

Dr. Bastian Bloessl

Background

- 2019-present **Research Group Leader**, Secure Mobile Networking Lab, TU Darmstadt, Germany.
- 2017-present General Assembly, GNU Radio, www.gnuradio.org.
 - 2023–2023 **Substitute Professor (W3)**, Computer Networks, Paderborn University, Germany.
 - 2017–2019 Research Fellow, CONNECT Center, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland.
 - 2017–2018 Radio Engineer, Software Radio Systems (SRS).
 - 2014–2017 **Researcher**, Distributed Embedded Systems Group, Department of Computer Science and Heinz Nixdorf Institute, Paderborn University, Germany.
 - 2015–2016 **Visiting Researcher**, Network Research Lab, Department of Computer Science, University of California, Los Angeles, CA.
 - 2011–2014 **Research Assistant**, Computer and Communication Systems (CCS) Group, Institute of Computer Science, University of Innsbruck, Austria.
 - 2005–2011 **MSc in Computer Science** (Dipl.-Inform. Univ.) with a minor in physics, University of Würzburg, Germany. Thesis: *Performance Assessment of Resource Allocation Strategies in IEEE 802.16m*.
 - 2008–2011 **Student Research Assistant**, Chair of Communication Networks, Department of Computer Science, University of Würzburg, Germany.
 - 2005 Vacation Job, Bosch GmbH, Bamberg, Germany.
 - 2004–2005 **Civilian Service**, SeniVita Seniorenhaus (home for the elderly), Eltmann, Germany.
 - 1995–2004 University-Entrance Diploma ("Abitur") Regiomontanus Gymnasium, Haßfurt, Germany, intensive courses: mathematics, physics.

PhD Thesis

- Title A Physical Layer Experimentation Framework for Automotive WLAN
- Advisor Prof. Dr.-Ing. Falko Dressler
- Reviewer Prof. Dr.-Ing. Matthias Hollick
 - Prof. Dr. Renato Lo Cigno
- Graduation June 2018, Dr. rer. nat. (doctor of natural sciences)

Research Interests

- O Software-Defined Wireless Communication Systems
- Next-Generation Radio Access Networks
- Resilient Wireless Communications

Awards and Grants

Ulrich Rohde Award For outstanding contributions in the field of Software Defined Radio, presented by IARU R1 President Sylvain Azarian and DARC President Christian Entsfellner.

emergenCITY Collaboration Award 2021 (2nd place)

WiNTECH 2020 Best Paper Award

Uni Paderborn Nominee for GI (German Informatics Society) Dissertation Award

PhD Graduation summa cum laude (with distinction)

H2020 Marie Skłodowska-Curie Fellowship

DAAD FitWeltweit Scholarship

VNC 2013 Best Paper Award

MobiCom 2013 Best Poster/Demo Award of S3 workshop

MobiCom 2013 Travel grant

MobiCom 2012 Runner-up, Student Research Competition

MobiCom 2012 Travel grant

High School Regiomontanus Award for best final exam in mathematics

Research Experience

- 2022–2025 Open6GHub: PI of sub-project, working on software-defined Radio Access Networks.
- 2021–2024 *MAKI*: PI of sub-project in collaborative research center MAKI, working on highly adaptive wireless edge networks.
- 2021–2023 *emergenCITY*: Co-Lead of interdisciplinary mission on Aerial Crisis Networks.
- 2017–2019 *PhySim11p*: IEEE 802.11p channel characterization and empirical derivation of physical layer simulation model for network simulators.
- 2012–2018 BATS: Tracking of bats in their natural environment using sensor networking technology. The focus was on energy efficient communication of extremely lightweight sensor nodes (2g including battery).
- 2011–2017 WiME Wireless Measurement and Experimentation: SDR-based wireless measurement and experimentation framework for wireless networks, including IEEE 802.11a/g/p and IEEE 802.15.4.
- 2015–2016 *Phy11p*: Evaluation of IEEE 802.11p receive algorithms and their impact on the performance of highly dynamic Vehicular Ad Hoc Networks.
- 2012–2015 Smart Communications for Intelligent Transportation Systems: Communication primitives and protocol design for multi-service applications.

