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I. Curriculum vitae

born 1969 in Hermannstadt (Sibiu) / Romania; emigration to Germany 1980; married, two children

Academic education, qualifications

- 1991-1999 East European Studies; East- and Southeast European History at the Free University of Berlin and the School for Slavonic and East European Studies London; Stipend from Evangelische Studienstiftung; Overall mark: excellent (*sehr gut*)
MA Thesis (excellent – *sehr gut*): Agrarpopulismus in Rumänien. Programmatik und Regierungspraxis der Bauernpartei und der Nationalbäuerlichen Partei Rumäniens in der Zwischenkriegszeit (=Rumänien-Studien, 1), St. Augustin 2001.
- 2000-2004 Fellowship for dissertation at the Center for Comparative European History, Free University of Berlin; date: 25.8.2004. Mark: *Summa cum laude*
Dissertation: Staatsbürger auf Widerruf. Juden und Muslime als Alteritätspartner im rumänischen und serbischen Nationscode. Ethnonationale Staatsbürgerschaftskonzeptionen, 1878-1941 (=Balkanologische Veröffentlichungen, 41), Harrassowitz Verlag: Wiesbaden 2005.
- 1.2019 Finished Habilitatio at the Faculty for Social Sciences and Philosophy of the University of Leipzig; date: 29.1.2019. Venia legendi for Comparative History of European Cultures and Societies (Vergleichende Kultur- und Gesellschaftsgeschichte Europas)
Publication: Bodeneigentum und Nation. Rumänien, Jugoslawien und Polen im europäischen Vergleich (1918–1948) (=Moderne europäische Geschichte, 17), Wallstein Verlag: Göttingen 2020.

Employment

- 2005-2009 Researcher at the Institute for Cultural Studies at the University of Leipzig; Coordination of an international research project funded by the VolkswagenStiftung: „Land Law, Cadaster and Land Registers in Eastern Europe 1918–1945–1989. Poland, Romania, and Yugoslavia in Comparison“
- 2009-2013 Researcher at the Leipzig Centre for the History and Culture of East Central Europe (GWZO); Coordination of the research group „Legal Cultures in 20th Century East Central Europe: Material and Immaterial Property Rights“
- 2011/2012 Professor for East Central European Cultural Studies at the Institute of Slavic Studies of the University of Leipzig; Head of the Master Studies „European Studies“ at the Global and European Studies Institute of the University of Leipzig (replacing Prof. Dr. Stefan Troebst).
- 2012/2013 Fellow at Imre Kertész Kolleg Jena

- since 2014 Senior Researcher at the Leipzig Centre for the History and Culture of East Central Europe (GWZO); Coordinator and co-director (with Stefan Troebst) of the research group „Processes of Juridification in International Relations: How Conflicts in Eastern Europe Shaped Modern International Law“
- 4.-6.2019 Guest Professor at the Institute of Eastern European History, Faculty of Historical and Cultural Studies of at the University of Vienna
- 2017-2019 Senior Researcher at Leibniz Institute for the History and Culture of Eastern Europe (GWZO), Department “Entanglements and Globalisation”
- 2020-2021 Co-leader and co-ordinator of the project „Contested Waterway. Governance and Ecology on the Lower Danube, 1800–2018“, with Dr. Luminita, GWZO
Senior Researcher at the Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Development in Transition Economies (IAMO), project „Potentiale und Grenzen aufholenden Wachstums: Globalisierungsprozesse im Schwarzmeerraum, 1850-1939“
- since 9.2020 Member of Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence at the Universität of Leipzig „Die Europäische Union und ihre ländliche Peripherie in Ostmitteleuropa“
- 2021/2022 Professor for East Central European Cultural Studies at the Institute of Slavic Studies of the University of Leipzig; Head of the Master Studies „European Studies“ at the Global and European Studies Institute of the University of Leipzig
- since 1.2021 Project-leader „The Romanian-Hungarian Optants Question in European Perspective“, Romanian Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding
- since 4.2021 Senior Researcher “Rechtsstaatlichkeit in Ostmitteleuropa. Die gesellschaftliche Einbettung von Akteurspräferenzen verstehen und kontextsensibel handeln”, at the University of Leipzig

