

Curriculum Vitae

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Current Position

Co-Investigator and PostDoc
Humboldt University Berlin, Faculty of Law
DFG Research Unit 2265 “Law – Gender – Collectivity” (Project A)
PI Prof. Dr. Susanne Baer, LL.M

Research Areas

Legal Gender Studies, Focus: Human Rights
Refugee- and Forced Migration Studies
Critical Environmental Law and Climate Litigation

Education and Professional Appointments

- 2019 PhD in Law
University of Vienna
PhD Fellowship “Gender Violence and Agency in the Era of
Globalization”, Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Elisabeth Holzleithner
- 2013 Visiting Researcher
& Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
- 2016 Amsterdam Centre for Migration & Refugee Law
Prof. Dr. Thomas Spijkerboer

Grants, Awards and Fundings

- 2021-2023 Research Group “Normative Challenges to the European Asylum System, Center
for Interdisciplinary Research”, Bielefeld University (Convenor)
- 2020 “Flucht-Geschlecht-Sexualität. Eine menschenrechtsbasierte Perspektive auf
Grundversorgung und Asylstatus”, PhD Thesis, published by Verlag Österreich
(Juristische Schriftenreihe), awarded with the National Gabriele Possanner-Grant
and the Research Grant Pride Biz Austria

Academic Memberships (Selection)

AT Gender, European Association for Gender Research, Education and
Documentation, Board Member
Center for Transdisciplinary Gender Studies, HU Berlin
German Network for Forced Migration, Editorial Member (Blog)
Research Section Gender & Forced Migration

Previously, I practiced law in Vienna (last: Austrian Supreme Administrative Court, Legal
Clerk, Judge Hofrat Mag. Peter Nedwed), and I still work closely with practitioners,
institutions such as the UNHCR and civil society actors in both Germany and Austria.