

Curriculum Vitae

Franz Huber

HIGHER EDUCATION

- 10.2006-06.2010 **Ph.D. student in geography**, Department of Geography, **University of Cambridge**, UK. St. John's College, Gates Cambridge Scholar (expected)
- 10.2003-03.2006 **Combined Master's and Bachelor's programme in sociology**, Department of Sociology, **University of Salzburg**, Austria. Degree with highest honours. All courses, examinations and master thesis marked 'excellent'
- 10.2000-07.2005 **Combined Master's and Bachelor's programme in geography**, specialisation in urban and regional management, Department of Geography and Geology, **University of Salzburg**, Austria. Degree with highest honours. All diploma examinations and master thesis marked 'excellent'
- 08.2005-12.2005 **Visiting graduate student at Duke University Graduate School**, Department of **Sociology**, Durham, USA. Social capital research group of Professor Nan Lin. Three graduate courses marked 'excellent' (grade point average: 4.0)
- 09.2003-07.2004 **Erasmus exchange student at Oxford Brookes University**, Oxford, UK
Diploma in Advanced Study: eight courses in sociology, business studies, and philosophy marked 'excellent'

PUBLICATIONS

MONOGRAPH:

- 2007: **Social Networks and Knowledge Spillovers. Networked Knowledge Workers and Localised Knowledge Spillovers**. Peter Lang.

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES:

- 2009: Social Capital of Economic Clusters: Towards a Network-Based Conception of Social Resources. **Journal of Economic and Social Geography (TESG)** 100 (2), pp. 160-170.
- 2008a: The Evolutionary Foundation of Popper's Concept of Three Worlds: a Neglected Perspective of Human Ecological Research in Geography. **Geographische Zeitschrift** 94 (3), pp. 129-142 [with Schafranek, M. and C. Werndl].
- 2010a: Do Clusters Really Matter for Innovation Practices in Information Technology? Questioning the Significance of Technological Knowledge Spillovers [re-submitted to **Economic Geography**].
- 2010b. On the Role of Spatial, Social and Cognitive Proximity for Personal Knowledge Networks [under review in **Regional Studies**].

CONTRIBUTIONS IN BOOKS:

- 2006: On the Role of Tourism in the City and the Province of Salzburg. In: Stroppa, C., eds., **Turismo e Società. Contributi per un'Analisi Sociopsicologica**. Aracne [lead author, with R. Bachleitner].
- 2005a: Baroque Salzburg. On Normalization of Spatial Constructs [German]. – In: Flitner, M. and J. Lossau, eds., **Themen-Orte. Zur Produktion und Durchsetzung von Raumbildern**. LIT [peer-reviewed; with T. Jekel, fully collaborative work].
- 2004a: Baroque Architecture – Postmodern life? Politically Contested Images of Old Towns Illustrated by the Case of Salzburg [German]. In: Dachs H. und R. Floimair, eds., **Salzburger Jahrbuch für Politik 2003**. Böhlau [peer-reviewed; with T. Jekel, fully collaborative work].

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:

- 2005b: Analysing Social Networks within the Context of Localised Knowledge Spillovers. In: Buchinger, E., Dachs, B., Roediger-Schluga, T., Seibt, C. und P. Wagner (2005), eds., **Networks as a Form of Governance of Technological Innovations. Report**. Vienna: Austrian Research Centers Seibersdorf.

2004b: Embeddedness of Ideals of a National Park in Touristic Institutions and Actors of 'Ferienregion Nationalpark Hohe Tauern' [German]. In: Mose, I. und U. Vilsmaier, eds., **Zur Implementierung der Nationalpark-Idee in Landwirtschaft, Tourismus und Bildung. Ergebnisse eines Studienprojektes in der Nationalparkregion Hohe Tauern**. Salzburg [with Hochleitner, G., Preining, D., Schrattecker, W. and C. Sulzer].

REFEREED WORKING PAPERS:

2008b: Social Capital of Economic Clusters. Towards a Network-Based Conception of Social Resources. **Royal Geographical Society Economic Geography Research Group Working Paper Series 02.08**.

2005c: Social Networks and Knowledge Spillovers. **Austrian Research Centers Seibersdorf Working Paper ARC--sys-0057**. Vienna: Austrian Research Centers Seibersdorf.

