

WISSENSCHAFTLICHER LEBENS LAUF

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AUSBILDUNG

- 10/2016 - 02/2020 **Promotion**, Universität Mannheim, AG für Kulturvergleichende Sozial- und Persönlichkeitspsychologie (Prof. Jochen Gebauer).
Thema: *The geography of personality: On the consequences of regional personality differences for regions and individuals.*
- 10/2015 - 07/2016 **M.Phil. Psychology**, University of Cambridge, UK
- 10/2009 - 04/2015 **B.SC. / M.Sc. Humangeographie**, Philipps-Universität Marburg

WISSENSCHAFTLICHER WERDEGANG

- 06/2020 – dato **Postdoc Fellow & Wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter**, Kulturvergleichende Sozial- und Persönlichkeitspsychologie, Universität Mannheim,
- 07/2020 – 10/2021 **Wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter**, Philipps-Universität Marburg, Wirtschaftsgeographie & Standortforschung
- 02/2020 – 06/2020 **Postdoc Fellow**, Columbia University, USA
Computational Behavioral Science Lab (Prof. Sandra Matz)
- 11/2016 – 02/2020 **Promotionsstipendiat**, Kulturvergleichende Sozial- und Persönlichkeitspsychologie, Universität Mannheim
- 04/2018 - 06/2018 **Forschungsaufenthalt**, Queensland University of Technology, AUS, Australian Center for Entrepreneurship Research (Prof. Martin Obschonka)
- 10/2017 - 12/2017 **Forschungsaufenthalt**, University of Cambridge, UK
Department of Psychology (Prof. Jason Rentfrow)
- 07/2014 – 08/2014 **Forschungspraktikum**, Institut für Arbeitsmarkt- und Berufsforschung (IAB), Nürnberg (Dr. Udo Brix)
- 12/2010 - 09/2015 **Studentische Hilfskraft**, Philipps-Universität Marburg

AUSZEICHNUNGEN

- 07/2021 Dissertation Award European Association of Personality Psychology (EAPP) 2020
für beste persönlichkeitspsychologische Dissertation
- 04/2021 Lorenz-von-Stein Preis 2020
für beste sozialwissenschaftliche Dissertation an der Universität Mannheim
- 02/2020 SPSP Outstanding Research Award 2020
für Studie "*Religious people only live longer in religious cultural contexts: A gravestone analysis*"
- 02/2019 SPSP Graduate Travel Award 2019
für Beitrag bei der 2019 SPSP Convention, Portland
- 09/2017 Hogrefe Posterpreis für Differentielle Psychologie 2017
für das beste Poster bei der 14. Arbeitstagung der Fachgruppe Differentielle Psychologie, Persönlichkeitspsychologie und Psychologische Diagnostik (DPPD), München




DRITTMITTEL & STIPENDIEN ALS HAUPTANTRAGSTELLER

- 06/2021 *Mannheim Open Science Grant* zur Entwicklung eines Open-Access Tool für textbasierte Persönlichkeitserfassung (3,300€)
- 04/2021 Projekt *Politische Parteiidentifikation und Gesundheit – Leben Konservative überall länger?*; Fritz-Thyssen-Stiftung (25,310€).
- 11/2020 Gutachten *Einsamkeit in Nordrhein-Westfalen: Zahlen, Ursachen und Konsequenzen*; Land Nordrhein-Westfalen (15,220€)
- 07/2020 Fördermittel für eine internationale Fachkonferenz zum Thema *Causes and consequences of regional cultural differences: A geo-psychological perspective* (Juli 2022, Barcelona) (\$10,000)
- 02/2020 Postdoc Fellowship des DAAD (Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst) für einen Forschungsaufenthalt an der Columbia University (13,400€).
- 06/2019 Projekt *Geographische Persönlichkeitsunterschiede und wirtschaftlicher Erfolg*; Vestische Forschungstiftung e.V. (49,300€).
- 05/2019 und 01/2020 *Erasmus+ Teaching Mobility Grant* für die Entwicklung von Lehrmaterialien in Kooperation mit der University of Cambridge, UK (2,400€)

