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WORK EXPERIENCE

11/2001 – CURRENT Vienna, Austria

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (SINCE 2019) AND ECONOMIST THE VIENNA INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC STUDIES (WIIW)

Responsibility for general management, finances and personnel. Coordinating economic policy development and communication with a focus on European economic policy. Working inter alia on issues of infrastructure investment in greater Europe, proposing a European Silk Road.

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10/2024 – CURRENT Tirana, Albania

VISITING PROFESSOR COLLEGE OF EUROPE, TIRANA CAMPUS

Lecturing applied econometrics in the MA programme in European Transformation and Integration

03/2009 – 06/2021 Vienna, Austria

LECTURER UNIVERSITY OF VIENNA, DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

Lecturing applied econometrics in the economics bachelor and diploma degree programme

04/2000 – 08/2000 Vienna, Austria

PROJECT ASSISTANT THE VIENNA INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC STUDIES (WIIW)

Address Rahlgasse 3, 1060, Vienna, Austria

10/2000 – 09/2001 Austria

SOCIAL WORKER NATIONAL SERVICE IN A REFUGEE CENTRE OF VOLKSHILFE ÖSTERREICH

08/1998 – 09/1998 Austria

RESEARCH INTERNSHIP RAIFFEISEN ZENTRALBANK (RZB) RESEARCH TEAM FOR CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE

07/1997 – 08/1997 Austria

RESEARCH INTERNSHIP RAIFFEISEN ZENTRALBANK (RZB) RESEARCH TEAM FOR CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE

09/1996 – 09/1996 Austria

INTERN THE AUSTRIAN NATIONAL BROADCASTING (ORF)

07/1996 – 07/1996 Austria

INTERN RAIFFEISEN ZENTRALBANK (RZB) DEPARTMENT FOR SECURITIES SETTLEMENT

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

10/2016 – CURRENT Vienna, Austria

PH.D. (HISTORY) University of Vienna

Recent Developments in Forecasting and Forecasting Computer Lab summer school courses

03/2016 – 05/2016 Vienna, Austria

CERTIFICATE COURSE FINANCE AND CONTROLLING IN NPOS NPO-Akademie / Hütter. MC Management Consulting

Training in investment and finance, external and internal accounting, controlling as well as tax law for nonprofit organisations

03/2002 – 11/2005 Vienna, Austria

PH.D. (ECONOMICS) Vienna University of Economics and Business Administration

Field of study Economics | **National classification** Dr. rer. soc. oec.

10/1994 – 01/2002 Vienna, Austria

MASTER OF ARTS (ECONOMICS) Vienna University of Economics and Business Administration

Field of study Economics | **National classification** Mag. rer. soc. oec.

01/1998 – 06/1998 Netherlands

SOCRATES/ERASMUS STUDENT MOBILITY PROGRAMME Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

Field of study Economics

● LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): **GERMAN, CROATIAN**

Other language(s):

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken production	Spoken interaction	
ENGLISH	C2	C2	C2	C2	C2
FRENCH	A2	A2	A2	A2	A2

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user

● PUBLICATIONS

Complete list of publications

[List of Publications - Mario Holzner \(wiiw.ac.at\)](#)

● NETWORKS AND MEMBERSHIPS

Advisory bodies and editorial boards

1. Board Member of the Austrian Society for European Politics (OeGfE)
2. Board Member of the Research Center for the History of Transformations (RECET)
3. Board of Trustees member of the Austrian Centre for Public Administration Research (KDZ)
4. Member of the programme committee of the Austro-French Centre for Rapprochement in Europe (CFA/ÖFZ)
5. Member of the International Advisory Board of the Institute of Economic Sciences, Belgrade (IEN)
6. Member of the Advisory Board of the European Voices magazine
7. Member of the Editorial Board of the 'Economic Systems' journal
8. Member of the Editorial Board of the 'Croatian Economic Survey' journal
9. Member of the Editorial Board of the 'Economic Thought and Practice' journal
10. Member of the Editorial Board of the 'stanovništvo' journal
11. Visiting Scholar of the University of Zagreb, Faculty of Economics and Business
12. Member of the Pezinok Group on Strategic Autonomy

13. Reviewer for the Anniversary Fund of Oesterreichische Nationalbank (OeNB)
14. Refereeing for Cambridge Journal of Economics, Eastern European Economics, Economic Modelling, Economic Systems, Empirica, Europe-Asia Studies, Journal of Southeast European and Black Sea Studies, Post-Communist Economies, Structural Change and Economic Dynamics, The World Economy

Policy advice

1. Co-initiator and co-designer of a research-based alternative **European Covid-19 recovery programme** investing in public health, transport infrastructure, energy and decarbonisation with a European value added in response to the Covid-19 crisis, in collaboration with the Macroeconomic Policy Institute (IMK) in Düsseldorf and the Observatoire français des conjonctures économiques (OFCE) in Paris, 2020
2. Initiator and architect of the **European Silk Road initiative** - a comprehensive, research-based policy proposal for a European high-speed-railway transport network, complementary to China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), 2018-2022
3. Team of economic advisors of the Former President of the Republic of Croatia Stjepan Mesić
4. Advisor of Ukraine-war task forces at the Austrian social partners and the City of Vienna
5. DG GROW fellow 2023

PROJECTS

Complete list of projects

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ORGANISATIONAL SKILLS

Organisational skills

Coordinating a research network within the framework of the World Bank Global Development Network South East Europe.

Coordinating a research network within the framework of the wiiw research project 'Measuring the costs of protection in the Southeast European Countries', financed by the Jubilee Fund of the Austrian National Bank.

COMMUNICATION AND INTERPERSONAL SKILLS

Communication and interpersonal skills

Ranked as No. 5 most central person in the Twitter-follower-network of economists in German-speaking countries according to the German Economic Institute (IW Köln) in 2018.

At wiiw enjoying work in a multicultural environment; elected to the workers' council of the institute in 2004 and 2008. Involved in many projects with other research institutes and universities.

Did social work with refugees and providing housing guidance for immigrants during my National Service in a refugee centre of Volkshilfe Österreich.

Webmaster of the Balkan Observatory website and mailing list (www.balkan-observatory.net)

OTHER SKILLS

Other skills

- Yacht master licence for motorised and sailing crafts in coastal waters
- Short range maritime radio operator certificate
- SLR and DSLR photography