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Professional experience.

September 2001- present

Vasco da Gama Visiting Professor at the Department of History/ Department of Portuguese and Brazilian Studies, Brown University. Upper-level undergraduate & graduate courses taught: 'Portugal and the Discovery of the World, 1415-1808', 'European Empires in the East, 1500-1800', 'The Golden Age of Iberia, 1415-1700', 'The Making of the South Atlantic World, 1500-1822', 'The Wider World in the making of Europe: goods, *mores* and political horizons'. I have supervised and shall have served on committees of both M.A. and Ph.D. students.

Sept. 1998- June 2000

Visiting Lecturer in the History Department of the Central European University (Közepi Europai Egyetem), Budapest, Hungary. Taught two mandatory graduate courses on Historical Methodology, Philosophy of History and Academic Writing to approx. 35 students. Lecture tours for the CEU across the former Soviet Union (Armenia, Georgia, and Azerbaijan in December 1998, Kaliningrad in December 1999) on the subject of the development of the European concept.

Education.

1994-June 2001.

Ph.D at the European University Institute (Istituto Universitario Europeo), Department of History and Civilisation, Fiesole, Italy. The thesis *Portugal and the European spice trade, 1480-1580* was examined under the following jury: Prof. K.N. Chaudhuri (formerly SOAS, London & IUE, Italy); Prof. Hermann van der Wee (Catholic University of Louvain); Prof. David Abulafia (Gonville & Caius, Cambridge), and Prof. Diogo Ramada Curto (Universidade Nova de Lisboa, & Vasco da Gama chair, IUE, Italy).

1998, Spring.

Visiting Scholar at **O_roddek Bada_ nad Tradycj_ Antyczn_ w Polsce i Europie _rodkowo-Wschodniej, Warsaw University.**

1992-1993

Attendance at **Universidade Clássica de Lisboa** on I.C.A.L.P. scholarship.

1991-1992

Johns' Hopkins University Bologna Center, Italy as one of two British national grant winners. Teaching Assistant for the course 'Themes in Modern European History', Prof. David Schoenbaum.

1988-1991

Modern History Honours (M.A.), Cambridge University, Sidney Sussex College. Gladstone Memorial Prize for best dissertation (*Portugal and the Medieval Atlantic: the Re-discovery of the Mid-Atlantic Archipelagos*) submitted within the Humanities and Social Science Faculties (June, 1991).

Academic publications.

Books.

- Monograph 'Portugal and the European Spice Trade, 1480-1580' currently under contract to Brill, Leiden; negotiations as to whether it be included in Cambridge University Press' 'Past and Present' series currently under way.
- 'Portugal Índico – the Portuguese Presence in South Asia, 1500-1800' Following an international workshop convened May 16-17, 2003 at Brown University, the contributions are to come out as an anthology of primary sources in English together with critical essays in Spring 2004.

Articles.

- 'Some trends in the evolution of the apothecary and his art across Europe in the early modern period, and his relations in the social matrix', in *The world of the Italian apothecary*, special issue of *Pharmacy in History* (Oct.2003).
- 'A Question of Quality. The Commercial Contest between Portuguese Atlantic spices and their Venetian Levantine equivalents over the Sixteenth Century', *Itinerario* (Leiden), XXV, Issue 2, (2002).
- 'The Mystification of Spices in the Western Tradition', *The European Review of History*, vol. 8, no. 2, 2001.
- *From the Habsburg Military Frontier to National Park: the Discovery of the Plitvice lakes*, Institute for Croatian History & Splitski knji_evni krug, Zagreb (2000),
- 'Early modern European taste and its articulation across the social hierarchy: the case of spices, 1500-1800', *American Historical Review* (forthcoming, pending revisions).
- 'Meanings behind Myths: the Multiple Manifestations of the Tree of the Virgin at Matarea' (article to appear in *Mediterranean Studies*, 13, 2004)
- Editor of proceedings of the international research project *The Triplex Confinium, a Microhistory of Borders in South-Eastern Europe* (organised by the Universities of Zagreb, Graz, and CEU, 1998-) & László Kontler's *Millenium in Central Europe. A History of Hungary* (Budapest: Atlantisz, 1999).

Papers at international conferences, panel discussions, media appearances.

- Panel discussant of 'The Colonial Legacy', International Portuguese African Encounters conference, held at Brown University 25-28 April, 2002.

- Co-designer of Vasco da Gama research project website, and compiler of online bibliography of the History of European Expansion (<http://www.iue.it/OnlineProjects/HEC/VascodaGama/Resources.htm>).
- Compiler of three syllabi for courses suitable to be taught at university level on behalf of the Civic Education Project, Newhaven, USA, 1998. These courses were:
 - a) 'A Comparative History of European Expansion in the Early Modern World'
 - b) 'Unities and Divisions in Early Modern Europe'.
 - c) 'Confronting the Perpetual Enemy: Relations with the Turk in early modern Europe, 1450-1650'.
- Academic papers given:
 - 'Spices in Renaissance Europe: Foodstuff or Materia Medica?', Renaissance Society of America, March 2003.
 - Joint keynote speech on 'Colonialism in Portuguese India', in conference 'Culture, Colonisation and Decolonisation', organised by School of Romance Studies and SOAS, London, 22 February 2003.
 - 'The Mystification of Spices in the Western tradition', John Carter Brown Library, Providence, U.S., May 2002.
 - 'The naming of Brazil re-visited', Annual Meeting of the Society for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies (SSPHS), Athens, Georgia, April 11-14, 2002.
 - 'From Military Frontier of the Habsburg Empire to National Park: the discovery of the Plitvice lakes', 'Eco-history of the Triplex Confinium' (c. 1500-1800)', Zadar, May 4-8, 2000.
 - Some of the implications of postmodernism for the discipline of History, or the subversion of truth-seeking for "telling it as you like it", a paper prepared for the Open Society Institute's 'Megaproject', August, 1999.
 - 'Movements on the sixteenth century European pepper market', XXIXth Settimana di Studio at the Datini Institute, Prato, 14-19 April 1997, Young Scholars session.
- Radio discussion with Dan Cooper on the subject of spices in world history (Public Radio Partnership's Audio Archive <http://216.24.56.185:8080/WFPL's%20Home%20Grown/>), February 22, 2003.

Academic honours and memberships of Historical Associations.

Assistant Editor of the Electronic Journal of Portuguese History (see http://www.brown.edu/Departments/Portuguese_Brazilian_Studies/)

Everett Holm Visiting Fellowship, Lilly Library, Indiana University, Bloomington, May-June 2003.

Member of the Renaissance Society of America, 2002-

Member of the Society for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies, 2001-02.

Princeps Senatus of the *Confraternitas Historica*, Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, 1990-1991.

Languages.

English, French, Italian, Portuguese, German, Polish;

Latin, Croatian, Dutch (reading knowledge).