

# Curriculum Vitae

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I am a trained Japanologist (B.A. 2012; M.A. 2015), specializing on the dynamics between Buddhism and Shintō with an emphasis on the emancipation of Shintō as an independent tradition in early modern Japan. Since 2017, I am a Research Fellow at the Austrian Academy of Sciences' Institute for the Cultural and Intellectual History. I am regularly coordinating courses at the Department of Japanese Studies of the University of Vienna. In my doctoral research, I apply the theory of Domain Shinto examining Mito domain in the late seventeenth century. I work on manuscripts from that era using skills in early modern Japanese language and paleography to present a case study of a village in Mito. Previously, I explored the development of a state cult and the imperial family in the late nineteenth century via the restoration of imperial tombs. My most recent publications include the co-edited (with Stefan Köck and Bernhard Scheid) *Religion, Power and the Rise of Shinto in Early Modern Japan* at Bloomsbury (Shinto Studies Series) published in 2021.

## Education

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| 2015 | M.A. in <b>Japanese Studies</b><br><i>University of Vienna ▪ with distinction</i> |
| 2012 | B.A. in <b>Japanese Studies</b><br><i>University of Vienna ▪ with distinction</i> |

## Employment History

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- Mar 2018–  
Sep 2021      **Lecturer**  
Department of East Asian Studies  
*University of Vienna*
- Jul 2017–  
Present      **Research Fellow**  
Institute for the Cultural and Intellectual History (IKGA)  
*Austrian Academy of Sciences*
- Oct 2012–  
Sep 2013      **Assistant to the Director of Studies**  
Department of East Asian Studies  
*University of Vienna*
- Mar 2011–  
Feb 2015      **Tutor**  
East Asian Studies Library  
*University of Vienna*
- Oct–Dec 2010      **Teaching Assistant**  
Faculty of Liberal Arts  
*Sophia University, Tokyo*

## Professional and Community Service

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- Feb 2021–  
Present      Member of the **Editorial Team** for IKGA's Website
- Feb 2021–  
Present      Member of the **Organizational Team** for IKGA's Public Outreach
- May 2019–  
Present      Member of the **Extended Working Group on Non-Discrimination** at the Austrian Academy of Sciences
- Feb–Mar 2015      Member of the **Curricular Working Group** for the M.A. in Japanese Studies at the University of Vienna

## Grants and Project Funding

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- Nov 2019      **FWF Austrian Science Fund: P 33097**  
“Hanryo shinto: Regional Shinto Reforms in Early Modern Japan”  
Grants awarded: EUR 399,465.99  
Lifetime: 12.04.2020–11.10.2023  
Project lead: Bernhard Scheid/Austrian Academy of Sciences
- May 2016      **FWF Austrian Science Fund: P 29231**  
“Shinto-uke: Religious Control via Shinto Shrines”  
Grants awarded: EUR 347,445.00  
Lifetime: 01.11.2016–30.04.2020  
Project lead: Bernhard Scheid/Austrian Academy of Sciences

## Teaching

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Spring term 2021	<b>Proseminar II</b> [PS Basic training in research and paper writing II] (topic "Religion and Conflict") East Asian Studies ▪ <i>University of Vienna</i>
Fall term 2020	<b>Proseminar I</b> [PS Basic training in research and paper writing I] (topic "Religion and Gender") East Asian Studies ▪ <i>University of Vienna</i>
Spring term 2020	<b>Bachelor Seminar II</b> East Asian Studies ▪ <i>University of Vienna</i>
Spring term 2018/Fall term 2019	<b>Interkulturelles Lernen</b> [Intercultural Learning] East Asian Studies ▪ <i>University of Vienna</i>

## Professional Memberships

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European Association of Japanese Studies (since 2014)

Akademischer Arbeitskreis Japan [Austria-Japan Study Group for Humanities,  
Social Sciences & Art] (since 2015)