

Curriculum Vitae



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Personal Data

Date of Birth: September 12, 1967; Place of Birth: Graz, Austria

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Main Areas of Research

Private international law and conflict of laws, consumer law, behavioral law and economics, contract law, property law, European private law, comparative private law, CISG

Main Research Projects

1995 – 1998 APART-Scholarship of the Austrian Academy of Sciences 1995-1998 for the project ‘Basic Questions of the Unification of Contract Law in the European Union’

2005 – 2011 Head of the research project ‘Transfer of Movable’ sponsored by the Austrian Research Fund (FWF) and the EU (FP 6 EU Framework Program project: EU Network of Excellence ‘Common Principles of European Contract Law’)

- 2001 – 2009 Member of the Study Group on a European Civil Code (SGECC); co-author of Book VIII (Acquisition and Loss of Ownership of Goods) of the DCFR (Draft Common Frame of Reference) 2009
- 2011 – 2016 Austrian expert in the FP 7 EU Framework Program research project TENLAW (main coordinator Christoph Schmid, University of Bremen)
- 2014 – pres. Contract Decisions of Consumers between Law and Psychology (CLP): interdisciplinary research project (law, psychology, economics) funded by the University of Graz (program “Unconventional Research” and area of excellence “Smart Regulation”), “Land Steiermark” (state government of Styria), OeNB (Austrian National Bank).
- 2011 – 2013/17 Publication of handbook and student book in Private International Law (Verlag Österreich) – standard textbook for students and practitioners, together with *Martina Melcher*.
- 2015-2017 Notaries for Europe – Formation II (EU Commission project) – with CNUE (Conseil des notariats de l’Union Européenne), scientific advisor, topic : The EU Regulation 650/2012 on Successions
- 2019-2020 Publication of treatise on EU Private Economic Law together with *Martina Melcher*.

Employment Record

- 1988 - 1989 Research Assistant
Institute of Private Law, University of Graz, Austria
- 1990 - 1991 Assistant
Institute of Private Law, Department of Conflict of Laws, Comparative Law and Uniform Private Law, University of Graz, Austria
- 1991 - 1999 Assistant Professor
Institute of Private Law, Department of Conflict of Laws, Comparative Law and Uniform Private Law, University of Graz, Austria
- 1995 - 1998 Research Fellow
Max-Planck-Institute of Foreign and Private Int’l Law Hamburg, Germany
- 1999 - 2000 Associate Professor of Law
Institute of Private Law, Department of Conflict of Laws, Comparative Law and Uniform Private Law, University of Graz, Austria
- 2000 - 2003 Full Professor of Law
Head of the Institute of Comparative Law and Conflict of Laws,
Paris-Lodron-University Salzburg, Austria

- 2003 – pres. Full Professor of Law
Institute of Civil Law, Foreign Law and Private International Law,
University of Graz, Austria
- 2013 - pres Head of Institute of Civil Law, Foreign Law and Private International Law
- 2001 - 2003 Member of the Senate of the University of Salzburg
- 2011 - 2017 Member of the Senate of the University of Graz
- 2004 – pres Member of the Central Works Council (Betriebsrat), University of Graz

Education

- 1985 ‘Matura’ (Abitur, final exam in high school) with distinction (A+)
- 1989 Magister iur. (Master of Law), University of Graz, Austria
- 1992 Doktor iur. (Ph.D.) summa cum laude
University of Graz, Austria
- 1994 LL.M. (cum laude), Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Mass./USA
Joseph H. Beale Prize in “Conflict of Laws”, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Mass/USA
- 1994 New York Bar Exam
- 1995 Attorney-at-Law (New York)
- 1995 **Diploma of International Law**, Hague Academy of International Law, NL
- 1999 Habilitation thesis ‘Grundfragen der Vereinheitlichung des Vertragsrechts in der Europäischen Union’ (Basic Questions of the Unification of Contract Law in the European Union) – Venia Docendi for ‘Civil Law, Private International law, Comparative Law, Uniform Private Law, European Law and Commercial Law’, Karl-Franzens-University Graz

Awards and Scholarships

- Scholarships awarded for excellent grades in 1986/87, 1987/88, University of Graz, Law Faculty
- Fulbright Scholarship and Frank Boas Scholarship for International Legal Studies 1993/94
- Scholarship of Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Mass./USA 1993/94, World Fellowship of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Austin, Texas/USA 1993/94
- Joseph H. Beale Prize for Conflict of Laws 1994, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Mass./USA
- Diploma of International Law, Hague Academy of International Law, 1995
- APART-Scholarship of the Austrian Academy of Sciences 1995-1998 for the project ‘Basic Questions of the Unification of Contract Law in the European Union’

