

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education

- 2006 - 2013 PhD in *Sociology and Social Anthropology*
Central European University, Budapest, Hungary
Dissertation: “Assembling Fragmented Citizenship: Bulgarian Muslim Migrants on the Margins of Two States”, Magna cum Laude
www.etd.ceu.hu/2014/deneva_neda.pdf
- 2004 – 2005 MA in *Sociology and Social Anthropology*
Central European University, Budapest, Hungary
MA thesis: “Internal and International Migration in a Bulgarian Muslim Village: Patterns of Differences and Similarities”, with Honours
- 1998 – 2003 BA in *History and Theory of Culture*
Sofia University “St. Kliment Ohridski”, Bulgaria
Faculty of Philosophy, Department of History and Theory of Culture
with Honours

List of Publications

Peer Reviewed Articles and Chapters in Edited Volumes

- Forthcoming 2021. Mobile people versus static institutions: national policies and the lifecourse of transnational grandparents” in *Life Course, Work and Labour: Historical, Sociological and Anthropological Perspectives*, edited by Josef Ehmer and Carola Lentz
2019. ‘Phantasmic Devices: Wedding Videos and the Creation of an Imagined Transnational Community by Bulgarian Muslims in Spain’. *Studia Universitatis Babes-Bolyai Sociologia* 64(1):65–88.
2017. “Flexible Kin-Work, Flexible Migration: Aging Migrants Caught between Productive and Reproductive Labour in the European Union”, in *Transnational Aging and Kin-Work*, edited by Parin Dossa and Cati Coe. New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press
2016. *Book Review*: Kasmir, Sharryn and August Carbonella (eds.) 2014. Blood and fire. Toward a global anthropology of labor. *Social Anthropology*, 24(2):261-263

2015. "Conflicting Meanings and Practices of Work. Bulgarian Roma as Citizens and Migrants" in *Situating Migration in Transition: Temporal, Structural, and Conceptual Transformations of Migrations. Sketches from Bulgaria*, Sofia: Collective for Social Interventions
2012. "Transnational Aging Carers: On Transformation of Kinship and Citizenship in the Context of Migration among Bulgarian Muslims in Spain." *Social Politics: International Studies in Gender, State & Society* 19 (1):105–128.
2010. (in Bulgarian) "Razteglyane na rituala: svatbenite video zapisi pri bulgarite musulmani v Ispania" ["Extending the ritual: Wedding videos among Bulgarian Muslims in Spain"] in *Suvremenni bulgarski migratsii: marshruti I mrezi* [*Contemporary Bulgarian Migrations: Routes and Networks*], edited by Rositsa Guentcheva, Sofia: Kritika I Humanisam
2010. (in French) "Bulgares musulmans en Espagne: la stratégie du double nom pour contourner la catégorie" in *Migrations Societe* 22 (128):131-144
2009. (in Bulgarian) "Mezhdunarodni I vateshni migratsii: Rolyata na granicite v mobilizatsiata na mrezi v edno rodopsko selo" ["International and internal migrations: the role of borders in network mobilisations in a Bulgarian Muslim village"] *Български Фолклор* [*Bulgarian Folklore*] 2:22-37
2009. "The Young-Old Transnational Travellers. On the Transformation of Care Arrangements among Bulgarian Muslim Migrants in Spain" *Migrationonline.cz* (<http://www.migrationonline.cz/e-library/?x=2192272>)
2008. "On the Margins of Two States: Flexible Self-identification Strategies of Bulgarian Muslims in Spain", *www.migrationonline.cz* <http://www.migrationonline.cz/e-library/?x=2090875>
2006. "The Role of Ethnicity in the Re-construction of the Community: Internal and International Migration in a Bulgarian Muslim Village" pp. 20-24 in *Migration Processes in Central and Eastern Europe. Unpacking the Diversity*. edited by Alice Szczepanikova, Marek Canek, Jan Grill. Prague: Multicultural Center Prague

Policy Reports and other entries

- 2019 co-authored with Stefan Krastev. (in Bulgarian) 'Sezonnite rabotnitzi v all-inclusive turisma v Bulgaria' ["Seasonal workers in the all-inclusive tourism in Bulgaria] Sofia: Collective for Social Interventions KOI http://novilevi.org/media/Deneva_Krastev_Sezonnite_rabotnitsi.pdf?fbclid=IwAR3s3gHbcv3TgEnLVsUx71SpKVRtXyb2gyF9BeHj6yH9azAwRy4_m2AkjmU
2017. Book review 'Viorela Ducu and Aron Telegdi-Csetri (Eds).(2016). Managing Difference in Eastern-European Transnational Families. *Romanian Journal of Population Studies* 11 (1): 151–154.
2015. co-authored with Maya Grekova, Mila Mineva and Petya Kabakchieva, *The (Im)Mobility Catch: Mobile People versus Static Institutions*, Sofia: CLS and RiskMonitor

