

Dr. Marie Huber

Curriculum Vitae

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Economic History – African History – Global History

CURRENT POSITION

- Since 2022 **Phillips University Marburg, Economic and Social History / SFB/Transregio 138 "Dynamics of Security"**
PostDoc Researcher in sub-project C 06, Foreign Trade Security
- Since 2023 **Centre Marc Bloch, Berlin**
Associated Researcher

PREVIOUS RESEARCH POSITIONS

- 2019-2022 **Humboldt University Berlin, Chair of Social and Economic History/ DFG Priority Programme 1859 "Experience and Expectation"**
Principal Investigator "Air Afrique"
- 2017-2018 **Chair of African History, Institute for Asian and African Studies, HU Berlin**
Lecturer and PostDoc Fellow
- 2010-2011 **Polinna Hauck Landscape and Urbanism**
Research assistant (freelance)
- 2006-2008 **Department of Architecture and Sociology of Planning, TU Berlin**
Research assistant with teaching duties

ACADEMIC EDUCATION

- 2013 - 2017 **Dr. Phil.**, Institute of Historical Sciences, Humboldt University of Berlin, completed with "magna cum laude", Supervisors: Prof. Dr. Andreas Eckert, HU Berlin, Prof. Dr. Sandrine Kott, Université de Genève
- 2010 **M.A. (Magistra Artium)**, History and Sociology, Technical University Berlin, completed with "very good", supervisor: Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Benz

CAREER BREAKS

I am the primary caregiver to my three children (born 2006, 2008 and 2018), but I was never entitled to maternity or parental leave, because I was either a student or on a scholarship.

INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2019 **Université Félix Houphouët-Boigny, Abidjan**
Chercheuse invité
- 2015-2016 **Addis Ababa University/Centre français des études éthiopiennes, Addis Ababa**
Visiting scholar

- 2014-2015 **Paris I - Paris IV - CNRS : UMR IRICE (Identités, Relations internationales et civilisations de l'Europe)**
Chercheuse invitée
PROJECTS AND GRANTS
- Since 2021 **German foreign trade with Africa and Asia**
- Raised funding for a preliminary study on German direct investment in Africa from 1950-1990 by Africa Policy Research Institute (APRI), Berlin
 - Founding member of DFG-Network (Post-)Colonial Business History
 - Supervising a team of 2 (research assistant and doctoral candidate)
 - Secured a book contract with Routledge, International Studies in Business History, for the edited volume “Germany’s Asian Challenges: Security Strategies of German Companies in Asia in the 20th century“ (and full open access funding)
 - Organised an all-African panel on “doing business in Africa” at EBHA 2024, acquiring travel funding for three African scholars
 - PostDoc position in project on “Foreign Trade Securitisation”, preparing case studies:
 - German political economy of development aid from 1960 on
 - Lufthansa’s international route expansion towards the Global South
 - German-Ethiopian economic relations
 - German trading firms in Malaysia
 - Archival Research in Germany and Ethiopia
 - Hosted a visiting scholar in 2023: Shakila Yacob, Malaysia
 - Hosted a visiting scholar in 2024, funded by a DFG-TWAS fellowship: Adane Kassie, Ethiopia
- Since 2020 **Industrialisation in Africa after 1940**
- Submission as ERC Starting Grant in 2021 (rejected, ranking range 33 - 34 %), resubmission in 2024
 - Invited for a keynote lecture on methods for (post-)colonial business history
 - Raised seed funding of HU Berlin for the preparation of an ERC Starting Grant (25,000 €)
 - Supervised a team of 2 (research assistant and doctoral candidate)
 - Organised and directing a conference panel and an international workshop in 2020
 - Co-Editor of a Special Issue for “Zeitschrift für Unternehmensgeschichte” (with Alexander Keese)
 - Archival research in Germany, Ethiopia, USA, Côte d' Ivoire, Netherlands, France
- 2018-2023 **Aviation in post-colonial Africa**
- Won a research grant: DFG "Eigene Stelle" (337,600 €) and a PostDoc scholarship (10 months full funding) as seed funding
 - Part of the DFG Priority Programme “Experience Expectations”
 - Principal Investigator, managing and supervising the project’s budget and a team of 4 (3 research assistants, 1 doctoral candidate)