2012–2014	ENACT – ENergy-Aware CompuTing: Energy measurement and estimations for off-loading computationally expensive tasks from mobile systems into the cloud.
	Teaching Experience
	Paderborn University, Germany
Summer 2023	Systems Software and Systems Programming (Lecture, Exercises, and Labs)
	Technical University of Darmstadt, Germany
Winter 2022	Crisis Communication (Lecture, Excursion, Labs, and Exercises)
Winter 2021	Crisis Communication (Lecture, Labs, and Exercises)
Winter 2020	Crisis Communication (Lecture, Labs, and Exercises)
	Online Courses
August 2018	SDR for Pentesters, Attify Inc.
0	Paderborn University, Germany
Winter 2016	Cooperative Driving (Project Group)
Winter 2016	Networked Embedded Systems (Exercises)
Winter 2016	Praktikum Mikrocontroller und Interface-Elektronik (Exercises)
Summer 2016	Vehicular Networking (Project Group)
	University of California, Los Angeles
Winter 2015	Advanced Computer Networks (Tutor)
	Paderborn University, Germany
Summer 2015	Vehicular Networking (Project Group)
Winter 2014	Networked Embedded Systems (Exercises)
Winter 2014	Operating Systems (Exercises)
Summer 2014	Network Simulation (Exercises)
	University of Innsbruck, Austria
Summer 2014	Rechnernetze (Exercises)
Winter 2013	Wireless Sensor Networks (Exercises)
Summer 2013	Vehicular Networks (Exercises)
Winter 2012	Network Simulation (Lecture and Exercises)
Winter 2012	Wireless Sensor Networks (Exercises)

Advised Theses

Winter 2011 Network Simulation (Lecture and Exercises)

Summer 2012 Vehicular Networks (Exercises)

Master Thesis Michael H., Feasibility of Digital VHF Communications in Crisis Scenarios, Advisors: Bastian Bloessl and Matthias Hollick.

Bachelor Thesis Daniel O., FPGA-Accelerated Wideband Channel Emulator for UAV Networks, Advisors: Bastian Bloessl and Matthias Hollick.

Master Thesis Niklas M., Performance Evaluation of Hardware-Accelerated SDR Applications in the Browser, Advisors: Bastian Bloessl and Matthias Hollick.

- Bachelor Thesis Fabian D., Spectrum Monitoring with Smart Street Lamps, Advisors: Bastian Bloessl and Matthias Hollick.
- Bachelor Thesis Philipp S., Performance Evaluation of Hardware-Accelerated Fast Fourier Transform with GNU Radio, Advisors: Bastian Bloessl and Matthias Hollick.
 - Master Thesis Florian E., A Full-Band Bluetooth Sniffer for a Software-Defined Radio, Advisors: Bastian Bloessl, Jiska Classen and Matthias Hollick.
- Bachelor Thesis Robin S., Performance Analysis of the GNU Radio Runtime Environment, Advisors: Bastian Bloessl and Matthias Hollick.
 - Master Thesis Malte L., Bluetooth Low Energy Sniffing, Advisors: Bastian Bloessl, Jiska Classen and Matthias Hollick.
- Bachelor Thesis Fabian M., MAC Layer Experimentation with Modified WiFi Firmware, Advisors: Bastian Bloessl, Florian Klingler and Christoph Sommer.
- Bachelor Thesis Carolin R., Fountain Code based Software Update in Sensor Networks, Advisors: Bastian Bloessl, Johannes Blobel and Falko Dressler.
 - Master Thesis Caius C., Design and Evaluation of a Lightweight Communication Protocol for Identification and Tracking of Bats in Their Natural Habitat, Advisors:

 Bastian Bloessl and Falko Dressler.
- Bachelor Thesis Christoph L., Integration of the Rime Network Stack into GNU Radio, Advisors: Bastian Bloessl and Christoph Sommer.
- Bachelor Thesis Fabian M., Implementierung eines flexiblen Formats zur Beschreibung von Interferenzmessungen, Advisors: Bastian Bloessl and Christoph Sommer.

