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Curriculum Vitae

12. 1. 1946 Born in Grabs (Switzerland)
Citizen of Liechtenstein
Married to Ineke Phaf-Rheinberger, one child

Education, Academic Degrees

1953 - 1958 Primary School in Vaduz (Liechtenstein)
1958 - 1966 Secondary School in Vaduz
1966 Final Examination (Abitur)
1966 - 1968 Eberhard-Karls-University, Tübingen:
Biochemistry, Philosophy
1968 - 1973 Free University and Technical University,
Berlin:
Philosophy, Linguistics, Sociology
1973 Magister Artium (Philosophy)
1973 - 1978 Free University, Berlin:
Biology, Chemistry
1978 - 1979 Diploma Thesis at the Max-Planck-Institute for
Molecular Genetics, Dept. Wittmann, Berlin-
Dahlem
1979 Diploma (Biology)
1979 - 1982 Doctoral Thesis at the Max-Planck-Institute
for Molecular Genetics, Dept. Wittmann,
Berlin-Dahlem
1982 PhD (Dr. rer. nat., Biology)
1987 Habilitation (Molecular Biology) at the Free
University of Berlin

Academic Employment

1982 - 1990 Scientific Coworker at the Max-Planck-
Institute for Molecular Genetics, Dept.
Wittmann, Berlin-Dahlem
1990 - 1994 Assistant Professor at the Institute for the
History of Medicine and Science at the Medical
University of Lübeck
1994 - 1996 Associate Professor, Faculty of Science,
University of Salzburg
1997 - 2014 Director, Max Planck Institute for the
History of Science, Berlin
Since 2014 Director emeritus, Max Planck Institute for
the History of Science, Berlin

Fellowships, Visiting Professorships etc.

1987 - 1990 Visiting Professor (History of Science) at the University of Innsbruck, Austria

1989 Honorary Professor for the History of Science at the University of Salzburg, Austria

1989 - 1990 Sabbatical at Stanford University, Program in the History of Science

1992 & 1993 Research Associate, Committee on the History and Philosophy of Science, University of Maryland, College Park

1992 - 1993 Visiting Full Professor for the History of Science, University of Göttingen, Germany

1993 - 1994 Fellow at the Wissenschaftskolleg/Institute for Advanced Study Berlin

4-6/2000 Scientific Guest at the Collegium Helveticum, Zurich

4-5/2002 Guest at the Maison des Sciences de l'Homme & Université Paris 7, Maison Suger, Paris

4/2004 Guest at the Maison des Sciences de l'Homme, Maison Suger, Paris

3-4/2007 Visiting Professor, German Department, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore

4-9/2010 Fellow at the IKKM Weimar (Internationales Kolleg für Kulturtechnikforschung und Medien-Philosophie)

4-5/2011 Visiting Professor at the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris

6-7/2011 Fellow at Kulturwissenschaftliches Kolleg, University of Konstanz

9/2011 Visiting Professor at the Department of History of Science and Ideas, University of Uppsala

11/2011 Visiting Professor at the Department of Anthropology, University of Chicago

4-7/2012 Fellow at FRIAS (Freiburg Institute for Advanced Study), University of Freiburg

10/2012 - 3/2013 Guest Professor, Catholic University of Eichstätt

4/2013 Guest Professor, Competence Center History of Knowledge, ETH and University of Zurich

5/2013 Guest Professor, PhD Program „The Sciences in Historical, Philosophical and Cultural Contexts,” University of Vienna

11/2013 - 3/2014 Guest Professor, Catholic University of Eichstätt

4-5/2014 Visiting Professor, The Graduate University for Advanced Studies (Sokendai), Hayama, Japan

10/2014 - 3/2015 Fellow, Research Group „Media Cultures of Computer Simulation,” University of Lüneburg

3-6/2015 Senior Fellow, Institute for Cultural Research (IFK) Vienna

9/2015 Visiting Professor at the Department of

	History of Science and Ideas, University of Uppsala
4-6/2016	Distinguished Visiting Max Kade Professor, Northwestern University, Chicago, Department of German
10/2016	Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico, Institute for Philosophical Research, Mexico City
3/2017	Vossius Center, University of Amsterdam
4-6/2017	Swedish Collegium for Advanced Studies (SCAS) Uppsala, Guest of the Principal
10/2017	Whitney J. Oates Visiting Fellow, Humanities Council, Princeton University
9-10/2018	Fellow, Konrad Lorenz Institute for Evolution and Cognition Research, Klosterneuburg, Austria
1-3/2022	Fellow, Research Group „Media Cultures of Computer Simulation,“ University of Lüneburg
3-6/2024	Guest of the Director, Internationales Forschungszentrum Kulturwissenschaften (IFK) Vienna

Memberships etc.

Since 1994	Member of the PEN Club Liechtenstein
Since 1996	Scientific Member of the Max Planck Society, Germany
Since 1998	Ordinary Member of the Berlin Brandenburg Academy of Science, Berlin
Since 1998	Honorary Professor for History of Science at the Technical University of Berlin
Since 2002	Ordinary Member of the National Academy of Sciences Leopoldina, Halle
Since 2004	Corresponding Member (Ordinary Member since 2022) of the Académie International de Philosophie des Sciences, Brussels
Since 2019	Founding Member of the Academy of Sciences in Liechtenstein

Prizes and Distinctions

1993	Binding Foundation Prize
1997	Karl-Sudhoff Memorial Lecture, German Society for the History of Science, Medicine, and Technology
2006	Dr. h. c. Federal Institute of Technology Zurich (ETH)
2006	Cogito Foundation Prize, University of Zurich
2010	Vaduzer Predigt
2011	Kulturpreis Vaduz
2012	Distinguished Lecture, History of Science Society, USA
2014	Marsilius Lecture and Medal, University of Heidelberg

- 2017 Zeeman Lecture, Vossius Center,
University of Amsterdam
- 2017 First Cassirer Lecture, German Department,
Yale University
- 2019 "Featured Thinker" Lecture, Center for Theory
and Methods in the Cultural Sciences,
University of Göttingen
- 2022 Dr. h. c. University of Liechtenstein, Vaduz
- 2023 Distinguished Lecture, SFB „Virtuelle
Lebenswelten“, University of Bochum