UNPUBLISHED RESEARCH REPORTS:

2005d: Consumer Behaviour, Flows of Customers and Customer Satisfaction in the Shopping Centre Borromäus Point [German]. **Unpublished research report** [with R. Bachleitner].

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 10.2009-02.2010 **External university lecturer**. "Networks: Network Theory, Network Analysis, Applications". Department of Political Science and Sociology, University of Salzburg, Austria
- Lent 2009 **Lecture**: Part II-2: "Working in the New Economy". Department of Geography, University of Cambridge, UK
- Michaelmas 2008-Lent 2009 **Undergraduate supervisor**: Part II-1: "The New Europe: People, Places and Politics"; Part II-2: "Working in the New Economy". Department of Geography, University of Cambridge, UK
- Michaelmas 2007-Lent 2008 **Undergraduate supervisor**: Part IB-2: "Understanding the Economy: Geographies of Contemporary Capitalism"; Part IB-4: "Geography and Public Policy". Department of Geography, University of Cambridge, UK
- 03.-08.2006 **External university lecturer** (together with two colleagues). Interdisciplinary seminar "Self-Organisation and Systems Theory". ICT&S Center, University of Salzburg, Austria
- 02.2006 **External university lecturer** (together with two colleagues). Interdisciplinary seminar "Self-Organisation—World Views, Theories, Applications". University of Applied Sciences and Arts Zurich, Switzerland
- 03.-06.2005 **Tutor**. Department of Geography and Geology, Division Human Geography, Regional and Development Research, University of Salzburg, Austria. Course: "Preparation for the project excursion Benelux"
- 10.2004-02.2005 **External university lecturer** (together with two colleagues). Interdisciplinary seminar "Perspectives on Self-Organisation in Geography". Department of Geography, University of Kassel, Germany

AWARDS

- 2009 **Early Career Award 2009** from the Regional Studies Association
- 2009 **Postgraduate Working Paper Prize** from the Economic Geography Research Group, Royal Geographical Society (with IBG) for the paper "Social Capital of Economic Clusters: Towards a Network-Based Conception of Social Resources"
- 2005 **Award for outstanding achievements** in the Master's programme in geography from the University of Salzburg
- 2004 **Award for outstanding achievements** in the undergraduate programme in sociology from the University of Salzburg
- 2002 **Award for outstanding achievements** in the undergraduate programme in geography from the University of Salzburg

SCHOLARSHIPS

- 2006-2010 **Gates Cambridge Scholarship** for Ph.D. studies in Geography at the University of Cambridge from the Cambridge Trusts/Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation covering tuition and College fees and living and research expenses.

- 2009 Full **Travel Scholarship** from the Stavanger Centre for Innovation Research for the Stavanger Innovation Summit, Stavanger, Norway
- 2007 **Travel Scholarship** for a ESRC Doctoral Workshop from the Centre for Entrepreneurship, Durham Business School, Durham University, UK
- 2005 **Joint Study Scholarship** for a postgraduate stay at Duke University Graduate School from Duke University Graduate School and the Austrian Federal Ministry for Education, Science and Culture
- 2005 **Scholarship** from the Federal Government of Upper Austria for a postgraduate stay at Duke University Graduate School
- 2005 **Scholarship** from the Kulturfonds of the City of Salzburg for a postgraduate stay at Duke University Graduate School
- 2005 **Scholarship** from the Julius Raab Foundation for a postgraduate stay at Duke University Graduate School
- 2003 **Erasmus scholarship** for a stay abroad at Oxford Brookes University
- 2003 **Scholarship** from the foundation Politheia for the summer school ‘Poland today 2003’
- 2002 **Scholarship** from the Office of Foreign Relations of the University of Salzburg for the ‘International Helsinki Summer School 2002’

