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EDUCATION

- 2004- 2010 **Ph.D.** in Sociology and Social Anthropology, Central European University, *The Cunning of Class: Urbanization of Inequality in Post-war Poland; (magna cum laude*, dissertation committee: Judit Bodnar, Michał Buchowski, Don Kalb, Neil Smith)
- 2003-2004 **M.A.** in Sociology and Social Anthropology, Central European University
- 2000-2003 **B.A.** in Social Sciences, University College Utrecht, the Netherlands
- 1997-1999 **International Baccalaureate**, United World College of the Atlantic, United Kingdom

EMPLOYMENT AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2015-2018 Assistant Professor, **Warsaw University**, Poland
- 2011- Assistant Professor (tenure-track), **University of Poznań**, Poland
- 2010 Assistant Professor, **Roosevelt Academy** (International Honors College of Utrecht University), the Netherlands
- 2009 **Center for Place, Culture and Politics**, CUNY Graduate Center (director: David Harvey), visiting fellow

AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2011 **Prime Minister of Poland's Award for Outstanding Doctoral Dissertations**
- 2009 **Award for Advanced Doctoral Students**, Central European University

BOOKS

- 2013 **Anty-Bezradnik przestrzenny: prawo do miasta w działaniu** [Practicing the Right to the City: a Guide for the Helpless] Warszawa: Res Publica Nowa (co-authored with Lech Mergler and Maciej Wudarski)

Reviews: *Architektura & Biznes* (11/2013), *Magazyn Miasta* (nr 4/2013), *Tygodnik Przegląd* (nr 27/2013), *Dziennik Gazeta Prawna* (25.10.2013), *Architektura-Murator* (11/2013 oraz 2/2014), *Gazeta Wyborcza* (18.11.2013)

SELECTED ARTICLES IN ENGLISH

- 2016 “Social struggles in hybrid spaces in Poland and Brazil”, in: Andrew Jonas, Baron Miller, Kevin Ward, David Willson, eds., **Spaces of Urban Politics - a Handbook**, London, Routledge (under review)
- 2016 “Solemnity and Grayness: Ontology of Cityness in East and Central Europe” in: Wojciech Przybylski, Marcin Moskalewicz, eds. **Central European Companion to Politics**, Budapest, Central European University Press (in print).
- 2015 “How Poles Become White”, in: **Halka/ Haiti, 18°48'05"N 72°23'01"W**, ed. Magdalena Moskalewicz, New York, Inventory Press, p. 107-119.
- 2015 “Salon – Domesticating Warsaw’s Public Space”, in: Christiaan Fruneaux, Edwin Gardner, Rani Alrajii, Anna Ptak, eds. **Make Yourself At Home Guild to Warsaw**, Warszawa, Centrum Sztuki Współczesnej Zamek Ujazdowski (in print)
- 2013 “Neither West nor South: Colour and Vernacular Cosmopolitanism in Urban Poland”, **Przegląd Kulturoznawczy** 3 (17), p. 205–215
- 2013 “Learning from Manchester: Uneven Development, Class and the City”, **Praktyka Teoretyczna**, nr 3(9), p. 237-267
- 2012 “Knife in the Water: The Struggle over Collective Consumption in Urbanizing Poland” in: Paulina Bren, Mary Neuburger, eds. **Communism Unwrapped: Consumption in Postwar Eastern Europe**, Oxford, Oxford University Press, 68-90
- 2012 “Class, space and the geography of Poland’s champagne (post)socialism,” in: Monika Grubbauer, Joanna Kusiak, eds. **Chasing Warsaw. Socio-Material Dynamics of Transformation**, Frankfurt/Chicago, Campus/University of Chicago Press, 269-289
- 2009 “Whither Anthropology without Nation-state? Interdisciplinarity, World Anthropologies and Commoditization of Knowledge,” **Critique of Anthropology**, 29: 225-252 (Hungarian translation: Eszmelet, no 82: 54-81)
- 2007 “The Economics of Nostalgia: Socialist Films and Capitalist Commodities in Contemporary Poland” in Péter Apor and Oksana Sarkisova eds., **Past for the Eyes:**

