

# Curriculum Vitae

*Franz Huber, Ph.D.*

## FULL-TIME ACADEMIC POSITIONS:

- 10.2011-        **Lecturer in Strategy and Innovation** (permanent), The University of Southampton, Management School, UK
- 09.2010-09.2011    **ESRC Management and Business Development Fellow**,  
The Open University Business School, UK.  
**ESRC Grant RES-073-27-0031 (£50,752)**

## EDUCATION:

- 10.2006-08.2010    **Ph.D. studies in geography**, Department of Geography, **University of Cambridge**, UK. St. John's College.  
**Gates Cambridge Scholarship** (£60,000)
- 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'
- 01.-08.2000        **Mandatory military service** in the Austrian army (mountain infantry division)
- 09.1995-06.1999    **Secondary school BORG Nonntal (Austria)**, emphasis in computer science

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

- 09.2011-        **Lecturer** (permanent). Course "Innovation, Technology and the Environment". University of Southampton, Management School, UK
- 10.2009-03.2010    **External university lecturer**. "Networks: Network Theory, Network Analysis, Applications". Department of Political Science and Sociology, University of Salzburg, Austria. I planned my own course with 30 units (25 hours) of lecturing. I was responsible for 120 students and the marking of exam papers.
- 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:**

2010 Full **Travel Scholarship** from the Martin Prosperity Institute for the conference “Experience the Creative Economy”, Toronto  
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:**

01.09.2011 "The transition towards sustainability: can motorsport drive us green?". **Royal Geographical Society Annual International Conference**, London, UK  
29.04.2011 “Knowledge flows in economic clusters: the limits of relational thinking”. **11<sup>th</sup> Symposium for Economic Geography**, Rauischholzhausen, Germany  
13.04.2011 “Contextualising the role of extra-firm personal networks as a source of work-related knowledge”. **Organisational Learning, Knowledge and Capabilities (OLKC) Conference 2011**, Hull, UK  
01.09.2010 “On the Role and Interrelationship of Spatial, Social and Cognitive Proximity: Personal Knowledge Networks of R&D Workers in the Cambridge IT Cluster”. **Royal Geographical Society Annual International Conference**, London, UK  
23.06.2010 “On the Role and Interrelationship of Spatial, Social and Cognitive Proximity: Personal Knowledge Networks of R&D Workers in the Cambridge IT Cluster” (invited talk). Experience the Creative Economy. **Martin Prosperity Institute**, Toronto, Canada

- 17.06.2010 "Do Clusters Really Matter for Innovation Practices in Information Technology? Questioning the Significance of Technological Knowledge Spillovers" **DRUID Summer Conference 2010**, London, UK
- 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". **5<sup>th</sup> 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:**

- 2008- **Referee** for the journals Economic Geography, Environment and Planning A, Growth and Change, Industry and Innovation, International Small Business Journal, Journal of Economic Geography, Journal of Economic and Social Geography (TESG), Papers in Regional Science, Regional Studies
- 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
- 02.-05.2004 **Course “Building a Business”**, Oxford Science Enterprise Centre, Saïd Business School, Oxford University
- 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, sports (cycling, ski-mountaineering, hiking, tennis), music (playing the accordion and the piano), my wife, writing applications