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EMPLOYMENT

- 2015-present **Second-term Assistant Professor of Assyriology**, University of Chicago: Oriental Institute, Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations & the College
- 2013-present **Associate Researcher**, UMR 7192 : Proche-Orient – Caucase : langues, archéologie, cultures (Paris)
- 2014-2015 **Qualified teacher (professeur agrégé)** in History and Geography, Lycée (*senior high school*) François-Arago (Villeneuve-St-Georges, France)
- 2011-2012 **Researcher**, ANR/DFG project *HIGEOMES. La géographie historique de la Haute-Mésopotamie du IIe millénaire av. J.-C.: projet de recherche interdisciplinaire*, CNRS (Paris)
- 2008-2010 **Postdoctoral Fellow**, Freie Universität Berlin, Institut für Vorderasiatische Archäologie / Excellence Cluster 264 - TOPOI: The Formation and Transformation of Space and Knowledge in Ancient Civilisations, project *Climate-related Data from Middle and Neo-Assyrian Cuneiform Sources of Upper Mesopotamia (13th-10th c. BCE)*
- 2007-2008 **Lecturer** for Assyriology and the History of the Ancient Near East, Russian State University for the Humanities (Moscow)
- 2005-2007 **Teaching and Research Assistant (Wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter)** for Assyriology, Freie Universität Berlin, Institut für Altorientalistik
- 2003-2005 **Teaching and Research Assistant (ATER)** for Ancient History, Université Paris 1 Panthéon/Sorbonne
- 2001-2003 **Teaching and Research Assistant (ATER)** for Assyriology, Collège de France, Institut d'Assyriologie

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Akkadian Language, Syrian and Mesopotamian History, Old Babylonian, Amorite, Middle Assyrian, History of Climate, Environment and Landscape, History of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Management, Social and Economic History, Ancient Notions of Space

EDUCATION

- 2001-2006 **Ph.D. (Doctorat) in Assyriology**, École Pratique des Hautes Études (Paris)
Dissertation: “Les paysages ruraux du Moyen-Euphrate et de ses affluents au IIe millénaire av. n. è.” Passed with distinction (very honourable with the unanimous recommendation of the examiners).
Supervisor: Pr. Dominique Charpin
- 2000-2001 **M.A.S. (DEA) in Assyriology**, École Pratique des Hautes Études (Paris)
Thesis: “Rythmes et pratiques de l’agriculture à Mari (XIX^e-XVIII^e s. av. n. è.)” Passed with distinction.
- 1997-1998 **M.A. (Maîtrise)** in History, Université Paris 1 Panthéon/Sorbonne
Thesis: “Le palais d’Uruk à l’époque paléo-babylonienne” Passed with distinction.
- 1996-2000 **Student in History and Geography**, École Normale Supérieure (Fontenay/S¹-Cloud)
- 1996-1997 **B.A. (Licence)** in History, Université Paris 1 Panthéon/Sorbonne.

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2013 **Prix Saintour de l’Académie des Inscriptions et Belles-Lettres** for *Climate, Environment and Agriculture in Assyria in the 2nd Half of the 2nd Millennium BCE*, *Studia Chaburensia* 2, Wiesbaden (2011).
- 2008-2010 **Postdoctoral Fellowship**, Excellence Cluster 264 - TOPOI: The Formation and Transformation of Space and Knowledge in Ancient Civilisations (Berlin)

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Monographs

- 2018 *Florilegium Marianum XVI. L'agriculture irriguée à Mari : Essai d'histoire des techniques*. Mémoires de NABU 21. Paris: SEPOA.
- 2012 *Mittelassyrische Urkunden aus dem Archiv Assur 14446*. Keilschrifttexte aus mittelassyrischer Zeit 10, WVDOG 130. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz (co-authored with B. Feller).
- 2011 *Climate, Environment and Agriculture in Assyria in the 2nd Half of the 2nd Millennium BCE*, *Studia Chaburensia* 2. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz.

Articles in Peer-Reviewed Journals

- 2018 On Some Metrological Issues Affecting Yield Estimates in Second Millennium BCE Upper Mesopotamia, *Journal of Cuneiform Studies* 70.
- 2009 Le point sur la “plante à huile”: réflexions sur la culture du sésame en Syrie-Mésopotamie à l’âge du Bronze, *Journal des Médecines Cunéiformes* 13: 13-37.

