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Nomination

I'm writing to show the support of the German Cartographic Society (DGfK) for Eric Losang in nomination as Co-Chair of the ICA commission on Atlases. Please find enclosed the indication from Eric Losang that he is willing to serve as Commission Co-Chair and his CV as well the Terms of Reference for the next four years.

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Curriculum Vitae

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Professional Experience

2014-present	Free University of Berlin Collaborating lecturer, Geographical Development Research
2013-present	Universität Leipzig Associated lecturer, Research Academy Leipzig
2012-present	Universität Leipzig Collaborating lecturer, Global and European Studies Institute
09/1999-present	Leibniz Institute for Regional Geography (IfL), Leipzig Researcher, Department of Visual Communication and Cartography
04/1999 - 10/2000	Universität Trier Lecturer, Tourism Geography, Cartography
03/1997 – present	Publishing company of the Geographical Society Trier Managing director (honorary)
07/1994 – 01/1997	Boomerang Reisen, Trier Marketing Manager

Research Domains

- Atlas Concepts and Atlas Cartography
- Critical Cartography
- Theoretical Cartography
- Visualization of qualitative data
- History of Cartography
- Knowledge Media

Projekt Work (atlas related, selection)

Atlas of Würzburg (ongoing, Editor)

Visualising qualitative geographies (VISQUAL) (ongoing, technical coordination),
<https://visqual.leibniz-ifl-projekte.de>

Challenges of geospatial data-based research of place name directories (ongoing, conceptual and technical coordination), <https://www.gazetteers.net>, <https://leibniz-ifl.de/forschung/forschungsthemen/geovisuelle-daten-und-praktiken/projekt/herausforderungen-der-geodaten-basierten-erforschung-von-ortsnamensverzeichnissen-gazetteers>

Hin-und-weg - visualization and analysis tool for migration data (ongoing, technical coordination), <https://hin-und-weg.online>, <https://github.com/ifl-geovis/hin-und-weg>

Adapted geodata for thematic atlas maps (ongoing, technical consultant),
<https://leibniz-ifl.de/en/research/research-topics/geovisualisations/project/new-basic-geodata-for-thematic-maps>

Atlas of social economies (ongoing, conceptual and technical coordination),
<https://soziale-oekonomie.com>

Digital Atlas of Political Spatial Images on East Central Europe in the 20th Century (2012-2016, technical coordination),
<https://www.herder-institut.de/projekte/digitaler-atlas-politischer-raumbilder/>

GLOWA Elbe-Atlas (2011/12, cartographic consultant),
<https://leibniz-ifl.de/forschung/projekt/glowa-elbe>

Wissenschaftsatlas Universität Heidelberg (2008-2011, map conception/production),
<https://leibniz-ifl.de/forschung/projekt/wissenschaftsatlas-der-universitaet-heidelberg>

Nationalatlas of germany (1999-2008, map editor, programmer),
<https://nationalatlas.de>

Community activities

Commission on Atlas Cartography of the German Cartographic Society (Chair)
Commission on Atlases of the International Cartographic Association (Vice Chair)
German Cartographic Society (DGFK) (member advisory board)
Internationale Atlas Tage (yearly conference) (Co-Organizer)
Geographic Society Trier (Managing Director, honorary)

ICA Commission on the History of Cartography (member)
IGU/ICA Commission on Toponymy (member)
DGFK Commission on the history of cartography (member)
DGFK Map Curators Group (associated member)

British Cartographic Society (BCS) (member)
BCS Map Curators Group (associated member)

Leibniz Association, Research Data Working Group (member)
Leibniz Association, IT Working Group (Member)

Brussels Map Circle (member)
ISHMap (member)

Publications

A comprehensive publication list can be accessed via <https://leibniz-ifl.de/institut/personen/losang-eric>

Talks/Presentations (2020-2022)

