


Personal Information



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Sex male | Date of birth 13/11/1966 | Nationality Austrian

WORK EXPERIENCE

04/2013 - now

Researcher / Lecturer

Danube University Krems, Department Migration and Globalisation
Dr.-Karl-Dorrek-Strasse 30, 3500 Krems, Austria
www.donau-uni.ac.at

- Research on youth and migration
- Correspondent to the European Knowledge Center for Youth Policy (EKCYP)
- Lecture on methods of social research, on radicalisation and extremism, on youth culture

[University](#)

09/2013 – 09/2017

Lecturer

Pädagogische Hochschule Niederösterreich,
Mühlgasse 67
2500 Baden bei Wien
www.ph-noe.ac.at

Lecturer for Sociology, social research

[Teacher Training University](#)

01/2017 - now

Honorary chairperson - advisor

Social Identity Research, Einwanggasse 21/2/7, 1140 Wien
www.socialidentityresearch.eu

- Planning & coordination of research projects on youth work
- Trainer on qualitative research methods

[Private non-profit research institute](#)

01/2001 – 04/2013

Senior researcher

jugendkultur.at – Institut für Jugendkulturforschung, Alserbachstraße 18, 1090 Wien
www.jugendkultur.at

- Research activities in various fields of research (quantitative and qualitative), including youth culture, participation, health, leisure time, values and attitudes
- Trainer on qualitative research methods
- Trainer on international comparative qualitative research
- Evaluation of prevention and participatory projects

[Private non-profit research institute](#)

10/2006 – 06/2010

Lecturer

Universität für Musik und Darstellende Kunst (University for Music and Applied Arts)

- seminars on sociological research methodology

[University](#)

01/1997 – 12/2000

Research / managing director

OEIJ – Austrian Institute for Youth Research

- Research, research design, training, management

[Private non-profit research institute](#)

10/1995 – 08/1996 **Teacher**
 BRG XV, Diefenbachgasse,
 ▪ Teacher for Mathematic, Psychology/Philosophy
 Secondary education

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

09/2017 – ongoing **PhD programme Migration Studies** MA
 Danube University

09/1989 – 06/1994 **Mag. phil.** MA
 Universität Wien – Philosophische Fakultät (University of Vienna, Department of Philosophy)
 ▪ Philosophy, Psychology, Pedagogy – main subject: Philosophy of History, Systems of political thinking

09/1984 – 06/1989 **Mag.rer.nat.** MA
 Universität Wien – Naturwissenschaftliche Fakultät (University of Vienna, Department of Mathematics)
 ▪ Mathematics – main subject: Algebra, regular semi groups and monoids

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue(s) German

Other language(s)	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	C2	C2	C2	C2	C1
Spanish	B1	B1	A2	A1	A1
Russian	B1	B1	A2	A2	A2
Replace with name of language certificate. Enter level if known.					

Levels: A1/2: Basic user - B1/2: Independent user - C1/2 Proficient user
 Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

- Communication skills
 - Very good communication skills
 - public speaker
 - presentation skills
- Organisational / managerial skills
 - management of research studies;
 - leadership (managing director in the Austrian Institute for Youth research)
- Job-related skills
 - quantitative and qualitative research
- Computer skills
 - good command of Microsoft Office™ tools
 - SPSS
- Other skills
 - good knowledge of (youth) policy (programming and evaluation)
 - networking
 - creative and solution minded

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Publications
- Presentations
- Projects
- Conferences
- Seminars
- Honours and awards
- Memberships
- References

Publications (e.g.)

