### Personal information

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Education

2002	Habilitation: <i>History and Culture of the Muslim World / Turkish Studies,</i> U. Bamberg, Ger- many
1995	Dr. phil., Turkish and Ottoman Studies, U. Bamberg, Germany
1989	Magister Artium, Arabic Studies, U. Vienna, Austria

## Employment history including current position(s)

2023	Visiting Professor in fall quarter: Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, The Univer- sity of Chicago
2015	Visiting Professor in fall term: Sabanci U., Istanbul, Turkey
since 2010	Professor of Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies, U. Basel, Switzerland
2008-10	Senior Fellow, School of History, Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies (FRIAS)
2004-10	Professor of Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies, U. Freiburg., Germany
2003-4	Visiting Professor of Near and Middle Eastern Studies, U. Munich, Germany
1998-2003	Lecturer (Assistent) in Turkish and Ottoman Studies, U. Bamberg, Germany
1996-8	Post-Doc Researcher, Orient-Institut Istanbul, Turkey
1995-6	Post-Doc Researcher, Van Leer Institute, Jerusalem, Israel

#### Institutional responsibilities

- 2022-6 Member of selection committee of the U. of Basel's Career Advancement Scheme
- 2020-4 Member of the Commission for Equal Opportunity, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, U. Basel
- 2012-5 Head of Department of Social Sciences, U. Basel

2006-10 Vice Dean, Faculty of Philosophy, U. Freiburg, Germany

# Approved research projects (since 2010, member of faculty in U. Basel)

2024-2028	Host to Research Professorship of Falestin Naïli (SNSF Consolidator Grantee): <i>Futures</i> <i>Interrupted: Social Pluralism and Political Projects beyond Coloniality and the Nation-</i> <i>State</i>
2022-2025	Strategies of Legitimation by Tunisian and Turkish Parties in the 2000s and 2010s, support for doctoral student Jonas Knoblach by Konrad Adenauer Foundation.
2021-2025	Kerbela at the Bosphorus: Negotiating Religious Identity among Shii Communities in Istanbul (researcher: Sophie Moser), funded by SNSF
2020-2025	Host to Research Professorship of Aline Schläpfer (SNSF Eccellenza Grantee): Ottoman Afterlife in Jordan and Iraq. Politics of Remembering and Forgetting in New Arab states (1920-1958)
2016-2020	<i>"Islamistische Umtriebe?" The Encounter of Middle Easterners with and their Experi- ence in Switzerland from the 1920s to the 1940s</i> (researcher: Sarah Djavid Khayati), funded by SNSF
2016-2019	Cost Action CA15101: Comparative Analysis of Conspiracy Theories, member of man- agement committee
2015-2018	Order and Transgression. Divergent Representations in Ottoman Texts, 1687-1730 (re- searcher: Dr. Felix Konrad), funded by SNSF
2013-2018	Host to Research Professorship of Nataša Mišković: SIBA – A Visual Approach to Ex- plore Everyday Life in Turkish and Yugoslav Cities, 1920s and 1930s, funded by SNSF
2013-2017	Amulet Scrolls Used as Protective Means by Elites: A Study on Applied Magic in the Mus- lim World (researcher: PD Dr. Tobias Nünlist), funded by SNSF
2013-2016	Imperialism, Anti-Imperialism and Nationalism in Young Turk Autobiographies (re- searcher: Murat Kaya), in research group: "Imperial Subjects" (head: Benjamin Schenk, East-European History, U. of Basel), funded by SNSF
2011-2014	Turkey's self-perception in the Middle East 1983-2002: From bridge country (köprü ülke) to central country (merkez ülke), support for doctoral student Thomas Volk by Konrad Adenauer Foundation.

## Supervision of junior researchers at graduate and postgraduate level

#### Master Theses:

since 2010 at U. Basel: Supervisor and co-supervisor of more than 25 master theses.

## First supervisor of 9 dissertations, completed:

Karim Abaas, Konsensdemokratie und Nationsbildung im Irak und in der Autonomen Region Kurdistan, 2023.

Thomas Volk, Turkey's Self-Perception in the Middle East 1983-2002: From Bridge Country (köprü ülke) to Central Country (merkez ülke), 2021.

Ecaterina Matoi, Challenges of State-Building in Iraq: The Case of the Iraqi Army in Post-Saddam Era, 2018.

Michail Kouvaros, The Cretan Conflict 1866-1869. Competing and Complementary Ideologies through the Prism of the Greek and Ottoman Press, 2017.

