Titel
Challenges for Disability Studies in Europe: Anti-discrimination and/or Social Rights

Abstract
In my presentation I will address a paradox of contemporary European disability policy: In terms of education inclusion is rising but segregation is rising nevertheless. In work and employment more anti-discrimination seems not to prevent more inequality.

To understand these contradictions I suggest that attention must be turned to neoliberal austerity politics and the challenges it poses for Disability Studies as a discipline and as an interventionist practice. These challenges threaten to divide and weaken the field of Disability Studies e.g. by intensifying the debate on social vs. cultural model of disability, which is a false juxtaposition. I will propose empirical and conceptual strategies allowing us to address this critical juncture for our field.