

CURRICULUM VITAE ET STUDIORUM

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POSITION

RTD, senior

Senior lecturer

QUALIFICATION

2013 Italian Scientific Habilitation for Associate Professor, (evaluation 5/5).

2007 Dr. phil. with *summa cum laude* in Social Anthropology (Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology, Ludwig Maximilian University). Publication of doctoral thesis in 2006.

Supervisors: Prof. Dr. Frank Heidemann (LMU Munich), Prof. Leonardo Piasere (Università degli Studi, Florence). Members of doctoral commission: Prof. Dr. Thomas Hauschild and Prof. Dr. Alessandro Simonicca.

Title of thesis: *You will not take a husband! Respect, significance of the dead and marriage-by-elopement among the Sinti Estraixaria.*

1995 Magister Atrium (MA incl. BA) with *very good*. Anthropology, Philosophy and Contemporary History. FU Berlin.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Anthropology of movement and nomadism
Sinti in the Alps, Gypsies in Europe
Relations to and with land in the European Alps
Begging economies and theories of the gift
Anthropology and History – time and mnemonic practices
Anthropology of the state and public institutions (Italy and EU)

FIELDWORK

2018 fieldwork on wilderness, peasants and shepherds in a border valley of south Tyrol-Trentino (2 months)

2016 and **2017** pilot studies on mountain farming in the European Alps in collaboration with Dr. Almut Schneider.

2007 – 2015 fieldwork in institutions on institutional representations and practices of “Roma” inclusion: Bolzano (department of social affairs), Brussels EU Commission, Strasbourg CoE (Roma Support Group). (in total 15 months).

2008 Fieldwork, sub-nationalism and gender in the German “traditional” association of the ‘*Südtiroler Schützen*’. (5 months).

2002 Archival research on nomadic patterns in relation to mnemonic practices: State archives Vienna and Rome; provincial archive Bolzano and local archive Villach.

2001-2002 Fieldwork in public schools in Northern Italy, Prov. Bolzano (9 months).

1997 – 2000 Long-term fieldwork in Northern Italy with seminomadic Sinti (30 months).

TEACHING

2006, 2009, 2010 Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, Institut für Ethnologie, contract lecturer

2007, 2009, 2010, 2014 Central European University, Budapest, teaching faculty member
<https://summeruniversity.ceu.edu/node/497>

2009, 2010 Free University of Bolzano, Faculty of Education, contract lecturer

2017, 2018, 2019 Free University of Bolzano, Faculty of Design, lecturer

Since 2011 I am teaching Cultural Anthropology and Anthropology of Multicultural Societies at BA Social Work, BA Social Education, MA Innovation and Research in Social Service, MA Musicology and MA Eco-social Design.

THESIS SUPERVISION

Supervision of 13 MA and 22 BA theses; external reviewer for doctoral thesis (Marcio Vilar, Univ. of Leipzig, 2017; Biancha Pastori, Univ. Padova, 2018; Chiara Tribulato, Univ. Padova 2019); mentor of four Marie Curie Doctoral students at UCL, London, Univ. of St. Andrews, Univ. of Istanbul, Univ. of Pecs (2007–2009).

ACADEMIC and ADMINISTRATIVE ENGAGEMENTS

2016 Co-founder of MFEA “Malinowski Forum for Ethnography and Anthropology”, <https://mfea.projects.unibz.it/>

2012 – 2017 Member of the Advisory Board, in charge of ethical issues: MigRom12 – The immigration of Romanian Roma to Western Europe. Causes, effects and future engagement strategies. EU Seventh Research Framework Program.

Since 2015 Member of the legacy group: European Academic Network on Romani Studies.

2012 – 2015 Chair of the Scientific Committee of EARNNS (European Academic Network on Romani Studies). Joint program of the Council of Europe and the European Commission.

2014 – 2015 Member of the Scientific Committee of the biannual conference of the ANUAC (National Association of Italian Anthropologists): Theme: “Life Environments and Imagined Environments. New Challenges for Anthropology”. Free University of Bolzano.

