

University Academic Curriculum Vitae

Personal information Name: Ingrid Kofler

Education since leaving school

2007 Bachelor's Degree in Sociology University of Trento

2009 Master Degree in Sociology Paris Descartes University
2009 Master Degree in Sociology and Social Research, University of Trento (Double Degree program **European Sociology Degree**)

2015 Doctorat en Sociologie Université Sorbonne Paris Cité / (Co-Tutela) Università Roma Tre with the title: "Heimat Südtirol". La cohabitation des germanophones et italophones dans le département de Bolzane (Italie). Under the supervision of Prof. Jan Spurk and Prof. Roberto Cipriani

2018 Qualification à l'enseignement et à la recherche Conseil National des Universités, CNU19 (Sector: sociology)

2024 National Scientific Qualification (ASN) as Association Professor for the academic disciplines: Sociology of Economic, Labor, Environmental, and Territorial Processes (14/D1) and Sociology of Cultural and Communicative Processes (14/C2)

Present appointment

Associate Professor in Sociology of cultural and communication processes SPS08 (GSPS-06/A)
Start of appointment : 2025
Employer : Free University of Bozen-Bolzano

2024-2027 Collaborator in Quebec Research Chair on Artificial Intelligence and Digital French Culture Project by Jonathan Roberge (INRS) and and Destiny Tchehouali (UQAM).

2023 – present Affiliate Member to the **Research Center of Social theory**, University of Innsbruck (A)

2025 – 2029 Associate Member to the **Research Center PhiléPol**, (Centre de Philosophie, d'épistémologie et de politique), Université Paris Descartes, Sorbonne Paris Cité (F)

Professional experience

2022 – 2025 Assistant Professor in Sociology of cultural and communication processes SPS08 (GSPS-06/A), Free University of Bozen-Bolzano

2017 – 2022 Senior Researcher, Eurac Research – Center for Advanced Studies, Bozen-Bolzano;

2019 July Visiting Researcher, HWWI – Hamburgisches Weltwirtschaftsinstitut, Hamburg, Germany

2019 (Jan-Feb) Visiting Scholar, University of California, Santa Barbara (21st Century Global Dynamics Center)

2019 – 2021 Lecturer, Burgundy Business School. Lecturer for the course Sociology of Culture for the Master in Cultural Management.

2015 – 2017 Senior Researcher, Eurac Research – Institute for Regional Development.

2011 – 2014 Researcher at apollis – Research Institute in Bozen-Bolzano.

2011 – 2012 A.T.E.R. Attaché Temporaire d'Enseignement (**Research and Teaching Assistant**). University Rennes 2 (France).

2011 Research Visiting Fellowship financed by CIERA (Centre Interdisciplinaire d'études et de Recherches sur l'Allemagne) at Free University of Bolzano

2010 & 2011 Lecturer Université Evry (France).

2011 Lecturer Université Paris Descartes (France).

2010 – 2011 German Teaching Assistant. Lycée Apollinaire in Thiais (France)

2010 Scientific collaborator. Free University of Bozen-Bolzano.

2009 Scientific collaborator. Free University of Bozen-Bolzano.

**Prizes,
qualifications,
awards**

2016 Arge Alp Prize, Vorarlberg (A) for the project Rural Areas for Refugees, Refugees for Rural Areas.

2018 Special mention in the international competition **Mario Rigoni Stern Prize** for the Literature of the Alps, 2018 edition.

**Other academic
responsibilities**

2025: Co-Organization of the Panel: Policrisi e territori di confine: geografia e spazialità in transizione, with Alice Buoli and Raffaella Coletti, **Congresso Geografico Italiano**, September 2025, Torino.

2025: Co-Organization of the Panel: Studying the Nexus of Artificial Intelligence, Creative Industries and Social Imaginaries. 4S Conference, September 2025, Seattle.

2025: Co-Organization of the Panel: Industries culturelles, découvrabilité et IA : économie politique d'une transformation écosystémique en cours; ACFAS Conference, May 2025, Montréal

2024: Organization of the international Workshop: "Imaginaires sociaux, intelligence artificielle et industries culturelles: pour une approche critique, empirique et transdisciplinaire." 6 décembre 2024. Centre Marc-Bloch, Berlin.

