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Professional experience

- 2010 – *Full Professor of Algebra*, University of Vienna
- 2011 – 2015 Deputy Director, Erwin Schrödinger International Institute
- 2008 – 2010 Associate professor, University of Neuchâtel
- 2003 – 2008 Professorship of the Swiss National Science Foundation, University of Geneva
- 2001 – 2003 Senior research assistant - Maître assistante, University of Geneva
- 1998 – 2001 Post-doctoral position with P. de la Harpe, University of Geneva

Education

- 1995 – 1998 Moscow Lomonosov State University, PhD in Mathematics
Title: *Generic properties of finitely presented groups*
Advisor: Alexander Yu. Ol'shanskii
Specialization: (i) algebra, number theory, logic; (ii) algebraic topology
- 1990 – 1995 Moscow Lomonosov State University, Diploma in mathematics
Specialization: mathematics and applied mathematics
- 1989 – 1990 Specialized Kolmogorov's school in mathematics, Moscow State University

5 selected visiting positions (1 – 6 months)

- 2015 / 2014 Researcher, Mathematical Institute, University of Oxford, UK
- 2012 Researcher, FIM - Institute for Mathematical Research, ETH Zürich, Switzerland
- 2010 / 2007 Director of research (CNRS) / Professor, University of Aix-Marseille, France
- 2007 Professor, Bernoulli Research Center, EPF Lausanne, Switzerland
- 2016 / 2007 Researcher, Mathematical Sciences Research Institute, Berkeley, USA

5 selected invited plenary lectures and courses

- 2017 Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, USA – minicourse
- 2017 Clay Mathematics Institute, University of Oxford, UK – minicourse
- 2017 / 2014 Institut Henri Poincaré, Paris, France
- 2015 / 2010 Centre International de Rencontres Mathématiques, Luminy, France
- 2007 / 2005 EPF Lausanne, Switzerland – two semester courses

5 selected reviewer and editorial activities

- Since 2019 Editor of the Journal of Topology and Analysis
- 2016 Editor of the Journal of Combinatorial Algebra
- 2014 Referee for the Swiss National Science Foundation, Switzerland
- 2011 Referee for the U.S.-Israel Binational Science Foundation
- 2019 / 2010 Panel member (a major panel) / Panel member (a thematic panel) / Referee for the National Science Foundation, USA

Scientific governance

- Since 2015 Scientific steering committee of the University of Aix-Marseille, France
- 2015 Advisory board of the Center of excellence (LabEx Archimède), Marseille, France
- 2011 – 2015 Kollegium of the Erwin Schrödinger International Institute, Vienna, Austria

Main area of research

Infinite graphs and groups: geometric, combinatorial, analytic, algorithmic, and asymptotic aspects
 Randomness in graphs and groups, automata, group C^* -algebras, low-dimensional topology

Publications (all refereed)

41 papers in internat. journals, 2 books co-edited, 2 papers in proceedings volumes, 1 e-course

Research supervision

25 Postdoctoral fellows, 6 PhD thesis

External examiner

15 Habilitation thesis, 10 PhD thesis

Research programme (co-)organizer

- 2017 Isaac Newton Institute for Mathematical Sciences, Cambridge, UK
Non-positive curvature: group actions and cohomology, 1 semester
- 2016 Erwin Schrödinger International Institute, Vienna, Austria
Measured group theory, 1 trimester
- 2007 Bernoulli Research Center, EPF Lausanne, Switzerland
Limits of graphs in group theory and computer science, 1 semester

International conference and seminar (co-)organizer

18 conferences, workshops, schools in *algebra, geometry, and analysis* on groups since 2002
 I have co-led a monthly Swiss-Austrian research seminar on *Sofic groups*, 2010 – 2013
 Currently, I lead a weekly research seminar on *Geometry and analysis on groups*, 2010 –

5 selected hiring and promotion committees

- 2018 / 2017 Professor positions / Tenure-track positions, Vienna, Austria, *Member*
- 2016 Professor position, Marseille, France, *External member*
- 2014 Professor position, Strasbourg, France, *External member*
- 2013 Professor position, Vienna, Austria, *Vice-President*
- 2011 Promotion committee, Oxford, UK, *External expert*

Awards and fellowships (for research grants, see Funding ID below)

- 2022 Sorbonne University Visiting Professorship
- 2022 Heilbronn Distinguished Visiting Professorship
- 2017 Simons Foundation fellowship
- 1998 International Soros Science Program grant award
- 1990 – 1998 Moscow Lomonosov State University competitive fellowships
- 1995 Red diploma of Moscow Lomonosov State University, award

Honours

My results were presented at the Bourbaki Seminar in October, 2018

The first woman Full Professor of Mathematics at the University of Vienna
 since its creation in 1365

Languages

English (fluent), French (fluent as native)
 German (basic, teaching in German since 2014), Russian (native)

Funding ID, a complete list is available upon request

Fundings as a Principal Investigator (PI), 5 selected projects:

Agency, grant type	Project title	Period	Amount	Partners
European Research Council, research grant	<i>Analytic properties of infinite groups</i>	2011 – 2016	1 065 500 €	PI, 4 team members
Swiss NSF, Sinergia research network	<i>Sofic groups: algebra, analysis, and dynamics</i>	2010 – 2013	841 014 CHF	co-PI, 3 universit.
European Comission, Marie Curie research training networks	<i>Geometric, analytic and ergodic aspects of group theory</i>	2007 – 2009	523 000 €	PI, 6 universities
Swiss NSF, Professorship	<i>Geometric, asymptotic, and analytic aspects of infinite groups</i>	2007 – 2008	255 898 CHF	PI, supervision of 3 researchers
Swiss NSF, Professorship	<i>Geometry of groups and asymptotic invariants</i>	2003 – 2007	1 138 624 CHF	PI, supervision of 4 researchers

Fundings as a Principal Investigator (PI), 5 selected programmes and workshops:

Research Institute	Workshop title	Period	Amount	Partners
Newton Institute, research semester	<i>Non-positive curvature: group actions and cohomology</i>	2017	$\geq 300\,000$ €	PI, 3 co-organizers
Erwin Schrödinger Institute, research trimester	<i>Measured group theory</i>	2016	$\geq 50\,000$ €	PI, 4 co-organizers
Bernoulli Research Center, EPF Lausanne research semester	<i>Limits of graphs in group theory and computer science</i>	2007	$\geq 112\,000$ €	PI, 2 co-organizers
Mathematisches Forschungsinstitut Oberwolfach, workshop	<i>Finite-dimensional approximations of discrete groups</i>	2011	\geq full board for 28 participants	PI, 2 co-organizers
Centro Stefano Franscini, ETH Zürich, workshop	<i>Affine isometric actions of discrete groups</i>	2009	\geq full board for 50 participants	PI, 1 co-organizer

3 key academic achievements

Impact on the research community: ~ 900 citations

Supervising and mentoring: 25 postdoc fellows, 6 PhD thesis, 5 visiting PhD, 8 Masters

Leading ambitious projects and programmes: SNSF professorship, EPFL programme, ERC grant

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

Papers already published or accepted:

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