



Univ.-Prof. Dr. Peter Bußjäger

Curriculum vitae

I. Personal:

Born May 4th, 1963, Bludenz/Vorarlberg.

Austrian citizenship. No additional citizenships.

Married, one daughter.

II. Education:

1981 General qualification for university entrance (Matura), Bundesrealgymnasium Bludenz (with honors).

1981 - 1985 University of Innsbruck Law School (Diploma programme).

1985 Graduation as „Magister“ of Law.

1985/1986 Postgraduate Doctoral Studies in Law, University of Innsbruck. Dissertation: „Parteistellung und Organisation von Umweltschlichtern in Österreich“.

1986 Doctorate in Law.

1986/1987 Legal practice at the district court Bludenz and the regional court Feldkirch, Vorarlberg.

III. Professional Activities:

Since September 1st, 1987 employee of the State of Vorarlberg.

September 1st, 1987 – December 31st, 1989 Employment in the regional planning department of the office of the Vorarlberg state government.

January 1st, 1990 – May 10th, 1992 Director of the economic department of the district authority

(Bezirkshauptmannschaft) Bludenz.

February 13th, 1991 First deputy of the district governor (Bezirkshauptmann).

Since May 11th, 1992 Department of Legislation, Office of the state government of Vorarlberg.

From July 1st, 1992 Appointed as an official of the Legal Service of the State of Vorarlberg.

1993/1994 Participation in the university course "European Law", Schloss Hofen/Lochau/Vorarlberg.

March 25th, 1994 Academically **certified expert in European Law**.

March 1st, 1999 Deputy of the executive board, Department of Legislation.

Since March 15th, 1999 Second deputy of the director of parliament.

1999 Habilitation Thesis: „Die Organisationshoheit und Modernisierung der Landesverwaltungen“.

March 2000 **Habilitation as university lecturer for constitutional law, administrative law and administrative theory**, Institute for Public Law, Constitutional and Administrative Theory at the University of Innsbruck.

Since January 1st, 2001 Director of the Institute of Federalism in Innsbruck. In addition, continued to work as a member of the Legislation Department of the Office of the Vorarlberg State Government. From January 1st, 2003 to December 31st, 2012 Director of the Vorarlberg State Parliament.

From October 2005 to October 2009 Member of the administrative court of the principality of

Liechtenstein.

Since October, 2009 Member of the constitutional court of the principality of Liechtenstein.

From January 1st to January 31st, 2018 Research officer of the Liechtenstein-Institute in Bendern.

October 1st, 2014 Appointment as University Professor for Public Law at the Department for Public

Law, State and Administrative Science in Innsbruck (endowed chair of Public Law, 50% employment)

Since February 1st, 2018 Appointment as University Professor for Constitutional Law, Administrative Science and Administrative Law at the Department for Public Law, State and Administrative Science in Innsbruck

IV. Research Groups and Projects:

Participation in numerous working groups and projects regarding the reform of tasks and administrative modernization. Listed below is a selection of the most important projects:

A) State Level

- ◆ 1993 - 2000 Participation in the project „Gehaltsreform“. Implementation of the results obtained in the project as the responsible legal expert of the Legislation Department.
- ◆ 1993 - 1994 Project manager „VORIS“ (Legislation Information Service), editing of the state law of Vorarlberg in printed and digital version.
- ◆ 1998/1999 Project „Erlasssammlung“. Editing of the first Austrian digital collection of internal directives.
- ◆ 2000/2001 Project manager „Gesetzesfolgenabschätzung in Vorarlberg“. Implementation of the results obtained in the project through the "GFA" guidelines adopted by the state government.
- ◆ Participation in the working group „Verwaltungsreform“ of the Office of the State Government (Head: Vice President BR Jürgen Weiss).
- ◆ 2008 Project manager „Demokratie braucht Dich!“. Youth-friendly information about the state parliament of Vorarlberg.
- ◆ 2010 Project manager, state parliament of Vorarlberg: „Weiterentwicklung von ‚Demokratie braucht Dich!‘“.
- ◆ Since 2020 Member of the scientific advisory board of the State of Vorarlberg.

B) Interstate

- ◆ 1993/1994 Participation in numerous research groups on the reform of the federal system.
- ◆ 1998/1999 Director of the interstate negotiations on „Einheitlichen Anlagenrecht“.
- ◆ 2001/2002 Director of the interstate research group „Umsetzung Strategische UVP- Richtlinie“. Preliminary conclusion by report to LAD conference in October 2002.

- ◆ 2006 - 2012 Member of the state expert group on subsidiarity check nominated by the Conference of State Parliament Directors.

C) Federal- /State-Level Working Groups

- ◆ 1997/1998 Participation in the parliamentary research group of the ÖVP, „AVG-Novelle“ (General Administrative Procedures / Direction: NR Karlheinz Kopf).
- ◆ 1998/1999 Participation in the parliamentary research group of the ÖVP, „Einheitliches Anlagenrecht“.
- ◆ 2000 Involvement as an expert nominated by the ÖVP in the consultations of the environmental committee on the amendment of the UVP legislation.
- ◆ 2014/15 Involved as an expert nominated by the ÖVP in the consultations of the parliamentary commission of inquiry on direct democracy.
- ◆ 2016 Expert at the workshop of the state crisis and disaster management on September 13th – 15th, 2016 in Neustift i. Mühlkreis.