- published 3 single authored, peer-reviewed papers, 1 handbook chapter, edited 2 special issues
- Research in France, Ethiopia, Côte d'Ivoire, Senegal, Netherlands, USA
- Hosting a visiting scholar in 2022: Waqar Zaidi, Pakistan
- Organising and directing 3 international workshops in 2020 and 2022, cooperation with Lahore University of Management and Science, Pakistan

2014-2017 **Ethiopia and the beginnings of the UNESCO World Heritage Programme (dissertation project)**

- Won a scholarship from the **Gerda Henkel** Foundation (3 years full-time)
- Won a Publication grant from the Gerda Henkel Foundation and additional open-access funding for the publication of the monograph "Developing Heritage - Developing Countries" (De Gruyter 2020) (total € 7000)
- published 3 peer-reviewed papers and 1 monograph
- Archival and field research in France, Ethiopia, Switzerland, USA, UK

TEACHING

2024	A critical history of international heritage institutions, Blended high-level learning programme and Certificate of Advanced Studies in International Cultural Heritage Law and Provenance Studies, Université de Genève
2024	The history of flying in and out of Europe, ISU Hessen, Philipps Universität Marburg
2023	Economic History of African Development (with Björn Vollan), Phillips Universität Marburg
2023	Von der Ausbeutung zur Unabhängigkeit? Globalisierung von Handel und Währung in Afrika im 19. und 20. Jahrhundert (with Dolly Afoumba and Charles Tchoula), Philipps Universität Marburg
2021	Industrialization Beyond the West: Ethiopia, Japan, and their Mutual Involvement 1868/1889-2020 (with Jonathan Krautter), HU Berlin
2020	Mentor of the student project tutorial "Independence in the Air - aviation in postcolonial Africa", HU Berlin
2018	History and Classical Texts of Pan-Africanism, (MA Seminar), HU Berlin
2018	Digital Sources for African and Global History (BA Seminar), HU Berlin
2017	Tourism in Africa - Historical Perspectives (MA Seminar), HU Berlin

SUPERVISION AND MENTORING

2024	MA-Thesis "Die GTZ als Wegbereiter der westdeutschen Entwicklungszusammenarbeit.", Wirtschafts- und Sozialgeschichte, Philipps Uni Marburg
2024	Mentor, Karriereförderprogramm für Frauen des Cusanuswerk e.V., Mentee: Dolly Afoumba, PhD Candidate in African Economic History

ORGANISATION OF SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS

2024	Co-organiser: Security and Risk – Challenges for Economy and Business in the Global 20 th Century, 7.-8.11.2024, Philipps Universität Marburg.
2024	Co-organiser: The Historicities of Security and Peace, International Conference of the Collaborative Research Center "Dynamics of Security" and the Center for Conflict

- Studies, 9.-11.10.2024, Philipps Universität Marburg.
- 2024 **Co-organiser:** Women in Economic History, network meeting, 10.-11.10.2024, Forschungskolleg Humanwissenschaften, Bad Homburg.
- 2024 **Organiser of the panel** (with Grietje Verhoef and Nina Kleinöder): African Business History, 11.-13.7., European Business History Association, Lisbon and Carcavelos.
- 2024 **Organiser** (with Kim Todzi): Authors Workshop, German companies in Asia, 7.-8.3.2024, Forschungsstelle Hamburgs (Post-)Koloniales Erbe.
- 2023 **Organiser:** German companies in Asia: mapping out a new field of research”, 5.7.2023, Philipps Universität Marburg.
- 2022 **Organiser** (with Waqar Zaidi, LUMS, Pakistan): “Fractured Skies: Civil Aviation and the Global South”, online, <https://marie-huber.de/fractured-skies/>, 28.-30.6.2022
- 2021 **Organiser** (with Stefanie Ettmeier, DIW Berlin): Masterclass with Ute Röschenthaler „What can Economics and Economic History learn from Memory Studies”, 6.4.2022, DIW Berlin.
- 2021 **Co-organiser of the panel:** Disciplinary Trends: History, at the Africa Knows! Online-conference, (with Larissa Schulte-Nordholt, Paul Nugent, Jan Bart Gewald, Enocent Msindo), Dec 2020- Jan 2021, Leiden University, Netherlands.
- 2020 **Organiser** of the online workshop: Global History of State Enterprises, 1950 to present, online: <https://marie-huber.de/global-history-of-state-enterprises> 26.-27.11.2020, HU Berlin.
- 2019 **Organiser of the panel:** The United Nations in Africa, and Africa in the UN: Bureaucratic Wrangling, Translocal Negotiations, and the Politics of Expertise, European Conference of African Studies (ECAS), 11-14.6.2019, University of Edinburgh.
- 2016 Co-organiser of the workshop: Revisiting Capitalism and Africa, Nachwuchstagung der Vereinigung für Afrikawissenschaften in Deutschland, 20.7.2016, HU Berlin.

RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND VOLUNTARY WORK

- Since 2023 Mentor for the **Cusanuswerk e.V.**
- Since 2023 co-founder of the **#metoohistory** Initiative
- 2021-2023 Consultant, **APRI - Africa Policy Research Private Institute**, Berlin
- Since 2021 Co-founder and editorial member of **Perspektiven.blog** - career perspectives for humanities scholars and social scientists
- Since 2017 Mentor at **mentorme**, career-related support programme for women
- 2016 Consultant (Heritage and Tourism), **UNESCO** Mission to Ethiopian Biosphere Reserves, 15-21 July
- 2014 Consultant (Urban Development), **copes** Berlin

REVIEWING ACTIVITIES

- Journals** *Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History; Business History; Enterprise and Society; The Economic History Review; International Journal of Cultural Property; Cogent Social Sciences; Journal of Educational Media, Memory and Society*
- Books** Routledge; De Gruyter
- Funding** Deutscher Akademischer Auslandsdienst (DAAD); Deutsche Forschungsgesellschaft (DFG); Arts and Humanities Research Council (ANHR)

MEMBERSHIPS

- Women in Economic History (WIEH)
 European Business History Association (EBHA)
 Working Group for Critical Corporate History (AkkU eV)

European Network in Universal and Global History (ENIUGH)
Association of Historians of Germany (VHD)
Scientific Working Group on the Horn of Africa (WAKVAH eV)

LANGUAGE SKILLS

German (native)
English (fluent/EREF C2)
French (advanced/EREF C1)
Language training in Amharic

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2024	Journalistic writing for researchers, Lucia Weiss, AG Transfer SFB 138, Philipps Universität Marburg
2024	academic career coaching, Edda Wilde
2023	Non-Fiction Writing, Ben Miller, Berlin Writers Workshop
2023	90-Day Writing Accelerator, Dr. Nicole Janz
2022	Blockchain, Bitcoin, Bots and more, femmecapital
2020	Efficient in using excel, HU Berlin
2020	research communication coaching, Susanne Geu
2019	Career planning and navigating on your way to professorship, Humboldt Graduate School
2018	Creative networking and fundraising, HU Berlin
2017	Impact and Research Communication, HU Berlin
2016	Creativity in teaching, HU Berlin

PUBLICATIONS

Monograph

- 2020 Marie Huber, *Developing Heritage - Developing Countries: Ethiopian Nation-Building and the Origins of UNESCO World Heritage, 1960-1980*, (Berlin, De Gruyter, 2020).

Special Issues

- 2024 Marie Huber, Waqar Zaidi (eds.), *Aviation and the Global South*, special issue for **Journal of Transport History**, vol. 45, 3, 2024.
- 2022 Marie Huber, Alexander Keese (eds.), *State Enterprises in African States after Independence*, special issue for **Zeitschrift für Unternehmensgeschichte**

