

Allow me to present myself with a few words on why I would appreciate your vote for me for joining the Faculty Council again and on my work.

I have already been member of the MB-FR from 2009 to 2015. Now, after a short break for completing a bigger research project, I would like to engage again by representing research and education from an interdisciplinary, a staff, and an international perspective. I've seen many universities and other non-university research institutes, projects, and educational programmes (some of which I was involved building or transforming). I've always been proud of being able to navigate between different disciplines, while keeping my core identity as sociologist. In that sense, I would represent the entire faculty interests, of course, and still would like to make sure that views and voices from the inter- and transdisciplinary are heard and recognised. The faculty faces a major transformation, and it needs careful and fresh looks into status quo and desirable futures for this multifaceted association of scholars. I think I can contribute greatly, and I will neither hesitate thinking "out of the box", nor speaking out loud for a strong academic self-identity of our people here at BMS.

In research, I combine foci on big socio-technical system transitions with a view for the practicalities of governance-making in situated interaction and organisational settings; I study innovation, change, - and discontinuity; comparatively and with multi-lingual data. In teaching, I use to share my research experiences with students from administrative, business, philosophical, and technical backgrounds, as well as in academic and professional environments; via data-lab I use to offer on-demand support for colleagues with questions regarding qualitative and software-based approaches. Since last year, I'm also member of the Examination Board for Interdisciplinary Sciences.

Some of my spare time I spend as member of the Supervisory Board of an housing association (Spar- und Bauverein eG Dortmund), with €384m total assets and €102m saving deposits in 2015; but also play jazz music, support Syrian refugees, and mostly enjoy being father of my 3 year old twins Henri and Paul.