- Prinzjakowitsch, Werner / Zentner, Manfred, *Jugend im Öffentlichen Raum, Veränderungen vor und durch die Pandemie, Handlungsempfehlungen für Stadtverwaltungen und Jugendarbeit*, in deutsche jugend, Ausgabe 2, Jahr 2023, Seite 59 – 67. DOI: 10.3262/DJ2302059
- *Zeit in der Jugendforschung*, in: Zeit und Offene Kinder- und Jugendarbeit, Wien, 2022, 135-140
- Ord, J.; Carletti, M.; Morciano, D.; Siurala, L.; Dansac, C.; Cooper, S.; Fyfe, I.; Kötsi, K.; Sinisalo-Juha, E.; Taru, M. & Zentner, M., *European Youth Work Policy and Young People's Experience of Open Access Youth Work* in: Journal of Social Policy, (2021), pp. 1–21.
- Zentner, Manfred / Ord, Jon, *European Youth Work Policy Context*, chapter one of The impact of Youth Work in Europe. A Study of Five European Countries, pp. 17-31, Helsinki, 2018
- Zentner, Manfred / Beweis, Alexandra, *Finding common ground without losing your own. Results of the project 'Mapping Professional Open Youth Work in Europe'* in: International Journal of Open Youth. Learning from Practice, February 2018, Issue 2, pp.48-60
- Petkovic, Sladjana / Zentner, Manfred, *Education and training for the development of professional youth work practice and quality standards*, in: Thinking seriously about Youth Work. And how to prepare people to do it, pp. 271-284, Strasbourg 2017
- *Young people's participation in the globalised world*. In: Friedrich Altenburg, Anna Faustmann, Thomas Pfeffer, Isabella Skrivaneck, Migration und Globalisierung in Zeiten des Umbruchs. Festschrift für Gudrun Biffl: 315-330, edition Donau-Universität Krems, Krems (2017)
- Trnka-Kwiecinski, Aga/ Zentner, Manfred, *Vom Suchen und Finden und (Nicht)Gefunden Werden Wollen 2.0 – Über Generationsübergreifende Migrationserfahrungen* in Digital Migration. Konstruktion – Strategien – Bewegungen, Wien 2016
- *Body, health and the universe – a polemic and critical review of youth health behaviour*, in: Perspectives on Youth. Healthy Europe: confidence and uncertainty for young people in contemporary Europe, No. 3, pp145-154 (2016)
- *Observations on the so-called "magic triangle" or: Where has all the magic gone?* In: History of Youth Work in Europe. Autonomy through dependency – Histories of co-operation, conflict and innovation in youth work, pp.73-82 (2016)
- Biffl, Gudrun / Zentner, Manfred, *Soziale Netzwerke und ihr Einfluss auf Bildungs- und Berufsentscheidungen*, in; Migration und Integration 5, Bad Vöslau (2015)
- *Identität als Inszenierung*, in: Migration und Integration 4, Wien-Mühlheim/Rhein, 2014
- *Youth policy in Belgium* (together with Gazela Pudar et al.), Strasbourg, CoE Publishing, 2013
- The history of youth work and youth policy in Austria, in: The history of youth work in Europe, Volume 3, Strasbourg, CoE Publishing, 2012
- *La participation à la vie publique des jeunes en Europe*, in : Informations sociales No 165/166, Politiques de la jeunesse en Europe, Mai-Juin-Juillet-Août 2011, pp 46-48
- *Jugendliche zwischen Individualisierung und Gemeinschaft*, in: Erziehung & Unterricht. Österreichische Pädagogische Zeitschrift, 9-10/2011, 824-832
- *Young people, culture and new technologies*. in: Bendit, R. / Hahn-Bleibtreu, M (eds): Youth transitions. Processes of social inclusion and patterns of vulnerability in a globalised world, Opladen & Farmland Hills 2008, pp 273-283
- *Youth Policy in Hungary* (together with Andreas Walther et al.), CoE Publishing, 2008
- *Jugendliches Risikoverhalten*. in: Einwanger, J. (Hg): Mut zum Risiko. Herausforderungen für die Arbeit mit Jugendlichen, München, 2007, pp 45-51
- *Diverse knowledge and emergent national networks*. in: Milmeister, M. / Williamson, H (eds): Dialogues and networks. Organising exchanges between youth field actors, Esch/Alzette 2006, pp 117-134
- *Youth scenes in Austria* (with B. Grossegger, B. Heinzlmaier), in: Transition of youth citizenship in Europe, Strasbourg 2001, pp 193-216.
- *4. Bericht zur Lage der Jugend. Teil A: Jugendradar* (4th report on the situation of youth in Austria/ youth radar) (contribution) Wien 2003
- *4. Bericht zur Lage der Jugend. Teil B: Prävention in der außerschulischen Jugendarbeit* (4th report on the situation of youth in Austria / prevention in out-of school youth work), Wien 2003
- *Erlebniswelten und Gestaltungsräume* (results of the 3. report on the situation of youth in Austria) (contribution) Wien, 1997
- *Jugendmarketing. Setzen sie ihre Produkte in Szene*, (Hrsg: Grossegger / Heinzlmaier / Zentner) Wien, 1997

Seminars/Conferences (e.g.)