Peer reviewed articles

- 2024 "Higher up, further." *Approaching air transport in postcolonial Africa through the biographies of planes*, **Journal of Transport History**, vol. 45, 3, 2024.
- 2023 *Ideologies of (In)Competence – Africanization and Management in Francophone West Africa after Independence*. **comparativ**, 33, no. 5–6 (2023): 691–706.
- 2022 Marie Huber, *The 'National Atlas of Ethiopia' as a Mirror of Ethiopian Nationalism (1962-1987)*, in: **comparativ** - Zeitschrift für Globalgeschichte und vergleichende Gesellschaftsforschung, 32, 2, 264-288.
- 2022 Marie Huber, *State-owned success stories in the air: the multinational airline Air Afrique and Ethiopian Airlines in the 1960s and 1970s*, in: **Zeitschrift für Unternehmensgeschichte**, 67, 2, 271-292.
- 2022 Marie Huber, *Creating Destinations for a Better Tomorrow: UN Development Aid for Cultural Tourism in the 1960s*, in: **Journal of Contemporary History**, 57, 2, 317-340.
- 2017 Marie Huber, *Making Ethiopian Heritage World Heritage - UNESCO's Role in Ethiopian Cultural and Natural Heritage*, in: **Annales d'Éthiopie** vol. 31 (2016.2017).

Book chapters

- 2025 (forthcoming) Huber, Marie; Kleinöder, Nina; Krautter, Jonathan, *Entrepreneurial Expectations in Colonial and Postcolonial Contexts*, in: Köhler, Ingo; Lenel, Laetitia; Nützenadel, Alexander; Streb, Jochen, *The Routledge Handbook of Economic Expectations in Historical Perspective*, (Routledge: 2024)
- 2021 Marie Huber, *Patrimonialização Internacional, desenvolvimento e política nacional da história: o legado institucional dos programas de conservação da UNESCO na Etiópia*, in Miguel Bandeira Jerónimo and Walter Rossa (eds.), *Patrimónios Contestados* (Lisbon: Público, 2021).
- 2018 Marie Huber, *Altes Wissen auf neuen Wege - Die Verbreitung von Äthiopienwissen durch internationale Netzwerke 1950-1980*, in: Simone Lässig; Stephanie Zloch; Lars Müller (eds.), *Wissen in Bewegung. Migration und globale Verflechtungen in der deutschen und europäischen Geschichte seit 1945*, (Berlin: De Gruyter, 2018).

Reviews (selection)

- 2022 Kreienbaum, Jonas, *Das Öl und der Kampf um eine Neue Weltwirtschaftsordnung*, Berlin: 2021, in: Sehepunkte 22, 12.
- 2020 Martin Lengwiler, Nigel Penn, Patrick Harries (eds.), *Science, Africa and Europe. Processing Information and Creating Knowledge*, New York: 2019, in: SZG/RSH/RSS 70/3 (2020), 455-511, DOI: 10.24894/2296-6013.00071
- 2019 Akerman, James R., *Decolonizing the Map. Cartography from Colony to Nation*, Chicago: 2017, in: Connections. A Journal for Historians and Area Specialists, 06.12.2019

