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## CURRICULUM VITAE DANIELA WALDBURGER

### Personal Details

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### Fields of Research

- Applied Linguistics
- Sociolinguistics
- Plurilingualism/ transnational language use
- Discourse analysis
- Language and power
- Language and history
- Swahili language and literature
- Employment-tied housing in (post)-colonial Africa: Lubumbashi (DR Congo)

### Academic Career and Project-related Professional Positions

- Since Mar. 2017 *Department of African Studies, University of Vienna, Austria*
- Post Doc (50%) Project: „Employment-tied Housing in (post)colonial Africa“, working on the case study Lubumbashi (DR Congo)
- Since Mar. 2013 *Department of African Studies, University of Vienna, Austria*
- Deputy Head of Institute (Oct. 2014- Sep. 2016)
  - Senior Lecturer for Swahili (50%),
  - Lecturer for Applied Linguistics (upon demand)
- Oct. 2014– Feb. 2015 *University of Graz, Austria*
- Lecturer for Swahili at ‘treffpunktsprachen/ Plurilingualism’
- Oct. 2012-Feb. 2013 *Department of African Studies, University of Vienna, Austria*
- Lecturer for Swahili
- Nov. 2011-Mar. 2012 *University of Graz (Austria)*
- treffpunktsprachen/ Plurilingualism
- Jul. 2010-Sep. 2012 *Department of African Studies, University of Vienna, Austria*
- Senior Lecturer for Swahili and Applied Linguistics, (Substitute for Dr. Maral-Hanak)

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- Oct. 2004-Sep. 2008 *Department of African Studies and International Development Studies, University of Vienna, Austria*
- Swahili and Applied Linguistics Lecturer(Substitute for Dr. Maral-Hanak)
- Oct. 2000-Oct. 2005 *Department of African Linguistics, University of Zurich, Switzerland*
- Assistant (Part-time) in Project „ALI Swahili“ (Project Leader: Dr. Thomas Bearth)
- Oct. 1998-Sep. 1999 *Department of African Linguistics, University of Zurich, Switzerland*
- Assistant (Part-time) in Project „Topic Focus and Countervalue – a discourse typological study“ (Project Leader: Dr. Thomas Bearth)

### **Academic Education**

- 2012 Doctoral Dissertation at the University of Vienna, Austria: „Komorisch im transnationalen Kontext“ (Comorian in transnational context)
- 1995-2002 Study of African and Applied Linguistics and Social Anthropology at the University of Zurich, Switzerland

### **Field Research Experience**

- Aug.1.-Sep.15 2016 6 weeks research stay in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania
- Since 1999 Regular research trips to and fieldwork in Tanzania and Kenya (last one August 2015)
- Feb. 2014 Investigation into holdings of a) Colonial History Collection in Tervuren and b) Library of the Royal Academy of Overseas Sciences in Brussels
- Sep. 2013 Investigation into holdings of a) Colonial History Collection in Tervuren and b) Library of the Royal Academy of Overseas Sciences in Brussels
- Sep. 2011 Marseille, France, research for PhD: “ Swahili und Komorisch im transnationalen Kontext“
- Feb. 2012 Marseille, data collection for PhD

### **Academic Credits**

#### Conferences and Workshops

- 2016 Participation on the Workshop for Swahili teachers and general participation at 29<sup>th</sup> Swahili Symposium, University of Bayreuth, Germany, May 06-08.
- 2016 Digitally-mediated texts from the Greater Swahili area on websites and Internet forums. European Swahili Workshop No. 9 “Working on/with

