

## Curriculum Vitae

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**2019 – 2024**            **University Assistant** (*prae doc*) at the Department of Economic and Social History, University of Vienna

### PhD Project

“She wants to do it her own way.” Enslaved Women, Their Work, and Their Children in the Datini Merchant Community, 1380s–1410s  
(submitted April 2024)

### Education

since 2020	Doctoral Studies in History, University of Vienna
2016 – 2019	Master of Arts in History and Romance Philology (Italian), Ruhr-University Bochum (with distinction)
2012 – 2016	Bachelor of Arts in History and Romance Philology (French/Italian), Ruhr-University Bochum and University of Pisa (2013/2014)

### Academic Employment and Research Grants

09 – 10/2023	Visiting Scholar and Student at Arizona State University, Short Term Scientific Mission (COST Action WORCK)
09 – 11/2022	Research Grant from the German Historical Institute in Rome
05 – 06/2018	Internship at the German Historical Institute in Rome
2015 – 2018	Student Assistant in the eLearning Section of the Ruhr-University Bochum
2014 – 2016	Tutor at the Historical Institute of the Ruhr-University Bochum

### Research Interests

Economic and Social History of the Late Medieval and Early Modern Periods, History of Italy and the Mediterranean, Labour History, Slavery Studies, History of Inequalities

## Publications (Peer-Reviewed)

Batista, Anamarija, Viola Franziska Müller, and Corinna Peres, eds. *Coercion and Wage Labour*. London: UCL Press, 2024.

[“Introduction: Coercion and Wage Labour in History and Art,” [Link](#)]

Peres, Corinna. “Sex with Slaves? Hush, *amico!*” *Fernetzt*, Online-Blog, May 2024 (under review).

Peres, Corinna. “Female Work Arrangements in the Datini Letters. Exploring the Semantic Roles and Negotiating Scopes of Servants, Slaves, and Wet Nurses.” *Österreichische Zeitschrift für Geschichtswissenschaften* 34, no. 2 (2023): 126–149 [[Link](#)].

Peres, Corinna. “Lost in Transcription. Remunerated Breastfeeding and Enslaved Mothers in Late Medieval Tuscany.” [Online-Blog](#), Conference “Freedom & Work in Western Europe”, University of Exeter, 2022.

Peres, Corinna/Schiel, Juliane. “Searching for a Wet Nurse: Prato, 1395–98.” [Data Story](#), Bielefeld University, 2021.

## Reviews

Hannah Barker. *That Most Precious Merchandise. The Mediterranean Trade in Black Sea Slaves, 1260–1500*, Philadelphia 2019, review by Corinna Peres, in *Quellen und Forschungen aus italienischen Archiven und Bibliotheken* 103 (2023): 650–651.

Isabelle Cochelin/Diane Wolfthal (eds.). *‘We are all Servants’. The Diversity of Service in Premodern Europe (1000–1700)*, Toronto 2022, review by Corinna Peres, in *The English Historical Review* (2023) [[Link](#)].

## Presentations

September 2024  
(planned)      Conference “Children, Dependency, and Emotions in the Early Modern World, 1500–1800: Archival and Visual Narratives”, Center for Dependency and Slavery Studies, University of Bonn, 13 September 2024:

“*The Desired Offspring! Children of Slave Mothers in the 15th-Century Western Mediterranean*”

July 2024  
(planned)      Workshop of the European Master in Women’s and Gender History (MATILDA), “Gender and Work”, University of Vienna:  
“*Mothers Who Do Not Mother. The Reproductive Labour of Female Slaves in Late Medieval Italy*”

June 2024  
(planned)      International Workshop of the Cluster of Excellence *EurAsian Transformations*, “Modes of Coercion in Premodern Eurasian Empires. Inventorying and Graphing Court Records for a Comparative Geography of Power”, University of Vienna, 4 June 2024:

- “*Graphing Tatarian Slaves in the Venetian Criminal Court Records*” (with Juliane Schiel)
- May 2024  
(planned) Online Seminar “Euro-Mediterranean Entanglements in Medieval History”, German Historical Institutes Rome and Paris, 28 May 2024: “*Cast-Out Slave Mothers and Thrown-In Children in the Late Medieval Western Mediterranean*”
- September 2023 Works-in-Progress Seminar, Arizona State University, 29 September 2023: “*From Warehouse to Secret Brothel? Slavery, Prostitution and Tuscan Merchants in Barcelona in the Early 1400s*”
- September 2023 WORCK Conference 3 “Historicising Coercive Social Processes”, Charles University Prague, 7 September 2023: “*‘A slave woman ... is beholden to us for the next eight years’. Slavery and Debt-Credit Relations in Late Medieval Tuscany*”
- July 2022 Conference “Freedom & Work in Western Europe, c. 1250–1750”, University of Exeter, 8 July 2022: “*Beyond Unfree Slaves and Free Servants. Forms of Labour in a Merchant Household in Late Medieval Tuscany*”
- July 2022 International Medieval Congress “Borders”, University of Leeds, 4 July 2022: “*Negotiating and Negotiated Slaves? Facets of Being a Slave in the Datini Household, Tuscany, 14<sup>th</sup>–15<sup>th</sup> Centuries*”
- June 2022 Conference “Unfreedom in the Premodern World: Comparative Perspectives on Slavery, Servitude & Captivity”, Trinity College Dublin, 24 June 2022: “*Enslaved Mothers’ Milk. Wet Nurses in Late Medieval Italian Merchant Networks*”
- October 2021 Momentum Kongress “Arbeit”, Hallstatt, 15 October 2021: “*Modern vs. Non-Modern Slaves? Researching the History and Future of Coercion in Labour Relations* (with Teresa Petrik, in German)
- August 2021 WORCK Conference 2/ELHN Conference 4: “Historicising the Concept of Europe in Global History”, University of Vienna, 30 August 2021: “*Exhibition opening ‘Stories of Work and Coercion’ and moderation of the roundtable with illustrators/authors* (with Anamarija Batista)
- June 2020 Conference “Disenfranchised Bodies - Comparing, Standardizing, Judging, Living, 1450–1850”, Online/Bielefeld University, 16 June 2020:

*Enslaved Babies and Children on Order: Extracts from the Correspondence between Isabella d'Este and Giorgio Brognolo, 15<sup>th</sup> century* (in German)

- April 2020      COST Action “WORCK”, Working Group 1, CATMA Annotation Training, Online, 01 April 2020:  
*Searching for a Wet Nurse. How to Annotate the Datini Letters with CATMA* (with Juliane Schiel)
- December 2019      Research Colloquium on Early Modern History, Free University of Berlin, 10 December 2019:  
*Enemies, Friends or Just Strangers? Domestic Slavery on the Apennine Peninsula and the Italian Islands Between the Medieval and Early Modern Periods* (in German)

## Activities and Networks

Curator and Dramaturg (with Anamarija Batista) of the Exhibition “Coercion and Wage Labour”, international conference of the research networks *COST Action WORCK* and *European Labour History Network (ELHN)*, Campus of the University of Vienna, 30 August – 3 September 2021, [Link](#) (virtual exhibition).

Technical Coordinator of the Hybrid Setting of the WORCK Conference 2/ELHN Conference 4: “Historicising the Concept of Europe in Global History”, University of Vienna, 30 August – 3 September 2021 (Web Interface, Zoom Sessions, Hybrid Setting on site)

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COST Action “Worlds of Related Coercions in Work” (WORCK), Management Committee Member (Substitute for Austria), Coordinator “Public Outreach” (2020–2024)

Associate Member of the Research Group “Figurations of Inequality” at the University of Vienna (since January 2020)

Member of the Research Area “Economy and Society” at the University of Vienna (since December 2019)

## Teaching

- 2023S      BA Guided Reading: Sources for the Study of Mediterranean Slavery (Late Middle Ages–Early Modern Period) (in German), University of Vienna
- 2022W      BA Seminar: Slavery in the Mediterranean (1350–1750) (in German), University of Vienna
- 2021W      BA Guided Reading: Sources for the History of Slavery (in German), University of Vienna

- 2021S MA Workshop on Methods (with Juliane Schiel): Historical Semantics - Between Micro-Semantic Analysis and Big Data (in German), University of Vienna  
BA Seminar (with Juliane Schiel): Letters in Late Medieval and Early Modern Times (in German), University of Vienna
- 2020W BA Guided Reading: Mediterranean Slaveries Between Medieval and Early Modern Times (in German), University of Vienna
- 2015W–2017W Workshops “Teaching and Learning Through e-Learning” (specialisation in Gamification and Game-Based Learning) (in German), Ruhr-University Bochum, Centre for Teaching and Learning
- 2014S–2015W Integrated Proseminar: Training courses on working methods and techniques of historians (in German), Ruhr-University Bochum, Historical Institute