2024: Organization of the international Conference: "Transdisciplinary Perspectives on AI's Impact on Creative and Cultural Industries", joint Conference Free University of Bozen-Bolzano and BASIS Vinschgau-Venosta

2024: Session organization at the "Disruptive borderlands. Unpacking the innovative potential of transbordering practices, imaginaries and policies" with Alice Buoli and Raffaella Coletti, September 2024 Luxembourg.

2023: Session organization at the EUGEO Conference, Barcelona: Alpine borderscapes: envisioning the future of cross-border communities with: Alice Buoli and Raffaella Coletti.

2023: Organization of the academic track of the "By Disaster and By Design" Conference, Bozen-Bolzano.

2023: Organization of the international Workshop: Fit for the Future with Design. Joint Workshop Free University of Bozen-Bolzano and Eurac Research

2022: Organization of the international Conference Globalization week on "Doing Gender", Eurac Research.

2021: Organization of the international Conference Globalization week on "Re-thinking Globalization: Key questions for area politics", Eurac Research.

2020: Organization of the international Conference Who explain's us the world today? OECD and UNESCO give answers; 23.01.2020 Eurac Research

2019: Organization of the international Conference on “Re-thinking Globalization: Key questions for area politics”, Eurac Research.

2019: Organization of the conference: Grenzüberschreitende alpine Governance und Bürgernähe: die Rolle der Gemeinden in der Europaregion Tirol – Südtirol – Trentino. Abschlussveranstaltung, Eurac Research Group Governance und Euregio, Bolzano.

2018 Organization of the conference: Grenzüberschreitende alpine Governance und Bürgernähe: die Rolle der Gemeinden in der Europaregion Tirol – Südtirol – Trentino.

2017 Organization of the international conference “Foreign Immigration in the alpine regions”, Bolzano, Eurac Research

2017 Organisation of the conference “Regionale Netzwerke stärken”, Bolzano, Eurac Research

2013 – 2014 several communication activities and conferences on the action-research project (funded by European Social Fund) “Bleiben, Weggehen, Zuziehen: Was hält Frauen und Männer am Deutschnosberg“

2011 Organisation of symposium “Face à l’incertitude” pour l’Atelier Doctorants ED180, Paris

2010-2012 Elected Representant of the PhD Students of the École Doctorale 180 - sciences humaines et sociales : cultures, individus et sociétés

Authored Books:

Publications

Kofler, I. (et al.) (2020) The Future of High-Skilled Workers. Regional Problems and Global Challenges. Palgrave McMillan. ISBN 978-3-030-42870-9

Kofler, I. (2019) Le Tyrol du Sud et la signification de Heimat. Un laboratoire européen de coopération interculturelle, Paris, L’Harmattan, ISBN : 978-2-343-17816-5.

Alber, E. Engl, A.; Klotz, G.; Kofler, I. (2019) Grenzüberschreitende Governance und Bürgernähe: Die Rolle von „Grenz“-Gemeinden in der Europaregion Tirol-Südtirol-Trentino - Governance transfrontaliera e vicinanza ai cittadini: Il ruolo dei comuni di confine nell'Euregio Tirolo-Alto Adige-Trentino, Bozen/Bolzano, Eurac Research, ISBN: 978-88-98857-55-5

Kofler, I; Marcher, A.; Anesi, F., Pechlaner, H. Streifeneder, T. (2018) Regionale Innovationsnetzwerke stärken – Rafforzare le reti d’innovazione regionali. Bozen, Eurac Research. ISBN 978-88-98857-37-1

Edited Books

Metzner-Szigeth, A.; Pechlaner, H.; Kofler, I.; Erschbamer, G., (editors) Integrating Design in Governance and Management: Creative Approaches for the Future, Routledge 2025 (forthcoming)

El Moussaoui, M. & Kofler, I. (eds.) Transdisciplinary Perspectives on AI's Impact on Creative and Cultural Industries, Proceedings. ISBN 9791298510234

Benedikter, R. & Kofler, I. (guest editors) since 2019 – Series Re-Globalization, global-e journal – UCSB <https://globalejournal.org/series/re-globalization>

Steger, M.; Benedikter, R.; Pechlaner, H., Kofler, I. (editors) (2023) “Globalization: past, present, future” UC California Press

Benedikter, R.; Gruber, M., Kofler, I. (editors) (2022) Re-Globalization. New Frontiers of Globalization. Routledge.