Research communication and outreach

- 2025 Standpunkt: Afrikas Luftfahrt muss sich dekolonisieren, 02.01.2025, table.briefings. <https://table.media/africa/standpunkt/afrikas-luftfahrt-muss-sich-dekolonisieren/>
- 2024 Orth, Wim. Live Aid-Skandal – Die Welt spendete, doch das Geld floss in Waffen. AHA! History - Geschichtspodcast WELT. Accessed 21 April 2024. <https://www.welt.de/podcasts/aha-history/article250665875/Live-Aid-Skandal-die-Welt-spendete-doch-das-Geld-floss-in-Waffen-Geschichts-Podcast.html>.
- 2024 Funke, Janine, and Marie Huber. Die Position: Deutsche Unis haben ein MeToo-Problem. *Die Zeit*, 10 January 2024. <https://www.zeit.de/2024/03/metoo-deutsche-universitaeten-frauen-hochschule>.
- 2023 #metoohistory - sexuelle Übergriffigkeit in den Wissenschaften. *Studio 9*. Deutschlandfunk Kultur, 23 September 2023. <https://www.deutschlandfunkkultur.de/metoohistory-sexuelle-uebergriffigkeit-in-den-wissenschaften-dlf-kultur-d56fc1c7-100.html>.
- 2022 quoted in: Teresa Bücken: *Der Garten einer guten Mutter* - zwischenzeit_en Newsletter from 16.01.2022.
- 2021 Die Politisierungsmaschine. Internationale Kulturpolitik und Bürgerkrieg in Äthiopien. Geschichte der Gegenwart. <https://geschichtedergegenwart.ch/die-politisierungsmaschine-internationale-kulturpolitik-und-buergerkrieg-in-aethiopien/>.
- 2021 The International Podcast, Contributions to Episodes 9 & 12, 19.5.2021, <https://anchor.fm/obinnac>.
- 2021 Presentation: Cultural Property Protection and Vulnerability in the Current Conflict in Tigray (Ethiopia), Annual Meeting of the National Committee of Blue Shield International, Berlin
- 2021 Bedrohte Altertümer: Äthiopiens Kulturerbe ist in Gefahr. *Der Tagesspiegel*, 9 February 2021. <https://www.tagesspiegel.de/wissen/aethiopiens-kulturerbe-ist-in-gefahr-4229722.html>.
- 2020 Äthiopien und das UNESCO-Weltkulturerbe, Podcast interview, *ANNOPunktPunkt* Ep. 52, 03.06.2020, <https://anno-punktpunktpunkt.de/052-aethiopien-und-das-unesco-weltkulturerbe>
- 2017 Georgios Chatzoudis, Kulturerhalt finde in jeder Gesellschaft statt - Interview mit Marie Huber, in: *L.I.S.A. Das Wissenschaftsportal der Gerda-Henkel-Stiftung*, 09.05.2017, https://lisa.gerda-henkel-stiftung.de/kulturerhalt_erfolgt_in_jeder_gesellschaft?nav_id=6847
- 2016 Verschwiegener Aufbruch - Junge Architektur auf den Philippinen, in: *Baunetzwoche* 447, 31.3.2016, https://www.baunetz.de/baunetzwoche/baunetzwoche_ausgabe_4719205.html

INVITED TALKS (selection)

- 2024 Postcolonial Skies. Aviation in Africa after independence, Wings of Globalization? New Approaches to the History of Commercial Aviation, 1920s-2020s, Washington D.C.
- 2024 **Keynote: (Post)Colonial Business History: Methods, Theoretical Foundations and the Way Forward.** At: The Business of Worldmaking: New Perspectives on Liminal Actors in Postcolonial Development Cooperation, Science and Research Center, Koper (Slovenia)
- 2024 The postcolonial 'Future Shock': political, technological, and business expectations at the multinational 'Air Afrique' during the 1960s and early 1970s, Cambridge-LSE Economic History Workshop
- 2024 Ethereal Sovereignities, Aerial Modernities and Postcolonial Futures in Africa, Kolloquium Wirtschafts- und Technikgeschichte, TU Dresden
- 2023 Moderator: metoohistory, Diskussionsveranstaltung zu Machtmissbrauch im deutschen Wissenschaftssystem, 54. Deutscher Historikertag, Leipzig
- 2023 Discussant: Systemwandel (fach)gerecht? Karrierewege und Arbeitsbedingungen in der Geschichtswissenschaft, Podiumsdiskussion des Verbandes der Historikerinnen und Historiker Deutschlands, Berlin
- 2023 Globalisierung im Kleinen. Westdeutsche Wirtschaftsbeziehungen zum äthiopischen Kaiserreich in den 1950er und 60er Jahren, Research Colloquium on Economic, Social and Mining History, University of Bamberg/ Ruhr University Bochum
- 2023 Book Presentation *Developing Heritage - Developing Countries*, Séminaire du CFEE, Addis Ababa
- 2022 Postkoloniale Utopien? Unternehmerische Erwartungsbildung am Beispiel der multinationalen Fluglinie Air Afrique, Lecture Series Economic and Social History, University of Regensburg
- 2021 Ein nationales Spektakel auf internationalen Bühnen: Ein Lage- und Hintergrundbericht zum Kulturgüterschutz im Norden Äthiopiens, German National Committee of Blue Shield e.V.
- 2021 Welterbe als Entwicklungshilfe? Äthiopien und die UNESCO in den 1960er Jahren, lecture series *Heritage and History. Critical Engagements*, DFG Research Training Group 1913 Cultural and Technical Values of Historic Buildings, BTU Cottbus-Senftenberg
- 2021 International Heritage-making, development and national politics of history - the institutional legacy of UNESCO conservation programmes in Ethiopia, *Contested Heritage Seminar Series*, Patrimónios Project, Universidade de Coimbra
- 2021 World Heritage as Development Aid? Ethiopia and UNESCO in the 1960s, *Research Colloquium of the Heidelberg Center for Cultural Heritage*, University of Heidelberg
- 2020 Denkmalpflege und Museumsarbeit als Entwicklungshilfe? UNESCO und die Produktion des nationalen Kulturerbes in Äthiopien nach 1950, *Colloquium Art of Africa*, FU Berlin
- 2019 National Space as an International Project: The National Atlas, Geodesy and Cartography in Ethiopia, 1960-1990, 24 April, *Colloquium SFB 1199*, Leipzig
- 2017 Landkarten, Entwicklungshilfe und Identitätspolitik: Die Neu-Vermessung und Vermarktung der nationalen großäthiopischen Identität mit Hilfe der internationalen Gemeinschaft in den 1960er und 70er Jahren, evening lecture, *8th Gotha Map Week: Ethiopia in Gotha*, Gotha Research Library.