D) Austrian Convention

- ◆ From June 2003 to January 2005 Member of the Austrian convention.
- ◆ Chairman of the 5th Commission of the Austrian convention (Distribution of legislative competencies between federal and state levels).

E) EU

- ◆ 2000 - 2002 Joint representative of the Austrian states regarding the „Strategische UVP-Richtlinie“.
- ◆ 2003 - 2009 Accompanying the president of the State Parliament of Vorarlberg and advisory activity in the standing committee of the CALRE.

F) Liechtenstein

- ◆ 2013 - January 2018 Project manager „Kommentar zur Verfassung Liechtensteins“ within the framework of the activity in the Liechtenstein Institute.
- ◆ 2016 – 2018 Member of the working group of the government of the Principality of Liechtenstein for the development of a new administrative procedure law.

G) Council of Europe

- ◆ Since 2018 Member of the group of independent experts on the European charter on local self-government (representative of Austria).
- ◆ Since November 2018 representative of the principality of Liechtenstein, Member of the Venice commission.

V. Selection of Activities as Director of the Institute of Federalism and as lecturer or professor at the University of Innsbruck:

- ◆ Numerous lectures in Austria, also in Germany, Switzerland and Italy, Belgium, the United Kingdom and Ukraine.
- ◆ Publications can be found in the separate index.
- ◆ July 2002 Organizing summer academy (in cooperation with the Landesbildungszentrum Schloss Hofen), topic: „Moderner Staat und innovative Verwaltung“.
- ◆ July 2001 „Neue Wege der Verwaltungsreform?“ (in cooperation with the Landesbildungszentrum Schloss Hofen and the Bürgerakademie Vorarlberg).
- ◆ November 2002 Organization of the annual conference of the IACFS (International Association of Centers for Federal Studies) in Innsbruck (in cooperation with the University of Innsbruck and the CIFE in Nice).
- ◆ June 2003 Seminary on „Föderalistische Lösungen für die Finanzierung des Gesundheitswesens?“ in Lochau near Bregenz.
- ◆ March 2004 Seminary on „Moderne Gemeindezusammenarbeit“ in Vienna (in cooperation with the Austrian federation of municipalities).
- ◆ Organization of various workshops regarding the Austrian convention in Vienna, Innsbruck and Lochau near Bregenz.
- ◆ November 25th 2005 Seminary „Finanzverfassung und Finanzausgleich auf dem Prüfstand“ in Linz.
- ◆ June 23rd 2006: Seminary „Katastrophenschutz als Aufgabe und Verantwortung im Bundesstaat“ in Rankweil.
- ◆ September 18th/19th 2007 Seminary „Können Verfassungsreformen gelingen?“ together with the forum of federations in Vienna.
- ◆ May 24th 2008 Seminary „Die Zukunft der Parlamentarischen Kontrolle“ at the Parliament in Vienna.
- ◆ September 2008 Conference on administrative reforms in the federal states together with the Tyrolean Chamber of Commerce in Innsbruck.

- ◆ November 28th 2008 Seminar „Parlamentarische Kontrolle ausgegliederter Rechtsträger“ in Linz.
- ◆ March 2009 Organization of the workshop „Intergouvernementale Beziehungen in Österreich“.
- ◆ Member of an international network of federalism researchers in Europe under the leadership of the European Center for Research on Federalism in Tübingen.
- ◆ 2007 – 2008 Member of a research project of the University of Innsbruck on judgments of the European court in respect of sovereignty of member states (publication of results in June 2008).
- ◆ Member of an international research project of the Bertelsmann Foundation „EU-Fitness of regions“.
- ◆ Country coordinator of the project „Intergovernmental Relations“ of the forum of federations.
- ◆ 2010 - 2011 Head of the research project „Verwaltungsreformen in den Ländern“ (research results published in 2011).
- ◆ April 17th, 2012 Organization of the workshop „Gemeindekooperationen – Chancen nutzen – Potenziale erschließen“ in Innsbruck.
- ◆ June 12th, 2012 Seminary „Perspektiven des Finanzföderalismus“ in Linz.
- ◆ April 11th-12th, 2013 Seminary „Die neuen Landesverwaltungsgerichte“ in Innsbruck (together with the Institute for Public Law, Political and Administrative Science of the University of Innsbruck).
- ◆ May 17th, 2013 „Föderalismus im 21. Jahrhundert“. Presentation of a position paper with panel discussion at the federal council in Vienna.
- ◆ October 21st, 2013 Event „Die Europaregion und die BürgerInnen“ in Innsbruck.
- ◆ February 27th, 2014 Event „20 Jahre Vertretung der Regionen und Gemeinden in Europa“ in Innsbruck together with the congress of communities and regions of Europe and FZ federalism.
- ◆ June 10th, 2014 Event „Zukunft Gemeinden: Kooperieren statt Fusionieren?“ in Hofen Palace in Lochau b. Bregenz.
- ◆ August 17th, 2014 Project manager „Euregio Lab“ for the preparation of the „Tiroltag“ in Alpbach.