Tutorials and Guest Lectures

- 2023 Building Wireless Communication Systems with FutureSDR, tutorial at NetSys, Hasso-Plattner-Institut, Potsdam, Germany.
- 2021 Programming Software Defined Radios with GNU Radio, tutorial at ACM WiSec 2021, virtual.
- 2018 Wireless Research with SDR, seminar at INSA Lyon, France.
- 2018 SDR Meets Wireless LAN, Deep Dive Session at Wireless LAN Professionals Conference, Phoenix, AZ.
- 2017 Wireless Research with Software Defined Radio, guest lecture at Paderborn University, Germany.
- 2017 GNURadio Workshop, SDR Academy, Hamradio exhibition, Friedrichshafen, Germany.

Talks

- 2023 Seify: A Rusty SDR Hardware Abstraction Library, talk at SDR Academy at HAMRADIO, Friedrichshafen, Germany.
- 2022 FutureSDR: An Async SDR Runtime for Heterogeneous Architectures, talk at SDR Academy at HAMRADIO, Friedrichshafen, Germany.
- 2021 A Re-architected GNU Radio Framework for Heterogeneous Systems, talk at Collaboration for Astronomy Signal Processing and Electronics Research (CASPER) Workshop, Berkeley/Caltech (virtual).

- 2021 Software Defined Radio Hardware and Software Platforms, talk at GSI Helmholtz Centre for Heavy Ion Research, Darmstadt, Germany.
- 2021 A Modular Future for GNU Radio, talk at SDR DevRoom, FOSDEM, virtual.
- 2020 Towards GNU Radio 4.0, organization and lead of breakout session at GRCon 2020, virtual.
- 2020 Towards GNU Radio 4.0: A Modular Runtime for Heterogeneous Architectures, talk at GRCon 2020, virtual.
- 2020 FutureSDR: An Asynchronous SDR Runtime Environment, talk at Technical University of Berlin, Germany.
- 2020 GNU Radio on Android, talk at SDR Academy at HAMRADIO, virtual.
- 2020 GNU Radio 4.0, GNU Radio Scheduler Hackfest, virtual.
- 2019 GNU Radio Meets Scapy, talk at SDR DevRoom, FOSDEM, Brussels, Belgium.
- 2018 Software Defined Radio for Security and Privacy Research, talk at University of Bamberg, Germany.
- 2018 Using GNU Radio in Research, talk at Crowncom, Ghent, Belgium.
- 2018 Wireless Research with GNU Radio, talk at University College Cork, Ireland.
- 2018 Hacking Vehicular Networks with OpenC2X, Hackaday Uncon, Dublin, Ireland.
- 2018 Wireless Research with SDR, invited talk at GdR ISIS, Paris, France.
- 2017 *Handcrafting Radio Waves*, Probe: Research Uncovered at Trinity College Dublin, Ireland.
- 2017 Which are the top 3 challenges for free software radio?, Panel at SDR DevRoom, FOSDEM, Brussels, Belgium.
- 2017 Receiving Wireless Mobile Traffic Lights, SDR DevRoom, FOSDEM, Brussels, Belgium.
- 2016 GQRX as a Graphical Frontend for Digital Receivers, SDR Academy at HAMRADIO, Friedrichshafen, Germany.
- 2015 Signals Analytics of Radio Controlled Key Systems, SDR Academy at HAM-RADIO, Friedrichshafen, Germany.
- 2015 First Steps in Receiving Digital Information with RDS/TMC, SDR DevRoom, FOSDEM, Brussels, Belgium.
- 2014 Towards an Open Source IEEE 802.11p Stack, SDR DevRoom, FOSDEM, Brussels, Belgium.

Industry Experience

2018 Bughunting and pentesting at German car manufacturer.

Governmental Bodies

- 2023 FutureSDR meets IPEC, Demo at 6G Platform Germany Meeting of Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), Berlin, Germany.
- 2019 *Professional Radio*, 2-day training for IT management of the city of Munich, Germany.

