

Prof. Dr. Achim Schlüterworking group leader **Institutional and Behavioural Economics**Programme Area 1: **Coastal Resources**

Born: 1969, nationality: German

Academic qualification & professional experience

Since 2024	Honorary Professor of Institutional Economics and Ocean Governance at the Faculty of Business Studies and Economics, University of Bremen
Since 2024	Together with Oscar Puebla head of the Programme Area Coastal Resources and Sustainable Blue Economy
2020-2023	Interim head of department Social Sciences at the Leibniz Centre for Tropical Marine Research (ZMT), Bremen, Germany
Since 2010	Working group leader Institutional and Behavioural Economics at the Leibniz Centre for Tropical Marine Research, Bremen, Germany
Since 2010	Associate Professor for Social Systems and Ecological Economics, Jacobs University Bremen, Germany
2011 - 2016	Head of department Social Science at the Leibniz Centre for Tropical Marine Research, Bremen, Germany
2010	Habilitation, Albert-Ludwigs University, Freiburg, Venia Legendi: Environmental Economic
2003 - 2010	Assistant Professor at the Institute for Forest Economics of the Faculty for Forest and Environmental Science, Albert-Ludwigs University of Freiburg
2001 - 2003	Research Associate in the Department of Sociology and Social Policy, University of Newcastle upon Tyne, England
2001	Dissertation, Humboldt University Berlin
1997 - 2001	Scientific staff member in the Department of Resource Economics, Faculty of Agriculture and Horticulture, Humboldt University of Berlin
1997	Diploma of Economics, Philipps-University Marburg

Personal grants and prizes (selection)

2019 - 2023	Comparing Aquaculture Systems Sustainability (Compass); German Ministry of Science and Education; Project Lead; Budget: 695.000 Euros
2019 - 2022	Sea level change and the Tragedy of Cognition: A comparative study on the role of cognitive biases in understanding sea level rise (SEATRAC); cooperation in house Agostino Merico, DFG; Partial Project Budget: 200.000 Euros
2014 - 2018	Project Leader: "Contributing to Coral Commons", international research project in collaboration with PKSPL, Indonesia, GfK, RWI, ZEW, Germany; SAW-Leibniz Association; Budget ~1 Mio Euros
2019 - 2025	Humboldt Tipping: Social-Ecological Tipping Points of the Northern Humboldt Current Upwelling System, Economic Repercussions and Governance Strategies (BMBF funded Project currently in second phase; collaboration with Hauke Reuter; and various other partners from Peru and Germany)

Current research projects

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| 2026-2029 | Partnership for Advancing Sustainable Blue Economy Education and Research (PASBLUE) SDG Partnership project funded by DAAD together with the University of Energy and Natural Resources Sunyani, Ghana. |
| 2024 - 2027 | Reimagining Food Systems for Climate Change Adaptation, Mitigation, and Social Justice (funded by the New Frontiers in Research Fund -International/DFG), project lead by the University of Manitoba, our role is investigating supply chain changes for shifting from FMFO to human consumption in the Canary Current. |
| 2021 - 2027 | Concepts for Reducing the Effects of Anthropogenic pressures and uses on marine Ecosystems and on Biodiversity (CREATE) partial project within the DAM mission Protection and Sustainable Use of Marine Areas. |

Selected recent publications

Bleischwitz, R., Ayilu, R. K., & **Schlüter, A.** (2026). Partnerships and development cooperation: supporting implementation of SDG 14 at the international level. In *The Elgar Companion to Ocean Governance and the Sustainable Development Goals* (pp. 186–211). Edward Elgar Publishing.

Bogusz, T., Holtappels, M., Hodapp, D., **Schlüter, A.**, Breckwoldt, A., Barz, F., Bleischwitz, R., Bruns, A., Buschbaum, C., & David, C. (2024). Natur und Gesellschaft in der Meeresforschung- Perspektiven interdisziplinärer Zusammenarbeit im Anthropozän.

Kriegl, M., Kochalski, S., Straka, T. M., Gorris, P., **Schlüter, A.**, & Kluger, L. C. (2024). Our Blue Planet: Connecting Humans and the Ocean. *Frontiers for Young Minds*, 11.

Nagel, B., Anggraini, E., Buhari, N., Gray, S., Partelow, S., & **Schlüter, A.** (2024). Mental models of aquaculture governance in Indonesia. *Sustainability Science*, 19(6), 1825–1845. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11625-024-01545-y>

Ossmer, T., **Schlüter, A.**, Anggraini, E., & Kriegl, M. (2025). Verzerrte Wahrnehmungen des Meeresspiegelanstiegs. *Geographische Rundschau*, 2025(4), 40–43.

Schlüter, A., Núñez Beingolea, C., & Nagel, B. (2025). Recomendaciones políticas: de los modelos mentales a seis puntos de intervención en el sistema de recursos marinos de Sechura. In: Sechura, Peru: (Policy Brief, providing the policy recommendations resulting from the two year's participatory modelling process).

Schlüter, A., van Assche, K., Fall, S., Senghor, K., Banikoi, H., & Kane, E. (2025). Theories of institutional change and marine privatisation. *Maritime Studies*, 24(1), 17. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40152-025-00406-3>

Organisation of international conference events (selection)

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| Since 2016 | Co-organisation with Sebastian Ferse & Jialin Zhang: Global online conference on Planetary Justice and Societal Responsibility in International Sustainability |
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Sciences

- Since 2021 Two weeks annual international online courses in collaboration between IOI & ZMT, alternating: "Ocean Governance" & "Generating Impacts in complex coastal and marine contexts: co-design and development of transdisciplinary research projects in a Global North/South perspective"

Memberships in executive boards

- Since 2026 Member of the Scientific Advisory Board of Kiel Marine Science.
- Since 2020 Member of the MARE board
- Since 2018 Member of the Editorial Board of Journal of Maritime Studies
- Since 2017 Leader of the Strategy Group of Social Sciences and Humanities within the German Marine Research Consortium