2022

- Atlases as Films, Films as Atlases. Workshop Mediakartographie, University of Mainz, online.
- Atlases in digital humanities research. Potentials and pitfalls. Interactive lecture, Aspects of Computational Humanities, University of Leipzig.
- Die Atlanten von Erwin Raisz – ein früher multimethodischer Ansatz für kartographischer Kommunikation. DGfK Kommission Geschichte der Kartographie und D-A-CH-Arbeitsgruppe, 20. Kartographiehistorisches Colloquium, Berlin.
- Keynote - Atlanten in Bibliotheken - Where have all the atlases gone? Arbeitsgruppe Internationale Atlstage, 16. Internationale Atlstage, Schwerte.
- Der Atlas der Philippinen (1900) - Kolonialatlas oder Nationalatlas? Arbeitsgruppe Internationale Atlstage, 16. Internationale Atlstage, Schwerte.
- The atlas narrative – a framework to unveil the stories atlases may tell us. ICA Commission on Atlases, ICA Commission on Map Design, Joint ICA-IGU Commission on Toponymy, National Geographic Institute of Spain (IGN), Spanish Society for Cartography, Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (SECFT), Atlases in Time, Madrid.
- Die neuen Atlanten. Deutsche Gesellschaft für Kartographie, News-Infographics-Analytics-Maps 2022, online.
- Was uns Atlanten erzählen (oder verschweigen). Geographische Gesellschaft Würzburg und Deutsche Gesellschaft für Kartographie Sektion Bayern, Ordentlicher Vortrag der Geographischen Gesellschaft Würzburg, online.
- Atlanten in der Forschung - aktuelle Themen und Tendenzen. Deutsche Gesellschaft für Kartographie (DGfK), 20. CartoCafé, online.

2021

- „Was vor der Karte kommt“: Klassifizierung – unterschätzte Grundlage für die Visualisierung von Raumbezügen Verbands Deutscher Städtestatistiker, Frühjahrstagung 2021 des Verbands Deutscher Städtestatistiker, online.
- The persistent appropriateness of grids for geomedial. Universität Siegen, Off the Grid - Geomedial 2021, online.
- hin&weg – Analyse- und Visualisierungstool für städtische und regionale Bewegungsdaten: Urban Digital, Austauschrunde: Digitale Stadtplanung und Beteiligung, online.
- Erwin Raisz' Atlases - Multi-Method Storytelling-Approaches for Cartographic Communication. International Cartographic Association (ICA), International Cartographic Conference, Ort: Florenz.
- The Atlas as Gazetteer - Facilitating Historical Research by Enriching Digital Place Names Databases With Digitized Atlas Indexes. International Cartographic Association (ICA), International Cartographic Conference, Florenz.

2020

- Atlases in time - the evolving semiotic mediation for cartography SFB 1189 Medien der Kooperation, Universität Siegen, International Geomedial Workshop, 13-15.01.2020, Siegen.
- Die Besonnenheit des Kartographen - Annäherung an eine verantwortungsvolle (Medien-) Kartographie der Zukunft, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Kartographie, Sektion Hessen Gesellschafts-Vortrag, Frankfurt.
- Datenmanagement in Atlasprojekten (Impulsvortrag) Umweltbundesamt, FH Potsdam, Co-Design Workshop "Ansätze für die Umweltberichterstattung II", online.

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Statement of agreement
Chair of the ICA Commission on Atlases

Hereby I agree to be nominated as next Chair of the ICA Commission on Atlases by Dr. Anja Hopfstock (in her capacity as vice president international, DGfK). Furthermore, if my nomination will be accepted within the General Assembly in Kapstadt 2023, I assure to serve as chair of the ICA commission on atlases for the next period until 2027.



Eric Losang

ICA Commission on Atlases - Terms of Reference

Submitted by Eric Losang, German nominee for the chairperson of the ICA Commission on Atlases.

The Terms of Reference proposed here builds on and complement the previous work of the ICA Commission on Atlases (CoA). The list defines ideas and visions to foster research, collaboration and publication on topics related to atlas cartography:

- encourage and promote the production and use of all types of atlases
- continue to discuss atlas theory and concepts, including atlas taxonomy,
- organize, update and promote a repository that reflects recent developments and preserves historical approaches of atlas research and theory,
- develop an environment for searching and sharing atlas source data,
- analyse existing atlases,
- continue to maintain an electronic inventory of national atlases with key characteristics and relevant links,
- organise workshops and discuss solutions to relevant issues in systematic cartography,
- promote the publication of knowledge on the production and use of atlases,
- deepen links with more ICA Commissions and develop joint research activities,
- maintain the commission's website to ensure information exchange among cartographers involved in the commission and to disseminate information about the commission's activities within the ICA, to the international professional community and the wider public,
- develop a concept for the publication of an SDG-Atlas that reflects and extends the approaches of user-centered atlas design and promotes the idea of SDGs,
- develop and promote the (digital) basis for participatory atlas projects.



(Eric H. Losang, Leipzig, February 2023)