

Publications:

- (in preparation) co-editor of a special issue on *Address Terms in World Englishes* together with Martin Schweinberger & Hanna Bruns
- (under contract) working title: “Atypical English suffixation. A diachronic construction morphology approach to English derivation.” Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, Series: *Studies in English Language*.
- (to appear) “Happy birthday, *machcha!* Address terms in English interactions of the Sri Lankan Tamil diaspora.” In: Svenja Kranich, Daniela Pirazzini, Simone Knewitz (eds.) *The Language of (De-)Democratization*. London, Routledge.
- (2024) “English and German derivation revisited. A Diachronic Construction Morphology approach to the growing complexity of bases.” *Constructions and Frames* 15:2. 234-256.
- (2024) review für *Research in Corpus Linguistics*. José A. Sánchez Fajardo “Pejorative Suffixes and Combining Forms in English.” Amsterdam, John Benjamins.
- (2022) Review für Linguist List: Akira Okrent (2021) *Highly Irregular. Why Tough, Through, and Dough Don't Rhyme—And Other Oddities of the English Language*. Oxford, Oxford University Press.
- (2022) “On *loners, easy-peelers, diggers-out, leaf clearer-uppers* and *stayer-onner-for-nowers*. Extravagance of -er nominalizations in English.” In: Eitelmann, Matthias & Haumann, Dagmar (Hrsg.) *Extravagant Morphology*. Amsterdam, John Benjamins Publishing. 73-100.
- (shortlisted) “Sprachstadt English Days Conducted at Sri Lankan Vocational Training Centres and Their Implications for Post-colonial L2 classrooms.” Submission as part of the Christopher Brumfit Essay Prize competition. *Language Teaching*. Cambridge, Cambridge University Press.
- (2020) “*Onlookers, passers-by, sweeper-uppers, opt-outers* and *dumber-downers*. A corpus-based study of English -er nominalizations.” Promotionsschrift vorgelegt an der Johannes Gutenberg-University Mainz. Mainz, University Library. 247 p.
- (2019) “Fremde Klasse, fremdes Fach.” In: *Lernende Schule. Für die Praxis pädagogischer Schulentwicklung* 85: 25-28.
- (2018) “*Fixer-uppers*. Reduplication in the Derivation of Phrasal Verbs.” In: Finkbeiner, Rita & Ulrike Freywald (Hrsg.) *Exact Repetition in Grammar and Discourse. (Trends in Linguistics. Studies and Monographs)*. Berlin/Boston: Mouton de Gruyter. 158-181.
- others:
- (2017) „Ein kleiner Einblick in die Entstehung des Meensterischen. Die Sprache Münstermaifelds.” In: Stiftung Kulturbesitz Münstermaifeld (Editors) *Mer schwätz batt off Meensterer Platt*. Kottenheim, Vulkan Druckerei OHG. 10-17.

(2008) „Das Schicksal zweier jüdischer Familien aus Rhens.“ In: Kreisverwaltung Mayen-Koblenz (Editor): *Heimatbuch*. Monschau, Weiss-Verlag GmbH & Co. KG. 199-204.

Conference papers:

- (2025) “Just wait, *thangachchi*.’ Address terms in the Sri Lankan Tamil diaspora community.” DGFS Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sprachwissenschaft, 05.-07. März 2025 Johannes Gutenberg-University Mainz, in Mainz, Germany.
- (2025) “Fictive kinship and belonging. Nominal address in the Sri Lankan Tamil diaspora.” International Conference “Multilingual Politeness”, 6.-7.2. 2025, Freie University Berlin, Germany.
- (2024) “On *aunties* and *uncles*. Kinship terms in a diasporic community.” Paper presented at the 10th Biennial International Conference on the Linguistics of Contemporary English (BICLCE), 26th-28th September 2024, Alicante, Spain.
- (2022) mit Jelke Bloem, University of Amsterdam. “On *incoming passers-by* and *bystanding lookers-on*. A quantitative approach to variable particle placement in English particle verbs.” 9. Grammar and Corpora Konferenz, 30.06.-02.07.2022 Ghent, Belgium.
- (2021) “*Looking-intoing showy-offy stayer-onner-for-nowers*. A corpus-based study into English morpho-syntax.” (online) International Conference for Corpus-based Approaches to English (ICAME) 41, 18.-21. August 2021. Dortmund, Germany.
- (2021) “Isn’t this way (too) early? How way acquired intensifying function.” (online) International Conference on English Historical Linguistics (ICEHL) 21, 7th-11th of June 2021. Leiden, Netherlands.
- (2019) “On *loners, easy-peelers, diggers-out, leaf clearer-uppers* and *stayer-onner-for-nowers*. Extravagance of -er nominalizations in English.” Societas Linguistica Europaea conference. 21.-24. August 2019. Leipzig, Germany.
- (2018) “A Construction Grammar approach to *onlookers, passersby* and *cheerer-uppers*.” Vortrag bei der Construction Grammar(s). Methods, Concepts and Applications conference. 16.-20. Juli 2018. Paris, Université Sourbonne Nouvelle Paris, France.
- (2017) “*Sweeper-uppers* are no *bystanders*. Structural complexity in nominalizations of phrasal verbs.” Vortrag bei der 7th Biennial International Conference on the Linguistics of Contemporary English (BICLCE), 28.-30. September 2017, Vigo, Spain.
- (2016) “The emergence of *runner-ups* and *fixer-uppers*. The constructionalization of a word-formation pattern.” Vortrag bei der 19. International Conference on English Historical Linguistics (ICEHL), 22.-26. August 2016. Essen, Germany.
- (2016) “Agentivity in Nominalizations of Phrasal Verbs. On *Passers-by* and *Winder-uppers*.” Paper presented at the Thirty-Eighth Annual Meeting of the Deutsche

