Cathleen Kantner: Investigating Multiple Identities by Large-n Content Analysis

Abstract

In which ways do international actors mobilize different collective identities in crisis situations? Are different ethnic, religious, national, European, transatlantic and so on identities played out against each other? Or are different identities interwoven with each other? Which effects do identity discourses have on debates about armed conflicts? Our comparative multi-lingual (UK, US, A, D, F, Ir), long-time (1990-2012), large-n media content analysis employs advanced corpus-linguistic methods in order to answer these questions. In my presentation I will sketch these methods as well as the expected results.