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- archives and the written word in anthropology and literary studies:  
Perspectives on the Swahili world". EHESS, Paris, April 18-19.
- 2016 Participation at 37th International LAUD Symposium "Linguistic Landscapes and Superdiversity in the City", University of Landau, Germany, April 4-6.
- 2015 Swahili in Eastern Congo – from a dominated to a dominating language or vice versa? World-Conference on pluricentric Languages and their Non-Dominant Varieties, University of Graz, July 8-11
- 2015 Digitally-mediated language practices – Comorian and Mainland Swahili on websites and internet forums. Swahili Symposium, University of Bayreuth, Germany, May 31 – June 02
- 2014 Greater Swahili – acceptance and limits of Swahili Varieties in Swahili Teaching. International Conference on African Languages and Literatures in the 21st Century, Kenyatta University, Nairobi, Kenya, August 6-8
- 2014 Invited speaker. Greater Swahili – preliminary observations of acceptance and limits of Swahili varieties in L2+ Swahili teaching. Swahili Symposium, University of Bayreuth, Germany, June 10-11
- 2013 Comorian in transnational context. ICML XIV International Conference on Minority Languages, University of Graz, Austria, September 11-14
- 2013 Organization of the panel "Perspectives on spaces in between – translocal experiences of choices in plurilingual settings" together with Dr. Gabriele Slezak, University of Vienna. ICML XIV International Conference on Minority Languages, University of Graz, Austria, September 11-14
- 2013 Comorian in transnational context. 44rd Annual Conference on African Linguistics, Georgetown University, Washington, DC, USA, March 7-10
- 2012 Comorien - Swahili in the Diaspora: Language shift, contact phenomena and construction of identity in a plurilingual community. 43rd Annual Conference on African Linguistics, Tulane University, New Orleans, USA, March 15-17
- 2011 Comorien - Swahili in the Diaspora: Language shift and contact phenomena. 24. Swahili Colloquium, Bayreuth, Germany, June 3-5
- 2010 How to fill the gap between knowledge of structure and lexicon and active and passive text competence in L2+ Swahili Teaching. Inaugural RISSEA Scientific Conference, Mombasa, Kenya, Nov. 18-20
- 2007 Organizer of the Panel "Popular culture and politics - alternative channels of expression" together with Dr. Birgit Englert, University of Vienna). AEGIS European Conference on African Studies. African Studies Centre Leiden, The Netherlands, July 11-14

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- 2007 Politeness in Swahili. 20. Swahili Colloquium, Bayreuth, Germany, May 18-20
- 2006 Modalität im gesprochenen Swahili. 4. Tage der Schweizer Linguistik, Basel, Switzerland, November 20-21
- 2006 Patterns of modality in political speeches of Nyerere in Swahili. International conference on Bantu Grammar: Description and Theory, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, April 20–22
- 2002 Cohesion and Coherence in Oral Literature from rural Zanzibar. Swahili Colloquium, Bayreuth, Germany, May

#### Other

- 2016 Digitally-mediated texts in Tanzania. Talk on Schnittpunkt Afrika: African Languages and Literatures in the Era of Social Media. Department of African Studies, University of Vienna, October 7.
- 2014 Panel Chair, Panel: “Variety and Unity in Emancipatory African Thought” at the International Conference African Thoughts on (Neo-) Colonial Worlds: Steps towards an Intellectual History of Africa, University of Vienna, November 6-7
- 2014 Participant, Swahili Colloquium, University of Bayreuth, Germany, June 8-9.
- 2013 Participant Workshop “Geographischen Arbeitskreis Entwicklungstheorien (GAE) 2013 : Formen der (Un)Ordnung: Konzeptionelle Zugänge zu Dynamiken von Ordnungsarrangements und Ordnungsregimen“, Department of Geography, University of Erlangen, October 25-27
- 2012 Komorisch im transnationalen Raum. Institute lecture, Department of African Studies, University of Vienna, April 17

#### Memberships and Editorial Functions

- Since 2005 Member of the Editorial Team of the Africanist Journal „Stichproben. Wiener Zeitschrift für kritische Afrikastudien“ (Vienna Journal of African Studies)

#### International Partnerships

- Since 2010 Co-ordinator of student exchange program with University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania at Department of African Studies, University of Vienna, Austria