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## Education

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| since October 2019 | <b>University of St Andrews, Scotland</b><br>PhD candidate in Iranian Studies. Project working title: <i>The Exile of the Tudeh Party in Iran in Divided Germany, 1953-1979</i>  |
| 2018 – 2019        | <b>University of St Andrews, Scotland</b><br>MLitt Iranian Studies   |
| 2013 – 2017        | <b>Otto-Friedrich-Universität Bamberg, Germany</b><br>BA Islamic Studies <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Minor: European Economic Studies</li><li>• Semester abroad at the University of Tehran, Iran</li><li>• Language courses in Arabic in Jordan and Morocco</li></ul> |

## Publications [forthcoming]

- [“Kianuri, Nur-al-Din.” *Encyclopaedia Iranica* (together with Dr Siavush Randjbar-Daemi).]
- “National Socialist Propaganda in Late Reza-Shah Iran: The Case of *Khaterat-e Hitler* by Mohsen Jahansuz.” July 2020. *British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies*.

## Scholarships and Awards

- *European Doctoral Stipend Scholarship*, St Leonard’s Postgraduate College, University of St Andrews (2019-2022)
- *Doctoral Training Partnership Scholarship*, Scottish Graduate School for Arts and Humanities and Arts and Humanities Research Council (2019-2022)
- *I.B. Tauris Publishers Prize* for the best paper on Modern and Contemporary Iran at the “Symposia Iranica” conference at the University of St Andrews (2019). Title of the paper: “*Khaterat-e Hitler* by Mohsen Jahansuz. A Persian Adaptation of My Struggle?”
- *Scholarship of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)* for a semester at the University of Tehran (2015 – 2016)
- *Scholarship of the German Academic Scholarship Foundation* (2014 – 2019)

## Talks and Conference Papers [forthcoming]

- [1 Nov. 2021] **[Webinar Series “The Middle East c. 1960-1980: Global and Transnational Perspectives”**, St Antony’s College, University of Oxford: “The Birth of the Iranian Maoist Movement Reconsidered: What Role Did the German-German Divide Play in the Emergence of the Revolutionary Organization of the Tudeh Party of Iran in 1963/64?”]
- [29-30 Oct. 2021] **[Workshop “Refugees and the (Global) Cold War”**, Freie Universität Berlin: “From Tehran to Leipzig: The Odyssey of the Tudeh Party of Iran, 1946-1958”.]
- 20 May 2021 **Symposium "Iran and Global Decolonization"**, University of Pennsylvania and University of California, Los Angeles: "Radical Voices from within the Metropolis: Decolonization and the Iranian Left in Europe, 1957-1967."
- 30 Mar. 2021 **Conference “The Tudeh Party of Iran at 80” (organized together with Dr Siavush Randjbar-Daemi)**, University of St Andrews: "Between Accra, Saigon and Leipzig: The Tudeh Party of Iran and Global Decolonization, 1957-1965."
- 9 Mar. 2021 **Workshop on the Entanglements of the European and Global South Lefts at the Institute for Transnational and Spatial History**, University of St Andrews: "Mapping Iranian Leftist Activism in Divided Berlin: Spatial and Transnational Entanglements of East and West, and North and South."
- 25 Nov. 2020 **Invited Talk**, Leibniz Centre for Contemporary History Potsdam: "The 'Iron Curtain' an Open Window? The Exile of the Tudeh Party in Divided Germany, 1953-1979."
- 13 Apr. 2019 **“Symposia Iranica” Conference on Iranian Studies**, University of St Andrews: “*Khaterat-e Hitler* by Mohsen Jahansuz. A Persian Adaptation of *Mein Kampf*?”

## Experience

- Jan. – Apr. 2021 **University of St Andrews, Scotland**  
Graduate Teaching Assistant (Middle Eastern History)
- 2019 – 2021 **German Middle East Studies Association for Contemporary Research and Documentation (DAVO), Mainz, Germany**  
Graduate Assistant
- April – July 2017 **Otto-Friedrich-Universität Bamberg, Germany**  
Student Teaching Assistant (Arabic)