungary:
Rural socio-technological networks along the renewable energy production chain
- (10) Monica Obreja, Romania:
What do we mean when we say 'gender and technology'? Reflections on subjects, objects and relations
- (11) Fotini Tsaglioti, Greece:
Regulating wind energy accumulation in autonomous units and industrial parks: Historical to policy considerations
- (12) Lech Zacher, Poland:
Understanding technology

International conference

The 9th Annual IAS-STs Conference, 'Critical Issues in Science and Technology Studies', took place on 3 and 4 May 2010 in Graz.

Programme and proceedings of this conference can be found at:
www.sts.aau.at

Keynote speakers of this international conference, which hosted about 60 researchers from over 20 countries were Ines Oehme, Federal Environmental Agency, Germany and Isabel Zorn, University of Landau, Germany.

Workshops

Two Work-in Progress Workshops and several Fellow Meetings, taking place about every fortnight, give Research Fellows and Visiting Scholars the opportunity to present and discuss results of their research:

Work-in-Progress Workshop, 23 November 2009

- Monica Obreja:
No 'sex' for us before research, thank you!
- Gülsevım Eysel:
Comparison of attitudes of people living in Ankara and Graz towards biotechnological products and services applied in medicine: A sociological approach towards PGD
- Fotini Tsaglioti:
Regulating wind energy accumulation in autonomous units and industrial parks: Historical to policy considerations
- Anne Maassen:
On the uptake of solar photovoltaic (PV) technologies in three European cities: Barcelona, London and Paris
- Sarolta Nemeth:
Networking for renewables: Local resources and innovative technologies in rural development
- Christian Gross:
Diffusion and adoption of solar thermal applications in Graz

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Work-in-Progress Workshop, 28 January 2010

- Sarolta Nemeth:
Networking for renewables: Local resources and innovative technologies in rural development
- Anne Maassen:
On the uptake of solar photovoltaic (PV) technologies in three European cities: Barcelona, London and Paris
- Fotini Tsaglioti:
Regulating wind energy accumulation in autonomous units and industrial parks: Historical to policy considerations
- Ute Kalender:
Beyond androcentric gene-determinism? Notions of gender in epigenetic knowledge
- Anne-Sophie Godfroy:
International comparisons in science studies: What and why do we compare? The experience of EU projects on women and science
- Monica Obreja:
Male, men, masculinity and technology. The scope and limits of an association

For further information regarding these workshops, see: www.sts.tugraz.at

Alumni

154 Research Fellows (fellowships up to 24 months, partly with grant), Visiting Scholars (fellowships up to three months, without grant) and Guest Lecturers from 34 countries have contributed to the scholarly life at IAS-STS since 1999.

For a complete list of IAS-STS Alumni, please visit:

<http://www.ifz.tugraz.at/ias/IAS-STS/Fellows-and-Alumni/Alumni>

Results of the research undertaken by these former Research Fellows, Visiting Scholars and Guest Lecturers during their stays at the IAS-STS

can be found in the previous IAS-STS Yearbooks (starting 2001) or in previous issues of SOZIALE TECHNIK, IFZ's journal (visit: <http://www.ifz.tugraz.at/eng/content/view/full/213>).

Information

For further information or for subscription of IAS-STS Yearbooks please visit our website: <http://www.sts.tugraz.at>.

The Yearbooks 2001 to 2009 are available online:
<http://www.ifz.tugraz.at/ias/IAS-STS/Publications>.

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