

Employment

Since May 2022 Postdoctoral Researcher in the Scientific Assessments, Ethics and Public Policy working group and a member of the Rivet Project at the Mercator Research Institute on Global Commons and Climate Change in Berlin, Germany

Education

2018 - 2022 PhD, University of Cambridge, History and Philosophy of Science
Thesis: "Why we need to talk about preferences: A federalist proposal"
Supervisor: Anna Alexandrova
Examiners: Christopher Clarke, Francesco Guala

Spring 2020 Visitor, Carnegie Mellon University, Department of Philosophy
Host: Kevin Zollman

2016 - 2018 Master of Arts, University of Bayreuth, Philosophy and Economics
GPA: 1.3 (1 = highest, 5 = lowest)
First ranked graduate of my cohort

Spring 2016 Semester at EIPE, Erasmus University of Rotterdam

2012 - 2016 Bachelor of Arts, University of Bayreuth, Philosophy and Economics
2014 Exchange Semester, Erasmus University Rotterdam

Areas of Specialization

Philosophy of Economics, Philosophy of Social Science, Philosophy and Public Policy

Areas of Competence

Game and Social Choice Theory, General Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of Cognitive Science, Meta-Ethics

Publications and Manuscripts

Peer-Reviewed Articles

- Beck, L. (forthcoming). The Specter of Revealed Preference Theory. *Ergo*.
- Jahn, M., & Beck, L. (forthcoming). Do You Believe in Deep Down? On Two Conceptions of Valuing. *Synthese*.

- Beck, L. (2022). The Econ within or the Econ above? On the plausibility of preference purification. *Economics & Philosophy*.
- Beck, L. (2022). Why We Need to Talk About Preferences: Economic Experiments and the Where-Question. *Erkenntnis*.
- Beck, L., & Jahn, M. (2021). Normative Models and Their Success. *Philosophy of the Social Sciences*, 51(2), 123-150.
- Beck, L., & Grayot, J. D. (2021). New functionalism and the social and behavioral sciences. *European Journal for Philosophy of Science*, 11(4), 1-28.

Other Publications

- Beck, L. (forthcoming). The Tragic Science: How Economists Cause Harm (even as They Aspire to Do Good). George F. DeMartino. University of Chicago Press. xi+265 pages. *Economics & Philosophy*.
- Wollesen, B., & Beck, L. (2022). Review of Frame it again: New tools for rational decision-making: by Jose Luis Bermúdez, Cambridge University Press, 2020, x + 3030 pages. *Erasmus Journal for Philosophy and Economics*.
- Beck, L. (2022). Why we need to talk about preferences: A federalist proposal. *Erasmus Journal for Philosophy and Economics*.
- Beck, L., & Alexandrova, A. (2019). Review of Measuring utility: from the marginal revolution to behavioral economics: by Ivan Moscati, Oxford studies in history of economics, New York, Oxford University Press, 2018, 352 pages. *Journal of Economic Methodology*, 26(4), 380-384.
- Beck, L., (2017). Can economics be a separate science. *Rerum Causae*, 9(2).

Under review

- “Dual process theory and the challenges of functional individuation: a philosophy of science perspective”
Co-authored with James Grayot and Thijs Heijmeskamp

In progress

- “Endogenous Preferences, Environmental Economics, and Welfare”
- “Pragmatism, Utility and Circularity”
Co-authored with Isaac Kean
- “Performativity, transparency, and policy: the case of climate economics”
Co-authored with Henrik Thorén

Teaching

2018 - 2022

Supervisor, University of Cambridge

- Epistemology and Metaphysics of Science (Michaelmas 2021, Lent 2022)

- Philosophy and Scientific Practice (Michaelmas and Lent 2018, Michaelmas and Lent 2019)
 - Philosophy of Economics (Michaelmas 2018, Michaelmas 2019, Michaelmas 2020)
- 2020 Teaching (full responsibility), University of Bayreuth
- BA Seminar: Preferences and Welfare in Economics (Summer 2020)
- Designing and Recording a Podcast with Dr. Anna Alexandrova as supplementary material for her Philosophy of Economics Lecture at the University of Cambridge.
- 2017 Teaching (full responsibility), University of Bayreuth
- Philosophical Writing (Summer 2017)
- 2015 - 2018 Teaching Assistant, University of Bayreuth
- Introduction to Philosophical Analysis (Winter 2017)
 - Introduction to Philosophy of Science (Winter 2016)
 - Introduction to Ethics (Winter 2015)
 - Introduction to Philosophy of Science (Summer 2015)

Professional Experience

- 2023 Main organizer of the 2023 Rivet workshop: [The Dismal Shape of Things to Come? – Evaluating Climate Economics as a Guide to Democratic Decision-making.](#)
- 2021 Organizing and coordinating a successful panel submission for the 2022 Annual Meeting of the American Economic Association on the notion of ‘mistakes’ in behavioural welfare economics (Speakers: Johanna Thoma (LSE), Douglas Bernheim (Stanford), Lukas Beck (Cambridge); Chair: Kate Vredenburg (LSE))
- 2019 - 2020 Graduate Assistant of the BSPS Committee
- 2019 Convener (together with Olesya Bondarenko) of the “Social Epistemology of Science” reading group at HPS Cambridge
- Convener (together with Dr. Christopher Clarke) of the “Measuring Wellbeing by Eliciting Preferences?” reading group at CRASSH Cambridge
- 2018 Organizer of the 2018 Bayreuth Wittgenstein Lectures
Topic: Climate Change and Obligations to future Generations
Lecturer: Prof. Joseph Heath (University of Toronto)
- 2016 - 2017 Organizer of Think! (International Student Conference in Analytic Philosophy)
- February - April 2015 Internship at the Institute for Economic Policy, Cologne

