



Curriculum Vitae

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Research: History of Empires, Austrian, German and European Modern History, International Relations with special reference to Cold War, German Unification, European Integration, Transnational Party Cooperation of Christian Democrats and Conservatives in Europe, and the South Tyrol Question

Academic Career

Junior & Senior Highschool, Neustadt near Coburg, Bayern (1972-1981)

University of Innsbruck, Major: History; Minor: German Philology (1981-1988)

Ph.D. (1987) and M.A. (1988, Teacher Training)

Research Position, Institute for Contemporary History, University of Innsbruck, editing Papers of Karl-Gruber, Austria's first Foreign Minister after the Second World War (1989-1992)

Research Fellow, Fonds zur Förderung der wissenschaftlichen Forschung – Austrian Science Fund (FWF) Wien (1992-1996)

Venia docendi (Habilitation): „Modern and Contemporary History“ (1999)

Academic Positions

1996-1999 Research Assistant, Leopold-Franzens-University Innsbruck

1999-2006 Associate Professor of Modern and Contemporary History, Institute of Contemporary History, Leopold-Franzens-University Innsbruck

2006- Professor, University of Hildesheim, Institute of History, awarded a "Jean-Monnet Chair" for European History by the EU-Commission

2008- Corresponding Member, History Commission of the Austrian Academy of Science (ÖAW) for abroad

- 2011-12 Elected Director of the Historical Commission of the Austrian Academy of Science (ÖAW), Vienna
- 2013-17 Director of the Institute of Modern and Contemporary Historical Research of the Austrian Academy of Science (ÖAW), Vienna
- 2016 Member of the Research Team „Researching and gathering first-hand accounts with a view to writing a history of the European Commission from 1986 to 2000“;
Jean Monnet-Chair for the period 2016-2019
- 2017 Member of the Scientific Forum for International Security (WIFIS), Hamburg
- 2018 Foundation of the Handbook Series "Empires through the ages in global perspective" (de Gruyter), together with Robert Rollinger (University of Innsbruck) and Kai Ruffing (University of Kassel)
- 2019 Member of the scientific advisory board of the international Research Network on the History of the Idea of Europe (<http://www.historyideaofeurope.org>) (since 2019);
Member of the advisory board of the Prinz-Albert-Gesellschaft Coburg;
- 2020 Member of the Council of the Jean Monnet Foundation for Europe in Lausanne

Academic Invitations and Guest professorships (selected)

- 2001-2002 Alexander von Humboldt-Foundation, Senior Fellow
- 2001-2002 Associated Member, Research Group Europe, Cultural Studies Institute, Essen under the guidance of Wilfried Loth
- 2004 Guest professor University of Rostock
- 2004/05 Guest professor University of Salzburg
- 2005 Guest professor Université Catholique de Louvain (UCL)/KU Leuven
- 2014 Guest professor Ege Üniversitesi Izmir (March)
- 2014/15 Guest professor Babeş-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca (February)

Academic Awards (selected)

- Theodor-Körner-Prize for Promotion of Science and Art, Vienna (07.12.1994)
- Kardinal-Innitzer-advancement Award, Vienna (14.12.1996)
- Research Award of the Capital of Tyrol, University of Innsbruck (21.12.2001)
- Karl von Vogelsang-State Prize, Vienna (2004)
- Austrian Cross of Honour for Science and Art, 1st Class (2011)

Membership, Editorship, Foremost Research Activities (selected)

- 1992- Founding of the Work Group „European Integration“ (together with Prof. Steininger, Innsbruck), continued since 2007 at the University of Hildesheim
- 1997-2000 Head of a FWF Research Project „Edition of Sources related to Austria’s Politics towards South Tyrol 1945/46-1958“ (together with Evi Unterthiner M.A.)
- 2000-2003 Head of a FWF Research Project „The World in a Nutshell – History of World Expositions during the 19th century“ (3 years, together with Dr. W. Kaiser)
- 2002- Permanent Senior Fellow at the Centre for European Integration Research (ZEI), Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-University Bonn in the field „Languages, Identities and Cultures“
- 2003-2013 Member of the Academic Board, DDr. Herbert-Batliner-European-Institute, Salzburg
- 2006- Member of the Liaison Group Historians of the European Union and Editorial Board of the Journal of European Integration History (Nomos: Baden-Baden)
- 2008- Member of the Board „History of European Integration Studies“ (SGEI, Franz-Steiner-Verlag, Stuttgart)
- 2011- Academic Referee, Selection Committee, Alexander-von-Humboldt Foundation in Bonn
- 2015- Peer review committee member for the 'European integration studies' collection des Centre Virtuel de la Connaissance sur l’Europe (CVCE), Luxembourg;

International Cooperation Partners

- Member of the Liaison Committee of Historians attached to the European Union Commission
- Executive board member, Leopold-Ranke-Society, Association for the Study of History in Public Life, Cologne