

CURRICULUM VITAE AND PUBLICATIONS

Personal details:

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Family status: Married with two sons

Present occupation:

- 2014, Aug.–2017, July MTA Lendület postdoctoral fellow at the Institute of Hungarian Literature and Culture of Eötvös Loránd University of Budapest.

Last occupations:

- 2011, Jan. –2014, July OTKA postdoctoral fellow at the History Institute of Eötvös Loránd University Budapest. The research includes sixteenth-century history of science; the political propaganda of the Thirty Years' War, political languages and philosophies and the study of the key figures of the period and their relationship to each other. A parallel work in progress has been the preparation of Johannes Sambucus's dedications for publication, which will appear as *Humanistes du bassin des Carpates III. Johannes Sambucus*, Turnhout: Brepols, 2014 (Europa Humanistica)
- 2010, Jan. – Dec. Magyary Zoltán postdoctoral fellow at the History Institute of Eötvös Loránd University of Budapest working on the project "The confessionalisation of scholarship in the late Renaissance". The research included studies at the archives of Wrocław and Vienna.

Research interests:

15-17th-century intellectual history
Republic of Letters (Renaissance humanism, Latin correspondences)
Habsburg court culture
Reformation (radical reformation, confessionalization, religious tolerance, conversions, irenism, nicodemism, simulation-dissimulation)
"Scientific Revolution" (astrology-astronomy, scientific patronage, scientific collections, scientific networks)

Early modern patriotism and ‘otherness’, modern nationalism
Intellectual careers (Andreas Dudith, Johannes Sambucus, Tommaso Campanella, Tycho Brahe, Tadeáš Hájek, Ferenc Forhách, Miklós Oláh)

Studies:

- 2000–2004:
Central European University (CEU) PhD in history
- 1996–1997:
University College London (UCL) MA in history and anthropology
- 1991–1996:
Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE) MA and BA in history, and teachers’ training course

Degrees:

- February 2005: PhD degree in history (summa cum laude) CEU
- November 1997: MA degree in history and anthropology (distinction) UCL
- September 1996: MA degree in history (distinction) ELTE

Languages:

- Excellent English and Italian, good German and Latin, poor reading skills in Spanish and French.

Past fellowships, research positions:

- 2006, Sept. – 2009, Sept.
Széchényi National Library Bolyai Grant by the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. Research project: “Publishing the correspondence of Johannes Sambucus”
- 2008, July
IHR, Geneva Bourse Regard
- 2007, Jan. – 2007, Dec.
Università di Trieste Postdoctoral fellowship by the “Consorzio per lo Sviluppo Internazionale” Research topic: “Constructing the Eastern European ‘other’ in sixteenth-century Italian humanist texts”

- 2007, April – 2007, June: Mellon Research Fellowship
Villa I Tatti, Florence
- 2005, September – 2006, May: “Habsburg” Research Fellowship
Institute for Habsburg History, Bp.
- 2004, April: CEU Research Grant
Vienna
- 2002, September – October: Hungarian Cultural Ministry Research grant
Collegium Hungaricum, Vienna
- 2002, April–July: CEU Research Grant
Università di Venezia
- 1991–1992: Scholarship for talented BA students
Budapest, Invisible College

Workshops, conferences, public lectures:

- 2014, 23-24 May, Budapest *“The Christian Turks”*: Religious and Cultural Encounters in the Ottoman– Habsburg Contact Zone. Organized by CEU: “The Question of Ottoman Orientation in Propaganda and Politics in the Age of Gabriel Bethlen”
- 2014, 12 May, Pilzen *Public lecture*: “Tycho Brahe and the separation of astronomy from astrology: the making of a new scientific discourse.” Lecture held at the Department of Philosophy of the University of West Bohemia
- 2014, 23-25 April, Vienna *Scientiae III. Disciplines of Knowing in the Early Modern World.* Organized by the University of Vienna: “Machiavellian scholars at the turn of the 17th century”
- 2014, 27-29 March, New York *RSA Annual Meeting*: “Anonymous Machiavellians. Secret knowledge displayed and sold in 1620”
- 2013, 24-26 October, Kolozsvár *Bethlen Gábor és Európa (Conference organised by Babeş-Bolyai Univ.)*: “Az V. (Pfalzi) Frigyesnek adott Legtitkosabb tanítás: egy rejtély nyomában” [The most secret learning dedicated to Frederic V Elector Palatine]
- 2013, 17-20 April, Warwick *Scientiae II. Disciplines of Knowing in the Early Modern World.* Organized by Warwick University: “Why Tycho Brahe needed the Emperor and vice versa? A study of scientific patronage”
- 2012, 21-23 November, Zagreb *Vetera et nova: similia et attingentia aetate renatarum litterarum in*

Croatia et Hungaria (A Croatian-Hungarian conference): “Religious Tolerance of Andreas Dudith and the Riddle of Themistius’s Twelfth Oration.”