- ◆ November 20th, 2014 Event „Normenwesen. Herausforderung Rechtsetzung und Wirtschaft“ in Linz.
- ◆ June 19th, 2015 Co-organiser of the workshop „Demokratische Innovation und Partizipation in der Europaregion“ in Bolzano.
- ◆ September 4th, 2015 Organization of the 40th anniversary of the Institute of Federalism in Innsbruck.
- ◆ October 15th, 2015 Co-organisation of the conference „Föderalismus als Erfolgsmodell“ in Vienna together with the Foster Europe Private Foundation.
- ◆ January 21st, 2016 Co-organisation of the conference „Verwaltungsgerichtsbarkeit – Erfahrungen und Praxisberichte“ in Innsbruck, Landhaus.
- ◆ October 13th, 2016 Co-organisation of the conference „Regionale Verwaltungsgerichtsbarkeit im Vergleich“ at the University of Innsbruck.
- ◆ March 21st, 2017 Organization of the conference „Europäische Regulierung und nationale Souveränität“ in Bendern, Liechtenstein Institute.
- ◆ January 31st, 2018 Organization of the conference „Die Neuorganisation der Bildungsverwaltung in Österreich“ in Linz, University of Linz, Uni-Zentrum.
- ◆ April 19th/20th, 2018 Co-organisation of the conference „Verwaltungscooperation in der Europaregion. Potenziale ohne Grenzen?“ in Bolzano, country house, inner courtyard.
- ◆ June 26th, 2018 Organization of the conference „Verwaltung im digitalen Zeitalter: Territoriale Dezentralisierung und ausgewogene regionale Entwicklung“ in St. Pölten.
- ◆ June 27th, 2019 Co-organisation of the conference „1919 – Länderkonferenzen und Landesverfassungen“ in Lecture Hall F of the University of Innsbruck.
- ◆ September 17th, 2019 Co-organisation of the conference "Science meets parliaments" in Innsbruck.
- ◆ October 25th, 2019 Co-organisation of the conference „Herausforderungen der Bezirksverwaltung“ in St. Pölten.
- ◆ November 22nd, 2019 Organization of the conference „Wohnraumschaffung – neue Herausforderungen im Landesrecht?“ in the district administration of Bregenz.

VI. Publications:

The jurisprudential publications can be found in the separate index. Furthermore, there are considerable publications primarily of regional historic nature, but also contributions on current constitutional policy issues for newspapers such as "Die Presse", "Salzburger Nachrichten", "Der Standard", "Tiroler Tageszeitung" and "Vorarlberger Nachrichten".

VII. List positions in appointment procedures:

Application for professorship "Constitutional Law, Administrative Theory and Administrative Law" at the Institute for Public Law, Constitutional and Administrative Science at the University of Innsbruck 2017: 1st place on the list

Application for endowed chair "Public Law" at the Institute of Public Law, Constitutional and Administrative Science at the University of Innsbruck 2014: 1st place on the list.

Application for professorship at the University of Innsbruck, successor to Pernthaler 2007: 2nd place on the list.

VIII. Memberships in Associations:

- ◆ President of the Juridical Association of Vorarlberg.
- ◆ Member of the Executive Board of the Austrian Association for Study of Law.
- ◆ Member of the board of the Austrian Association of Administrative Sciences.
- ◆ Member of the Austrian Legal Commission.
- ◆ Member of the Association of German Constitutional Law Teachers.
- ◆ Member of the Euroregional Lawyers Association for Comparative Public Law.
- ◆ Director of the Institute of Federalism, Member of the IACFS (International Association of Centers for Federal Studies).
- ◆ Member of the Liechtenstein Association of Judges.

IX. Political Activities:

- ◆ 1990 – 1995 Member of the environmental commission and the appointment commission of the municipality Nüziders.
- ◆ 1995 – 2003 Member of the staff advisory council of state employees, temporarily (1999 - 2001) deputy of the chairman of the staff advisory council.

X. Leisure Activities:

- ◆ Study of regional history.
- ◆ Various outdoor sports (mountaineering, running, mountain biking, snowshoeing, ski touring, cross-country skiing).

XI. Miscellaneous:

- ◆ 1996 – 2006 Expert lay judge at the labor and social court in Feldkirch, seconded by the state employees' representation.
- ◆ 1996 Award of the Efficiency Prize by the Vorarlberg Federation of Industry for suggestions regarding efficiency improvements in the state administration (including digital collection of decrees, see above under IV. A)).
- ◆ May 8th, 1996 Alfons-Tropper-Prize (along with Edwin Loebenstein) for the development of the rule of law in Austrian.
- ◆ May 19th, 1998 – December 31st, 2002 Delegate of the service appraisal commission of the state employees proposed by the state employees' representation.
- ◆ Since 2009 Co-editor of the magazine "Natur und Recht".
- ◆ October 26th, 2013 Awarded the Cross of Honour for Science and Art by the Federal President.
- ◆ Since January 14th, 2020 Member of the scientific advisory council of the state government of Vorarlberg.