Annika Törne, Dersim - Geographie der Erinnerungen. Eine Untersuchung von Narrativen über Verfolgung und Gewalt, 2017.

Anna Vakalis, *Tanzimat in the Province: Nationalist Sedition (fesat), Banditry (eskiya) and Local Councils in the Ottoman Southern Balkans (1840s to 1860s), 2017.* 

Alp Yenen, The Young Turk Aftermath: Making Sense of Transnational Contentious Politics at the End of the Ottoman Empire (1918-1922), 2016.

Parviz Mullojanov, A History of the Tajik Civil War (1992-1997), 2015.

Metin Atmaca, Politics of Alliance and Rivalry on the Ottoman-Iranian Frontier: The Babans (1500-1851), 2013.

# First supervisor of 9 current dissertation projects:

Can Haldenbilen, Militancy in Exile, Tracking the Diverse Trajectories of Political Migrants from Turkey

Moritz Haegi, Disparate Realities: Civil Society NGOs and the Gradual Establishment of Mobility and Resource Segregation in the Occupied West Bank, 1993-2021

Murat Kaya, Distorted History: The Fabricated Memoirs of Abdülhamid II and Their Influence on Late Ottoman Historiography

Sarah Khayati, «Islamistische Umtriebe»? The Encounter of Middle Easterners with and Their Experience in Helvetia from the 1920s to the 1940s

Jonas Knoblach, Legitimiationsstrategien tunesischer und türkischer Parteien im 21. Jahrhundert

Sophie Moser, Kerbela am Bosporus: Aushandlungsprozesse religiöser Identität in schiitischen Gemeinschaften in Istanbul

Mustafa Nasar, Representations of the Ottoman Empire in Arab Gulf Historiography

Sevinç Ünal, Alevi Vigilantism as an Alternative Urban Governance: A Case Study of Okmeydanı (Istanbul)

Selin Yılmaz, Rethinking of the National Security Doctrine of Israel in the Context of the Constant Perception of Existential Threat: The Consequences of Securitizing the Never Again Discourse

# Second Supervisor:

Second supervisor of dissertations in preparation with research groups at Near & Middle Eastern Studies, Basel: Abdelkader Amer, Muna Asenwar, Jasmin Benhaida, Fares Damien.

Second supervisor of dissertations completed: Ömer Köksal (EHESS, Paris, 2022), Alexander Balistreri (Princeton U. 2021), Alexandre Gilodi (EHESS, Paris, 2019), Elife Biçer (U. Bern, 2016), Neslişah Leman Başaran (U. Strasbourg, 2014), Denise Klein (U. Konstanz, 2014), Lorenz Trein (U. Basel, 2014), Vafa Gouliyeva (U. Strasbourg, 2013), Aline Schlaepfer (U. Geneva, 2012), Ali Suat Ürgüplü (U. Bamberg, 2012), Burak Onaran (EHESS, Paris, 2009), Armina Omerika (Ruhr U. Bochum, 2009), Joseph Croitoru (U. Freiburg, 2005),

Manfred Sing (U. Freiburg, 2005), Anne Françoise Weber (EHESS, Paris / U. Freiburg, 2005), Marcel Behrens (U. Freiburg, 2005).

### Habilitations:

*Giving guidance for habilitations at the University of Basel:* Manfred Sing (2019), Tobias Nünlist (2012) *Participating at external habilitation committees:* Marc Aymes (EHESS 2016), Jordanka Telbizova-Sack (U. Erfurt 2015), Jeronim Perović (U. Zürich 2013), Hüseyin Ağuiçenoğlu (U. Bern 2010), Méropi Anastassiadou (U Nancy II 2009).

## Teaching activities (summary information)

Teaching covers a very wide field in Islamic and Middle Eastern studies, ranging from early modern to contemporary history and societies; regionally seen the regions of the former Ottoman empire (including Southeastern Europe) are covered. Additionally, today's Iran and Afghanistan are also topics taught in introductory courses.