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

- 22.09.2009 “Spatial, Social and Cognitive Proximity in Networks: Knowledge Workers in the Cambridge IT Cluster“. **Deutscher Geographentag 2009**, Vienna, Austria
- 16.06.2009 “Does the Cluster Matter for Innovation Practices of Knowledge Workers? Lessons from the Cambridge IT Cluster” (invited talk). **Stavanger Innovation Summit**, Stavanger, Norway
- 07.04.2009 “Knowledge Workers in the Cambridge IT Cluster: Knowledge Spillovers through Personal Networks?”. **Regional Studies Association Annual Conference**, Leuven, Belgium
- 28.08.2008 “Personal Networks in the Cambridge IT Cluster: a Critical Investigation of Knowledge Interactions”. **Royal Geographical Society Annual International Conference 2008**, London, UK
- 30.04.2008 “Personal Networks and Knowledge Flows. On the Role of Proximity in the Cambridge IT Cluster”. **5th Annual Cluster Research Workshop 2008** “Networks in Society and Economy”. Department of Geography. University of Cambridge, UK
- 22.11.2007 “Personal Networks and Knowledge Flows in Clusters. Absorption, Leakage and Spatial Dimensions in the Cambridge IT Cluster” (invited talk). **Library House Science Club**. Cambridge, UK
- 29.09.2007 “Social Capital: Conceptual Problems and Actor-Centred Perspectives of Social Networks and Social Resources”. **Deutscher Geographentag 2007**. AK Geographie und Gesellschaftstheorie. Bayreuth, Germany
- 17.04.2007 “Going Beyond the ‘Thematic Turn’ of Relationality? The Scope of Concepts and Methods of Social Network Analysis”. **Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting 2007**. San Francisco, USA
- 22.03.2007 “The Social Network Foundation of Knowledge Spillovers in Industrial Clusters. An Investigation of Mechanisms in Cambridge” (invited talk). Discussion of doctoral students’ work. **ESRC Doctoral Workshop**. Centre for Entrepreneurship. **Durham Business School**. Durham University, UK
- 02.05.2005 “Social Network Analysis: Theoretical Backgrounds and Analysis of Knowledge Flows” (invited talk). **ICT&S Center** (Advanced Studies and Research in Information and Communication Technologies & Society). **University of Salzburg**, Austria
- 19.04.2005 “On Self-Organisation in Social Systems“. Invited guest lecture in the course “Technology Assessment”. **Department of Communication Science**. **University of Salzburg**, Austria
- 15.12.2004 “Social Network Analysis: Theoretical Backgrounds for Meaningful Interpretation, Application for Researching Localised Knowledge Spillovers”, **Austrian Research Centers Seibersdorf**. Seibersdorf, Austria

01.10.2003 “Barockes Salzburg. Zur Normalisierung von Raumkonstruktionen“ [Baroque Salzburg. On Normalisation of spatial constructs] (together with T. Jekel).
Deutscher Geographentag 2003. Bern, Switzerland

RESEARCH CONTRACTS OF EMPLOYMENT

06.2005 **Contract of employment**. Project: “The current state of ethics in the Austrian sciences”. Department of Social and Economic Sciences, University of Salzburg, Austria. Construction of a questionnaire and data management (SPSS)

03.-06.2005 **Research and teaching assistant**. Department of Sociology, University of Salzburg, Austria

07.2004-01.2005 **Contract of employment**. Austrian Institute of Technology, Department of Policy Development, Austria. Research project on social networks and the economy

12.2002-03.2003 **Contract researcher**, Department of Geography and Geology, University of Salzburg, Austria. Discourse analysis on representations of the old town of Salzburg

SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Michaelmas 2008 **Co-organiser** of the Graduate Seminar Series, Department of Geography, University of Cambridge, UK

10.2007-06.2009 **Ph.D. student representative** at the Graduate Studies Committee, Department of Geography, University of Cambridge, UK

10.2006-06.2009 **Representative** at the Graduate Student Staff Consultative Committee, Department of Geography, University of Cambridge, UK

08.2008 **Organiser** of two sessions ‘Networks in Economic Geography’ at the Royal Geographical Society Annual International Conference 2008, London, UK

04.2007 **Organiser** of the international conference: Cluster Research Workshop “The New Social and Economic Geography of Europe”. Cambridge, UK

04.2007 **Co-organiser** of the session ‘New Economic Geographies – Social Networks Reconsidered’, Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers. San Francisco, USA

ADDITIONAL COURSES

07.2008 **Summer Institute** in Economic Geography, Manchester

08.2006 **Summer School** “POLNET International Summer School on the Analysis of Political and Managerial Networks”, University of Konstanz, Germany

07.2003 **Summer School** “Poland Today 2003”, Department of Political Science, University of Warsaw, Poland

08.2002 **Summer School** “Urban Change in a Network Society”, International Helsinki Summer School 2002, Finland

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS International newspapers, politics, sports (cycling, ski-mountaineering, hiking, tennis), music (playing the accordion and the piano), writing applications

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