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EXPERIENCE

- 2012-present Postdoctoral Research fellow at the WZB Berlin Social Science Center, Research Unit “Inequality and Social Policy” (Director David Brady Ph.D.)
- 10-12/2014 Visiting Scholar at the London School of Economics and Political Science, Department of Social Policy
- 2004 – 2012 Research fellow, Research Units “Inequality and Social Integration” (Prof. Dr. Jens Alber), “Research Professorship Demographic Development, Social Change, and Social Capital” (Prof. Chiara Saraceno Ph.D.), “Project Group of the President” (Prof. Jutta Allmendinger Ph.D.)

EDUCATION

- 2012 Ph.D. in Political Science, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
Dissertation title: *Why (Not) Now? The Politics of Work/care Policies in Germany and Italy at the Turn of the Century.*
Advisors: Prof. Dr. Friedbert Rüb, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
Prof. Ellen Immergut Ph.D., Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
Prof. Chiara Saraceno Ph.D., Collegio Carlo Alberto di Moncalieri
- 2003 Diploma in Political Science and Sociology, Universität Hamburg, Germany

RESEARCH INTERESTS

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| Comparative Politics | Integrating Qualitative and Quantitative Methods |
| Social Policy | Beliefs, Norms and Public Opinion |
| Women in Politics and Gender Inequality | Political Parties |

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

- forthcoming Blome, Agnes. *The Politics of Work-family Policies in Germany and Italy* (under contract with Routledge).
- 2009 Blome, Agnes, Wolfgang Keck and Jens Alber. *Family and the Welfare State in Europe: Inter-Generational Relations in Ageing Societies*. Cheltenham: Edward Elgar.
Published in German as: Blome, Agnes, Wolfgang Keck and Jens Alber (2008). *Generationenbeziehungen im Wohlfahrtsstaat. Lebensbedingungen und Einstellungen von Altersgruppen im internationalen Vergleich*. Wiesbaden: VS-Verlag.

Journal Articles:

- forthcoming Blome, Agnes. "Normative Beliefs, Party Competition, and Work-Family Policy Reforms in Germany and Italy", *Comparative Politics*.
- 2014 Blome, Agnes. „Politischer Wettbewerb und rapide Wechsel in der Familienpolitik“. *Zeitschrift für Politik*, special issue 6 „Rapide Politikwechsel in der Bundesrepublik. Gründe, Akteure, Dynamiken und Probleme“, edited by Friedbert W. Rüb.
- 2011 Blome, Agnes, Antonia Kupfer and Anneli Rüling. "Die Bildung der Geschlechter – Einleitung". *Femina Politica* 2/2011 „Die Bildung der Geschlechter: Einfluss von Strukturen und aktuellen Reformen im Bildungswesen“, edited by Blome, Agnes, Antonia Kupfer and Anneli Rüling, pp. 9-20.

Chapters:

- forthcoming Brady, David, Agnes Blome, and Hanna Kleider. "How Politics and Institutions Shape Poverty and Inequality". *Oxford Handbook of Poverty and Society*, edited by David Brady and Linda Burton. New York: Oxford University Press.
- 2012 Blome, Agnes, Stephan Manning and Kai-Uwe Mueller. "Private Bindungen und berufliche Perspektiven: Heiratsverhalten und Arbeitsmarktpartizipation von Frauen in Deutschland". *Geschenkt wird einer nichts - oder doch?*, edited by Renate Ortlieb and Barbara Sieben. München: Rainer Hampp Verlag, pp 141-148.
- 2008 Blome, Agnes and Wolfgang Keck. "Is There a Generational Cleavage in Europe? Age-specific Perceptions of Elderly Care and of the Pension System". *Handbook of Quality of Life in the Enlarged European Union*, edited by Jens Alber, Tony Fahey and Chiara Saraceno. London: Routledge, pp. 73-99.

Working Papers and Short Pieces:

- 2011 Work/care Policies in European Welfare States: Continuing Variety or Change Towards a Common Model? WZB Discussion Paper SP I 2011-401, Berlin: WZB.
- 2007 Blome, Agnes and Wolfgang Keck. "Mehr Staat, weniger Mama. Erwerbstätigkeit von Müttern mit Kleinkindern im Ländervergleich". WZB-Mitteilungen No. 116
- 2006 Blome, Agnes, Wolfgang Keck and Chiara Saraceno. "Intergenerational Relations. Between Public and Private Patterns of Solidarity and Exchange. State of the Art Report". Berlin. Economic Change, Quality of Life and Social Cohesion (EQUALSOC).

