

Publications and lectures (selection)

1. Publications (selection)

Commentaries, books and book contributions

- Kloth/Soppe, Handbook of Advertising Law
Editor of the complete work and author of numerous chapters
i.E., Munich, 2026
- Continuously updated commentary on copyright contract law (Sections 31 et seq. UrhG)
in: Beck's Online Commentary on Copyright Law,
most recently: 49th edition
- Continuously updated commentary on selected provisions of the Hessian and Lower Saxon state press laws
in: Beck's Online Commentary on Information and Media Law,
most recently: 47th edition
- EU Copyright Contract Law
in: Hentsch/Rodenhausen/MacGreevy (eds.), EU Video Games Law
Baden-Baden, 2026
- Greenwashing
in: Legal Challenges in the Circular Economy – Examples from Automotive Remanufacturing (together with L. Hartig)
Brussels/Cologne 2025
- Model Release – Sample Contract (German/English) with Explanations
in: Moos (ed.), Data Protection and Data Use Agreements, 4th edition,
Cologne, 2024
- Database licence – sample contract (German/English) with explanations
in: Moos (ed.), Data Protection and Data Use Agreements, 4th edition,
Cologne, 2024
- Commentary on selected provisions of the Hessian and Lower Saxony state press laws
in: Gersdorf/Paal (eds.), Information and Media Law, 2nd edition,
Munich, 2021
- Commentary on copyright contract law (Sections 31 et seq. UrhG)
in: Möhring/Nicolini, Copyright Law, 4th edition,
Munich, 2018,
- Contracts between Creatives and Users – Overview of Existing Joint Remuneration Rules,
in: Ory/Cole (eds.), Reform of Copyright Contract Law,
Baden-Baden, 2016,

- Statement on the „Cologne Draft“,
in: Peifer (ed.), Copyright Contract Law in Reform,
Berlin/Heidelberg, 2015
- Parliamentary self-disempowerment as a de facto impairment of voting rights – A contribution to the subjective right to democracy under Article 38(1) of the German Basic Law (Diss.), Duncker & Humblot, Schriften zum öffentlichen Recht, Volume 879,
Berlin 2002

Legal journals (selection)

- On the duty to provide information under copyright contract law pursuant to Section 32d of the German Copyright Act (UrhG) – Also discussing the Federal Court of Justice (BGH) ruling „Portraitfoto“
GRUR 2025, 1338
- Higher Regional Court of Cologne on advertising claim „CO2-neutral travel. Offset CO2 emissions and take off“
(judgment comment)
ReiseRFD, 2025, 119
- Copyright contract law in the gaming sector
MMR 2023, 633 (together with C. Zimmer)
- Incorrect press release by a public prosecutor's office about investigative measures („search“) in a federal ministry
GRUR-Prax 2023, 345
- Greenwashing – a current topic for case law and legislation
WRP 2022, 1338 (together with C. Fuchs)
- On offsetting claims arising from copyright infringements and on the objection of abusive conduct under Section 242 of the German Civil Code (BGB) – Comment on Munich Regional Court I, judgment of 24 November 2021 – 44 O 5896/21,
ZUM-RD 2022, 115
- Content and limits of the new duty to provide information under Section 32d (1) UrhG for press publishers,
AfP 2021, 487 (together with C. Fuchs)
- On the question of a violation of Art. 101 TFEU through the application of joint remuneration rules at local newspapers –
Comment on OLG Nuremberg, judgment of 29 December 2020 – 3 U 761/20,
ZUM-RD 2021, 222
- ECJ on regionally broadcast television advertising under Section 7 XI RStV,
GRUR-Prax, 2021, 177
- Planned legislative changes in copyright contract law make it more difficult to exploit copyright-protected works,
ZUM 2020, 712
- Jochen Christoph Hegener: Appropriate remuneration in copyright contract law (dissertation review),
ZUM 2020, 657
- Appropriate participation of the chief cameraman of the film „Das Boot“,
GRUR-Prax 2020, 155 (together with L. Albertsen)
- Use of only (automatically generated) „recommended“ user contributions to calculate the average rating permissible,
GRUR-Prax 2020, 135

- Data processing for journalistic purposes – media privilege under data protection law in publishing practice, ZUM 2019, 467
- Media agency contracts: Munich Higher Regional Court on the scope of advertisers' rights to information, GRUR-Prax 2018, 298
- Copyright contract law and its significance for contract drafting, NJW 2018, 729
- Commentary on the ECJ ruling of 26 April 2017 (C-527/15) – Stichting Brein/Wullems, GRUR 2017, 610 (together with A. Neubauer)
- Commentary on the Federal Court of Justice ruling of 15 September 2016 (I ZR 20/15) – GVR Tageszeitungen III, AfP 2017, 56
- Cooperation between press publishers „below the editorial level“ – The planned revision of Section 30(2b) GWB in the 9th GWB amendment, ZUM 2017, 24 (together with A. Neubauer)
- Federal Court of Justice ruling of 15 September 2016 (I ZR 20/15) – GVR Tageszeitungen III, GRUR-Prax 2016, 506
- Federal Court of Justice ruling of 16 June 2016 (III ZR 282/14) – Media agency contracts, GRUR-Prax 2016, 460
- The admissibility of the central negotiating mandate for the press wholesale trade, AfP 2016, 115 ff. (together with N. Just)
- Federal Court of Justice ruling of 21 May 2015 (I ZR 39/14) – GVR Tageszeitungen II, GRUR-Prax 2015, 540
- Federal Court of Justice ruling of 21 May 2015 (I ZR 62/14) – GVR Tageszeitungen I, GRUR-Prax 2015, 539
- Three-dimensional printing and the four dimensions of intellectual property law – An overview of issues relating to copyright, design, patent and trademark law in 3D printing, GRUR 2015, 1041 ff. (together with Schmoll/Graf Ballestrem/Hellenbrand)
- The reform of copyright contract law from the perspective of press publishers, ZUM 2015, 457 ff.
- Legal protection of the press wholesale distribution system within the framework of the eighth amendment to the German Act against Restraints of Competition (GWB), AfP 2013, 365 ff.
- Commentary on the Federal Court of Justice ruling of 31 May 2012 – Fee conditions for freelance journalists, GRUR 2012, 1039 et seq.
- On „add-ons“, „gadgets“ and „cover mounts“ in press distribution – considerations regarding price fixing law, WRP 2005, 565 ff.
- On the question of the legality under international law of arrest warrants against members of the government of other states, NStZ 1996, 576 ff. (together with H.-E. Folz)