- 2018 Connected Autonomous Vehicles (CAV) meeting, Department of Transport, Dublin, Ireland.
- 2017 *IEEE 802.11p Device Fingerprinting*, Talk, Federal Office for Information Security (Bundesamt für Sicherheit in der Informationstechnik), Bonn, Germany.

Open Source Involvement

FutureSDR I initiated and maintain FutureSDR, a fresh take on an SDR runtime with many unique and novel features (https://www.futuresdr.org/).

GNU Radio I contribute to GNU Radio and am one of the Project Officers.

Misc I initiated and maintain several Open Source projects. They can be found on GitHub (https://github.com/bastibl/).

GSoC 2017 I was a mentor for Google Summer of Code 2017.

Academic Services and Memberships

Co-Organizer MAKI Scientific Workshop 2023 on Next Generation Wireless Edge Networks

TPC Chair CROWNCOM 2019 Workshop on Open Radio Platforms for 5G Research

and Beyond

Demo Chair IEEE SECON 2023

Publication Chair IEEE VNC 2016

Publicity Chair IEEE WoWMoM 2020

Web Chair ACM MobiHoc 2016

Session Chair IEEE WCNC 2023, Wireless Days 2019

Area Editor Elsevier Computer Communications

TPC Member IEEE CCNC 2025, IEEE VNC 2024, ACM WiNTECH 2023, VTC2023-Fall,

IEEE VNC 2023, ICCCN 2023, VTC2022-Fall, ACM WiNTECH 2022, VTC2022-Spring, ANT 2022, NetSys 2021 (Early Work Track), IEEE VNC 2021 (conference and poster/demo session), Wireless Days 2021, IEEE ISC2 2021, ACM WiNTECH 2021, ANT 2021, IEEE VNC 2020, IEEE/IFIP WONS 2021, VTC2021-Spring, IEEE WCNEE 2020, ANT 2020, IEEE VNC 2019, VEHITS 2020, VTC2020-Spring, IOV 2019, IEEE SECON 2019, IEEE MASS 2019, IEEE WCNEE 2019, VTC2019-Spring, VEHITS 2019, Wireless Days 2019, IEEE VNC 2018, VTC2018-Fall, IEEE GreenCom 2018, ITC 30,

IEEE VNC 2015

Volunteer IEEE VNC 2014, ACM MobiHoc 2016

Reviewer Journals: ACM Transactions on Autonomous and Adaptive Systems, Elsevier Ad Hoc Networks, Elsevier Computer Communications, Elsevier Computer Networks, Elsevier Future Generation Computer Systems, Elsevier Tranportation Research Part C, Elsevier Vehicular Communications, EURASIP Journal on Wireless Communications and Networking, IEEE Communications Letters, IEEE Embedded Systems Letters, IEEE Internet of Things Journal, IEEE Open Journal of the Communications Society, IEEE Systems Journal, IEEE Transactions on Communications, IEEE Transactions on Industrial Informatics, IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Vehicles, IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing, IEEE/ACM Transactions on Networking, IEEE Transactions on Vehicular Technology, IEEE Transactions on Wireless Communications, IEEE Wireless Communications Letters, Springer Mobile Networks and Applications, Springer Wireless Networks, Wiley International Journal of Communication Systems, Conferences: ACM MSWiM'13, ACM MSWiM'15, ACM Q2Winet'13, ACM WUWNet'13, CyberC'15, ICCVE'13, IEEE CCNC'16, IEEE ICC'13, IEEE ICC'14, IEEE ICC'15, IEEE INFOCOM'13, IEEE INFOCOM'18, IEEE LCN'12, IEEE LCN'14, IEEE VNC'15, IEEE VNC'17, IEEE WCNC'14, IEEE WCNC'16, IEEE WCNC'19, ISCAS'17, OMNeT++ Workshop'12, WONS'16, WONS'17

Membership ACM (SIGMOBILE), IEEE (ComSoc), GI (KuVS)