Gesellschaft für Sprachwissenschaft (DGfS), 24.-26. February 2016. Konstanz, Germany.

(2015) "A quick *fixer-upper* of English Word-Formation. Reduplication in Derivation." 37th annual meeting of the Deutschen Gesellschaft für Sprachwissenschaft (DGfS), 3-6 März 2015. Leipzig, Germany.

Guest lectures:

(2024) "Our global village. Politeness conventions in the Sri Lankan Tamil diaspora community." Presentation as part of an ERASMUS+ stay at Leiden University, 8th of October, Leiden, Netherlands.

(2024) "Sind germanische Basen im Laufe der Jahrtausende komplexer geworden? Eine empirische Annäherung an Verdichtung." Invitation to a presentation on Diachronic Construction Morphology by Univ.-Prof. Dr. Muriel Norde, 27.06.2024, Humboldt-University Berlin, Germany.

(2017) "Women and men's use of causal and concessive clauses. A case of change in progress?" invited lecture at the Colloquium on Language and Gender - Sprache und Geschlecht. 19.06.2017, University Bremen, Germany.

Workshop contributions:

Forthc. "You don't thank your family." Intergenerational differences in the expression of gratitude in the English-speaking Sri Lankan Tamil diaspora. Geographical Contrast in Variational Pragmatics, 30.07. – 01.08.2025, Bielefeld, Germany.

(2024) "Terms of endearment as in-group markers. Zooming in on variation in the English-speaking Sri Lankan Tamil diaspora community." Paper presented as part of the Research Day at Bonn University, 15th of March, Bonn, Germany.

(2022) "English and German derivation revisited. A Diachronic Construction Morphology approach to the growing complexity of bases." (online) Workshop Diachronic Construction Morphology (organized by Muriel Norde (FU Berlin) and Graeme Trousdale (University of Edinburgh), 4.11.2022.

(2022) "About *mistresses*, *hussies*, *hostesses* and *spinsters*. Semantic change as a reflection of prevailing societal preconceptions." Presentation at the interdisciplinary Workshop - Umbrüche STAND – BERUF(UNG) – GESCHLECHT – KÖRPERLICHKEIT TRANSFORMATIONSPROZESSE IN EUROPA (CA. 1450-1830), Koblenz 25.02.2022.

(2020) "Isn't this way (too) early? How *way* acquired intensifying function." LETS Research Colloquium of Svenja Kranich, 19.11.2020. University Bonn, Germany.

(2018) "On *bringers-out* of amiability and humour in others. -er nominalizations of multi-word Verbs in English and their Arguments." Work in Progress Report at the Cognitive Linguistics Research Group supervised by Nikolas Gisborne and Graeme Trousdale. 30.11.2018. University of Edinburgh, UK.

- (2017) "Verrät unsere Sprache unser Geschlecht?" interdisciplinary Lunch Lecture Series. Denkanstöße - Food for Thought. 27.06.2017, Johannes Gutenberg-University Mainz, Germany.
- (2017) "Teaching English in Sri Lanka." Poster presented at the Workshop "Interkulturelle Kompetenz an der JGU". 18. December 2017. Johannes Gutenberg-University Mainz, Germany. (download via: <http://www.glk.uni-mainz.de/weitere-veranstaltungen.php>)

Workshop Organisation:

- (2023) Workshop: with Svenja Kranich (University Bonn) *English Address Terms in a Globalized World. Socio-cultural Impact on Recent Language Variation and Change.* 18th International Pragmatics Conference. Brussels, Belgium. 9.-14. July, 2023.