- 11/2016 - 10/2019 Promotionsstipendium der Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes
- 2016 Promotionsstipendium des Economic and Social Research Council der University of Cambridge (nicht angetreten)
- 02/2012 - 07/2016 Studienstipendium der Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes

VERÖFFENTLICHUNGEN




*markiert geteilte Erstautorenschaft



-  Open Materials
-  Open Data
-  Preregistered



5 AUSGEWÄHLTE PUBLIKATIONEN

Ebert, T., Gebauer, J. E., Brenner, T., Bleidorn, W., Gosling, S. D., Potter, J., & Rentfrow, P. J. (2022). Are Regional Differences in Psychological Characteristics and Their Correlates Robust? Applying Spatial-Analysis Techniques to Examine Regional Variation in Personality. *Perspectives on Psychological Science*, *17*, 407-441.



Ebert, T., Gebauer, J. E., Talman, J. R., & Rentfrow, P. J. (2020). Religious people only live longer in religious cultural contexts: A gravestone analysis. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, *11*, 1-6.  


Ebert, T.*, Götz, F. M.*, Gladstone, J., Müller, S. R., Matz, S. C. (2021). Spending reflects not only who we are but also who we are around: The joint effects of individual and geographic personality on consumption. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, *121*, 378–393   





Ebert, T.*, Götz, F. M.*, Mewes, L.*, & Rentfrow, P. J. (in press). Spatial analysis for psychologists: How to use individual-level data for research at the geographically aggregated level. *Psychological Methods*, 10.1037/met0000493  

Ebert, T., Götz, F. M., Obschonka, M., Zmigrod, L., & Rentfrow, P. J. (2019): Regional variation in courage and entrepreneurship: The contrasting role of courage for the emergence and survival of Start-Ups in the US. *Journal of Personality*, *87*, 1039-1055.  

WEITERE PEER-REVIEWED ARTIKEL IN FACHZEITSCHRIFTEN




Berkessel, J. B.*, **Ebert, T.***, Gebauer, J. E., Jonsson, T., & Oishi, S. (2021). Pandemics initially spread among people of high (not low) social status: Evidence from COVID-19 and the 1918/1919 Spanish Flu. *Social Psychological and Personality Science*, doi: 10.1177/19485506211039990/  

Bücker, S. M., **Ebert, T.**, Götz, F. M., Entringer, T. M., & Luhmann, M. (2020). In a lonely place: Investigating regional differences in loneliness. *Social Psychological and Personality Science*, doi: 10.1177/1948550620912881 