2006 – 2017 Member of the Editorial Board of the interdisciplinary Journal *Romani Studies*; Liverpool University Press.

Faculty and University/FUB

2017 – present: Coordinator of study group for exam and stage recognition, BA Communication Sciences and Culture.

2016 Responsible of Faculty of Education for the first multi-disciplinary EUREGIO (Free University Bolzano, University of Innsbruck and University of Trento) research conference. “Shifting Boundaries Grenzverschiebungen – confini in movimento.” Member of Scientific Committee.

2015 – 2017 Member of scientific committee of research project Dyppkin: Dynamic patterns in kinship relations. Funded by Free University Bolzano, Internal Fund.

2014 – present Member of study commission of BA study program: Communication Science and Culture.

2014 – 2017 Member of PhD commission in general pedagogy, social pedagogy and education.

2013 – present FUB Member of Selection Panel for German School of Journalism, Munich and Bayerischer Rundfunk.

2011 – present Member of BA and MA final exam commission in study programs of Communication Sciences and Culture; Social Work, Social Education, Primary Education, Design and Art.

Reviewer for Funding Bodies and Publications (selection)

2018 Fondazione Caritro (Rovereto Italy); 2016 and 2017 Foundation for Baltic and East European Studies (Huddinge, Sweden); 2016, Foundation pour la Mémoire de la Shoah (Paris); 2015, Austrian Academy of Science (Vienna); 2014, Gypsy Lore Society Young Scholars' Price (Cheverly, USA); 2013, Ibero-American Institute (Berlin); 2012, Schroubek Fonds Eastern Europe (LMU, Munich); 2012, Seventh Research Framework Program: SSH-2012-1-2, DG Research and Innovation (EC, Brussels).

Peer review for Journal of ANUAC; Berghan Books; Ethnicities; Intersections. East European Journal of Society and Politics; Journal of Romani Studies; L'Uomo. Società Tradizione Sviluppo.

HONORS and AWARDS

2009 Foundation of South-Tyrolean Bank 'Cassa di risparmio'. Grant for archival research (7.000.-€)

2008 – 2009 Office of German Culture, Province of Bolzano. Commissioned research on women in traditional sub-national associations (25.000.-€).

2006 – 2007 Fritz Thyssen Foundation, Cologne. International Award, Post-Doctoral research grant, one year.

2002 – 2005 Heinrich Böll Foundation, Berlin. International Award, Dissertation Fellowship, three years.

2000 – 2002 Università degli Studi, Florence. Research scholarship (FP5), two years.

RESEARCH FUNDING

2019 – 2021 'Naturally' relating to land. Mountain farming in the Alps – an ethnographic study. PI with Co-PI Stephanie Risse. Free University Bolzano – Faculty of Education (100.000.-€).

2018 – 2019 The BBT Base Camps: Landmark Cases for Investigating the Intersection of Local and Global Processes that are Significant for the Euregio (Blandsoc). PI with co-PIs Andrea Brighenti (Univ. Trento) and Andreas Oberprantacher (Univ. Innsbruck). Euregio Mobility Fund (6.000.-€).

2016 – 2017 Undesirable Foreigners or Dangerous Italians? Sinti and Roma on the Northeastern Border in the Fascist Period (1922-1943): The Case of South Tyrol and Trentino. PI. Free University Bolzano – Internal research Fund (50.000.-€)

2017 – 2018 The Euregio border region: An onsite exploration of places and their people (Eurebord). Co-PI in cooperation with Andrea Brighenti (PI, Univ. Trento) and Andreas Oberprantacher (Univ. Innsbruck). Euregio Mobility Fund (8.000.-€).

2015 – 2017 New Actors in Agriculture: An Interdisciplinary Pilot Study. PI. Kolis Summerer, Co-responsible (10.000.-€). Free University of Bolzano - Faculty of Education.

2011 – 2014 Articulating Social-Cultural Diversity in Institutions: An Anthropological Study. PI in cooperation with Prof. Dorothy Zinn. Free University Bolzano – Internal research Fund (15.000.-€).