Third-party funding

From 2005 until 2021 I have acquired alone and together with colleagues the following third-party fundings worth **2,46 Mio. EUR.**

1. VolkswagenStiftung, **320.200.- EUR** (duration: 2005-2009) Research project: Bodenrecht, Kataster und Grundbuchwesen im östlichen Europa. 1918 – 1945 – 1989. Polen, Rumänien und Jugoslawien im Vergleich Proposal, PI and coordination Dietmar Müller, directors: Prof. Dr. Hannes Siegrist, Prof. Dr. Stefan Troebst, Prof. Dr. Bogdan Murgescu
2. Bundesstiftung zur Aufarbeitung der SED-Diktatur, **20.000.- EUR** (duration: 2008-2009) International Conference „Der Hitler-Stalin-Pakt 1939. Grenzverschiebungen, Verfolgung, Deportationen und die Erinnerungskultur im östlichen Europa“; Redaktion und Druckkosten des Sammelbands „Der Hitler-Stalin-Pakt 1939 in den Erinnerungskulturen der Europäer“, Proposal, PI Dietmar Müller with Prof. Dr. Bochmann, Prof. Dr. Stefan Troebst, Dr. Vasile Dumbrava u.a.
3. Sächsisches Ministerium des Innern, Umfang **4.500.- EUR** (duration: 2008-2009) Exhibition, „Der Hitler-Stalin-Pakt 1939. Grenzverschiebungen, Verfolgung, Deportationen und die Erinnerungskultur im östlichen Europa“, proposal amd PI Dietmar Müller with Prof. Dr. Bochmann, Ines Keske, Dr. Vasile Dumbrava
4. „Stiftung „Erinnerung Verantwortung und Zukunft“ (EVZ), **25.678.- EUR** (duration: 2010, 2012); Research project in „Geschichtswerkstatt Europa“ 2010: „Die Erinnerung an den Zweiten Weltkrieg in Rumänien und Moldova. Denkmäler, Friedhöfe und Museen für Sieger, Gefallene und Holocaust-Opfer“ (11.300.- EUR) Research director Dietmar Müller, with Dr. Vasile Dumbrava, Dr. Sergiu Musteață u.a. - Research project in „Geschichtswerkstatt Europa“ 2012: „Kriegsgefangenschaft und Heimkehr im europäischen Spielfilm nach dem zweiten Weltkrieg“ (14.378.- EUR) Research director Dietmar Müller, with Dr. Lars Karl, Dr. Konstantin Tsimbaev
5. Leibniz Collaborative Excellence der Leibniz Gemeinschaft, **689.869.- EUR** Forschungsprojekt: Contested Waterway. Governance and Ecology on the Lower Danube, 1800–2018, proposal, project coordination and fellow Dietmar Müller, with PD Dr. Luminita Gatejel

6. Romanian Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding “The Romanian-Hungarian Optants Question in European Perspective” (ca. **245.000.- EUR**); director Dietmar Müller

7. Federal Ministry for Education and Science (Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung) „Rechtsstaatlichkeit in Ostmitteleuropa. Die gesellschaftliche Einbettung von Akteurspräferenzen verstehen und kontextsensibel handeln”, at the University of Leipzig (**ca. 1,16 Mio EUR**)

Professional experience – academic management

since 2005 Coordination of international research projects including personnel management

since 2006 Conception and organization of conferences und workshops (selection)

2023b: International conference “Settling and Unsettling. Towards a “Settler Turn” in the Study of the East of Europe- (1700s-Present)”, Tübingen 12.-14.10.2023, Institute for Danube Swabian History and Regional Studies, with Cristian Cercel

