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Her research foci are: social- and labour market policies, social inclusion and social inequality, poverty, precarity, history of work and non-work, unemployment labour relations and labour market issues.

**Newest publications:**

- Arbeitslose Männer und verdienstlose Frauen? Auswirkungen der austrofaschistischen Arbeitslosen- und Arbeitsmarktpolitik auf die geschlechtliche Normalisierung von Arbeitslosigkeit, in: Veronika Duma/ Linda Erker/ Veronika Helfert/ Hanna Lichtenberger (Hg.): Perspektivenwechsel. Geschlechterverhältnisse im Austrofaschismus ÖZG 3/2016, 16-43.
- Being unemployed. How unemployment was normalized by the establishment of public labour exchanges in Austria, 1918-1938, in: Beate Althammer / Lutz Raphael / Tamara Stazic-Wendt (Hg.): Rescuing the Vulnerable: Poverty, Welfare and Social Ties in Nineteenth-and Twentieth-Century Europe (= International Studies in Social History, Vol. 27), New York/ Oxford: Berghahn 2016, 283 - 302.
- Together with Jessica Richter: Die Normalität des Notbehelfs. Verwaltungspraktiken und Auskommensstrategien Erwerbsloser im Oberösterreich der Zwischenkriegszeit, in: OÖ. Landesarchiv (Hg.): Oberösterreich 1918-1938, Linz 2016, 131-205.
- The usage of public labour offices by job seekers in interwar Austria, in: Sigrid Wadauer/ Thomas Buchner / Alexander Mejstrik (Hg.): History of Labour Intermediation. Institutions and Individual Ways of Finding Employment (= International Studies in Social History, Vol. 26), New York/ Oxford: Berghahn 2015, 194-235.

**Educational Background and further training:**

PHD in social and economic history

PHD-Thesis: "The use of public labour offices (Austria 1889-1938)"

Master in Sociology. Combined with: Modern History, contemporary history, comparative political science, social philosophy.

Master-thesis: Freiheitsgewinn oder Prekarisierung? Eine empirische Typologie der Erwerbs- und Lebenslagen mehrfach beschäftigter Akademikerinnen in Wien und Umgebung.

Soqua- Vocational Qualification in the Social Science

**Work experience:**

Since April 2017: research staff ZSI

Since February 2015: Lecture at the University of Vienna (2015: Department of economic and social history; since 2015: Department of sociology)

September 2013- March 2017: Quality manager at the University for music and performing arts Vienna

2012: Research fellowship, University of Vienna

2008-2011: Research staff and PHD-Student in the ERC-Project „Production of Work“ at the department of economic and social history University of Vienna