

Curriculum Vitae

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Machteld VENKEN

Full Professor in Contemporary Transnational History, permanent position, University of Luxembourg (since 01.11.2019)

Research Associate, European University Institute, Florence (since 01.09.2020)

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Interests: comparative and transnational modern and contemporary European history, war and its aftermath, migration, border regions, children, gender, citizen science

COMMITTEES

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| 2020-2022 | Member of the Evaluation Jury, MA in European History, University of Luxembourg |
| 2020-2022 | Panel Member of the History Panel evaluating applications for the Academy of Finland |
| 2021 | Member of the Selection Committee for an Assistant Professorship in Transmedia Storytelling, University of Luxembourg |
| 2021 | Member of the Jury, PhD defence Jakub Gałęziowski, University of Warsaw |
| 2021 | Member of the Jury, PhD defence Izabela Mrzygłód, University of Warsaw |
| 2020 | President of the Jury, PhD defence Anita Lucchesi, University of Luxembourg |
| 2019 | Panel Member of the Evaluation Commission of the Institute for the Study of Totalitarian Regimes (Czech Republic) |

SUPERVISION

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| 2022 | MA thesis supervision: Alma Sabotic (University of Luxembourg) |
| 2021- | Co-supervisor of postdoctoral researcher Estelle Bunout: 'Polish Migration to Luxembourg' |
| 2020- | Promotor of PhD Candidate Johanna Jaschik: 'Talking Borders. From Local Expertise to Global Exchange' |
| 2022- | Promotor of PhD Candidate Véronique Faber: 'A Transregional History of the Luxembourg City Funfair' (Popkult60 Research project funded by DFG /FNR) |

- 2020- Member of the PhD supervising Committee of Thomas Briamont (University of Liège)
- 2021- Supervisor of student assistant Benjamin Juchem (Nodegoat – migrants' arrival in Dudelange in 1924)
- 2011 Supervisor of four MA theses: KU Leuven, European Studies Programme
- 2007 Co-supervisor of two MA theses: KU Leuven, History

EDITORIAL ACTIVITIES AND BOARDS

- 2022 Member of the Program Committee of the 2022 Digital Humanities Conference Benelux
- Since 2020 Member of the International Federation for Public History Curriculum and Training Committee
- Since 2020 Member of the Scientific Committee of the Association for Borderlands Studies Third World Conference (Israel, 2023)
- Since 2020 Co-editor of the De Gruyter Book Series *Migrations in History*
- Since 2019 Member of the editorial board of the international peer-reviewed journal *Eurasia Border Review*
- Since 2019 Member of the editorial board of the international peer-reviewed journal *Borders in Globalization Review*
- Since 08.2012 Initiator and co-editor of the Peter Lang Book Series: *Studies in Contemporary History*
- Since 09.2011 Co-founder and member of the editorial board of *Tijd-Schrift* (a Belgian scientific journal)

PROFESSIONAL CAREER

- 05.2022-06.2022 **Visiting Professor**, Université de Lorraine
- Since 11.2019 Full **Professor** in Contemporary Transnational History, permanent position, University of Luxembourg
- 06.2019-11.2019 **Innoviris Project Leader**, Vrije Universiteit Brussels (Belgium)
- 08.2018-05.2019 **Long-Term Visiting Fellow**, Imre Kertesz Kolleg / Institute for Advanced Studies, Friedrich Schiller University, Jena (Germany)
- 04.2018-12.2018 **Top Citizen Science Grant Project Leader**, the Institute for East-European History, University of Vienna (Austria)
- 10.2017-06.2018 **Lecturer**, Faculty of Education, University of Vienna (Austria)
- 04.2014-04.2018 **Elise Richter Fellowship**, the Institute for East-European History, University of Vienna

- 12.2011-04.2014 **Lise Meitner Fellowship**, the Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for European History and Public Spheres, Vienna (until 05.2013) and the Institute for East-European History, University of Vienna (from 06.2013)
- 06.2011-12.2011 **Bronislaw Geremek Fellowship**, the College of Europe Natolin Campus, Warsaw (Poland)
- 01.2011-06.2011 **Postdoctoral Researcher**, the German Historical Institute in Warsaw
- 10.2009-01.2011 **Postdoctoral Researcher**, Catholic University of Leuven (Belgium)
- 01.2009-09.2009 **Visiting Scholar**, Warsaw University
- 01.2009-09.2009 **Attaché for Social Affairs**, Second Secretary to the Ambassador, Embassy of the Netherlands in Warsaw (66 percent part-time position)
- 01.2005-12.2008 **Scientific Collaborator** in History at KU Leuven
- 09-12.2004 **Internship** at the Gas Centre of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, Geneva (Switzerland)