2. Lectures (selection)

- Looking beyond the horizon: Current court proceedings on copyright and AI abroad – an (incomplete) overview
Lecture at the 136th conference of the Working Group of Publishing Lawyers
Stuttgart, 19 September 2025
- The EU AI Act – Impacts on advertising and marketing (with E. Barwell)
Roundtable at the 2024 ANA Masters of Advertising Law Conference,
Scottsdale/Arizona, 12 November 2024
- Everything so beautifully sustainable – Latest news on the admissibility of „green claims“
Presentation at the 133rd conference of the Working Group of Publishing Lawyers
Augsburg, 12 April 2024
- Shaping the future of music – tokens, investments and copyright
(together with E. Romba and J. Denecke)
Presentation at Blockchance 2023, Hamburg, 29 June 2023
- Greenwashing – when advertising with environmental claims becomes inadmissible
Lecture at the 129th conference of the Working Group of Publishing Lawyers
Chur, 24 June 2022
- Greenwashing – when advertising with environmental claims becomes inadmissible
Lecture as part of the Bitkom Academy – Environment Social Governance
20 May 2022
- Greenwashing – When making ‘sustainable claims’ can get your fashion brand into trouble
Lecture as part of the Osborne Clarke Fashion & Luxury Law Academy
28 April 2022
- Advertising with environmental claims – permissible contemporary form of advertising or impermissible greenwashing?
Lecture to the Hamburg Association of In-House Lawyers
22 April 2022
- Digital Services Act – current status and open questions,
Presentation at the 128th conference of the Working Group of Publishing Lawyers
19 November 2021
- The implementation of Art. 18 ff. DSM Directive in German copyright contract law,
Presentation at the 127th meeting of the Working Group of Publishing Lawyers
18 June 2021
- EU Copyright Directive – What companies now need to consider,
Presentation at the diruj – ip Summit 2019,
Munich, 28 November 2019
- Legal challenges in additive manufacturing: approval requirements, intellectual property and liability for product defects,
Presentation at the Deutsche Messe Technology Academy conference: Additive processes – New developments in 3D
metal printing in practice,
Hanover, 1 October 2019
- „... for journalistic purposes“ – the scope of media privilege under the GDPR,
Presentation at the 123rd conference of the Working Group of Publishing Lawyers
Vienna, 9 November 2018

- Legal issues in [additive] spare parts manufacturing,
Presentation to the Additive Alliance, Fraunhofer IAPT
Hamburg, 13 June 2018
- The new General Data Protection Regulation and its impact on publishing houses' press offices
Lecture to the Working Group of Publishing House Press Officers,
Hamburg, 5 June 2018
- The new copyright contract law – an overview of the new regulations and an outlook from a publishing perspective,
Lecture at the 121st conference of the Working Group of Publishing Company Legal Advisers
Torgau, 17 November 2017
- Financial Transparency Issues – The European Perspective (with C. Bouchenard),
Breakfast session at the 39th Annual ANA/BAA Marketing Law Conference
Chicago, 14 November 2017
- 3D Printing – The Legal Perspective: Liability, Copyrights, Regulation,
Bitkom 3D Printing Summit 2017
Berlin, 28 September 2017
- Cooperation between press publishers „below the editorial level“ – The planned revision of Section 30(2b) GWB
in the 9th GWB amendment,
Presentation at the 119th meeting of the Working Group of Publishing Lawyers,
Aachen, 18 November 2016
- Media agencies – a curse or a blessing for the media and advertisers?
Presentation to the FDP Media Commission,
Berlin, 26 February 2016
- Contracts between creative professionals and exploiters – overview of existing joint remuneration rules,
Lecture at the event organised by the European Institute for Media Law
„The reform of copyright contract law“ ,
Berlin, 28 January 2016
- The draft bill for the amendment of copyright contract law and the proposed reforms;
Presentation at the 117th meeting of the Working Group of Publishing Lawyers,
Ulm, 20 November 2015
- Media agencies – a topic for media policy?
Presentation to the SPD's Media and Network Policy Commission,
Berlin, 9 November 2015
- 3D printing – everything that is „legal“,
Lecture at solutions.hamburg,
Hamburg, 10 September 2015
- Self-regulation in media law using the example of the German Press Council,
Lecture at the 66th German Lawyers' Day,
Hamburg, 13 June 2015
- Freedom of the press in public court proceedings,
Moderation of a panel discussion at the 2nd Hamburg Law Day,
Hamburg, 27 November 2013