- Was ist Jugendarbeit? - Ansätze und Definitionen im internationalen Kontext. TCA_Seminar,

(11.11.2019, Vienna)

- Youth Worker's Perception of Extreme Behaviour, Results of the project "Providing Perspectives – Preventing Violence", YOUTH IN EUROPE – Offenburg Talks#2, (3.9.2019, Offenburg, Germany)
- The Role of Extra-curricular Youth Work for Integration, 14th ESA-Conference, (22.8.2019 Manchester, UK)
- Einstellung, Erwartungen und Ressourcen weiblicher Flüchtlinge, 5. Jahrestagung der Migrations- und Integrationsforschung in Österreich (7. 12. 2018, Vienna)
- Perspectives on European Youth Work Policy, Transformative Youth Work, International Conference, (5. 9. 2018, Plymouth Marjon University, UK)
- Place of Birth, Citizenship, Education or Social Surrounding – What Influences the Feeling of Belonging? XIX ISA World Congress of Sociology (15th – 21st July, 2018, Toronto, Canada)
- Online Worlds as Playgrounds for Identity Building. What is virtual, what is real? 3rd ISA Forum of Sociology (11.7.2016, Vienna)
- The Impact of Social Networks on Decision Making for Education Pathways, 3rd ISA Forum of Sociology (14.7.2016, Vienna)
- Education for participation in digitalised world, Symposium: Youth participation in a digitalised world, (15.9.2016 Budapest)
- Wind in the Sails: European youth mobility programs and policy - comparative study, 3rd Maynooth International Youth Studies Conference -Youth on the Move (22.6.2015, Maynooth, Ireland)
- Life situation of young people today, key note, Mind the Gap! Conference, (3.11.2014, Istanbul, Turkey)
- Youth Empowerment for political participation, key note, EU Youth Conference, (13. 10 2014, Rome, Italy)
- Observations on the magic triangle, Speaker, 5th History of Youth Work Conference, (8. – 10. 6 2014, Helsinki, Finland)
- Living together in diverse societies, Speaker at the 9th Council of Europe Conference for Ministers responsible for Youth (22. – 25. September 2012, St. Petersburg/Russia),
- The triangle of youth research, youth policy and youth work – Where has all the magic gone. Key note speaker, International Youth policy conference, (26.- 27.9.2012, Vilnius/Lithuania)
- Cultural Diversity in Winter Sports – Challenge and asset for whom. Speaker. International Winter School: Winter Sports Events – Challenges for Diversity and Inclusion. (30.1. – 2.2.2013, Kufstein/Austria)
- Creation of self-perception – lifestyle or destiny. Guest Speaker. International conference: Mind the gap – Family Socialization and Gender. (18.-20.4.2013, Belgrade/Serbia)
- Identity – lifestyle or destiny. Workshop, international conference: Youth 2020 (1.-3-9.2013, Budapest),
- Areas, dimensions and concepts of youth participation. Key Note Speaker, International seminar: Youth and Citizenship, 19.-23.11.2013, Amman/Jordan)
- Participant/contributor in various national and international conferences and seminars held by the CoE, the European Commission, the Youth Partnership of EU and CoE, DG Sanco, Austrian Ministry in charge of youth issues, Austrian Olympic Committee, Kuratorium für Verkehrssicherheit (A), Arbeiterkammer (A), CESIJ (L), Kassianum (I) and other institutions.

Trainer (e.g.)

- Twinning Hungary: Development of communal youth plans (Hungary 2007): 30 days training for 60 local youth policy makers
- Training for EKCYP-correspondents (Strasbourg 2006): 2 days training for new correspondents of European Knowledge Center for Youth Policy

Membership / Expert groups

- Advisor of PEYR – Pool of European Youth Researchers
- Advisor to YOUTHPASS
- Member of EKCYP – European Knowledge Centre for Youth Policy
- Member of the expert group for Austria Youth Strategy
- Member of EU expert groups on youth, youth policy and youth work
- Member of the Austrian Society for Sociology
- Member of RC34 at ISA – International Sociological Association
- Member of RN30 at ESA – European Sociological Association