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Curriculum Vitae

Education

- 06/2016 – 04/2026 Graduate studies in Social and Cultural Anthropology
University of Vienna
Thesis title: “Governing Asylum: Citizenship and Voluntarized Labor in Rural Austria” (defended on 15 April 2026)
- 10/2004 – 07/2012 Degree (Mag.a) in Social and Cultural Anthropology
University of Vienna;
Thesis title: “Eles não entendem!” – Sie verstehen nicht?
JugendbewährungshelferInnen in São Paulo erzählen von ihren KlientInnen
- 09/2009 – 02/2010 Social Anthropology
Universidade de São Paulo, Brazil
- 10/2004 – 06/2009 Bachelor degree in Vocal Performance
Music and Arts Private University of Vienna

Grants

- 10/2022 – 03/2024 Marietta Blau Scholarship
Visiting fellow, Department of Transcultural Studies
University of St. Gallen
- 02/2011 – 03/2011 KWA-Grant of the University of Vienna
Field research on restorative practices for MA thesis
São Paulo, Brazil

Employment and Professional Experience

- 11/2024 - Senior researcher
Project PRIME – Protecting Irregular Migrants in Europe
University of Zurich
- 10/2024 - External lecturer
Fachhochschule Vorarlberg
Course: "Introduction to Sociology"
- 04/2024 - Associate researcher
Migration Studies, School of Humanities and Social Sciences
University of St. Gallen
- 05/2016 – 06/2022 Praedoc University Assistant
Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology
University of Vienna

Teaching:

- Migration and Asylum Systems: Configurations of Governance, (Il)legality and Citizenship (BA course)
- Tracing Citizenship (BA course)

Administrative tasks:

- Assistant for the Joint MA programme Creole
- Member of the Commission for Non-EU-Exchange Programs

02/2012 – 02/2016

Junior researcher
Institute for the Sociology of Law and Criminology, Vienna

Workpackage leader of project ALTERNATIVE

“Developing alternative understandings of security and justice through restorative justice approaches in intercultural settings within democratic societies.” (funded within the 7th framework programme of the European Commission)

Scientific activities

- 02/2026 Co-organizer of Stakeholder Round Table "Access to rights and public provisions for irregularized migrants in Austria", University of Vienna
- 05/2025 Presentation "Lived Experiences of Access to Rights in Practice Among Migrants" at PRIME consortium meeting, Zagreb
- 07/2024 Participation at the Round Table “Volunteering and Precarious Citizenship: Ambivalent Negotiations of Labour, Care, Justice and Social Reproduction”, IMISCOE conference, Lisbon, hybrid
- 01/2023 Participation at Ethnography Winter School “Ethnography at Work”, Department of Anthropology, Maynooth University, online event
- 07/2022 Co-organizer of the panel “Making ends meet: Exploring social provisioning beyond migrant/non-migrant binaries” and paper “Troubling ‘volunteering’: unwaged migrant labor as “non-work” at the EASA conference 2022 in Belfast
- 06/2022 Paper presentation “I take care and the state sabotages from the beginning to the end!” Tracing “volunteering” in European provision arrangements for refugees and asylum seekers at the conference “Urban struggles across the globe: Encountering and countering the state in the city”, Radboud University, Nijmegen, The Netherlands
- 11/2021 Paper presentation: “Negotiating Asylum in Rural Areas: From Contentious Politics to Unpaid Labour”, Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Baltimore, paper accepted
- 09/2021 Panel: “Theorizing Migration and the Political Economy of Provisioning”, organizer and discussant, at the DGSKA conference 2021, online event
- 06/2021 Input lecture: “I take care and the state sabotages from the beginning to the end!” Tracing “volunteering” in European provision arrangements for refugees and asylum seekers, at the CREOLE intensive program 2021, online event
- 09/2020 Co-Organization of the workshop “Hierarchies of Citizenship: Migration and the Political Economy of Provision Arrangements” at the Vienna Anthropology Days 2020, online event
- 07/2020 Paper presentation: “From ‘municipal asylum’ to volunteering: legalisms from