2011 – 2013 Participatory photography with central African refugees in South Tyrol during the Arab spring. PI, financed through foundation benno barth and Italian, German and Ladin offices of school and social affairs. (30.000.-) The project was nominated *Cultura Socialis Award* in 2014.

2010 – 2013 Legalization of informal economic practices among Sinti communities in South Tyrol. Project coordinator of multidisciplinary team. The project was finalized in 2013 with a provincial decree allowing Sinti to practice scrap metal collection. Financed by the office of social affairs, Province of Bolzano (10.000.-€).

2006 -2008 “In a caravan on the way to the stars.” (Spain, Portugal, Italy, Poland, Hungary and Czech Republic). Coordinator of transnational cooperation and mentor of Sinti and Roma for their publication projects. Sinti publications awarded “Best Practice” by the Italian Ministry of Work and Social Policy. Financed by the European Social Fund (ESF).

2005 “Sinti und Roma. Eine Spurensuche”. Arunda 67. Scientific responsible, coordinator and editor. German office of Culture, Province of Bolzano.

ORGANISATION of PANELS, CONFERENCES and WORKSHOPS

2019 4th biannual Symposium of the former Anthropological Talks in South-Tyrol. MFEA – The Malinowski Forum for Ethnography and Anthropology project. Theme: “*Gender and Genre in Ethnography*”. With D.L. Zinn. 19th and 20th September 2019, Bolzano, Italy.

2019 14th conference of International Society for Ethnology and Folklore (SIEF). Panel: Embodying social and political transformations in borderlands: anthropological analyses. Panel convened in collaboration with Anna Fedele (Univ. of Lisbon). 14th to 17th April 2019, Santiago de Compostela, Spain.

2018 15th international conference of the European Association of Social Anthropologists (EASA).

Panel: People and wilderness coming back - negotiating mobility and 'immobility': the case of the Alps and other European mountainous regions, Panel convened in collaboration with Dr. Jaro Stacul (Univ. Newfoundland) and Prof. Paolo Viazzo (Univ. Turin). 14th to 17th August 2018, Stockholm.

2017 3rd biannual Symposium of the former Anthropological Talks in South-Tyrol. MFEA – The Malinowski Forum for Ethnography and Anthropology. Theme: “*The Malinowskian Legacy in Ethnography.*” With D.L. Zinn. 21st – 22nd September 2017.

2017 Chairing the international bi-disciplinary symposium at Free University of Bolzano: “*On categories and boundaries: Intersections in the history and ethnography of Europe’s Sinti and Roma (19th-21st centuries).*” 6th and 7th of June 2017, Bolzano, Italy.

2016 Preliminary workshop for ERC research proposal: “Processes of Transformation in High Altitude Farming Communities – Relations to Land and Agriculture in the Tyrol.” Multi-disciplinary participants: Social Anthropologists, Historians, Archaeologists, Agricultural Scientist. Organisation and chair, Bolzano, Italy.

2016 Conference of the Royal Anthropological Institute (London): Anthropology, Weather and Climate Change.

Panel: Anthropological perspectives on the Alpine region - Local interpretations of current climate issues and the relationship between land, people and water. Panel convened in collaboration with Almut Schneider (Münster).

2015 Biannual conference of the Italian Associazione Nazionale Universitaria degli Antropologi ANUAC (Free University of Bolzano). “Life Environments and Imagined Environments. New Challenges for Anthropology.” Member of the scientific committee.

2015 2nd International Symposium Anthropological Talks in South-Tyrol: The Anthropology of Institutions. Free University of Bolzano. Biannual event. With Dorothy L. Zinn. Bolzano, Italy.