- Calanchini, J., Hehman, E., **Ebert, T.**, Esposito, E., Simon, D., & Wilson, L. (in press). Regional Intergroup Bias. *Advances in Experimental Social Psychology*, in press. Preprint: <https://osf.io/bsxc9/>
- Ebert, T.**, Brenner, T., & Brixy, U. (2019). New Firm Survival: The interdependence between regional externalities and innovativeness. *Small Business Economics*, 53, 287-309.
- Ebert, T.**, Mewes, L., Götz F.M., Brenner, T. (in press). Effective maps, easily done: Visualizing geo-psychological differences using distance weights. *Advances in Methods and Practices in Psychological Science*, in press. 
- Götz, F. M.*, **Ebert, T.***, Gosling, S. D., Obschonka, M., Potter, J., & Rentfrow P. J. (2021). Local economic development predicts rapid shifts in cultures of openness: A nine-year longitudinal study across 199 American cities. *American Psychologist*, 76, 947-961. 
- Götz, F. M., **Ebert, T.**, & Rentfrow, P. J. (2018): Regional cultures and the psychological geography of Switzerland: Person–environment–fit in personality predicts subjective wellbeing. *Frontiers in Psychology*, 9: doi: 10.3389/fpsyg.2018.00517
- Götz, F.M., Stieger, S., **Ebert, T.**, Rentfrow, P. J., & Lewetz, D. (2020). What drives our emotions when we watch sporting events? An ESM study on the affective experience of German spectators during the 2018 FIFA World Cup. *Collabra: Psychology*, 6: doi: 10.1525/collabra.262. 
- Mewes, L & **Ebert, T.** (2021). Where do people want to become entrepreneurs? Mapping fine-grained geographical differences in entrepreneurial potential across Great Britain. *Regional Studies, Regional Science*, 8, 332-335.
- Mewes, L., **Ebert, T.**, Obschonka, M. Rentfrow, P. J., Potter, J., & Gosling, S. D. (in press). Psychological openness and the emergence of breakthrough vs. incremental innovations: A regional perspective. *Economic Geography*, in press.
- Obschonka, M., Lee, N., Rodríguez-Pose, A., Eichstaedt, J. C., & **Ebert, T.** (2020): Big data methods, social media, and the psychology of entrepreneurial regions: Capturing cross-county personality traits and their impact on entrepreneurship in the US. *Small Business Economics*, 55, 567-588.
- Zickfeld, J., van de Ven, N., Pich, O., Schubert, T., Berkessel, J., ... **Ebert, T.**, ... & Vingerhoets, A. (in press). Tears Trigger the Intention to Offer Social Support: A Systematic Investigation of the Interpersonal Effects of Emotional Crying Across 36 Countries. Registered Report in press at *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology*. <https://psyarxiv.com/bya75/> 
- Zmigrod, L., **Ebert, T.**, Götz, F. M., & Rentfrow, P. J. (2021). The psychological and socio-political consequences of infectious diseases. *Journal of Social and Political Psychology*, 9, 456-474.

MANUSKRIPTE UNTER BEGUTACHTUNG

- Peters, H.*, Götz, F. M.*, **Ebert, T.***, Müller, S. R., Rentfrow, P. J., Gosling, S. D., Obschonka, M., Potter, J., & Matz, S. C. (invited revision). Regional personality

predicts the spread of COVID-19 and social distancing behavior. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, invited . Preprint: <https://psyarxiv.com/sqh98/>   

GUTACHTEN

Ebert, T., Berkessel, J. B., Entringer, T.M. (2021). *Einsamkeit in Nordrhein-Westfalen - Zahlen, Ursachen, Folgen*. Gutachten für die Enquete-Kommission IV des Landtages NRW.

Bücker, S., Widlok, M., **Ebert, T.**, & Schröder, C. (2019). Prävalenz von Einsamkeit und sozialer Isolation im hohen Alter. In: *Einsamkeit und soziale Isolation im hohen Alter*. Maïke Luhmann [Hrsg.], Bochum, Ruhr-Universität. doi: 10.13154/294-6373

Brenner, T., & **Ebert, T.** (2018): *Fachkräfte für den Landkreis Marburg-Biedenkopf - Wahrnehmung, Attraktivität und Potentiale.*, Marburg, Philipps-Universität.

EHRENAMTLICHE GUTACHTEN

Ebert, T., Berkessel, J. B., Feldhege, J., & Vargas, M. R. (2019). Die Platte unter der Lupe: Einflussfaktoren auf die Absatzzahlen einer Mannheimer Suppenküche. doi: 10.31219/osf.io/3zsn6

MITGLIEDSCHAFTEN & SERVICE

REVIEWER

American Psychologist
Environment & Behavior
Frontiers in Psychology
International Small Business Journal
Journal of Business Research
Journal of Cross-Cultural Psychology
Journal of Neuroscience, Psychology, and Economics
Journal of Personality
Journal of Research in Personality
Review of Regional Research
Regional Studies
Small Business Economics
Social Psychological and Personality Science
Social Science and Medicine
SPSP Student Awards
The Annals of Regional Science

GAST-EDITOR

Personality Science (Special Issue in 2021: *Intranational Variation in Personality*)
Current Research in Ecological and Social Psychology (Special Issue in 2022: *Regional Cultural Differences*)