	below in practices of asylum and ‘integration’” at the European Association of Social Anthropologists conference, online event
09/2019 – 09/2021	Co-speaker of the working group on Migration of the German Anthropological Association
09/2019	Paper presentation: “Es gärt im Land, es rumort in den Gemeinden!“ Recht in Aktion: Asyl und ‚Integration‘ in Alberschwende“, at the German Anthropological Association conference 2019, Konstanz, Germany
04/2019	Paper presentation: ‘Governing Asylum in Rural Areas: Law in Practice and Citizenship in Action’, at the International Conference of Critical Geography 2019, Athens, Greece
11/2015	Panel presentation: ‘Participation in conflict and social work in intercultural settings’ and paper: ‘Action research on and through active participation’, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Leuven, Belgium
06/2015	Break-out session: ‘Dogmatic rifts within a women’s café. Steps toward using RJ circles on issues of faith’ at the World Conference of the International Institute for Restorative Practices, Budapest, Hungary
10/2014	Paper presentation (with Christa Pelikan): ‘The age of exploitation will not be shortened’ at the exploratory workshop: ‘Critical justice: an exploration of the limits and potential of restorative justice to address crimes, conflicts and injustices in intercultural Europe’, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Leuven, Belgium
06/2014	Contributions to the Conference of the European Forum of Restorative Justice ‘Beyond crime: Pathways to desistance, social justice and peacebuilding’ Facilitation of workshop: ‘Exploring social justice and conflicts in intercultural settings through story-telling’ and paper presentation: ‘Deserving and undeserving citizens?’, Queen’s University Belfast, Belfast, Northern Ireland
09/2013	Paper presentation ‘Getting close and keeping distant or tackling the problem of validity in action research - the ALTERNATIVE research site in Vienna’ presented at the Conference of the European Society of Criminology, Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest, Hungary
08/2013	Paper presentation: ‘Frames of Justice. The case of the refugee protest in Vienna’ presented at the European Group Conference – Critical Criminology in a Changing World: Tradition and Innovation, University of Oslo, Oslo, Norway
05/2012	Paper presentation: ‘Social mediation experiments in Vienna – disputes in urban settings’ presented at the workshop ‘Restorative justice in New Arenas’, International Institute for the Sociology of Law, Oñati, Spain

Further qualifications

09/2018	“In die universitäre Lehre starten – Basisqualifizierung für Einsteiger/innen“, University of Vienna
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Foreign language skills

English	excellent spoken, written and read
Portuguese	excellent spoken and read, good writing skills
Spanish	excellent spoken and read, good writing skills

Publications

- Forthcoming "Introduction" (with co-editors Lieke van der Veer & Malte Gembus) to special issue "Volunteering and Precarious Citizenship: Negotiations of Labor, Care and Justice", *Citizenship Studies* (April 2026).
- 2025 "On 'Integration Activities': 'Volunteering' among asylum seekers in Western Austria as invisibilised labor", *Etnografia e ricerca qualitative, Rivista quadrimestrale*, 3/2025, 457-478. DOI: 10.3240/118727.
- 2025 "Investigating Restorative Justice through Participatory Action Research" (with Gabor Hera) In "Handbook on Methods in Restorative Justice Research", edited by Katrine Barnekow Rasmussen, Estelle Zinsstag, Fernanda Fonseca Rosenblatt, and Brunilda Pali, 114-135. Leiden: Brill.
- 2022 "I take care and the state sabotages from the beginning to the end!': tracing 'volunteering' in European provision arrangements for refugees and asylum seekers", *Citizenship Studies*, 27(4), 465-480. DOI: 10.1080/13621025.2022.2151570
- 2020 "Participatory Justice and Participatory Security" (with Ivo Aertsen, Gabriella Benedek, Gabor Hera, Brunilda Pali and Christa Pelikan) In "Sag, wie hast du's mit der Kriminologie?" Die Kriminologie im Gespräch mit ihren Nachbardisziplinen edited by Christian Grafl, Monika Stempkowski, Katharina Beclin and Isabel Haider, 763-802. DOI: 10.25365/phaidra.171. <http://www.krimg.de/drupal/node/4>
- 2018 „Sem „direito a ter direitos“?: Lendo os protestos de refugiados enquanto autonomia politica“ (with Brunilda Pali), *DiÁLOGO*, Vol. 39, 133-142.
- 2018 "Restorative justice and urban citizenship. A comparative dialogue between Vienna and Brussels." (with Erik Claes) In *Restoring Justice and Security in Intercultural Europe* edited by Brunilda Pali and Ivo Aertsen, 75-92. Oxon and New York: Routledge.
- 2018 „Community in conflict in intercultural contexts and how restorative justice can respond.“ (with Tim Chapman) In *Restoring Justice and Security in Intercultural Europe* edited by Brunilda Pali and Ivo Aertsen, 144-163. Oxon and New York: Routledge.
- 2018 "Getting involved and remaining distant: on action research in Vienna." (with Christa Pelikan), In *Action Research in Criminal Justice* edited by Inge Vanfraechem and Ivo Aertsen, 60-80. Oxon and New York: Routledge.
- 2017 „Lifeworld, Law and Justice.“ (with Christa Pelikan) In *Critical Restorative Justice*, edited by Ivo Aertsen and Brunilda Pali, 160-175. Oxford: Hart Publishing.
- 2016 „Migration, Legalität und Kriminalität: Rechtssoziologische Wissensdefizite im Schatten administrativen Wissens.“ (with Walter Fuchs, Andrea Kretschmann & Arno Pilgram), *Österreichische Zeitschrift für Soziologie*, Vol. 41, 103-123.
- 2015 "Refugee protests and political agency: Framing dissensus through precarity." (with Brunilda Pali), In *Critical criminology in a changing world. Green harms and crimes, social injustice, protest and oppression* edited by Ragnhild Sollund, 256-273. Hampshire: Palgrave MacMillan.
- 2014 "On active participation and on the community." (with Christa Pelikan), In *Policing minority communities: Restorative Justice approaches and its embeddedness in Austria, Hungary and*

