

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Current Position

2020– Postdoctoral Fellow in “ZARAH: Women’s labour activism in Eastern Europe and transnationally, from the age of empires to the late 20th century”, research project lead by Prof. Susan Zimmermann at Central European University in Vienna, Austria (ERC Advanced Grant) (*Including a maternal leave between June 2021 and July 2022*)

Education

- 2014–2019 PhD in Social Sciences
University of Amsterdam (AISSR)
Dissertation topic: “A Threatening Geography: Forced Displacement and Convict Labour in Western Siberia, 1879–1953” (four-year research position within the research program “Four centuries of labour camps”, fully funded by the Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research)
Research advisors: Marcel van der Linden (IISH), Nanci Adler (NIOD)
Date of defence: 5 September 2019
- 2011–2014 Master 2 in Social Sciences
École normale supérieure, Paris
Research advisor: Alain Blum (EHESS-INED)
- 2009–2011 Master 1 in Sociology
Collège universitaire français, Moscow
Research advisor: Ivan Chupin (Université de Versailles)
- 2006–2011 Diploma in History
Moscow State University, Moscow
Research advisor: Timur Valetov (MSU)

Publications

Monographs

“Coerced Labour, Forced Displacement, and the Soviet Gulag, 1880s-1930s”, under contract with Amsterdam University Press

*Articles (peer-reviewed articles are marked with an *)*

- 2019* "Dissecting Sites of Punishment: Penal Colonies and their Borders", Introduction to the Special theme of the International Review of Social History, co-authored with Francesca di Pasquale, *IRSH* 64(3) : 427–444 (Special theme also co-edited together with Francesca di Pasquale)
- 2018* "Exile as Imperial Practice: Western Siberia and the Russian Empire, 1879–1900", *IRSH* 63: Special Issue S26 (Transportation, Deportation and Exile: Perspectives from the Colonies in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries): 131–150
- 2018* "Von den revolutionären Lagern zum sowjetischen Gulag: Entwicklungspfade des sowjetischen Strafsystems", *Jahrbuch für Historische Kommunismusforschung* 2018. Berlin: 189–201
- 2016 "The Two Tales of Forced Labour: Katonga and Reformed Prison in Imperial Russia (1879–1905)", *Almanack* 14: 91–117
- 2015* "Lacunae in the politics of memory: remembering the Soviet deportations from Lithuania", *Journal of Social Policy Studies* 13(3): 407–420 (In Russian)
- 2013 "Authority and power in the testimonies of the former deportees from Lithuania to the Soviet Union", in *Constructing the "Soviet"? Materials of the academic conference for students and young researchers*. Saint Petersburg, 2013: 98–104

Book chapters

- 2023 "Exiles, Convicts and Deportees as Migrants: Northern Eurasia, Nineteenth-Twentieth Centuries" in Marcelo Borges and Madeline Y. Hsu (eds) *The Cambridge History of Global Migrations*, vol. II (Cambridge, 2023)

Reviews

- 2021 Review of Beth English, Mary E. Frederickson, and Olga Sanmiguel-Valderrama (eds), *Global Women's Work: Perspectives on Gender and Work in the Global Economy*, *Labor: Studies in Working-Class History* 18(3)
- 2019 Review of Jonathan Daly. *Crime and Punishment in Russia. A Comparative History from Peter the Great to Vladimir Putin*, *IRSH* 64(1): 146–148
- 2017 Review of *The Soviet Gulag. Evidence, Interpretation, and Comparison*. Ed. Michael David-Fox, *IRSH* 62(3): 566–569

Scholarships, Fellowships, Awards

- 2021 Three-month research fellowship at the German Historical Institute in Warsaw (deferred due to pregnancy and the Covid pandemic)
- 2016 Global Fellow at the Weatherhead Initiative on Global History, Harvard University
- 2015 Hoover Library & Archives Workshop On Authoritarian Regimes at Stanford University
- 2011–2014 Full three-year scholarship for international students (La Sélection internationale) at École normale supérieure de Paris
- 2009 Scholarship of the French government: full funding of a four-week language course in Strasbourg