East European Representations of Communism in Cinema and Museums after 1989, Budapest, Central European University Press, p. 181-212

- 2004 "Europe, Pope and the Holy Left Alliance in Poland," **Focaal. European Journal of Anthropology**, 43: 123-133
- 2002 "Becoming-state. Bio-cultural Imperialism of Sid Meier's Civilization," **Focaal. European Journal of Anthropology**, 39: 163-177 (Italian translation in: Matteo Bittanti, ed. Civilization: Storie Virtuali, Fantasie Reali, Milan: Costa & Nolan, 2005)
- 2001 "Online National Communities," **Polish Sociological Review**, 134: 221-246

SELECTED ARTICLES IN POLISH:

- 2014 Gentryfikacja, własność i polski kapitalizm polityczny, **Politeja**, nr 26, s. 157-178
- 2014 Warszawa jako miasto przyszłości, [w:] **Miasto: sztuka, nauka, gospodarka**, red. Katarzyna Sadowska, Warszawa, Res Publica Nowa, s. 121-127
- 2013 Skala jako obiekt badań antropologicznych, [w]: **Regiony etnografii**, red. Jacek Schmidt, Poznań: Wydawnictwo Nauka i Innowacje, s. 181-200
- 2013 Nowa dekada, nowe miasto? [w:] **Miasto na żądanie**, red. Łukasz Bukowiecki, Martyna Obarska, Xawery Stańczyk, Warszawa: Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Warszawskiego, s. 47-55
- 2013 Demokracja ludowa i miasta bez historii [w:] **Miasto na żądanie**, red. Łukasz Bukowiecki, Martyna Obarska, Xawery Stańczyk, Warszawa: Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Warszawskiego, s. 213-220
- 2012 "A crisis of imagination? Notes on interdisciplinary hauntologies" in: Herman Tak, Barbara Oomen, eds. De disciplines voorbij. De colleges van Hans Adriaansens, Middelburg, De Drukkerij, pp. 101-114
- 2011 "Prawo do miasta i ruralizacja świadomości w powojennej Polsce" [The Right to the City and Ruralization of Consciousness in Post-war Poland] in: Marek Nowak, Przemysław Pluciński, eds. O miejskiej sferze publicznej. Obywatelskość i konflikty o przestrzeń, [Urban public space, citizenship and spatial conflicts], Kraków, Wydawnictwo Ha!Art, pp.129-146
- 2010 "Nic o nas bez nas: polityka skali a demokracja miejska" [The Politics of Scale and Urban Democracy in Poland], Res Publica Nowa, 201-202, pp. 7-14

- 2010 "Nadchodząca rewolucja miejska" [The urban revolution] *Le Monde Diplomatique* (Polish edition) no 55, pp. 14-15
- 2010 "Poland: the worm has turned on neoliberal urbanism", Center for Place, Culture and Politics's Newsletter (editor: David Harvey), nr 1, September/October, p. 3-4
- 2010 "Prawo do miasta" [The Right to the City] *Tygodnik Powszechny* nr 14 (4 April 2010), p. 28
- 2009 "Złe miasta w trzech odsłonach [Three wicked cities] *Le Monde Diplomatique*, no 44, pp. 12-13
- 2005 "Boczki warte zachodu" [Bacon with the labor, bacon worth the West], *Kultura Popularna*, 4/2005: 7-26
- 2005 "Tam, gdzie kwitnie ekspercka czułość" [Gentle experts and their pesky projects], *Kultura Popularna*, 3/2005: 71-81
- 2004 "Sekta grzybowska a mit Wierszalina" in: Irena Borowik, Henryk Hoffmann eds., *Światopogląd: między transcedencją a codziennością*, Kraków: Nomos, 57-70
- 2004 "Czy komputer przecieka?" [Do computers leak?], **Kultura Popularna**, 4/2004: 109-121
- 2001 "The Napster Network Community", **First Monday**, 6(11), 5 November 2001

CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS AND INVITED LECTURES

- 2012 **Active Urbanism – Conference of the International Network for Urban Research and Action (INURA)**, "The Politics of Scale and Right to the City Movements in Poland", Tallinn, 18 June (invited lecture)
- 2012 **University of Puerto Rico Rio Piedras, School of Architecture**, "Messing with order, ordering mess, city life in (Post) Socialist Europe", 8 February (invited lecture)
- 2011 **The Digital We: Apps for Citizenship, Health, and City Life, Social Apps Lab at CITRIS, University of California at Berkeley**, "M-apping urban activism in Poland," 8 December (invitation)
- 2011 **Warsaw Under Construction 3. Towards transcendental urbanism? The past and the future of the socialist city**, 15 October (invited lecture)
- 2011 **RC21 Sociology of Urban and Regional Development Conference**, *A post-secular suburb: space, gender, and Catholic revival in Poland*, Amsterdam, July 7-9

- 2011 **University of Plymouth, School of Architecture, Design and Environment, UK**, "From a post-socialist to a post-capitalist city in Poland, Latvia and China?" May 8 (with Krzysztof Nawratek)
- 2011 **Instytut Obywatelski**, *Resident's participation in local governance*, panel discussion, 25 March (invitation)
- 2011 **Pracownia Pytań Granicznych UAM**, *Cosmopolitanism and banal urbanism: how (not) to read the city*, 29 March (guest lecture)
- 2010 **Center for Place, Culture and Politics (CUNY)**, 29 September, *The Politics of Scale and Struggles for Urban Democracy in Poland*, lecture in the "Labor/Crisis/Protest" series, **discussant: prof. Peter Marcuse** (Columbia University), (invitation)
- 2010 **Warsaw under construction 2**; Museum of Modern Art, Warsaw; 26 October, moderation of a panel "Urban democracy and Warsaw's architecture" (invitation)
- 2010 **Slot Art Festival**, Lubiąż, Poland, 9 July; *Workshop on "The Right to the City"*, (invitation)
- 2010 Moderation of Neil Smith's panel, "**Geographies of Capitalist Crisis: Uneven Development in the Vapour Trail of Neoliberalism**", 12-13 June, in: *Entity, Construction, Relation: Critical Approaches to Time/Space, the State and Knowledge Production in Sociology and Social Anthropology*, Central European University's Graduate Conference (invitation)
- 2009 **Warsaw under construction**; Museum of Modern Art, Warsaw; 13 November; *The politics of scale and prospects for urban democracy in Poland and elsewhere* (invitation)
- 2009 **Anthropology of Europe: what is it and how should it be practiced?** Poznań University, Poland 15th-16th October; *The 'curse of ham': geography of capitalism for anthropology of Europe*
- 2009 **A guest in Łódź** – a cycle of meetings with authors organized by the **Museum of History of Łódź**, 29 April; *The Unnamed Archipelago – the genesis of contemporary Łódź*" (invitation)
- 2009 **5th Annual Inter-Ivy Sociology Symposium**, Columbia University, March 28th; *Uneven development and categorical inequality: a relational synthesis*
- 2009 **In Times of Need?** CUNY Graduate Center, Anthropology Department, March 13th; *Rescaling cultural need in post-war Poland*
- 2008 **Experiencing diversity and mutuality**, EASA Conference, Ljubljana, August 27th; *Ships passing in the night? Interdisciplinarity, East-West relations and commoditization of knowledge in anthropology of post-socialism*

EDITORIAL, ACTIVIST AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

- 2012 Curator of debates on the “Future City”, Warsaw Under Construction IV,
Museum of Modern Art, Warsaw
- 2011- co-editor of **Res Publica Nowa** quarterly
- 2011- main organizer and one of the leaders of the **Congress of Polish Urban Movements**
- 2009- member of **My-Poznaniacy** (RTTC organization) in Poznań, Poland