- 2012, 30 October, Brno *Public lecture: The Uses of Humanism.* Lecture held at the Department of Classical Philology of the Masaryk University.
- 2012, 28-29 September, Paris *Confronting Empires and Negotiating Science in the Early Modern World (1500-1800).* Second workshop.
- 2012, 2-3 May, Miskolc *Bethlen Gábor képmása.* Conference organised by the Universities of Miskolc and Debrecen: “Bethlen Gábor és a törököség kérdése a korabeli propagandában és politikában” [Gábor Bethlen and the problem of Turkish orientation in contemporary propaganda and politics].
- 2012, 25-28 April, Vancouver *Scientiae I. Disciplines of Knowing in the Early Modern World.* Organized by Simon Fraser University: “Theatrum Machinae mundanae: the God and nature of Wittenberg astronomers and non-Lutheran natural philosophy.”
- 2011, 9-11 December, Konstanz *Confronting Empires and Negotiating Science in the Early Modern World (1500-1800).* First workshop preparing a volume of essays accepted by Palgrave for publication in 2013: “Tycho Brahe’s imperial science versus republican scholarship”.
- 2011, 11 October, Vienna *Zum Gedanken an Johannes Sambucus (1531–1584).* Gemeinsame Tagung des Instituts für Ungarische Geschichtsforschung in Wien mit dem Institut für Byzanzforschung (ÖAW): “The ambiguous standing of the philologist: Sambucus’s friends and status problems”.
- 2011, 25-28 May, Miskolc *Filológia és textológia a régi magyar irodalomban.* Organised by the Hungarian Academy of Sciences and the University of Miskolc: „Zsámboky és a filológia” [Sambucus and philology].
- 2010, 14-16 April, Budapest *Cultures of Knowledge Workshop, organised by CEU, University of Miskolc, and Semmelweis Museum: “Knowledge claims and rivalries in sixteenth-century astronomical networks”.*
- 2010, 7-11 April, Venice *RSA Annual Meeting: “Conversions and confessionalization in the 1580s in the Habsburg Empire”.*
- 2009, 27 May, Budapest *Public lecture: A humanista kutya, avagy a reneszánsz kutyatartás társadalomtörténete [The Humanist Dog or the Social History of Renaissance Dogkeeping].* Held at Institute of Literature of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (REBAKUCS).
- 2007, 28-29 Sept., Budapest *The Epistemology and the Politics of Otherness.* Conference organised by Central European University: “The changing perception of Hungary and its Southern Neighbours in sixteenth-century Italy”.
- 2007, 14 June, Trieste Univ. *Public lecture: “La costruzione dell’alterita dei rumeni visti dagli*

- italiani nel Cinquecento”.

• 2007, 12 June, Villa i Tatti Workshop lectures series: “Renaissance scholarly dogkeeping and its social contexts”.
- 2006, 14–16 December Louvain, Brussels and The Hague *Between Scylla and Charybdis. Learned Letter Writers Navigating Between the Cliffs of Politics and Religion (1500–1700)*. Organised by the Royal Flemish Academy of Arts and Sciences and the Huygens Institute of the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences. Title of presentation: “Truth or Peace? Conflicts of a religious individualist (Andreas Dudith 1533-1589)”.
- 2006, 28 November, Szeged *Public lecture: “A 16. század végi vallási-intellektuális krízisről” [On the religious-intellectual crisis of the end of the 16th century]*.
- 2006, 6–12 August, Budapest *13th International Neo-Latin Conference*. Organised by the IANLS. Title of presentation: “Humanists in Defence: The Spiritual Contest over the Death of Maximilian II”.
- 2006, 27–28 May, Budapest *The Intellectual History of Patriotism and the Legacy of Composite States in East-Central Europe*. Organized by Pasts, Inc. Title of presentation: “Prejudices against strangers in sixteenth-century humanist texts”.
- 2005, 7 December, Budapest *Public lecture: “Szerepek, vágyak és identitások: Dudics András és Zsámboky János” [Public roles, models and identities: Andreas Dudith and Johannes Sambucus]*. Held at Institute of Literature of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (REBAKUCS).
- 2005, 2–3 June, Budapest *Europe through Cultures. Workshop*. Organised by the Central European University and the International University of Europe. Title of presentation: “Why Cicero? On the Social Context of Some Renaissance Cultural Values”.
- 2005, 3–6 April, Weingarten *Funktionen des Humanismus*. Organised by the Gerda Henkel Stiftung. Title of presentation: “Humanisten bei Hof: Öffentliche Selbstdarstellung und Karrieremuster”.
- 2004, 1–2 June, Florence *Intercultural Communication – New perspective in European History. Workshop*. Organised by the Central European University and the International University of Europe. Title of presentation: “The sixteenth-century republic of letters”.

Teaching experience (seminars held at the invitation of ELTE, CEU, Masaryk University of Brno):

- 2005–2012 ELTE:

 - Spring term 2010: “Renaissance intellectuals from Petrarch to More”
 - Autumn term 2007: “Men of Letters in the 15th century: the humanists”
 - Spring term 2006: “Humanist discourses in the age of Reformation: from Erasmus to Montaigne”

- Autumn term 2006: “Humanist irenism in late Renaissance”
CEU:
- Winter and Spring terms 2005: “Humanists, Intellectuals and Questions of Tolerance in the Renaissance I-II”
Brno (Czech Republic) :
- Spring and Autumn terms, 2012: “Renaissance humanism”

Conference organization

2012, 13-14 December, Innsbruck

Latin, National Identity and the Language Question in Central Europe.

2013, 5 April, Budapest

Conference co-organized with Lav Subaric by LBI, Innsbruck

Exchange of information and knowledge between Europe and divided Hungary, 1541–1699: Study tours and intellectual relationships.

Workshop organised with the authors of the planned volume