Non-Academic Projects

- 2018 Instant GNU Radio provides a VM and live environment for lectures and workshops on SDR. https://github.com/bastibl/instant-gnuradio/
- 2017 With WiFi Soundscapes, I made the WiFi spectrum visible and audible. https://www.bastibl.net/star-fi/
- 2015 Reverse engineering signals from mobile traffic lights. https://www.bastibl.net/traffic-lights/
- 2015 Reverse engineering telemetry signals from public transportation. https://www.bastibl.net/reversing-bus-telemetry/
- 2014 Reverse engineering signals from a wireless car key fob. https://www.bastibl.net/gr-keyfob/
- 2014 Reverse engineering signals from a weather balloon. https://github.com/bastibl/gr-rstt/

Languages

German native English fluent

Professional Training (received)

- 2021 Science Communication, Dr. André Lampe
- 2021 Successful Interdisciplinary Collaboration, Dr. Simone Brandstädter
- 2018 Communications and Public Engagement, Simon Raybould (Aware Plus)
- 2017 H2020 Pathways to Funding
- 2017 Leading Effective Meetings

2017 Career Development Program for Postdoctoral Researchers

2017 Why don't people listen when I talk about my work?, storytelling with Steve Rawlings

Hobbies and Interests

Sports mountain biking, running

Music acoustic and electric guitar, generative music, audio recording

Amateur Radio CEPT 1-licensed (call sign: DF1BBL)

World View emacs > vim

Selected Publications

- David Volz, Andreas Koch and Bastian Bloessl, "Software-Defined Wireless Communication Systems for Heterogeneous Architectures," Proceedings of 29th Annual International Conference on Mobile Computing and Networking (MobiCom 2023), Demo Session, Madrid, Spain, October 2023.
- Lars Baumgärtner, Maximilian Bauer and Bastian Bloessl, "SUN: A Simulated UAV Network Testbed with Hardware-in-the-Loop SDR Support," Proceedings of IEEE Wireless Communications and Networking Conference (WCNC 2023), Glasgow, Scotland, March 2023.
- Bastian Bloessl, Lars Baumgärtner and Matthias Hollick, "Hardware-Accelerated Real-Time Stream Data Processing on Android with GNU Radio," Proceedings of 14th International Workshop on Wireless Network Testbeds, Experimental evaluation and Characterization (WiNTECH'20), London, UK, September 2020.
- Bastian Bloessl, Marcus Müller and Matthias Hollick, "Benchmarking and Profiling the GNU Radio Scheduler," Proceedings of 9th GNU Radio Conference (GRCon 2019), Huntsville, AL, September 2019.
- Bastian Bloessl and Aisling O'Driscoll, "A Case for Good Defaults: Pitfalls in VANET Physical Layer Simulations," Proceedings of IFIP Wireless Days Conference 2019, Manchester, UK, April 2019.
- Bastian Bloessl and Falko Dressler, "mSync: Physical Layer Frame Synchronization Without Preamble Symbols," IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing, 2018, DOI 10.1109/TMC.2018.2808968.
- Bastian Bloessl, Michele Segata, Christoph Sommer and Falko Dressler, "Performance Assessment of IEEE 802.11p with an Open Source SDR-based Prototype," IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing, 2018, DOI 10.1109/TMC.2017.2751474.
- o Bastian Bloessl, Christoph Sommer, Falko Dressler and David Eckhoff, "The Scrambler Attack: A Robust Physical Layer Attack on Location Privacy in Vehicular Networks," Proceedings of 4th IEEE International Conference on Computing, Networking and Communications (ICNC 2015), CNC Workshop, Anaheim, CA, February 2015.
- Bastian Bloessl, Christoph Leitner, Falko Dressler and Christoph Sommer, "A GNU Radio-based IEEE 802.15.4 Testbed," Proceedings of 12. GI/ITG KuVS Fachgespräch Drahtlose Sensornetze (FGSN 2013), Cottbus, Germany, September 2013, pp. 37-40.

A list of all publications is available at http://www.bastibl.net/publications/.