

**SENIOR RESEARCHER (PERMANENT POSITION)**

at the **Viadrina Center B/ORDERS IN MOTION**

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**RESEARCH AREAS**

- Migration and borders in entangled perspective (thematic areas: entrepreneurship and development, war and flight, kinship and marriage, social security and care)
- Border temporalities and border complexities
- Transformations in post-war and post-socialist societies in Europe
- Geographical Focus: South-eastern Europe (especially Kosovo, Croatia, Serbia) and Germany
- Methodological Focus: Social-anthropological fieldwork (including analysis of historical data), qualitative interviews

**Previous Positions**

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| 2019-  | 2020 | European University Viadrina, Cultural Faculty                                   | Interim professorship                                     |
| 2018-  | 2019 | European University Viadrina, Viadrina Center B/ORDERS IN MOTION                 | Scientific coordinator and senior researcher              |
| 2010 - | 2017 | University of Vienna, Institute for Social Anthropology                          | Lecturer (with interruptions)                             |
| 2010 - | 2014 | University of Graz, Department of Southeastern European History and Anthropology | Senior researcher   |
| 2008-  | 2009 | University of Graz, International Office   | Coordinator for the strategy focus on Southeastern Europe |
| 2005 - | 2006 | University of Graz, Department of Southeastern European History and Anthropology | Post-doc research fellow                                  |
| 2000 - | 2004 | Max-Planck Institute for Social Anthropology Halle (Saale)                       | PdD student   |

**Education**

2018 Habilitation in social and cultural anthropology

University of Vienna

2005 PhD in social anthropology (magna cum laude)

Martin-Luther University  
Halle/Saale

1999 Magister atrium

Free University of Berlin

**Other Activities**

**Executive board and collective scientific responsibilities**

Erasmus+: Scientific Coordinator at European University of Viadrina for the exchange with the University of Prishtina (since 2019, 500K)

Südosteuropa-Gesellschaft | Southeast Europe Association: member of the Academic Advisory Board (since 07/2025)

InASEA (International Association for South Eastern European Anthropology): board member and treasurer, 2011-2018.

COST EastBordNet: Remaking Eastern Borders in Europe: A network exploring social, moral and material relocations of Europe's eastern peripheries, organized by Sarah Green, University of Manchester, COST Action IS0803: executive board member from 2008-2013.

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### Editorial responsibility

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| Since 2018 | Studia Ethnologica Croatica (Journal): Advisory Board Member   |
| Since 2016 | Etnoloska Tribina (Journal): Advisory Board Member   |
| 2011-2018  | Ethnologia Balkanica (Journal): Editorial Board Member   |
|            | Peer-reviewing for international journals, among others: Journal for Borderlands Studies, Borders in Globalization, Migration Studies, International Migration, Social Policy, Comparative Southeast European Studies, Contemporary Southeastern Europe, Südost-Forschungen, Cargo – Journal for Cultural / Social Anthropology, Social Anthropology, Ethnologia Balkanica |

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### Selection of memberships in panels or scientific reviewing activities

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| 2020      | Member of the Scientific Advisory Board of the IMISCOE 17th Annual Conference: Crossing Borders, Connecting Cultures (Luxembourg) |
| 2013-2015 | DGSKA (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sozial- und Kulturanthropologie): Deputy Speaker of the working group « Migration » 2013-15      |

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### Teaching and supervision of students

- Supervision of 2 PhD theses in progress
- Regular teaching at European University of Viadrina, wide teaching experiences, (Co-)Supervision of more than 50 Bachelor and Master theses (since 2019)
- extensive teaching experiences at national and international universities (Free University of Berlin, Humboldt University, University of Vienna, University of Graz, University of Zagreb, University of Pristina, University of Tbilissi)

## Scientific output and merits

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### Principal Investigator (PI) and project partner in selected funded international research projects

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| 2025-2028 | Co-leader of the DFG-ANR-research project "A still divided sky? Entanglements and asymmetries along the former inner-German border" (together with Prof. Dr. Laure der Verdalle, Prof. Dr. Béatrice von Hirschhausen (CNRS und Centre Marc-Bloch) (1,1 Mio. (680 K for Viadrina))                       |
| 2022-2025 | Co-leader of the Leibniz Excellence Initiative funded research project TraFFF "Families, Farms and Firms in a Transnational Context: Migrant Entrepreneurs in Kosovo and Serbia since the 1960s" (together with Prof. Ulf Brunnbauer, IOS, and Dr. Judith Möllers, IAMO) (€ 805 K (270 K for Viadrina)) |
| 2019-2023 | Erasmus+ Strategic Partnership-Project "GlocalEast - Developing a new curriculum in Global Migration, Diaspora and Border Studies in East-Central Europe"; (Partner universities: Bratislava (lead), Bologna, Zagreb, Belgrad, Kaunas) (€ 418 K (87 K for Viadrina))                                    |
| 2019-2022 | Co-leader of the Franco-German workshop series "Border Complexities." Funded by the DFH (German-French University). " (Project partners: Universities of Flensburg, Metz, Paris, Luxembourg) (€ 25 K, (€ 8 K for Viadrina))   |

- 2019-2020 Co-leader of „Ein immer noch geteilter Himmel? Deutschlands Osten und Westen dreißig Jahre nach der Wiedervereinigung“ / « Un ciel toujours partagé? Sociétés et territoires allemands de l'Est et de l'Ouest, trente ans après la Réunification » Funded (€ 16 K) by the Centre interdisciplinaire d'études et de recherche sur l'Allemagne (CIERA) and other Partner
- 2018-2020 Head of the Seed-Money funded research group "Border and Boundary Studies", Viadrina Center B/ORDERS IN MOTION
- 2020 Coordinator of the DAAD University Dialogue Project "The countries of the former Yugoslavia as a "double transit space": Solidarities, border demarcations and border crossings between migrants and the local population on the way to the EU" (Project partners: University of Zagreb and University of Belgrade, University of Bihac) (€ 40 K)
- 2019 Coordinator of the DAAD University Dialogue Project "Interstices in Memory Landscapes: Holocaust/Porajmos", together with Snezana Stankovic, (project partners: University of Zagreb and University of Belgrade). (€ 40 K)
- 2015 Senior Fellowship at the Imre-Kertész-Kolleg, University of Jena, gesellschaftlichen Transformationen in Osteuropa im 20. Jahrhundert (€ 35 K)