Institutional Responsibilities and Professional Service

- 2022– “ZARAH DB IT development coordination, team support, and copy-editing” Lead responsibility within the ZARAH project
- 2020–2021 “Team events management” Lead responsibility within the ZARAH project:
- organisation and coordination of the weekly team meetings online and offline for a team of ten researchers
 - organisation of public lectures in hybrid format
 - organisation of the ZARAH Annual Team Workshop 2020 and the ZARAH International Workshop 2020
- 2020 Setting up, editing and curating the [ZARAH Blog](#)
- 2018– Reviewer for the Netherlands Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities and Social Sciences (NIAS)

Other Academic Experience

- 2019 Summer Academy “Forced Labour Old and New” organised by re:work (Berlin) and the Addis Ababa University
- 2019 TEI Introductory School 2019 at the the Centre for Information Modelling of the University of Graz, Austria
- 2014–2018 Posthumus Training Program. PhD training program in Social and Economic history, based at the N.W. Posthumus Institute, Radboud University Nijmegen
- 2016 11th European Summer School Ravensbrück at the Ravensbrück Concentration Camp Memorial

2015 Research Design Course at the University of Göteborg, Sweden

Public Outreach

2021 [“Halina Krahelska: Multifaceted Activist Legacy”](#), 25 February 2021, ZARAH Blog

2021 [“Putting Activists Centre Stage: An Introduction to the ZARAH Blog Series II”](#) (co-authored with Veronika Helfert), January 2021, ZARAH Blog

2020 [“The invisible women: Żyrardów strike of 1883”](#), 10 November 2020, ZARAH Blog

2020 [“Finding Women in the Sources: An Introduction to the ZARAH Blog Series I”](#) (co-authored with Veronika Helfert), October 2020, ZARAH Blog

Invited Talks

2022 “Atelier du transnational” at the German Historical Institute in Paris

Conference Papers

2023 “Halina Krahelska: Labour Inspector at Home and Abroad, 1290s-1930s” at the European Social Science History Conference in Gothenburg, Sweden

2022 “Ambivalent Transnational Encounters of a Labour Activist: Halina Krahelska, 1920s-1930s” at the ZARAH Third International Workshop at Central European University, Vienna, Austria

2020 “Together and Apart. Polish and Jewish Women Labour Activists before the 1905 Revolution”, at the ZARAH First International Workshop at Central European University, Vienna, Austria

2019 “Beyond ‘Perekovka’: Forced Labour as Technology, 1879–1934” at International conference “Making the New Man: Scientific and Artistic Experiments in the Russian Empire and the Soviet Union, 1900–1939” at the Saint Petersburg University, Russia

2017 “Exile as Imperial Practice: Western Siberia and the Russian Empire, 1879–1900” at the workshop “The production of imperial space. Circulatory regimes and the Empire (18th-20th centuries)” at the SciencesPo, Paris, France

2017 “Extramural convict work in Western Siberia in the early twentieth century” at the Fifth Congress of the European Network in Universal and Global History (ENIUGH) in Budapest, Hungary

- 2017 "Blueprints for Gulag: Revolutionary concentration camps and labour compulsion" at the Young Researchers Conference: "Centennial, Commemoration, Catastrophe: 1917–2017 as Past and Present in Russia and Beyond", organised by Havighurst Center for Russian and Post- Soviet Studies, Miami University at Villa Vergiliana, Cuma, Italy
- 2016 "Siberian Exile and the Policies of Empire" at the European Social Science History Conference in Valencia, Spain
- 2016 Seminar "Scales of Global History" at the University of São Paulo, Brazil
- 2015 "Tsarist Katorga and Soviet Gulag in Western Siberia: War, Colonisation and Rehabilitation, 1879–1960" at the conference "Peripheral Histories? Postgraduate Research into the Late-Imperial Russian and Early-Soviet Provinces, Localities, and Republics" at the University of Manchester, UK

Languages

Russian	Native
English	Full proficiency
French	Full proficiency
German	Advanced
Polish	Intermediate
Yiddish	Elementary
Dutch	Elementary