WISSENSCHAFTLICHE VEREINIGUNGEN

Association for Research in Personality (ARP)
Deutsche Gesellschaft für Psychologie (DGPS)
DFG Netzwerk zu Explicit Causal Inference in Personality Research (ECIP)
European Association of Personality Psychology (EAPP)
Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP)

PRÄSENTATIONEN

ORGANISIERTE SYMPOSIA

Ebert T., & Rentfrow, P.J. (2021, February). *New Frontiers in Geographical Psychology*. Symposium at 2021 digital SPSP Convention. Speakers: Götz, Friedrich M., Ebert, Tobias; Peters, Heinrich; & Berkessel, Jana B. Chair: Peter J. Rentfrow, Tobias Ebert

Ebert, T., & Gosling, S.D. (2020, February). *Gravestones, credit cards, Harry Potter, AI: Innovative data for psychology*. Symposium at 2020 SPSP Convention, New Orleans, USA. Speakers: Götz, Friedrich M., Ebert, Tobias; Matz, Sandra C.; & Khambatta, Poruz Chair: Samuel D. Gosling, Tobias Ebert

Ebert, T., & Götz, F. M. (2019, September). *The power of place: Studying the geographical variation of personality traits offers new insights for important psychological phenomena*. Symposium at 15th Conference on Personality and Psychological Assessment (DPPD), Dresden. Speakers: Bücken, Susanne; Ebert, Tobias; Götz, Friedrich M.; Nehrlich, Andreas D.; & Stieger, Stefan Chair: Tobias Ebert, Discussant: Schmitt, Manfred.

EINGELADENE VORTRÄGE

Ebert, T. (2021, November). *The Legacy of the Dead: Gravestones and Biographies Reveal Cross-Cultural Variation in the Link between Religiosity and Longevity*. Talk at Psychology of Places Virtual Symposium.

Ebert, T. (2021, October). *The Geography of Personality: The Consequences of Regional Personality Differences for Regions and Individuals*. Talk at Virtual 2021 EAPP Day.

Ebert, T. (2020, April). *Pandemics initially spread among people of high (not low) social status*. Digital talk at Columbia University, Department of Psychology, NY, USA.

Ebert, T. (2018, May). *Regional personality differences and the spatial diffusion of the sharing economy*. Talk at Australian Centre for Entrepreneurship Research – Research Seminars, Brisbane, Australia.

Ebert, T., & Mewes, L. (2018, February). *Macro psychological characteristics predict the creation and adoption of radical innovations in American cities*. Talk at LMU Munich, Department of Psychology, Munich.

Ebert, T., & Mewes, L. (2018, February). *Macro psychological characteristics predict the creation and adoption of radical innovations in American cities*. Talk at Max Planck-Institute for Innovation and Competition Colloquium, Munich.