Chapters in Peer-Reviewed Edited Volumes

- forth. De l’influence des conditions météorologiques sur les communications en Haute Mésopotamie, forthcoming in A. Otto *et al.* (ed.), *Unterwegs in Obermesopotamien. Rekonstruktion der Historischen Geographie mithilfe von Naturraum und Routen*. HIGEOMES I. Gladbeck: Peter Werner. [
- forth. “Opener of Canals, Provider of Abundance and Plenty.” Royal Investment in Large-Scale Irrigation in Second Millennium BCE Upper Mesopotamia, in S. Rost (ed.), *Irrigation in Early States: New Perspectives*. Oriental Institute Seminars 13. Chicago: Oriental Institute.
- forth. 6.4. Agriculture, in G. Rubio (ed.), *A Handbook of Ancient Mesopotamia*. Berlin-New York: de Gruyter.
- forth. Patrimonial and Official Land Tenure in 2nd Millennium BCE Upper Mesopotamia, in S. Procházka, L. Reinfandt & S. Tost (eds.), *Land and Power in the Ancient and Post-Ancient World. Proceedings of the 3rd International Conference of the NFN Imperium & Officium (Vienna, 2013)*. Wien.
- 2016 Claiming Land and People: Conceptions of Power in Syria and Upper Mesopotamia during the 2nd millennium BCE, in S. Schmidt-Hofner, Cl. Ambos and P. Eich (ed.), *Raum-Ordnung. Raum und soziopolitische Ordnungen im Altertum*, 175-214. *Akademiekonferenzen* 18, Heidelberg: Winter.
- 2015 Middle Assyrian Agrarian Management in the West in the Light of its Forerunners, in B.S. Düring (ed.), *Understanding Hegemonic Practices of the Early Assyrian Empire. Essays dedicated to Frans Wiggermann*, 199-219. *PIHANS* 125. Leiden: NINO.
- 2014 The Sutean Nomads in the Mari Period, in D. Morandi Bonacossi (ed.), *Settlement Dynamics and Human-Landscape Interaction in the Dry Steppes of Syria*, 209-226. *Studia Chaburensia* 4. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz (co-authored with N. Ziegler).
- 2010 The Lower Hābūr before the Assyrians: Settlement and Land Use in the First Half of the Second Millennium BCE, in H. Kühne (ed.), *Dūr-Katlimmu 2008 and Beyond*, 187-215. *Studia Chaburensia* 1. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz.
- 2010 Périphérique ou local? Le vocabulaire des paysages de la vallée de l’Euphrate au II^e millénaire av. n. è. *Babel und Bibel* 4/1: 505-520.
- 2009 Über den Beitrag der historischen Geographie zum Verständnis der Sesshaftigkeit am Beispiel des Mittleren Euphrat-Raumes im 2. Jt. v.Chr., in E. Cancik-Kirschbaum & N. Ziegler (eds.), *Entre les Fleuves I. Untersuchungen zur historischen Geographie Obermesopotamiens im 2. Jahrtausend*, 303-322. *BBVO* 20. Gladbeck: Peter Werner.
- 2009 L’implantation sédentaire dans la vallée de l’Euphrate à l’âge du Bronze: un modèle centre/périphérie? Le cas du Royaume de Mari (Syrie) au XVIII^e s. av. n. è., in J.-M. Durand & A. Jacquet (ed.), *Centre et Périphérie: Approches nouvelles des Orientalistes*, 57-81. *CIPOA* 1. Paris: Maisonneuve.
- 2008 Tell Hariri/Mari: Textes. V. Environnement et occupation de l’espace. II. Les sédentaires. *Supplément au Dictionnaire de la Bible* XIV (fasc. 77-78): 324-356.
- 2008 Late Bronze Age Rural Landscapes of the Euphrates according to the Emar Texts, in L. d’Alfonso, Y. Cohen & D. Sürenhagen (ed.), *The City of Emar among the Late Bronze Age Empires. History, Landscape, and Society. Proceedings of the Konstanz Emar Conference, 25.–26.04. 2006*, 129-140. *AOAT* 349, Münster: Ugarit Verlag.
- 2002 Lever d’astres et calendrier agricole à Mari, in J.-M. Durand & D. Charpin (ed.), *Florilegium Marianum VI. Recueil d’études à la mémoire d’André Parrot*, 517-538. *Mémoires de NABU*. 7, Paris: SEPOA. [