## Memberships in panels, boards and schools

2022-	Center for Transcultural Asian Studies, U. Freiburg, Member of Scientific Advisory Board
2020-	German Research Foundation (DFG) Graduate School 2571: Empires, Distinguished Fel- Iow, U. Freiburg
2019-	Berlin Graduate School Muslim Cultures and Societies, Member of Advisory Board
2016-	Society for Turkic, Ottoman and Turkish Studies (GTOT), member of board
2013-	Journal <i>Asiatische Studien</i> and book series <i>Welten des Islam,</i> edited by Swiss Asiatic Society, co-editor
2017-21	Research Association Switzerland-Turkey (SFST), member of board
2009-17	Southeast Europe Association (SOG), member of advisory board

# Active memberships in scientific societies, fellowships in renowned academies

2010- Heidelberger Akademie der Wissenschaften, corresponding member

Organization of conferences at present position at the University of Basel (selected)

- 2024 Zehnte Nachwuchstagung der Schweizerischen Asiengesellschaft und der Schweizerischen Gesellschaft Mittlerer Osten und Islamische Kulturen = 10èmes Journées de la relève de la Société Suisse-Asie et Société Suisse Moyen Orient et Civilisation Islamique, U. Basel 8-10 May
- 2017 Between Realpolitik and Utopia. A Century with the Balfour-Declaration, U. Basel, 1-2 Nov., jointly with Alfred Bodenheimer, Erik Petry, Hans-Lukas Kieser; funded by SNSF and other institutions
- 2013 *The Ottoman Cataclysm. Its Beginnings*, U. Basel, 18-19 Oct., jointly with Hans-Lukas Kieser (now U. Newcastle, Australia); funded by SNSF and Culturescapes
- 2012- Series of workshops and small conferences funded by *Inter-University Doctoral Cooperation in Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies Basel / Bern / Zurich.* https://nahoststudien.philhist.unibas.ch/de/doktorat/mubit/annual-doctoral-workshops/
- 2012 Arabic and Islamic Studies in Europe and Beyond. 26th Congress of the Union Européenne des Arabisants et Islamisants, U. Basel, 12-16 Sept., jointly with Monika Winet; funded by SNSF and participants' conference fees

## Prizes, awards, fellowships

- 2008-10 Senior Fellow, Freiburg Institute of Advanced Studies, School of History, U. Freiburg, Germany
- 1995-6 Research Fellow, Van Leer Institute, Jerusalem, Israel (grant funded by Volkswagen Foundation)

## Review activities for:

#### Institutions:

Alexander von Humboldt Foundation (2007, 2008, 2010, 2015, 2017), Austrian Academy of Sciences (2008, 2022), Austrian Science Fund (2011), European Campus (EUCOR): Seed Money Program (2018, 2019, 2020), European Institutes for Advanced Studies (2013-6), Freiburg Institute of Advanced Study (2016, 2021), Fritz Thyssen Foundation (2010), German Academic Exchange Service (2010, 2016), German Federal Ministry of Research and Education (2012, 2016), German Research Foundation DFG (2007, 2008, 2010, 2013-16, 2020-1), German Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes (2009, 2021), Heidelberg Academy of Sciences (2009, 2014, 2016, 2021), Israel Science Foundation (2006, 2014), Kosovo Accreditation Agency (2009-11, 2013-5), Mercator Foundation, Switzerland (2019), Swiss Federal Government (2022), Swiss National Science Foundation (2011-6, 2022), Volkswagen Foundation (2005, 2012), Wissenschaftskolleg Berlin (2015, 2017).

## Publications:

Al-Abhath (2007), Asiatische Studien (2012-), Brill (2009, 2017), Cambridge University Press (2017, 2020), Contributions to the History of Concepts (2012), De Gruyter – Oldenbourg (2019), Ergon (2006), European Journal of

Turkish Studies (2011, 2013), Istanbuler Texte und Studien (2012, 2016), Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient (2014), Journal of Historical Sociology (2020), Journal of Modern European History (2009, 2012, 2014, 2018, 2021), Leiden University Press (2015), Mediterranean History Review (2005), New Global Studies (2016), New Perspectives on Turkey (2016), Religions (2019, 2021), Südosteuropäische Arbeiten (2007), Südostforschungen (2009, 2012, 2016), Südosteuropa. Zeitschrift für Politik und Gesellschaft (2010), Theologische Zeitschrift (2011), Welt des Islams (2018, 2020, 2021, 2023).

### Universities:

Bern U. (2010, 2016, 2021), Cyprus U., Nicosia (2009, 2012, 2017), Erfurt U. (2014), Frankfurt U. (2012), Freie Universität Berlin (2022), Freiburg U. (2013, 2019), Heidelberg U. (2013, 2018), Humboldt U., Berlin (2009), Kiel U. (2007), Koç U. Istanbul (2021, 2024), Nancy II U. (2009), Oslo (2022), Princeton University (2024), Rice University, Houston (2007), Ruhr University Bochum (2010), Tübingen U. (2011, 2014, 2019), Zurich U. (2014).