KONFERENZ- UND TAGUNGSBEITRÄGE

- Ebert, T. (2021, September). *The legacy of the dead: Gravestones and obituaries reveal that religious people only live longer in religious cultural contexts*. Talk at 16th Conference on Personality and Psychological Assessment (DPPD), Ulm (virtual).
- Ebert, T. (2021, March). *A peek into cross-cultural psychology: The relevance of cultural religiosity for well-being and longevity*. Talk at MZES AB-A-Colloquium, Mannheim.
- Ebert, T. (2021, March). *Causes and consequences of regional variation in personality*. Talk at 2021 DPPD Postdoc Workshop.
- Ebert, T. (2021, February). *Populism thrives where people lead less successful lives: Predicting Trump votes from large-scale biography data*. Talk at 2021 digital SPSP Convention.
- Ebert, T. (2020, February). *The legacy of the dead: Gravestones and obituaries reveal that religious people only live longer in religious cultural contexts*. Talk at 2020 SPSP Convention, New Orleans, USA.
- Ebert, T. (2019, September). *Where the Future Happens First: Regional Personality Differences and the Rise of the Sharing Economy*. Talk at 15th Conference on Personality and Psychological Assessment (DPPD), Dresden.
- Ebert, T. (2019, August). *Regional variation in courage and entrepreneurship*. Blitz-Talk at SPSP Summer Psychology Forum: Big Data in Personality and Social Psychology, St. Louis, USA.
- Ebert, T. (2019, February). *Regional personality differences and the rise of Uber and AirBnb in American cities*. Talk at 2019 SPSP Convention, Portland, USA.
- Ebert, T. (2018, November). *What the dead tell us about the living. Regionally varying associations between religiosity and longevity based on gravestone inscriptions*. Talk at 9th Meeting of the working group for quantitative religiosity research - Big Data in Religiosity Research, Bamberg.
- Ebert, T. (2018, October). *Regional personality differences and their relevance for the individual and the region*. Talk at 16th DDPME PhD-Workshop, Landau.
- Ebert, T. (2018, September). *The relevance of person-city-fit for self-esteem: A new approach to define socio-cultural contexts*. Talk at 51st Congress of the German Psychological Association, Frankfurt am Main.
- Ebert, T. (2018, September). *Regional personality differences predict the emergence and diffusion of radical innovations*. Talk at MZES AB-A-Colloquium, Mannheim.
- Ebert, T. (2018, September). *What the dead tell us about the living. Regionally varying associations between religiosity and longevity based on gravestone inscriptions*. Blitz-Talk at 51st Congress of the German Psychological Association, Frankfurt am Main.
- Ebert, T. (2018, July). *The relevance of person-city-fit for self-esteem: A new approach to define socio-cultural contexts*. Talk at 2018 European Conference on Personality, Zadar, Croatia.
- Ebert, T. (2018, June). *Regional personality differences and the rise of the sharing economy*. Talk at 5th International Workshop on the Sharing Economy, Mannheim.
- Ebert, T. (2018, March). *The relevance of person-city-fit for self-esteem: A new approach to define socio-cultural contexts*. Poster at 2018 SPSP Convention, Atlanta, USA.

- Ebert, T. (2018, February). *Macro psychological characteristics and the quality of innovation in US Metropolitan Areas*. Talk at 4th Geography of Innovation Conference, Barcelona, Spain.
- Ebert, T. (2017, November). *Macro psychological characteristics and the quality of innovation in US Metropolitan Areas*. Talk at Doctoral Forum of the German National Academic Foundation, Heidelberg.
- Ebert, T. (2017, September). *The relevance of person-city-fit for self-esteem: A new approach to define socio-cultural contexts*. Poster at 14th Conference on Personality and Psychological Assessment (DPPD), Munich.
- Ebert, T., & Mewes, L. (2017, July). *Macro psychological characteristics and the quality of innovation in US Metropolitan Areas*. Talk at 2nd Young Economic Geographers Network Workshop, Goslar.
- Ebert, T. (2017, July). *The relevance of person-city-fit for self-esteem: A new approach to define socio-cultural contexts*. Poster at 18th General Meeting of the European Association of Social Psychology (EASP), Granada, Spain.
- Ebert, T. (2017, April). *The relevance of person-city-fit for self-esteem: A geographical answer to a psychological question*. Talk at 2nd International Interdisciplinary Forum, Berlin.
- Ebert, T. (2017, March). *Regional personality differences*. Talk at Doctoral Forum of the German National Academic Foundation, Bingen.
- Ebert, T. (2016, April). *New firm survival: The interdependence between regional externalities and innovativeness*. Talk at 2016 Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, San Francisco, USA.

ORGANISIERTE KONFERENZEN & TAGUNGEN _____

- 18.-21.07.2022 (Barcelona). *Causes and consequences of regional cultural differences: A geo-psychological perspective*. Internationale Fachkonferenz (in Zusammenarbeit mit Prof. Veronica Benet-Martinez, Universitat Pompeu Fabra). Siehe: www.geo-psych.com
- 06.-08.04.2018 (Marburg). *Dimensionen sozialer Ungleichheit im kapitalistischen Kontext*. Tagung für Stipendiat*innen der Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes.
- 15.-17.01.2016 (Marburg). *Das Bedingungslose Grundeinkommen zwischen sozialer Revolution und Illusion*. Tagung für Stipendiat*innen der Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes.