2014. “Trapped in Europe’s Quagmire: The situation of Asylum Seekers and Refugees in Bulgaria”, co-authored with Tsvetelina Hristova, Raia Apostolova, and Mathias Fiedler. Bordermonitoring.eu, (<http://bulgaria.bordermonitoring.eu/2014/07/07/trapped-in-europes-quagmire/>)
2014. “Developing future scenarios of demographic, migratory and labour market processes in Bulgaria: Foresight findings” Foresight report developed within the project SEEMIG: Managing Migration and its Effects in SEE . Transnational Actions towards Evidence based Strategies. <http://www.seemig.eu/downloads/outputs/SEEMIGForesightReportBulgaria.pdf>
2013. “Access to Employment for Beneficiaries of International Protection in Bulgaria, Poland, Romania and Slovakia”, Bulgaria Country Report and Cross-country Analysis (co-authored with Dumitrita Holdis), UNHCR Regional Representation for Central Europe, Budapest (<http://www.unhcr-centraleurope.org/pdf/what-we-do/promoting-integration/access-to-employment-bulgaria-poland-romania-slovakia.html>, last retrieved 05 Jan 2014)
2013. “Bulgaria. A Country Case Study” in *Migration, Employment, and Labour Market Integration Policies in the European Union*, edited by Giuliana Urso and Anke Schuster. Brussels, Belgium: International Organization for Migration
2010. “Bulgaria” entry in the “*Annual Overview of International Migration in Central and Eastern Europe – 2009. Seven overviews from seven different countries on the important events and changes which took place in the field of migration in 2009*” Migrationonline.cz (<http://www.migrationonline.cz/centraleasterneurope/2009/>)
2009. “Bulgaria” entry in the “*Annual Overview of International Migration in Central and Eastern Europe – 2008. Seven commentaries from seven different countries on the important events and changes which took place in the field of migration last year*”, Migrationonline.cz (<http://www.migrationonline.cz/centraleasterneurope/2008/>)

Teaching

- Since Oct 2016 Adjunct Lecturer
Babes Bolyai University, Cluj, Romania
Department of Sociology (courses: Political Sociology: Citizenship, Migration, Labour; Transnational Migration; Gender and Labour)
Department of Public Health (courses: Maternal and Child Health; Global Health)
- Feb 2011-Jul 2012 Adjunct Lecturer
New Bulgarian University
Department of Anthropology (courses: Applied Anthropology, Symbolic Anthropology, Local Culture)
Department of Liberal Arts (course: Culture, Migration, Citizenship)
- Sep 2008 – Dec 2008 Teaching Assistant
Central European University
Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology
 Key Issues in Anthropology (MA level)

Working experience and Research Fellowships

- 2020 UNICEF, Bulgaria
Research and monitoring
Project: “Supporting local and national authorities for guaranteeing the rights of vulnerable children and families during COVID-19 state of emergency in Bulgaria”
- 2018 – 2020 *Babes-Bolyai University, Department of Sociology and Centre for Data Science*
Postdoctoral Research Fellow
UEFISCDI TE Project RoTECH Strategic Cooperative Networks: Exploring the Cluj information technology networks” PN-III-P1-1.1-TE-2016-1691
- 2018-2019 *New Europe College, Bucharest*
Postdoctoral Research Fellow
Project: “Return Migration of Health Professionals and the Transformation of Medical Practice in the Field of Maternal and Child Health: the case of Romania”
- 2018 *Centre for Advanced Studies, Sofia*
Postdoctoral Research Fellow
„Transformations in the field of maternal and child health in Bulgaria. The autonomy of women and midwives and the role of returning health professionals”
- 2017-2019 *Multicultural Center Prague (MKC) and Red House for Culture and Debate Sofia,*
“Towards shared interests between migrant and local workers”, national research expert, project methodology, project policy brief
- 2015 – 2016 *IGK Work and Human Lifecycle in Global History, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin*
re: work
Postdoctoral Research Fellow
Project: “Irregular Workers, Irregular Citizens: the Changing Meanings and Practices of Work among Bulgarian Roma in the Context of EU Labour Mobility”
- 2014 - 2015 *Centre for Liberal Strategies, Sofia*
Postdoctoral Research fellow
Projects: “The (Im)Mobility Catch: Mobile People versus Static Institutions” and “Poverty, Ethnicity and Welfare: a Case Study of Bulgarian Roma Migrants”
- 2014 *International Organization for Migration, Brussels*
National expert on Bulgaria
Study: Assessment on national policies related to migration health, addition of health strand of MIPEX. Filling the MIPEX Health Policy Indicators Questionnaire and preparing a country report on Bulgaria
- 2014 *Bordermonitoring.eu, München*
Researcher