Membretti, A., Kofler, I., Viazzo, P. (editors) (2017) Per forza o per scelta. L'immigrazione straniera nelle Alpi e negli Appennini. Roma, Aracne, ISBN: 978-88-255-0494-1

Bachinger, M., Kofler, I., Pechlander, H. (guest editors) Journal of Hospitality and Tourism Management, vol. 44 2020: Special Section on Sustainable instead of high-growth? Entrepreneurial Ecosystems in Tourism;

Scientific Papers:

Buoli, A.; Coletti, R.; Kofler, I. "Crises, Cross-Border Cooperation and Everyday Practices in Italian Borderscapes." In Oxford Intersections: Borders. Eds. J. Scott & J. Laine. Oxford, England: Oxford University Press, forthcoming.

Kofler, I., El Moussaoui, M., & Jamet, R. (2024). AI's influence on the Creative and Cultural Industries. *Im@ go. A Journal of the Social Imaginary*, (24), 291-312. (Anvur classe A)

Kofler, I.; Walder, M. (2024) Crafts and Their Social Imaginary: How Technological Development Shapes the Future of the Crafts Sector. *Soc. Sci.* 2024, 13, 137. <https://doi.org/10.3390/socsci13030137> (Anvur classe A)

Kofler, I. (2023). Beyond Disciplinary Constraints: Designing Transdisciplinary Research and Collaboration in Real-World Laboratories. *Societies*, 13(9), 205. (Anvur classe A)

Innerhofer, E., Kofler, I. and Pechlaner, H. (2023) 'CCIs' role in promoting transdisciplinary approaches to sustainability', *Int. J. Entrepreneurship and Small Business*, Vol. 48, No. 1, pp.78–94.

Berni, A., Nezzi, C., Ruiz-Pastor, L., Altavilla, S., Kofler, I., & Borgianni, Y. (2022). Exploring People's Visual Perception and Its Impact on Evaluation of a Tiny House Prototype Using Eye Tracking Technology. In *International Joint Conference on Mechanics, Design Engineering & Advanced Manufacturing* (pp. 1471-1482). Cham: Springer International Publishing.

Bachinger, M., Kofler, I., & Pechlaner, H. (2022). Entrepreneurial ecosystems in tourism: An analysis of characteristics from a systems perspective. *European Journal of Tourism Research*, 31, 3113-3113.

*Marcher, A., Kofler, I., Innerhofer, E., & Pechlaner, H. (2020). Perceptions of and interactions between locals, migrants, and tourists in South Tyrol. *Tourism Geographies*, 1-17.

Bachinger, M.; Kofler, I.; Pechlaner, H; Sustainable instead of high-growth? Entrepreneurial Ecosystems in Tourism. In: *Journal of hospitality and tourism management*, Vol.44 (2020).

Kofler, I. (2019) Is the Global Talent Competition Distorting Local Labor Policies? *Global-e*. May 9, 2019|Volume12 |Issue18. <https://www.21global.ucsb.edu/global-e/may-2019/global-talent-competition-distorting-local-labor-policies>

Benedikter, R.; Kofler, I. (2019) Globalization's Current Transition Phase: The 5 R's. *Global-e*. August 29, 2019|Volume12 |Issue36. <https://www.21global.ucsb.edu/global-e/august-2019/globalization-s-current-transition-phase-5-r-s>

Kofler, I; et al. (2018) The special characteristics of tourism innovation networks: The case of the Regional Innovation System of South Tyrol in *Journal of Hospitality and Tourism Management*, 37, p. 68-75.

Kofler, I., Marcher, A., (2018) The role of embeddedness in Regional Innovation Systems – a case study on inter-organizational networks in South Tyrol (Italy) in *The Journal of Small Business and Entrepreneurship* (30)1 doi 10.1080/08276331.2017.1401202.

Marcher, A., Kofler, I., Streifeneder, T. (2018) Social and labour integration of asylum seekers in rural mountain areas – Empirical insights from South Tyrol (Italy) in *Mountain Research Development*.