FUNDING ID

- 01.10.2021-30.09.2025 Leader within a bilateral German-Luxembourgish **DFG-FNR Research Group** (PI: Dietmar Hüser and Andreas Fickers): Transnational popular culture in Europe in the long 1960s (Popkult60)
- 01.09.2020-31.08.2025 Work Package Leader in the **European Research Council** Advanced Grant SOCIOBORD (PI: Laura Lee Downs): Social Welfare in European Borderlands (1870-2000)
- 01.06.2019-31.05.2022 Attract Brains for Brussels Grant / **Innoviris. Brussels: Bordering Brussels. A Citizen Science Project in the Humanities**
- 01.08.2018-31.05.2019 Imre Kertesz Kolleg Long Term Visiting Scholarship (**Friedrich Schiller University, Jena**): Borders in Europe and Beyond
- 16.04.2018-31.07.2018 Top Citizen Science Leader / the **Austrian Science Fund**: Talking Borders. From Local Expertise to Global Exchange
- 16.04.2014-15.04.2018 Senior Postdoctoral Researcher Grant / the **Austrian Science Fund**: Nationalising the Young in European Borderlands
- 16.12.2011-15.04.2014 Senior Postdoctoral Researcher Grant / the **Austrian Science Fund**: War Memories. Border Regions' Children in Europe (1945-1970)
- 09.2009-06.2013 Postdoctoral Research Grant from the **Polish Ministry of Sciences and Higher Education**: An Oral History of Polish Ex-Combatants (Warsaw University, Project Manager of an interdisciplinary team consisting of four postdoctoral researchers)

- 10.2009-13.01.2011 Postdoctoral Grant from the Exceptional **Research Fund of KU Leuven: Giving meaning to migration**. Polish migrants in Belgium and their relatives and friends who stayed in or returned to Poland (1945–2008)
- 01.2005-12.2008 PhD Project Grant from the **Flemish Fund for Scientific Research: Polish and Ukrainian Migrants in Belgium (1945-1989)**. KU Leuven – supervised by Professor Idesbald Goddeeris)

EDUCATION

- 2018 **Habilitation in Modern and Contemporary History** (Defence 02.05.2018 with the thesis: *Borderland Children in Europe (1871-1940)*, University of Vienna – no grades are given)
- 2005-2008 **Doctoral student in History** (Defence 19.12.2008 with the thesis: *Straddling the Iron Curtain? Migrants' War Memories*), KU Leuven – no grades are given
- 2003-2004 **Master in European Studies**, Centre for European Studies, Jagiellonian University (Cracow) in cooperation with Chicago University Magna cum laude
- 2002-2003 **Master after Master in Policy Economics**, KU Leuven Magna cum laude
- 2000-2002 **Master in Slavonic Languages and Cultures**, KU Leuven Maxima cum laude
- 1998-2000 **Candidate in Slavonic Languages and Cultures**, KU Leuven Magna cum laude
- 1992-1998 Grammar School, **Old Greek and Latin**, Jesuit College Turnhout Cum laude

ORGANIZED CONFERENCES (selection)

- 23-24.03.2022 Co-organizer of the workshop *Archives documenting the history of cross-border cooperation in Europe: past, present and future* (Luxembourg)
- 10.12.2021 Co-organizer of the workshop *Migration, identity & integration: A socio-historical database of Dudelange, 1870s-1930s* (Luxembourg)
- 07-09.07.2021 Co-organizer of the panel series *Doing Historical Research on Migration in the Digital Age: Theories, Concepts and Methods* on the IMISCOE Conference (Luxembourg)
- 05-07.06.2019 Co-organizer of the conference *Beyond 1989. Childhood and Youth in Times of Political Transformation in the 20th Century* (Technical University Dresden, Central European University and Friedrich Schiller University of Jena)
- 10-15.07.2018 **Conference Chair** of the *Association for Borderland Studies World Conference* (University of Vienna, Central European University Budapest), 560 submissions (www.abs2018world.com)

- 15-16.01.2015 Organizer of the conference *Growing Up in European Borderlands* (University of Vienna)
- 13.-15.12.2012 Co-organizer of the conference *War Children in the Post-war: A West-East perspective on child policies, child experiences and war childhood remembrance cultures in Europe since 1945* (University of Vienna)
- 15-16.05.2008 Co-organizer of the conference *Families, Foreignness, Migration in 20th Century Western Europe* (KU Leuven)

TEACHING

In Luxembourg (since 2020)

MA course **Migration History**

MA course **History of Cross-Border Cooperation**

MA course **East meets West. Connections and Convergencies in (Post)Cold War Europe**