Research project: “Recent changes in the conditions for asylum seekers and refugees in Bulgaria: border, detention, registration, accommodation, integration, access to the labour market”

- 2013-2014 *SEEMIG: Managing Migration and its Effects in SEE . Transnational Actions towards Evidence based Strategies*, National expert, foresight exercise, Report: “Developing future scenarios of demographic, migratory and labour market processes in Bulgaria: Foresight findings”
- 2013 *RTL4*
Fixer, translator and researcher
Supporting the team of the news journalist Jeroen Akkermans for producing news reports on Bulgaria on themes of migration, poverty, blood donation, welfare benefits
- 2013 *UNHCR*
Researcher and project coordinator
Research project “Access to Employment in Central European Countries, with a special focus on beneficiaries of international protection in Bulgaria, Poland, Slovakia and Romania”
- 2012 *IOM Independent Network of Labour Migration & Integration Experts (LINET)*
National expert on Bulgaria
Study: “2010-2011 Annual Monitoring Review on Migration, Employment and Labour Market Integration of Migrants and Access to Labour Market Information”
- 2010-2011 *Erste Stiftung* Generations in Dialogue Fellowship for Social Researchers 2010/2011, “Migration and its effects on demographic and economic development in CEE”
Research paper: Transformations of Care, Transformations of the Family: Bulgarian Muslims between Bulgaria and Spain
- 2007-2008 *FEDER (European Funds for Regional Development) and Ministerio de Educacio´n y Ciencia de Espana*
Project: “Growing older in a context of international migration”, No. SEJ 2005–08415
Ethnographic research on migration of ageing Bulgarians to Spain
- 2006 Bulgarian Red Cross, Refugee-Migrant Service, Sofia, Bulgaria
Social counsellor
- 2005- 2006 *Bulgarian National Radio, Programme Horizont*, Sofia, Bulgaria
Translator and Editor in the International News Section
- 2005 *Open Society Institute*
Researcher – ethnographic fieldwork in the town of Rouse
Project: “State of Society II”
- 2003 *New Bulgarian University*, Sofia, Bulgaria
Researcher – ethnographic fieldwork in the village of Borino
Project: “Social Optimism and Economic Growth”

- 2002 *International Centre for Minority Studies and Intercultural Relations*
Sofia, Bulgaria
Researcher - ethnographic fieldwork in villages in the Rhodopi Mountain
Project: “Emigration Patterns in the Rhodope Mountain Region”
- 2002 *Open Society Foundation*, Sofia, Bulgaria
Researcher – ethnographic fieldwork in the village of Obzor
Research Project: “State of Society I”
- 2003 - 2004 *United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)*, Sofia, Bulgaria
Social Development Unit
Project Assistant and Project Coordinator
- 2000 - 2003 *Lik* literary magazine, Sofia, Bulgaria
Contributor and Translator from German and English
- Feb 2003 – Jun 2003 *Centre for Street Children “Faith, Hope and Love”*, Sofia, Bulgaria, Volunteer

Fellowships and Awards

- 2016** **CEU Global Teaching Fellowship for Babes Bolyai University Cluj-Napoca, Romania**
- 2015 – 2016 IGK Work and Human Lifecycle in Global History, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
Postdoctoral Fellowship
- 2012 Award for Advanced Doctoral Students, CEU
- 2010-2011 Erste Stiftung Generations in Dialogue Fellowship for Social Researchers 2010/2011
- 2010 CEU Doctoral Research Support Grant at the University of Cambridge
- 2009 Marie Curie ILV Fellowship at the Goldsmiths’ College
- 2008 Academic Achievement Award for First-Year Doctoral Students, CEU

Languages

Bulgarian (native)
English (fluent spoken and written);
German (very good written, good spoken);
Romanian (intermediate spoken and written)