- 2017 Developing Countries and the Beginnings of the UNESCO World Heritage Programme: a Case Study of the First Ethiopian World Heritage Sites, *Colloque "Sud"*, Université de Genève,
- 2017 Developing Countries in the Historic Genesis of UNESCO World Heritage: Ethiopia, *Heritage on a Global Scale? Uses of 'Historical Authenticity' beyond the Nation State*, MasterClass with Aleida and Jan Assmann, IEG Mainz
- 2016 Images of Tourism - Images of Heritage: Establishing National Heritage through Tourism Promotion in Ethiopia from ca. 1960-1990, Seminar Series: *Past and Present: History, Memory and Heritage*, Centre Français des études éthiopiennes, Addis Ababa

Conference presentations (selection)

- 2024 Securitizing Development. How German Business Lobbying Shaped the Beginnings of German Development Aid in the 1960s, Security and Risk – Challenges for Economy and Business in the Global 20th Century, Marburg
- 2024 Education and industrialisation in Africa – a reseach agenda, Les multinationales comme cause internationale. Etat des lieux et perspectives de recherche. Centre Marc Bloch, Berlin
- 2024 Kommentar, Panel: Imperialism, Colonisation and Business Activities, European Business Association, Lissabon
- 2024 TWA's Services to Ethiopia from 1945–87: A Best Practice Example of Business-Led Development Cooperation?, American Historical Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco
- 2023 The business of colonization and decolonization in Africa – two case studies on transport infrastructures to argue for a (Post-)Colonial Business History, (with Nina Kleinöder) European Business History Association, Oslo
- 2023 Understanding West German-Ethiopian business relations in the 1960s through the lens of security and insecurity, Business History Congress, Detroit
- 2023 Industrialization, Regional Development and Strategic Partnerships: German-Ethiopian Economic Relations between 1950 and 1970, Economic Histories in the Horn of Africa, Addis Ababa University
- 2022 Idéologies de l'(in)compétence - Africanisation et politiques de modernisation en Afrique de l'Ouest francophone après l'indépendance, École d'hiver: Pratiques bureaucratiques et expertise professionnelle dans le contexte colonial et postcolonial (XVIIIe-XXe siècle), Dakar - Ile de Gorée
- 2021 The multinational Airline Air Afrique, ENIUGH *Sixth European Congress on World and Global History*, June 15-19, online/ Turku
- 2020 Pioneering work in the high mountains of Semien - Development surveys in Ethiopia by Swiss experts in the 1960s and 1970s, *Imaginaries of Development in the Highlands*, University of Bern
- 2018 Conservators on the Rise - The Expert Network Behind the Success of the Ethiopian World Heritage Nominations 1978-1979, *Decolonisation and the Field*, German Historical Institute, London
- 2017 Creating Destinations for a Better Tomorrow: International Technical Assistance to National Tourism Sectors in Developing Countries During the First UN Development Decade (1960-1970), *How to Change the World. Entangled Histories of Development*, Shanghai University

2016 Developing Countries and the Beginnings of the UNESCO World Heritage Programme: a Case Study of the First Ethiopian World Heritage Sites, *Young Research on the Horn of Africa (WAKHVA)*, Zentrum Moderner Orient, Berlin