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Date of birth

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Austria

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Male

Work experience

Dates

Occupation or position held

1974-present

1974 University Assistant Institute International Law and International Relations

1975-1976 Postgraduate Studies, University Sorbonne I, Paris

1979-1980 Staff member Max-Planck Institute International Public Law, Heidelberg

1980-1982 Staff member of international law office of the Austrian Foreign Ministry

1990 Associate professor

1998 Extra-ordinary Professor

2003 Full Professor and Head of Institute of International Law and International Relations

2017 retirement, continuing with certain teaching and research activities as well as projects and specific assignments

Main activities and responsibilities

teaching in the field of international law (regional specialization on Southeastern-Europe and Africa), international human rights with focus on the local and regional level, human security, Human Rights and Information Society, Human Rights and EU, European Human Rights System, Human Rights and Terrorism, Refugees and Migration, GATT and WTO.

Name and address of employer

University of Graz, Universitätsstraße 15/A/3, A-8010 Graz

Type of business or sector

Academic institution

Dates	1983-present
Occupation or position held	Chair/Chair of Advisory Board of World University Service (WUS) Austria
Name and address of employer	WUS Austria, Schmiedgasse 40/3, A-8010 Graz
Type of business or sector	Non-Profit-Organisation
Dates	1989-1992
Occupation or position held	Advisor/Consultant
Name and address of employer	African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights in Banjul, Gambia
Type of business or sector	International Organization
Dates	1993/1999
Occupation or position held	Head of Postgraduate Studies Programme "Human Rights of Women" in Stadtschlaining, Austria and Kampala, Uganda
Type of business or sector	Human Rights institutions
Dates	1994/2000-present
Occupation or position held	Lecturer
Main activities and responsibilities	International Economic Institution/Human Rights in the Balkans
Name and address of employer	Diplomatic Academy Vienna
Type of business or sector	Academic institution
Dates	1995/1996, 1999
Occupation or position held	Chair
Main activities and responsibilities	Co-Founder of Human Rights Centres of University of Sarajevo and Pristina;
Type of business or sector	Academic institutions
Dates	1999-2003
Occupation or position held	Member and Chair
Main activities and responsibilities	Enforcement Panel of Communication Regulation Agency, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
Type of business or sector	Governmental organization
Dates	1999-2010; 2009-2017
Occupation or position held	Director of the European Training and Research Centre for Human Rights and Democracy in Graz (ETC, till 2009); since 2009 Director of the ETC of the University of Graz (UNI-ETC) and Co-director of ETC.
Name and address of employer	University of Graz, Universitätsplatz 3, A-8010 Graz
Type of business or sector	Academic institution
Dates	2000-2015
Occupation or position held	Director of the Refugee Law Clinic at the Faculty of Law, University of Graz
Type of business or sector	Academic institution
Dates	2000-2018
Occupation or position held	Responsible for thematic section on economic globalization and human rights of the European Master Program on Human Rights and Democracy in Venice; since 2012 lecturer on WTO and Human Rights, Globalization and Civil Society as well Information Society and Human Rights
Type of business or sector	Academic institutions
Dates	2000-2012
Occupation or position held	Member/Deputy of the Advisory Board for Human Rights of Minister of Interior
Name and address of employer	Ministry of Interior
Type of business or sector	Governmental organization

Dates	2001-present
Occupation or position held	Cluster leader of the European Regional Master Program "Democracy and Human Rights in South-East-Europe" in Sarajevo, lecturing on European Human Rights System
Type of business or sector	Academic institution
Dates	2003-2010
Occupation or position held	Director of several scientific projects on Internet Governance, with a focus on human rights
Type of business or sector	Academic institutions
Dates	2004-2011
Occupation or position held	President of Media Appeals Board
Name and address of employer	Independent Media Commission, Prishtina, Kosovo
Type of business or sector	Governmental organization
Dates	2005-2009
Occupation or position held	Consortium Leader for FP 6-project "HUMSEC" Human Security in Post-conflict Situations: The Relationship between Terrorism, Organized Crime and Peace-Building in Western Balkans
Type of business or sector	Academic institution
Dates	2007-present
Occupation or position held	Chair/Member of Human Rights Council of City of Graz
Name and address of employer	City of Graz
Type of business or sector	Local Government
Dates	2008-2010
Occupation or position held	Work package leader in Consortium of Scientific FP 7 - project "Multipart" Multi-stakeholder Partnerships in Post-conflict Situations: Afghanistan, Kosovo and Democratic Republic of Congo
Type of business or sector	Academic institution
Dates	2009
Occupation or position held	Member of Consortium for Scientific Study for the European Parliament on "The Role of Regional Human Rights Mechanisms"
Type of business or sector	Academic institution
Dates	2010-2011, 2012
Occupation or position held	Consortium leader of scientific studies for the European Parliament on "Effects of Migration Policies on Human Rights and the European Neighborhood" and "Mainstreaming Human Rights and Democracy in the EU Enlargement with the Western Balkans"
Type of business or sector	Academic institution
Dates	2010-2016
Occupation or position held	Lecturer at annual Summer School on Internet Governance, Meissen, Germany
Type of business or sector	Academic institution, lecturing on Human Rights and the Internet
Dates	2011-2015
Occupation or position held	Work package leader in Consortium TEMPUS project "Migration and Higher Education – Building Skills and Capacity" (UNIMIG)
Type of business or sector	Academic institution