Kofler, I. (2017): Rezension: Atz, Hermann/ Haller, Max/ Pallaver, Günther (Hg.) (2016), Baden-Baden: Nomos Verlagsgesellschaft. *Ethnische Differenzierung und soziale Schichtung in der Südtiroler Gesellschaft. Ergebnisse eines empirischen Forschungsprojekts in SWS Rundschau (Sozialwissenschaftliche Studiengesellschaft) Heft 4/2017. ISSN 1013-1469*

Book contribution and others:

Kofler, I. (2025) Shaping Futures: Social Imaginaries and AI in the Cultural and Creative Industries. in El Moussaoui, M. & Kofler, I. (eds.) *Transdisciplinary Perspectives on AI's Impact on Creative and Cultural Industries, Proceedings*. ISBN 9791298510234

El Moussaoui, M. & Kofler, I. (2025) Introduction. in El Moussaoui, M. & Kofler, I. (eds.) *Transdisciplinary Perspectives on AI's Impact on Creative and Cultural Industries, Proceedings*. ISBN 9791298510234

Kofler, I., Volgger, A., (2025), Power Relations and Border Regions in Italy: The Case of Innichen/San Candido, Italy and Sillian, Austria. In: El Moussaoui, M., Krois, K., Palmieri, T. (eds.), *Power in Transformation. Creative Practices as Catalysts of Change*. Oekom science. ISBN: 978-3-98725-150-3

Bektaş, Merve/Palmieri, Teresa/Kofler, Ingrid (2025). More-than-Verbal Tools: Making Participation Tangible and Embodied through Ad-hoc Design Tools When Working with Migrant Women. In: Bori Fehér/Janka Csernák/, *Designing Transformative Change* (161-176). Bielefeld: transcript Verlag. <https://doi.org/10.14361/9783839476031-011>

Kofler, I. (2025), *Leben und Arbeiten in Südtirol 4.0*. In: Benedikter, R. (Hrsg.), *Technologievision Südtirol 2030*, ISBN: 978-88-6839-795-1

Kofler, I. (2025), *Vivere e lavorare in Alto Adige 4.0*. In: Benedikter, R. (editor), *Visione: Tecnologie del Futuro 2030*, Athesia Tappeiner Verlag, Bozen. ISBN: 978-88-6839-796-8

Kofler, I. (2023), Social Participation and Transdisciplinary Research in Real-World Laboratories. In: Mustapha El Moussaoui and Kris Krois (editors), *String Figures. Transforming together. Digital Conference Proceedings, By Design or Disaster Conference*. Faculty of Design and Art, Free University of Bolzano, ISBN: 9788894713954

Kofler, I., Fasoli, G., Eger, J., Cordes, L. Participatory Futures Community Design for the Nonsberg School District. In: Mustapha El Moussaoui and Kris Krois (editors), *String Figures. Transforming together. Digital Conference Proceedings, By Design or Disaster Conference*. Faculty of Design and Art, Free University of Bolzano, ISBN: 9788894713954

*Kofler, I. (2022) Heimat as social imagination or social imaginary? South Tyrol and its linguistic lifeworlds. In: Metzner-Szigeth A. (ed.) On the Interplay of Images, Imaginaries and Imagination in Science Communication. Florence (Casa Editrice Leo S. Olschki) 2022, SCIENTIA atque USUS vol. 3.

Kofler I, Gruber M (2022). Re-Globalization and its Challenges for High-skilled Labor and its Consequences at the Regional Level. In: (a cura di): Benedikter R;Gruber M;Kofler I, Re-Globalization. New Frontiers of Political, Economic, and Social Globalization. Routledge, ISBN: 9780367642846

Habicher, D., Gigante, S., Kofler, I. et al. (2022). Relazione di progetto Tiny FOP MOB - Un Real World Laboratory in legno e canapa in viaggio attraverso la Val Venosta. Scienza e società lavorano insieme per soluzioni sostenibili. Bolzano: Eurac Research

Kofler, I., Habicher, D., Walder, M., & Tomelleri, A. (2022). (report di progetto) Scenari futuri per un artigianato digitalizzato: i profili professionali del futuro; nuove opportunità attraverso la digitalizzazione. Bolzano: LVH/Apa Eurac Research

Kofler, I. Soziale Distanz - Digitale Nähe.
<https://doi.org/10.57708/B6601110>

Kofler I. (2019) Der Tourismussektor und seine Besonderheiten innerhalb des regionalen Innovationsnetzwerkes (RIS) Südtirol. In: Pechlaner H. (eds) Destination und Lebensraum. Entrepreneurial Management und Standortentwicklung (Perspektiven für Unternehmen und Destinationen). Springer Gabler, Wiesbaden.