Germany, edited by Joachim Kersten, Ansgard Burchard & Catharina Decker, 33-46. Münster: Deutsche Hochschule der Polizei – Hochschulverlag.

- 2013 "Alternative research sites 1. - Social housing estates as intercultural settings: the research site in Vienna." In European Forum for Restorative Justice Newsletter, Vol. 14, Issue 2.

Working papers

Forthcoming in 2026 "Country report: Austria", Deliverable 8 for Project PRIME "Protecting Irregular Migrants in Europe: Institutions, Interests and Policies"

- 2026 "Lived Experiences of Access to Rights in Practice Among Irregularized Migrants" (working title), Deliverable 3.2 for Project PRIME "Protecting Irregular Migrants in Europe: Institutions, Interests and Policies". Published on <https://cadmus.eui.eu/server/api/core/bitstreams/245a0085-6193-4a9c-ae6f-bd78fd4127a/content>
- 2015 "Towards restorative circles: inspiration and guidelines for practitioners." (with Christa Pelkian). Deliverable 4.5: Follow-up materials for supporting RJ activities in intercultural settings, for project ALTERNATIVE, Vienna: Institute for the Sociology of Law and Criminology. Published on www.alternativeproject.eu/publications, last accessed July 2016.
- 2015 "Towards restorative circles: Action research interventions in Vienna's social housing estates." (with Christa Pelikan). Deliverable 4.4: Action research report on training and implementation, for Project ALTERNATIVE, Vienna: Institute for the Sociology of Law and Criminology.
- 2014 "Ways towards the resolution of conflicts? A study of the existing ways of handling conflicts in social housing estates in Vienna." (with Christa Pelikan). Deliverable 4.3: Qualitative research report on conflict resolution work, for Project ALTERNATIVE, Vienna: Institute for the Sociology of Law and Criminology.
- 2014 "Living together in the Gemeindebau in Vienna: On Tensions, Conflicts, Fears and Hopes." (with Christa Pelikan). Deliverable 4.2: Research report on the sociological/legal description and the conflict resolution in small-scale, for Project ALTERNATIVE, Vienna: Institute for the Sociology of Law and Criminology. Published on www.alternativeproject.eu/publications, last accessed July 2016.
- 2013 "Activating civil society." (with Christa Pelikan). Deliverable 4.1, for project ALTERNATIVE, Vienna: Institute for the Sociology of Law and Criminology. Published on www.alternativeproject.eu/publications, last accessed July 2016.

Other media

- 2025 "White card, irregular job: When legal rights fail migrants in Austria", (with Sandra King-Savic), blog post for project PRIME. Published on: <https://migrationpolicycentre.eu/white-card-irregular-job-when-legal-rights-fail-migrants-in-austria/>
- 2015 "Justice at borders", blog post for project ALTERNATIVE. Published on: <https://projectalternative.wordpress.com/2015/10/13/justice-at-borders/>