Talks, Comments, Public engagement

Upcoming Talks

- “Endogenous Preferences, Environmental Economics, and Welfare”
 - 11th Conference of the European Network for the Philosophy of the Social Sciences, 30.08.-01.09.2023, in Nijmegen, the Netherlands
 - Biennial meeting of the European Philosophy of Science Association, 20-23.09.2023, in Belgrade, Serbia

Past Talks

- “Performativity, transparency, and policy: the case of climate economics” (with Henrik Thorén)
 - Perspectives on Science Seminar at TINT, Helsinki University, 05.06.2023, in Helsinki, Finland
 - 16th Conference of the International Network for Economic Method, 24-26.05.2023, in Venice, Italy
- “Endogenous Preferences, Environmental Economics, and Welfare”
 - 16th Conference of the International Network for Economic Method, 24-26.05.2023, in Venice, Italy
- “Utility and Circularity” (with Isaac Kean)
 - 10th Conference of the European Network for the Philosophy of the Social Sciences, 21-23.09.2022, in Malaga, Spain
- “Do you believe in deep down?: On two notions of personal values” (with Marcel Jahn)
 - 11th Congress of the Gesellschaft für Analytische Philosophie, 12-15.09.2022, in Berlin, Germany
- Panel participant “What is a Mistake?”
 - 2022 Annual meeting of the American Economic Association, 7-9.01.2022, in Boston, USA
- “Why we need to talk about preferences!”
 - Biennial Meeting of the Philosophy of Science Association, 11-14.11.2021, in Baltimore, USA
 - Annual meeting of the British Society for the Philosophy of Science 2020 [cancelled due to Covid-19]
- “The Econ within or the Econ above? On the plausibility of preference purification”
 - 15th Conference of the International Network for Economic Method, 12-14.11.2021, in Tempe, USA
- “Normative Models and their Success” (with Marcel Jahn)
 - DGPhil 2021, 05-08.09.2021, in Erlangen, Germany.
 - Philosophy of Social Science Roundtable, 13-15.03.2020, in Atlanta, USA

- “New functionalism and the Social and Behavioral Sciences” (with James Grayot)
 - 5th International Economic Philosophy Conference, 23-25.06.2021, in Warsaw, Poland
 - Joint meeting of the Asian Network for the Philosophy of the Social Sciences, the European Network for the Philosophy of the Social Sciences, and the Philosophy of Social Science Roundtable, 04-07.03.2021, in Tokyo, Japan
- Q&A Session on “Normative Models and their Success” (with Marcel Jahn)
 - Session 67 of the Working models reading group, 18.06.2021, online
- “On the Dispositional Conception of Preferences”
 - Biennial meeting of the European Philosophy of Science Association, 11-14.09.2019, in Geneva, Switzerland
 - 14th Conference of the International Network for Economic Method, 19-21.08.2019, in Helsinki, Finland
 - INEM Summer School - Economic Behaviours: Models, Measurements, and Policies, 30.06-05.07.2019, in Como, Italy
 - Philosophy of Social Science Roundtable, 12-14.04.2019, in Burlington, USA
- “The Econ above or the Econ within?”
 - 8th Conference of the European Network for the Philosophy of the Social Sciences, 28-30.08.2019, in Athens, Greece
- “Can Economics be a Separate Science?”
 - 5th LSE-Bayreuth Student Philosophy Conference, 11-12.05.2017, in London, UK

Comments

- Comment on “Representing moral choice dispositions: from moral preferences to moral reasons” by Prof. Christian List
 - Preference-based modelling workshop at LSE, 10.11.2018, in London, UK

Public Engagement

- Two-part interview on “Normative Models” (together with Joe Roussos and Marcel Jahn)
 - Philosophy Exchange Podcast, [05.10.2022](#) and [12.10.2022](#)

Scholarships and Travel Grants

Scholarships

- PhD completion grant of the Department of History and Philosophy of Science at the University of Cambridge (2021-2022)
- PhD Scholarship of the German Academic Scholarship Foundation (2019-21)
- PhD Scholarship of the Foundation of German Business (sdw) (2018-2019)

Travel Grants

- Travel grant of King's College Cambridge for POSS-RT 2019 and POSS-RT 2020
- Travel and accommodation grant of HPS Cambridge for visit at CMU
- Travel grant of the German Academic Scholarship Foundation for EPSA 2019, ENPOSS 2019, INEM 2019
- Travel grant of Young Scholars Initiative for INEM

Service to the Profession

Refereeing

- Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of the Social Sciences, Journal of Economic Methodology, Synthese, Studies in History and Philosophy of Science

Non-academic work

- Secretary of the King's College Graduate Society (2020)
- Co-organizer of the seminar Mental Health in the Workplace for awardees of the Foundation of German Business (2019)

Other Experience

Languages

- German (native)
- English (proficient)

IT Skills

- SciLab (advanced)
- NetLogo (beginner)

Berlin, 10.06.2023