2023a: International Conference The Hungarian Optants Question in Transnational Perspectives. International Organizations and Legal Dispute Settlements of Economic and Minority Problems in the Interwar Period, 15./16.6.2023, University of Bucharest, with Marius Diaconescu and Andrei Florin Sora

2021: International conference “Zukunft auf dem Dorf. Zukunftskonzepte und Planungen für den ländlichen Raum im 20. Jahrhundert / Future in the village. Future concepts and planning for rural areas in the 20th century”, 1./2.7.2021, Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies (IOS), Regensburg, with Heiner Grunert, Klaus Buchenau, and Ger Duijzings

2020: International Conference „Europa von den Rändern denken“. Zum Anlass des 65. Geburtstags von Stefan Troebst”, 22.-23.1.2020 Leipzig. GWZO and SFB 1199 with the Global and European Studies Institute, the Leibniz-Wissenschaftscampus EEGA a.o. (with Adamantios Skordos and Jan Zofka)

2019d: International Workshop „Managing the Land: Agricultural and Rural Actors in Twentieth Century Europe“ (II), 11.-12.10.2019 Leipzig. GWZO with European University Institute, Florence und Utrecht University (with Corinna Unger, Liesbeth van de Grift)

2019c: Third Author Workshop: International Law and History: Eastern Europe in a Global Perspective – A Handbook”, 5.-7.9.2019 Leipzig

2019b: Second Author Workshop: International Law and History: Eastern Europe in a Global Perspective – A Handbook”, 4.-5.7.2019 Leipzig

2019a: International Workshop „Managing the Land: Agricultural and Rural Actors in Twentieth Century Europe“ (I), 11.-12.4.2019 Florence. GWZO with European University Institute, Florence and Utrecht University (with Corinna Unger, Liesbeth van de Grift)

2018: First Author Workshop “International Law and History: Eastern Europe in a Global Perspective – A Handbook”, 29.-30.10.2018 Leipzig

2017: International conference “Institutions and International Law in Eastern Europe”, 28.-29.9.2017 Leipzig (with Isabella Löhr)

2016a: International conference „State Socialism, Legal Experts and the Genesis of International Criminal and Humanitarian Law after 1945“, 24.-26.11.2016 Berlin. GWZO with the University of Exeter and the Humboldt University of Berlin (with Raluca Grosescu, Ned Richardson-Little and Marcus Payk)

2016b: International Workshop „Mädchenhandel und Völkerrecht. Internationale Verrechtlichungsprozesse vom 19. Jahrhundert bis zur Gegenwart“, 4.-5.11.2016 Leipzig. GWZO (with Sonja Dolinsek, Dietlind Hüchtke and Kathleen Zeidler)

2015: International conference: „East European Cataclysms and the Making of Modern International Law“, 26.-29.9.2015 Lviv. GWZO with the National Ivan Franko University of Lviv, the Catholic Ukrainian University and the Lviv Centre for International Law and Human Rights (with Stefan Troebst)

2013a: Workshop “100 Years On: The Carnegie Report on the Causes and Conduct of the Balkan Wars of 1912/13”, 4.-5.7.2013 Leipzig. GWZO (with Stefan Troebst)

