

Curriculum Vitae

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Place and date of birth:

Bácsalmás (Hungary), 19th July 1972

Education:

1996-2001: Eötvös Loránd University, Faculty of Arts, Department of Arabic. Postgraduate studies in Arabic philology. PhD degree conferred in 2001.

1998-1999: Balliol College, University of Oxford. One-year research scholarship in Arabic and Islamic Studies.

1993-1994: Institut Bourguiba des Langues Vivantes, Tunis. One-year course in Arabic.

1989-1996: Eötvös Loránd University (Budapest), Faculty of Arts, Department of Arabic. Undergraduate studies in Arabic. (With additional courses taken in English and Ethnology.) Diploma conferred in 1996.

Language skills:

English, Arabic, Swahili, Indonesian, Spanish; and good reading skills in French, German, Russian, Romanian, Dutch.

Conferences attended:

- Nation, State, Tribe, Umma: Different Forms of Community in Europe and Elsewhere.* Budapest, National University of Public Service, June 2019.
- 29th Conference of the Union Européenne des Arabisants et Islamisants*, Münster, September 2018.
- Reformationes. Conference of the Programme of the Study of Religion*, Eotvos Lorand University, Budapest, May 2018.
- Purum et Immundum. Conference of the Programme of the Study of Religion*, Eotvos Lorand University, Budapest, October 2016.
- 28th Congress of the Union Européenne des Arabisants et Islamisants*, Palermo, September 2016.
- Workshop on the Catalogue of the Library of Sultan Bayezit II.* The Avicenna Institute of Middle Eastern Studies, Piliscsaba (Hungary), August 2016.
- From Jāhiliyya to Islam (13th International Colloquium).* The Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities, Jerusalem, July 2016.
- Curse Words: Obscenity and Magic in Medieval Arabic and Classical Literature*, University of Exeter, May 2016.
- Migration.* Conference held at the Avicenna Institute of Middle Eastern Studies, Piliscsaba (Hungary), December 2015.
- Conference on Freedom of Expression and Blasphemy - Limits in Different Cultures*, Institut Français (Budapest), October 2015.
- Conference of the Avicenna Institute of Middle Eastern Studies*, Mátraháza (Hungary), August 2015.
- Conference on Plagiarism*, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest, May 2015.
- 27th Congress of the Union Européenne des Arabisants et Islamisants*, Helsinki, June 2014.
- Strategies of Preservation and Guardianship of the Authorial Composition in Medieval Arabic and Persian Literature. International Research Workshop of the Israel Science Foundation.* The Hebrew University, Jerusalem, March 2014.
- Religio(nes). Annual Conference of the Programme of the Study of Religion*, Eotvos Lorand University, Budapest, November 2013.
- The Arab East and the Bedouin Component: Features and Tensions from Late Antiquity to the Present. International Conference*, Cairo, November-December 2012.
- Convivium. Annual Conference of the Programme of the Study of Religion*, Eotvos Lorand University, Budapest, November 2012.
- Concepts of Authorship in Premodern Arabic Texts. International Workshop*, Bamberg, May 2012.
- Takfīr: A Diachronic Perspective. International Conference*, Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas, Madrid, October 2011.
- The Second LIVIT Conference: Legitimate and Illegitimate Violence in Early Islamic Thought*, Exeter, September 2011.
- Conversio. Annual Conference of the Programme of the Study of Religion*, Eotvos Lorand University, Budapest, September 2011.
- Sándor Kégl Memorial Conference*, The Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest, December 2010.
- International Seminar on Religious and Political Uses of Genealogies in Islamic Societies*, Alcalá de Henares, November 2008.
- Seminar on Problems of Political Terminology in Arabic*, Mátraháza (Hungary), September 2008.

American Academy of Religion / Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, San Diego, November 2007.

Colloque International sur les manuscrits africains comme sources historiques, Université Abdou Moumouni, Niamey, January-February 2007.

Conference of Hungarian Africanists, Budapest, December 2006.

23rd Congress of the Union Européenne des Arabisants et Islamisants (Centre and Periphery Within the Borders of Islam), Sassari, September-October 2006.

The Public Display of Violence in Islamic Societies (Seventh-Eighteenth Centuries), Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas, Madrid, June 2006.

22nd Congress of the Union Européenne des Arabisants et Islamisants, Cracow, September-October 2004.

Moderate and Extremist Islam: Religion and Society in the Modern Muslim World, Piliscsaba (Hungary), February 2003.

21st Congress of the Union Européenne des Arabisants et Islamisants, Palermo, September 2002.

Colloquium on Paradise and Hell in Islam, Keszthely (Hungary), July 2002.

Identidades Marginales en la Cultura Islámica Medieval, Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas, Madrid, October 2001.

1st National Colloquium of Oriental Studies, Budapest, December 2000.

20th Congress of the Union Européenne des Arabisants et Islamisants, Budapest, September 2000.

Ignaz Goldziher Memorial Conference, The Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest, June 2000.

Africa, Islam and Development, Annual International Conference, Edinburgh, May 1999.

35th International Congress of Asian and North African Studies (ICANAS), Budapest, July 1997.

Scholarships:

The Avicenna Institute research grant for library research at the Institut dominicain d'études orientales, Cairo [2016].

The Avicenna Institute research grant for library research at the Institut dominicain d'études orientales, Cairo [2014].

Andrew W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship for research at the Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas (Madrid), 2011.

Institute for Advanced Study (Princeton) membership funded by the Friends of the IAS, 2008-2009.

Burgen Scholarship of the Academia Europaea, 2006.

Bolyai János Research Fellowship, 2005-2007.

Andrew W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship for research conducted at the Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities (Edinburgh), 2004.

Postdoctoral Fellowship of the Hungarian Scientific Research Fund, 2001-2004.

Andrew W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship for research at the Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas (Madrid), 2001.

Junior Scholarship of the Hungarian Scientific Research Fund, 1999-2001.

Joint Research Scholarship of the Soros Foundation (Open Society Institute, Budapest) and the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (London), 1998-1999.

Junior Research Scholarship of the Peregrinatio Foundation (Hungary), 1998.

Previous teaching and research:

Banggai regency, Indonesia: anthropological fieldwork [2017, 2018].

Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton: research fellow [2008-2009].

Eötvös Loránd University, Department of Arabic: assistant lecturer [since 2007].

Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Department of Arabic: assistant lecturer [2002-2007].

Eötvös Loránd University, Department of Cultural Anthropology: holding courses in the anthropology of the Muslim world [since 2002].

Eötvös Loránd University, African Studies Programme: holding one course on the written and oral sources of African history [since 2001].

Eötvös Loránd University, Department of Arabic: working as Research Fellow [2001-2004].