2014 Workshop: “*Between two worlds. Anthropology between research and policymaking in the context of Romani Studies*”. Scientific responsible. Bolzano, Italy

2013 1st International Symposium Anthropological Talks in South-Tyrol: An Italian German dialogue on History in Anthropology. With Dorothy L. Zinn, Bolzano, Italy

2012 – 2013 *Lecture series on engaged anthropology.* Organization in collaboration with Dorothy L. Zinn, Bolzano, Italy

2008 10th international conference of the European Association of Social Anthropologists (EASA). Panel: Ethnographies on adaption and code-switching. Modern institutions in a cross-cultural perspective. Panel convened with Almut Schneider. Ljubljana, Slovenia.

2007 Interdisciplinary Symposium on local identity constructions in South-Tyrol. With Walter Lorenz, Bolzano

SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS (selection 2010 – 2019)

2019 *The wolf comes back. Ethnographic explorations of the wolf crossing the linguistic border of the Trentino-South Tyrol (Italy)*. Paper accepted for the 14th conference of International Society for Ethnology and Folklore (SIEF). Panel: Embodying social and political transformations in borderlands: anthropological analyses. Panel convened in collaboration with Dr. Anna Fedele (Univ. of Lisbon). Santiago de Compostela, Spain, 14th to 17th April 2019.

2018 *Antropologia e Eco-Social design – approcci e sfide, l'esperienza di Bolzano*. Paper given with Prof. Kris Krois and two eco-social design students at the 6th national conference of Società Italiana di Antropologia Applicata (SIAA). Cremona 13th to 15th December 2018.

2018 *Esplorare gli archivi sui due lati della frontiera. Politiche e pratiche antizingare in Austria ed in Italia agli inizi del Novecento*. Paper given with Dr. Paola Trevisan at the national conference of Società Italiana dell'Antropologia Culturale (SIAC): Razza, razzismi, discriminazioni razziali Il contributo dell'Antropologia Culturale alla riflessione contemporanea. Rome 8th to 10th November 2018.

2018 *Marginal shepherds, immigrating wolves and central EU regulations. Negotiating an uneven relationship*. 15th conference of European Association of Social Anthropologists (EASA): Staying, Moving, Settling, Stockholm 13th to-18th of August 2018

2017 *Seminomadismo oppure mobilità regionale? Movimenti e reti relazionali dei Sinti del Tirolo, una riflessione storico-etnografica*. National Conference of SIDES, “1977-2017 Quarant’anni della SIDES”: Mobilità e sedentarietà delle popolazioni. Università di Messina. Invited paper

2017 *'When the archive talks to the ethnographer!' Anthropology and History in dialogue*. Opening of the international conference: On categories and boundaries: Intersections in the history and ethnography of Europe's Sinti and Roma (19th-21st centuries). Free University of Bolzano.

2016 *Becoming a real woman. Living with the Sinti in the Italian Alps*. International Symposium “Integrating Others – Perspectives from Elsewhere” Institute of Ethnology, Westfälische Wilhelms Universität Münster. Invited paper.

2016 *Sinti thinking the world - ethnographic reflections on gendered cosmoeconomies*. Institutskolloquium des Institutes für Ethnologie, Westfälische Wilhelms Universität Münster. Invited paper.

2015 *Hierarchies that matter. An ethnographic analysis of morale, agency and institutions in the context of social policies for Gypsy communities in a public institution in North Italy*. 2nd International Symposium: Anthropological Talks in South-Tyrol. Free University of Bolzano

2015 Discussant: *Le Alpi. Nuovi abitanti, Famiglia e Cura del Territorio*. ANUAC Conference. “Life Environments and Imagined Environments. New Challenges for Anthropology.” Free University of Bolzano.

2015 Charing workshop on ethical research questions. *Ethics and engagement*. FP7 MigRom12 Consortium meeting. University of Verona.

2015 *"I have to do" – understanding "work" from a sinti-centric perspective.* Panel: Conceptualizing Work and non-Work among Gypsies/Roma in the 21st century. International Conference of Labour and Social History (ITH) in cooperation with re:work, Berlin

2014 *"Lost in translation" or what happens when epistemological questions of cultural translation obtain political relevance in the field of Romani Studies.* Research Workshop: Between Two Worlds. Anthropology between research and policymaking in the context of Romani Studies. Workshop. Free University of Bolzano.