WORKS IN PROGRESS

“Are there really paradoxes and tradeoffs of work-family reconciliation policies for gender equality?” (with David Brady and Julie Kmec)

“The effect of gender issue ownership on candidates' electoral success” (with Anouk Lloren and Jan Rosset)

“Women’s Representation and Work-Family Policy Reforms in Germany and Italy”

“Do Politics Respond to People’s Attitudes? The Case of Work-Family Policies” (with Kai-Uwe Mueller)

“Evaluation familienpolitischer Leistungen”

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2015 Work-family policies in European welfare states: continuing variety or change towards a common model? SASE Annual Meeting 2015, London, 2.-4. July
- 2015 The effect of gender issue ownership on candidates' electoral success (with Anouk Lloren and Jan Rosset). Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago, 16.-19. April
- 2014 Work-Family Reconciliation Policies and Gender Labor Market Inequality (with David Brady and Julie Kmec). Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Fall Research Conference
- 2013 Women’s Representation and Work-family Policy Reforms in Germany and Italy. How, When, and Why do Women Act for Women? SASE Annual Meeting 2013, Milano, 26-28 June
- 2013 Politischer Wettbewerb und rapide Wechsel in der Familienpolitik, Conference on Rapid Policy Changes in Germany, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, May 16-17
- 2013 Normative Beliefs, Party Competition, and Policy Change: Family Policy Reforms in Germany and Italy, Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago, April 11-14
- 2013 Do Politics Respond to People’s Attitudes? The Case of Work/care Policies (with Kai-Uwe Mueller), Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago, April 11-14
- 2013 New Social Divides and the Demand for Work/care Policies (with Kai-Uwe Mueller), ECPR Joint Sessions, Mainz, 11-15 March
- 2012 Why Did Family Policies Diverge in Germany and Italy? The Impact of Normative Beliefs and Party Competition, Annual Epsanet Conference, Berlin, 21-23 June
- 2011 The Impact of Electoral Demand and Party Competition on Policy Change. Family Policy Reforms in Germany and Italy, Annual ESPAnet Conference, Valencia, 7-9 September
- 2010 Attitudes, Social Behavior and Family Policy Change in Europe (with Monika Mischke, MZES Mannheim), Equalsoc Final Conference, Amsterdam, 4-5 June
- 2009 Family Policy in Europe: Institutional Change and its Meaning for Families (with Monika Mischke, MZES Mannheim), TRALEG-Equalsoc Workshop on Institutional Change, Amsterdam, 18-19 June
- 2009 Do Politics Respond to People’s Attitudes? The Case of Work/care Policies (with Kai-Uwe Mueller), ECPR Joint Sessions, Lisbon, 14-19 April 2009
- 2008 Employment, Gender, Institutions. On the Determinants of an Adequate Pension in Germany, Italy, and Sweden (with Wolfgang Keck), ESPAnet Conference „Cross-Border Influences in Social Policy“, Helsinki , 18-20 September
- 2008 Young and Old in the Welfare State – How Social Policies Influence Intergenerational Imbalances (with Wolfgang Keck), Politics and Policies in Ageing Societies, MPIfG Köln, 24-25 July

COURSES TAUGHT

- Winter 15/16 “Familie und Sozialstaat. Deutschland im europäischen Vergleich“ (Freie Universität Berlin)
Summer 2013 “Databases of Empirical Social Research” (Universität Potsdam)
Winter 12/13 “Introduction to Policy Analysis” (Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Editor of *Femina Politica: Journal for Feminist Political Science*
Reviews for *German Policy Studies*, Palgrave Macmillan, *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility*, *Zeitschrift für Sozialreform* (Journal of Social Policy Research)
Member of Network of Excellence on Economic Change, Quality of Life and Social Cohesion (EQUALSOC), Deutsche Vereinigung für Politikwissenschaft (DVPW), Midwestern Political Science Association (MPSA), Council for European Studies (CES), European Social Policy Analysis Network (ESPAnet), European Political Science Association (EPSAnet)

RESEARCH GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- 2014 Leibniz-Mentoring-Programme 2014/2015
2009 EQUALSOC scholarship for research stay at the Università degli studi di Torino, Italy (Department of Social Sciences, Prof. Manuela Naldini)
2006 EQUALSOC scholarship for research stay at the Swedish Institute for Social Research (SOFI) Stockholm, Sweden (Prof. Tommy Ferrarini)
2001 ERASMUS scholarship for a study period in Siena, Italy

INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE

- since 2015 Elected spokesperson of the WZB Postdocs
2013-2015 Elected member of the Scientific Council at the WZB
2007-2010 Elected spokesperson (until 2009: vice-spokesperson) of the Initiative for Junior Researchers at the WZB (NAWI)

- LANGUAGES:** English (fluent), Italian (very good), French (good), Swedish (reading)
Mother tongue: German