Kofler, I.; Marcher, A. (2017) Immigrazione e reti sociali nelle aree montane. Due casi studio di integrazione di richiedenti asilo. In Membretti, A., Kofler, I., Viazzo, P. (Ed.) Per forza o per scelta. L'immigrazione straniera nelle Alpi e negli Appennini. Roma, Aracne, ISBN: 978-88-255-0494-1

Marcher, A., Pechlaner, H., Kofler, I., & Innerhofer, E. (2017). Ospitalità e accoglienza. Il turismo e l'immigrazione straniera. In Per forza o per scelta. L'immigrazione straniera nelle Alpi e negli Appennini (pp. 187–198). Canterano: Aracne. Retrieved from 10.4399/978882550494116

Membretti, A., Kofler, I., Viazzo, P. (2017) Introduzione al libro. In Membretti, A., Kofler, I., Viazzo, P. (Ed.) Per forza o per scelta. L'immigrazione straniera nelle Alpi e negli Appennini. Roma, Aracne, ISBN: 978-88-255-0494-1

Kofler, I. (et al.), (2017) „Schrumpfung & Rückbau als Entwicklungsstrategien. Einführung in die Thematik.“ In Innerhofer, E., Pechlaner, H. (Hrsg.) Schrumpfung und Rückbau. Perspektiven der Regional- und Destinationsentwicklung. München, oekom.

*Innerhofer, E., Kofler, I., Marcher, A., (2017). „Zu Gast“ oder „zu fremd“ in der Heimat anderer. Eine Reflexion über Gast-sein und Fremd-sein. – In: Pechlaner, H., Nordhorn, C., Marcher, A., eds., 2017, Flucht, Migration und Tourismus – Perspektiven einer „New Hospitality“. – LIT Verlag.

Kofler, I., Marcher, A., Anesi, F., (2017), Regionale Innovationssysteme II: Perspektiven der Kooperation in ausgewählten Unternehmensnetzwerken Südtirol. – In: Pechlaner, H., Streifeneder, T., eds., 2017, Regionen, Standorte und Destinationen entwickeln. – Athesia, Bolzano.

Kofler, I. (2017) Unternehmensnetzwerke: Regionale Zusammenarbeit als Wegbereiter für Innovation in Südtirol. <https://doi.org/10.57708/B22008240>

Kofler, I. (2016) Via Vigilius: Über Wege und Grenzen wandern. <https://doi.org/10.57708/B22008324>

Kofler I. (2015), "Germanophones et italophones entre le Tyrol du Sud et le Trentino : les frontières incertaines de la Heimat", in Marchal H., Baticle C. (dirs), Regards pluriels sur l'incertain politique, Paris, L'Harmattan, collection "Recherche et transformations sociales".

Others:

Kofler, I., Unsere Schule, la nostra scuola. Rapporto di progetto per la comunità, 2023

Kofler, I. (2021) Cyborg oder Künstler? Warum es wichtig ist, die Arbeit von morgen zu verstehen; with Roland Benedikter, HAUFE https://www.haufe.de/personal/hr-management/arbeitswelten-2050-die-arbeit-von-morgen-verstehen_80_544538.html

Kofler, I. (2018) Crucchi und Nonès – Walsche und Todèsc: Alltag am Nonsberg, Kulturelemente, Nr. 137 – 2018 <https://kulturelemente.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/kulturelemente-137.pdf>

Kofler, I. (2014) Bleiben, Weggehen, Zuziehen: Was bewegt oder hält Frauen (und Männer) am Deutschnonsberg? Einhandlungsorientiertes Projekt mit den drei Gemeinden. Endbericht. apollis, Bozen. <https://apollis.it/download/19dextfQxuFO.pdf>

Further data

Invited Lectures past 3 years

Invited Speaker at the conference: "MAUDIT - Immagini e Immaginari nelle Alpi", Free University of Bozen-Bolzano, April 2024.