2014 *Challenges on bridging the gap between academic research and social policy.* Presentation of EARNs at the 7th CAHROM meeting (Ad hoc committee of Experts on Roma Issues). Council of Europe, Strasbourg.

2014 *Diversity in South-Tyrolean Institutions. Preliminary research outcomes. "When, why and how organizations respond to diversity".* Workshop co-organized by the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity, Göttingen Diversity Research Institute at Göttingen University and Kassel University. Invited paper.

2013 *Quando "familia" non equivale a "famiglia". Un' analisi critica retrospettiva di un progetto giuridico-etnografico nel contesto delle istituzioni pubbliche.* Family, gender, generation. Anthropology engaged in a world of crisis. Biannual conference of ANUAC, Turin

2013 *Soziale Arbeit und Soziale Anthropologie – oder "Integration" versus "kulturelle Stärke".* Verortungen. Ethnologie in Wissenschaft, Arbeitswelt und Öffentlichkeit. DGV Biennial Conference, Mainz.

2013 *"Studying up". Doing research among CoE and EC institutions on the "social inclusion of Roma". Theoretical questions and methodological challenges.* Center of Competences on Social Innovation and Quality Promotion in Social Professions, Free University Bolzano.

2012 *The dead people are not gendered. Dimensions of time and gender in the context of the South-Tyrolean Sinti Estraxaria.* Research workshop: Gender, Ethnicity and Class in Roma Studies: Whither Intersectionality? Research Institute of Minority Studies Cluj Napoca. Invited paper.

2012 *"The integrated exclusion" How do public institutions practice "integration" of Romani people? An anthropological study.* Center of Competences on Social Innovation and Quality Promotion in Social Professions, Free University of Bolzano.

2012 Chair: *Romani people in South and North America/Romanies en América del Sud y Norte.* "Nomadism and mobile ways of life in the Americas". International Conference at Urania Vienna.

2011 *Time and territory – these are the others. Ethnographic reflections on philosophical constructions.* Symposium: « Tsiganes », « Nomades » : un malentendu européen. Colloque. Université Paris 8. Invited paper.

2011 *Field research, participation and ethics of research in the context of Romanies* Conference of the Gypsy Lore Society, Graz (Austria).

2010 *Building sustainable communities from the inside out.* “Bringing academy and policy together to benefit Romany communities in Europe”. European Parliament, Brussels: Open Session of the EPP Working Group on Roma Inclusion. Invited paper.

2010 *Gender im Alltag und Neutralität des Geschlechts im Sinnstiftungsprozess der Sinti von Südtirol aus ethnographischer Perspektive.* Lecture Series and conference: “Literatur- als Kulturwissenschaft: Romani und Traveller Studies. Identitäten im Wandel.” University of Innsbruck. Invited paper.

2010 *Marriage structures related to the dead. Why Sinti Estraxaria practice marriage-by- elopement.* Research Seminar. University College London. Invited paper.

(Presentations before 2010 not listed here)

MEMBERSHIP in PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

German Anthropological Association (2007 - present)

European Association of Social Anthropologists – EASA (2006 - present)

Arbeitsgruppe Geschichte und Region/Storia e regione (2006 - present)

Gypsy Lore Society – GLS (2005 - 2016)

European Academic Network of Romani Studies – EARNS (2011 - present)

Associazione Nazionale Universitaria degli Antropologi Italiani – SIAC (2012 - present)

LANGUAGES

German – mother tongue

Italian – fluent speaking, reading, writing

English – fluent speaking, reading, writing

Romanès; dialect variations of Sinti and Manus dialects in Germany, Italy and France – Fluent

French – intermediate speaking, good reading

Spanish – good reading competence

Urdu – three semester language class (Free University of Berlin)

OUTSIDE ACADEMIA

2012 – present Mentor of HdS – House of Solidarity (Bressanone)

2017 – present Member of Advisory Board women’s shelter (Bressanone)