In Austria

- 2018 **Introduction to Scientific Methods.** Talking Borders. From Local Expertise to Global Exchange. BA Course: University of Vienna, Department of Education. 30 hours (in German)
- 2017 **Russian Historiography.** BA Course: University of Vienna, Department of History. 30 hours (in German)
- 2017 Education – Otherness – Culture. **An Oral History of Female Scientists.** MA Course: University of Vienna, Department of Education. 30 hours (in German)
- 2017 In Front Of, Above and Beyond the **Cold War** Division Fence. BA Guided Reading: University of Vienna, Department of History. 30 hours
- 2016 Tadeusz Mazowiecki Lecture Series: **The Visegrad Countries in Historical Perspective:** MA Course: University of Vienna, 30 hours (in English and German) – co-teaching with Christoph Augustynowicz, in cooperation with the Polish Embassy, The Institute of Human Sciences and the University of Vienna
- 2016 **Nationalism and Language in the Long 19th Century:** BA Guided Reading: University of Vienna, 30 hours (in English)
- 2015 **Russian Historiography:** BA Course: University of Vienna, 30 hours (in German)
- 2015 **Global History of Borderlands:** BA Proseminar: University of Vienna, 30 hours (in German)
- 2014 **History of Families and Children in 19th and 20th Century Europe:** BA Guided Reading: University of Vienna, 30 hours (in German)
- 2014 **History of Central and Eastern Europe (20th Century):** BA Guided Reading: University of Vienna, 30 hours (in German)

In Poland

2009 **Migration in 20th Century Europe**: MA course: Warsaw University, 30 hours (in English)

2009 **Liberalism and European Identities**: BA course: Jagiellonian University, 16 hours (in English)

In Belgium

2012 Guest lectures in MA Seminar **History of Central and Eastern Europe**: KU Leuven, four hours (in English)

2011 Guest lectures in MA Seminar **Social and political identities in the 19th and 20th Century**: KU Leuven, four hours (in Dutch)

2007 **Migration and Oral History**: BA Seminar: KU Leuven, 30 hours (in Dutch)

2006 ERMIONE, a **digital learning platform**: BA interactive workshop: KU Leuven, 12 hours (in Dutch, Polish and Russian).

2005 **Ombudswoman** of the Third Exam Session: KU Leuven (in Dutch)

PEER REVIEW

Journals: Contemporary European History / Memory Studies / Nationalities Papers / Frontiers in Human Dynamics / Laboratorium. Russian Review of Social Research / Low Countries Historical Review / Tijdschrift voor Genderstudies

Books: De Gruyter / Routledge / Palgrave

Science bodies: Polish National Science Center / Netherlands E-Science Center

MEMBERSHIP

- the Border Studies Center (University of Gdańsk)
- the Association for Borderlands Studies
- the Association for Slavic, Eastern European and Eurasian Studies
- the Polish Studies Association
- Belgische Vereniging voor Nieuwste Geschiedenis – l'Association belge d'histoire contemporaine
- Heemkunde Vlaanderen

OUTREACH

Blogs on personal website: www.machteldvenken.com

Open Educational Resources: Border Studies. A Global Overview (youtube videos, financed by the Bundeszentrale für politische Bildung) (2018)

Op-ed pieces: De Wereld Morgen (2017) / De Standaard (2010)

Interviews: Der Standard (2014) / De Gazet van Zurenborg (2009) / Radio Klara (2005)

Archivisation of newly created oral history sources in

the Oral-History-Archiv of the University of Graz
Phaidra (University of Vienna)

the Center for Historical Research and Documentation on War and Contemporary Society (BE)

the Royal Archives in Eupen (Belgium)

the History Meeting House (Poland)

TRAININGS

2022 GDPR training for staff members

2022 The Vistorian: Interactive Visual Network Exploration

2021 VIRT2EU Research Integrity

2021 PM2 Project Management Fundamentals

2021 Stress and Wellbeing

2020 Zotero

2019 Nodegoat

2018 Freudvoll Führen mit praxiserprobten Coachingtools

2017 Prezi: Making Conference Presentations

2016 Mentoring Program for Female Postdoctoral Researchers (Participant)

2016 Training: Q-Flow: Administering the Finances of Your Research Project

2015 Moodle: The Digital Learning Platform of the University of Vienna

LANGUAGES

Dutch: native language

English: fluent

Polish: fluent

German: C1/2 level

Russian: major language during MA studies

French: B2/2 level

Bulgarian: basic knowledge

CARING RESPONSIBILITIES

28.11.2012-28.03.2013 Pregnancy leave, premature baby (16 weeks - Austrian law)

02.04.2010-13.07.2010 Pregnancy leave (14 weeks - Belgian law)

HOBBIES

- violin

- swimming