REZEPTION IN POPULÄRWISSENSCHAFT & PRESSE (AUSWAHL) _____

- 11/2021 - *Geopsychology: Your personality depends on where you live* (Fran Jacobs). Artikel auf BigThink.com (<https://bigthink.com/strange-maps/geopsychology-regional-personality-variation/>)
- 11/2021 - *Ärmere leiden viel stärker unter der Pandemie* (Benjamin Auer). Artikel und Podcast in *Rhein-Neckar-Zeitung (RNZ)*

- 12/2020 – *Wie der Landstrich so der Mensch. Was verrät die Regionalpersönlichkeit und welche Gegend passt zu uns?* (Jochen Metzger)
Artikel in print version of *Psychologie Heute*.
- 07/2020 *Einsamkeit – Die Unsichtbaren.* (Eva Pasch).
Artikel in Printversion von Katapult - Magazin für Kartografie und Sozialwissenschaft, No. 18.
- 11/2019 *The Three Personalities of America. People in different regions of the U.S. have measurably different psychological profiles* (Olga Khazan).
Artikel in The Atlantic, 18.11.2019
(<https://www.theatlantic.com/health/archive/2019/11/how-south-different-north/602074>)
- 10/2019 *Typisch Romands! Die Untersuchung von Regionalpersönlichkeiten ist ein neues Gebiet in der Psychologie.* (Reto U. Schneider, Eugen Fleckenstein).
Artikel in Neue Zürcher Zeitung, (<https://folio.nzz.ch/2019/oktober/grafik-typisch-romands>)
- 10/2019 *Harry Potter and the Start-Ups: Geographic Variation in Courage.*
Artikel in SPSP Character & Context Blog (<http://www.spsp.org/news-center/blog/ebert-courageous-city-residents>)
- 03/ 2019 *Harry Potter und die Start-ups. Was das miteinander zu tun hat? Herzlich wenig? Eine Studie zeigt jetzt das Gegenteil* (Gustav Theile).
Artikel in Frankfurter Allgemeine Woche, 9/2019, 44-45.
- 02/2019 *How a Harry Potter Quiz Gave Back to Science* (Chris Wilson).
Artikel in TIME Magazine, 20.02.2019 (<http://time.com/5529413/harry-potter-quiz-sorting-hat/>)
- 06/2018 *Deutsche Siege tun der Seele gut* (Felix Lill).
Interview in ZEIT ONLINE, 13.06.2018 (<https://www.zeit.de/sport/2018-06/fussballfans-emotionen-wm-friedrich-goetz-tobias-ebert-stefan-stieger-forschung>).

NICHTAKADEMISCHE AKTIVITÄTEN

HOBBIES & INTERESSEN

Fußball
Badminton
Ausdauerlauf
Geschichte

EHRENAMTLICHES ENGAGEMENT

- 2019 – heute Regelmäßiges Mentoring für Promotionsstipendien-Bewerber*innen im Rahmen der Initiative *Applicaid*
- 2018 - heute Mitglied des Auswahlkomitees für Studienstipendiat*innen der Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes (3x)

- 2016 - heute Essensausgabe in der lokalen Suppenküche *Mannheimer Platte* (1-2 Samstage im Monat)
- 2018 - 2019 Projektleiter in einem gemeinnützigen Datenanalyseprojekt für die Initiative *CorrelAid*
- 2014 - 2015 Wöchentliche Betreuung von Kindern und Jugendlichen mit psychischen Erkrankungen in der Kinder- und Jugendpsychiatrie am Ortenberg, Marburg
- 2013 - 2014 Vorsitzender der Hochschulgruppe der Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes an der Philipps-Universität Marburg
- 2012 - 2014 Wöchentliches Mentoring für sozial benachteiligte Jugendliche an der Richtsberg-Gesamtschule, Marburg