Dates	2011-2014
Occupation or position held	Project Coordinator Austrian Partnership Programme in Higher Education and Research for Development (APPEAR): “Academic Partnership on Legal and Human Rights Education (APLHRE)” with Human Rights Centre of University of Addis Ababa and Ethiopian Civil Service University (ECSU) Academic institution
Dates	2014-2016
Occupation or position held	Several missions on behalf of Council of Europe and European Union to Turkey on Freedom of Expression
Dates	2014-2018
Occupation or position held	Cluster leader on tools of EU human rights policies in EU FP 7 Project FRAME
Type of business or sector	Academic institution
Dates	2015-2016
Occupation or position held	EU Peer review reports on freedom of expression in Serbia (2015) and Bosnia and Herzegovina (2016)
Dates	2016 - 2020
Occupation or position held	Project Coordinator Austrian Partnership Programme in Higher Education and Research for Development (APPEAR): “Advanced Academic Partnership on Legal and Human Rights Education (AAPLHRE)” with Human Rights Centre of University of Addis Ababa and Ethiopian Civil Service University (ECSU) as well as regional Ethiopian universities
Type of Business or sector	Academic Institution
Dates	2017-2020
Occupation or position held	Leader of research project: Transnational Governance of Irregular Migration and the Transformation of Citizenship
Dates	2017-2020
Occupation or position held	Project leader Erasmus+ Capacity-building “Promoting Migration Studies in Higher Education” (PROMIG) with Universities from Caucasus region and Afghanistan Academic Institution
Dates	November -December 2018
Occupation or position held	Single Expert report under OSCE Moscow Mechanism on “Human Rights Violations in Chechnya”
Dates	September-November 2020
Occupation or position held	Single Expert report under OSCE Moscow Mechanism on “Presidential elections and Major Human Rights Violations” in Belarus
Dates	February 2019 - July 2021
Occupation or position held	Leader of research project: NoHate@WebStyria

Education and Training

Dates	1974
Title of qualification awarded	Doctorate in Law
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Karl-Franzens University Graz
Dates	1975/1976
Title of qualification awarded	Studies at University of Paris I, II, X
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Karl-Franzens University Graz
Dates	1977
Title of qualification awarded	Master in Economics
Principal subjects/Occupational skills covered	Social and Economic Sciences
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Karl-Franzens University Graz
Dates	1979/1980
Title of qualification awarded	Scientific Staff Member at Max-Planck Institute of international and foreign public law, Heidelberg
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Max-Planck Institute of international and foreign public law, Heidelberg
Dates	1980/1982
Title of qualification awarded	Legal Officer in International Law Office of Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Vienna
Dates	1984
Title of qualification awarded	Internship with General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT)
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Geneva
Dates	1988
Title of qualification awarded	Habilitation thesis
Principal subjects/Occupational skills covered	International Law and the Law of International Organizations
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	University of Graz
Dates	1989/1990-1991
Title of qualification awarded	Visiting Professorships at Universities of Rutgers, Camden, NY (1989) and Augsburg, Germany (1990/91)
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	

Mother tongue(s)

German

Other language(s)

Self-assessment

European level ()*

English

French

Understanding				Speaking				Writing	
Listening		Reading		Spoken interaction		Spoken production			
C1	Proficient User	C1	Proficient User	C1	Proficient User	C1	Proficient User	C1	Proficient User
C1	Proficient User	C1	Proficient User	C1	Proficient User	C1	Proficient User	B2	Independent User

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