

Curriculum Vitae

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Machteld VENKEN

MA in Slavonic Languages and Cultures
Master after Master in Policy Economics
MA in European Studies
PhD in History

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Interests: comparative and transnational Twentieth-Century history, war and its aftermath, migration, border regions, children, gender, citizen science

PROFESSIONAL CAREER

- 15.04.2018-31.07.2018 **Top Citizen Science Grant Project Leader**, the Institute for East-European History, University of Vienna (Austria)
- 1.10.2017-30.06.2018 **External Lecturer**, Faculty of Education, University of Vienna (Austria)
- 16.04.2014-15.04.2018 **Elise Richter Fellowship**, the Institute for East-European History, University of Vienna
- 16.12.2011-15.04.2014 **Lise Meitner Fellowship**, the Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for European History and Public Spheres, Vienna (until 31.05.2013) and the Institute for East-European History, University of Vienna (from 01.06.2013)
- 15.06.2011-15.12.2011 **Bronisław Geremek Fellowship**, the College of Europe Natolin Campus, Warsaw (Poland)
- 14.01.2011-14.06.2011 **Postdoctoral Researcher**, the German Historical Institute in Warsaw
- 01.10.2009-13.01.2011 **Postdoctoral Researcher**, Catholic University of Leuven (Belgium)
- 01.01.2009-30.09.2009 **Visiting Scholar**, Warsaw University
- 01.01.2009-30.09.2009 **Attaché for Social Affairs**, Second Secretary to the Ambassador, Embassy of the Netherlands in Warsaw (66 percent part-time position)
- 01.01.2005-31.12.2008 **Scientific Co-operator** in History at KU Leuven
- 01.09 – 31.12.2004 **Internship** at the Gas Centre of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, Geneva (Switzerland)

EDUCATION

- 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

LANGUAGES

Dutch: native language
 English: fluent
 Polish: fluent
 German: C1/2 level (Certificate of the University of Vienna)
 Russian: major language during MA studies
 French: B2/2 level
 Bulgarian: basic knowledge

PERSONAL FUNDING ID (976,000 EUR in total)

Larger grants

16.04.2018-31.07.2018	Top Citizen Science Leader / the Austrian Science Fund : <u>Talking Borders. From Local Expertise to Global Exchange</u>
16.04.2014-15.04.2018	Senior Postdoctoral Researcher Grant / the Austrian Science Fund : <u>Nationalising the Young in European Borderlands</u>
16.12.2011-15.04.2014	Senior Postdoctoral Researcher Grant / the Austrian Science Fund : <u>War Memories. Border Regions' Children in Europe (1945-1970)</u>
09.2009-06.2013	Postdoctoral Research Grant from the Polish Ministry of Sciences and Higher Education : <u>An Oral History of Polish Ex-Combatants</u> (Warsaw University. I was the Project Manager of an interdisciplinary team consisting of four Polish postdoctoral researchers)
10.2009-13.01.2011	Postdoctoral Grant from the Exceptional Research Fund of KU Leuven : <u>Giving meaning to migration. Polish migrants in Belgium and their relatives and friends who stayed in or returned to Poland. 1945–2008</u>
01.2005-12.2008	PhD Project Grant from the Flemish Fund for Scientific Research : <u>Polish and Ukrainian Migrants in Belgium, (1945-1989)</u> . KU Leuven – supervised by Professor Idesbald Goddeeris)

Smaller grants

2016-2017	Austria : Fundraising for the Association for Borderland Studies 2 nd World Conference (as conference chair)
2015-2017	Austria : The Open Access Costs of four publications of mine were refunded by the Austrian Science Fund
2012	Austria, Germany, Poland : Fundraising for the conference War Children in the Post-war

01.2009-12.2011	Poland: scholarships from the Flemish Community and the Polish State, from Warsaw University and KU Leuven, and from the Polish History Museum
10-12.2007	Russia: travelling grant from the Russian Academy of Sciences
05.2005-02.2007	Poland: travelling grants from Warsaw University and KU Leuven (four months in total)
09.2003-09.2004	Poland: Rotary Service Club scholarship and a specialisation scholarship from the Flemish Community
15.02-27.02.2004	Croatia: travelling grant from the Coimbra Group of Universities for its Postgraduate Winter School, 'Negotiating a Common Future for South East Europe: Regional Cooperation and European Integration', University of Split
01.07-15.08.2003	Uzbekistan: teaching grant from the Belgian ngo Wolken (I taught English to primary school children in Tashkent)
04.08-25.08.2002	Bulgaria: Summer course in Bulgarian language in Veliko Turnovo with a scholarship from the Flemish Community
09.2000-01.2001	Poland: Erasmus exchange at the Jagiellonian University, Cracow, with a scholarship from the European Union
25.07-26.08.2000	Poland: Summer course in the Polish language at Warsaw University with a scholarship from the Flemish Community

ORGANIZED CONFERENCES (selection)

10-15.07.2018	Conference Chair of the <i>Association for Borderland Studies World Conference</i> (University of Vienna, Central European University Budapest), 560 submissions (www.abs2018world.com)
15-16.01.2015	Organizer of the conference <i>Growing Up in European Borderlands</i> (University of Vienna)
13.-15.12.2012	Co-organizer of the conference <i>War Children in the Post-war: A West-East perspective on child policies, child experiences and war childhood remembrance cultures in Europe since 1945</i> (University of Vienna)
15-16.05.2008	Co-organizer of the conference <i>Families, Foreignness, Migration in 20th Century Western Europe</i> (KU Leuven)

ESTEEM FACTORS

Editorial Activities and Expertise:

Since 08.2012	Initiator and editor of the Peter Lang Book Series (together with Dariusz Stola): <i>Studies in Contemporary History</i> . (six books published, two accepted)
Since 09.2011	Co-founder and member of the editorial board of <i>Tijd-Schrift</i> (a Belgian scientific journal)
2009	Author of an expertise paper about Women and Children during World War II (written on the request of the <i>Museum of the Second World War</i> , Gdańsk)

Most important peer reviews:

Journals and Book Publishers: *Low Countries Historical Review* / *Memory Studies* / *Nationalities Papers* / *Tijdschrift voor Genderstudies* / *Laboratorium. Russian Review of Social Research* / *Routledge*

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

Outreach:

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

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

Membership:

- the Association for Borderland 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
- Österreichische Zentrum für Citizen Science

TRAININGS

18.06 and 25.06.2018	Freudvoll Führen mit praxiserprobten Coachingtools
18.05.2018	ResilienzCoaching für mehr Lösungskompetenz
09.05.2018	Feedback geben, Feedback nehmen
25.04.2018	Teamaufbau und Teamleitung
23.04.2018	Citavi - Recherche, Literaturverwaltung, Zitieren und Wissensmanagement
20.04.2018	Datenmanagementpläne erstellen
17-18.04.2018	Gedächtnistraining durch gehirngerechte Lern- und Memotechniken
19.12.2017	Prezi: Making Conference Presentations
03.2015-06.2016	Mentoring Program for Female Postdoctoral Researchers (Participant)
01.2016	Training: Q-Flow: Administering the Finances of Your Research Project
10.2015	Moodle: The Digital Learning Platform of the University of Vienna

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