- 2013b: International conference „Phantom borders and legal regionalism. The legal culture in post-imperial and post-national context in East Central Europe“, 28.-30.11.2013 Cluj-Napoca. GWZO with Centre Marc Bloch, the University of Siegen, the University of Cluj-Napoca and the Romanian Academy of Sciences
- 2013c: Summer school „Predarea istoriei și modelarea identităților multiple ale tinerilor Europeani la începutul secolului XXI“ at the Babeș-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca, 22.-28.7.2013 (with Toader Nicoară, Bogdan Murgescu and Ovidiu Ghitta)
- 2011a: International Workshop „Phantomgrenzen und Regionen. Für eine Kulturgeschichte des Rechts in Ostmittel- und Südosteuropa“, 11.-12.11.2011 Leipzig. GWZO with the University of Siegen and Centre Marc Bloch (with Claudia Kraft)
- 2011b: International Workshop „Rechtskultur im östlichen Europa (18.-20. Jahrhundert). Forschungstendenzen und Desiderata“, 27.-28.1.2011 GWZO Leipzig
- 2010: 49. International academic summer school of Südosteuropa-Gesellschaft, Tutzing, 4.-8.10.2010 (with Wim van Meurs), „Politische Institutionen und Kultur in Südosteuropa“
- 2009a: International Conference „Der Hitler-Stalin-Pakt 1939. Grenzverschiebungen, Verfolgung, Deportationen und die Erinnerungskultur im östlichen Europa“, 21.-23.8.2009 Leipzig. Moldova-Institut Leipzig with Bundesstiftung Aufarbeitung der SED-Diktatur, Saxonian Ministry of the Interior, University of Leipzig, GWZO, Polish Institute in Leipzig, Zeitgeschichtliches Forum Leipzig
- 2009b: International Conference „Professions and Property in Eastern Europe (19th and 20th Centuries)“, 19.-20.6.2009 Belgrade. Institute for Cultural Studies, Leipzig with GWZO, and Philosophical Faculty of the University of Belgrade and the Institute for Contemporary History of Serbia
- 2009c: Workshop „Die Erinnerung an den Zweiten Weltkrieg in Rumänien und in der Republik Moldova. Denkmäler, Friedhöfe und Museen für Sieger, Gefallene und Holocaust-Opfer“, Leipzig 6.-8.4.2009. Moldova-Institut Leipzig with ANTIM, Chișinău.
- 2008: International Conference „Tradition and Modernity in East Central European Rural Societies“. 19.-22.6.2008 Berlin. Common conference of the research projects „Land Law, Cadaster and Land Registers in Eastern Europe 1918–1945–1989. Poland, Romania, and Yugoslavia in Comparison“ (Leipzig) und „Agrarianism in East Central Europe 1850–1950“ (Frankfurt/Oder)
- 2007: International Conference „Property in Eastern Europe. The Notion, Institutions and Social Practices of Property to Land in the 20th Century“. GWZO. 30.11.-1.12. 2007 Leipzig
- 2006: International Workshop „Land Law, Cadastre and Land Registers in Eastern Europe 1918–1945–1989. Poland, Romania and Yugoslavia in Comparison“. GWZO. 22.-25.6.2006 Wrocław

Teaching and supervision

At the Free University of Berlin, the University of Leipzig (mainly in European Studies and in Global Studies) and the University of Vienna I taught 20 seminars and supervised 36 BA and MA Thesis. Currently, I supervise two dissertations.

Exhibition

- 2009: „Der Hitler-Stalin-Pakt 1939. Grenzverschiebungen, Verfolgung, Deportationen und die Erinnerungskultur im östlichen Europa“; shown in August/September 2009 in Zeitgeschichtliches Forum Leipzig; October-November 2009 and December 2010 in several schools in Saxonia, August/September 2010 in the Saxonian Ministry for the Interior etc. An exhibition of the Moldova-Institut Leipzig

Functions in research societies

- since February 2018 member of the academic board of Südosteuropa-Gesellschaft
- since 2015 member der European Rural History Organisation

- since 2015 co-editor oft he book series „Phantomgrenzen im östlichen Europa“, Wallstein Verlag
- since 2013 member of Johann Gottfried Herder-Forschungsrat
- from 2011-2019 member of the editorial team of H-Soz-Kult, in charge for Southeastern Europe; member of the steering committee
- founding member of Moldova-Institut Leipzig, member of Evangelischer Freundeskreis Siebenbürgen

Award

Award of the Südosteuropa-Gesellschaft for the dissertation

Language skills

German: maternal language

English: excellent

Romanian: excellent

Serbo-Croatian: good

French: good

Russian: passive

Polish: passive

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Müller".