Invited Speaker at the conference: "Approches critiques et sociales en Design", École de Design, Université Laval, Quebec. May 2023

Invited Speaker for the Government of the Autonomous Province of Bozen-Bolzano to speak about "New Technologies - Technology Future South Tyrol 2030", February 2022

Invited Speaker for the Vocational Education Department of the Autonomous Province of Bozen-Bolzano to speak about "Future of Work", January 2022

Invited Expert for the Workshop "Beziehungsweisen und Corona", Schumpeter Center for Research on Socio-Economic Change, Jena, 15. Oktober 2021

Presentations at scientific conferences over past 3 years

2025 Buoli, A., Coletti, R., Kofler, I. Mapping Turbulence, Resilience and Everyday in Borderlands research seminar held at Eurac Research in Bozen-Bolzano.

2025 Kofler, I., Volgger, A. Imagining Beyond Borders: Border Realities, Common Struggles, and Transformative Connections. By Design or By Disaster Conference, unibz.

2025 Buoli, A., Coletti, R., Kofler, I. Re-Mapping Borderlands Between Critical & Operative Approaches, Politecnico di Milano.

2025: Buoli, A., Coletti, R., Kofler, I. Grounding the Global Polycrisis Through the Borderscapes Lens: Insights from Three

Italian Borderlands. BRIT Conference 2025, Cyprus.

2025: Kofler, I.; Metzner-Szigeth, A. Le rôle de l'intelligence artificielle dans la redéfinition du travail créatif au sein des industries culturelles et creatives, ACFAS 2025, Montréal

2024: Kofler, I. Shaping Futures: Social Imaginaries and AI in the Cultural and Creative Industries, International Workshop “Imaginaires sociaux, intelligence artificielle et industries culturelles : pour une approche critique, empirique et transdisciplinaire.” 6 décembre 2024. Centre Marc-Bloch, Berlin.

2024: Kofler, I. Exploring Transbordering Practices in the Alps: A Case Study of Small Rural Communities. International conference: "Disruptive borderlands. Unpacking the innovative potential of transbordering practices, imaginaries and policies", September 2024, Luxemburg.

2024: Kofler, I. Coopération transfrontalière et résilience dans les régions frontalières italiennes. AISLF, July 2024, Ottawa.

2024: Kofler, I. & Volgger, Power Relations and Border Regions: An Interdisciplinary Analysis of the Italian Borders with France, Austria, and Slovenia. International Conference – By Design or By Disaster, Silandro-Schlanders, July 2024.

2024: Kofler, I. Designing and thinking possible futures through participation in small rural and marginalized communities in the Alps. International conference: The discovery of the future in the social and human sciences, June 2024, Trento.

2023: Session Chair with Buoli, A. and Coletti, R. Alpine borderscapes: envisioning the future of cross-border communities. EUGEO Conference, Barcelona

2023: Kofler, I., Walder, M. Craftspeople and Their Imaginary: How the Technological Development Shapes the Future of the Craft Sector. International Conference of the ISA – International Sociological Association, June 2023, Melbourne, Australia.

2023: Kofler, I., Re-Globalization or De-Globalization? International Conference of the ISA – International Sociological Association, June 2023, Melbourne, Australia.

2023: Kofler, I. Participation and Transformation in Real-World Laboratories, International Conference “Ethnography and Qualitative Research – ERQ”, June 2023, Trento, Italy.

2023: Kofler, I. Social Participation and Transformation within Real-World Laboratories, Conference “Fit for the Future with Design, Bozen-Bolzano.

2022: Kofler, I., Habicher, D., Borgianni, "Tiny FOP MOB' - Transformation im ländlichen Raum,

Tiny FOP MOB (kleines FORschungs- und Praxismobil): ein mobiles und greifbares Beispiel der

and Wood for the Construction of Sustainable Habitats", Sustainability Days Bozen - Bolzano.

2022: Kofler, I., Il concetto di Heimat come immaginario, Conference “Osservare l'immaginario”, Catania. AIS Section Imaginaries

2022: Kofler, I., Habicher, D., Gigante, S. Das Tiny FOP MOB (kleines FOorschungs- und Praxismobil): ein mobiles und greifbares Beispiel der Transformation im ländlichen Raum, Conference: „Nachhaltig wirken: Reallabore in der Transformation“

**Language
competence**

German: Mother Tongue

Italian: C2 (Certificate A – Autonomous Province of Bozen-Bolzano)

English: C1 (unibz certificate)

French: C2

Spanish: B2